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Ward 6 - Newsletter

Tucson First

December 12, 2012

Ward 6 Town Hall and Roast



Update on the January 7th event. Here's a list of the elected officials I've contacted to participate. Each have said that they'll be there or have a representative there, schedules permitting.



Congressmen

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State Senators

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State Representatives

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County Supervisors

County Supervisors

City – Mayor

Raul Grijalva

Ron Barber

Olivia Cajero Bedford

David Bradley

Steve Farley

Sally Ann Gonzales

Macario Saldate

Stephanie Mach

Bruce Wheeler

Ethan Orr

Victoria Steele

Richard Elias

Sharon Bronson

Jonathan Rothschild

This point needs clarification – the people selected represent every elected official whose ward/district overlays some portion of Ward 6. I didn't make these choices



Important Phone Numbers

Tucson Police
Department

911 or 791-4444
nonemergency

Mayor & Council
Comment Line

791-4700

Neighborhood
Resources

791-4605

Park Wise

791-5071

Water Issues

791-3242

Pima County Animal
Control

243-5900

Street Maintenance

791-3154

Planning and
Development
Services 791-5550

Southwest Gas

889-1888

Gas Emergency/
Gas Leaks

889-1888

West Nile Virus

Hotline

243-7999

Environment
Service

791-3171

Graffiti Removal

792-2489

AZ Game & Fish

628-5376

Continued: A Message From Steve

based on some subjective consideration – it's how the lines fall. There have already been the predictable reactions from some people that I've hand-picked this group with some nefarious intent in mind. In fact, the voters hand-picked them, and I'm very much looking forward to working with every one of them in the days ahead.

You'll be hearing a lot more about this event in the coming days. Please remember to rsvp to either me (791.4601) or Peg Johnson at The Loft (795.0844). It'll be free admission, and all of the participants are looking forward to a good exchange.

Heroes Behind the Badge



Last Thursday evening at the Fox, the State-wide unveiling of Heroes Behind the Badge was shown. This was an opportunity to honor those men and women who put on uniforms, leave their homes and families, and spend their workdays in dangerous situations – in order to protect this community.

The show was a documentary of several officers from across the country who have given their lives in pursuit of that example of public service. I was honored to join City Manager Richard Miranda at the Fox last week as a demonstration of respect for our cops.

The show was in large measure sponsored by the Tucson Police Foundation. What a fitting group to be involved, especially at this time when our own Sgt. Robert Carpenter is still recovering from a gunshot wound he suffered just a couple of weeks ago. If you go to the Tucson Police Foundation web site, you'll see a link to donate to Sgt. Carpenter and his family. Sounds like a nice Holiday idea.

In addition, on that website you'll find ways to help fund protective vests and other equipment for our officers. When we hire new policemen and women, they're given an equipment allowance, but once it runs out, they're on their own. The Foundation helps to fill that gap.

You can order a copy of the DVD at the Foundation website. It's about 90 minutes long and will give you a new perspective on what our police officers go through on a daily basis. Last weekend I spoke at a neighborhood gathering to review after-action work following Sgt. Carpenter's incident. On the 12th at 5:30, we're hosting a forum at the Ward 6 office to discuss burglaries that seem to spike this time of year. Behind all of that is a department comprised of men and women committed to the work of public safety – in the truest sense of the word. Thanks to each of them for the work they do.

Every 54 hours, a police officer is killed in the line of duty. We can't point to any other public service jobs that have that price-tag attached to them.

...and while we're on the topic of hiring/training/retaining our public safety workers, here's a comparison chart on how our 911 center workers compare to other jurisdictions.

City of Tucson - Public Safety Dispatcher - \$15.32 - \$23.84

Maricopa County - Emergency Dispatcher - \$16.95- \$23.64

Phoenix Fire - Dispatcher - \$18.64- \$27.36

City of Mesa - Public Safety Dispatcher (permanent) - \$20.38- \$26.14



Important Phone Numbers

Senator John
McCain (R)
520-670-6334

Senator Jon Kyl (R)
520-575-8633

Congressman
Ron Barber (D)
(8th District)
520-881-3588

Congressman
Raul Grijalva (D)
(7th District)
520-622-6788

Governor Janice
Brewer (R)
Governor of Arizona
602-542-4331
Toll free:
1-800-253-0883

State Legislators
Toll Free
Telephone:
1-800-352-8404
Internet:
www.azleg.gov

Mayor Jonathan
Rothschild
791-4201

City Infoguide
[http://
cms3.tucsonaz.gov/
infoguide](http://cms3.tucsonaz.gov/infoguide)

- █ Pima County Sheriff - 911 Dispatcher - \$16.72 - \$24.42
- █ Marana Police Department - Dispatcher \$15.45 - \$23.77
- █ Oro Valley Police Department - Dispatcher \$18.03 - \$24.66
- █ City of Flagstaff - Police Emergency Comm Specialist - \$16.89 - \$23.32

In addition, those other jurisdictions don't have as many steps within their compensation scale. That means it takes our employees far longer to move from the entry level pay (step 1) to the top of the pay scale (step 14 for COT) in comparison to the other jurisdictions listed here.

These same sorts of data are also true of TPD and TFD. The City of Mesa is about to go on a hiring spree for police officers. We've paid for the training – Mesa may be the beneficiary of your tax investment into that effort. And we'll be even further behind in our attempts at full staffing. If we were to get to our 998 full allotment, we'd still be about 110 officers behind our 2008 levels.

Last budget cycle the push was on roads. This time, it's on preserving our investment, and expanding it in our public safety workers.

Police Executive Research Forum

Much has been said about the impact of SB1070 on local law enforcement agencies. Since its passage, I have opposed the law in large measure because of the collateral issues it would impose on local jurisdictions, and by extension, the budgetary and policy impact on local law enforcement. This week, agencies from across the country will meet to talk about how they're implementing legislation that is similar to ours.

If this were an easy issue to address, we wouldn't have seen the very large turnout for this forum. Local law enforcement agencies from California, Georgia, Alabama, South Carolina, Texas and Virginia joined TPD and other Arizona law enforcement agency heads to talk about the challenges posed by the new law. Here are some of the issues they're kicking around:

- Will departments have to narrowly tailor their policies and procedures to avoid the appearance of racial profiling?
- In an era when many departments are struggling to provide public safety with limited resources:
 - Who develops and provides training?
 - Prison overcrowding? Who pays?
- What are the internal (i.e., officer) reactions to the legislation?
- What are the external reactions to the legislation?
 - What has been done to mitigate the potential negative impact on trust and community policing?
- How do you measure "reasonable suspicion"?
 - What factors can you take into consideration?
 - How would an officer establish reasonable suspicion?
- How are you mitigating exposure to lawsuits?:
 - Exposure to lawsuits on two fronts: racial profiling accusations versus public perception that department isn't implementing the law 'adequately enough'
 - How do you determine what is "adequate enough"?
- How do you measure "reasonable attempt to determine immigration status" to

satisfy the law?

- How do you gauge “stop length” (the amount of time an officer spends on a particular stop)?
 - Has there been an increase in the average amount of time spent on a traffic stop?
 - Are officers making more stops?
- What mechanisms are in place to prevent “overly aggressive” enforcement of the law?
- What is the relationship between state & federal officials?
 - What assistance has been provided?

Proponents of the law overlook these policy and legal questions that are now at issue for our Police and County Sheriff Departments. I give credit to Chief Villasenor and Sheriff Dupnik for representing our region in such a professional manner. With the staffing and budget issues we’re facing, the very fact that a forum such as this was needed is evidence that the objections from local law enforcement agencies across the State to the passage of this legislation had merit.

More City Worker Kudos

While I’m on the topic of City workers, I want to give a huge public shout-out of thanks to Becky Flores and Bobi Kulesza for being such wonderful examples of what constituent service should be about.

Becky works with the Neighborhood Services area of the City, and Bobi is with Environmental Services. In both cases we have received notes of commendation from neighborhood representatives following their interaction with the ladies. We at the Ward 6 office can also attest to what a pleasure it is to work with them. Thumbs up to both of you – and thanks, on behalf of the many neighborhood leaders with whom you have interacted.

School Closures

It is without a doubt that TUSD has significant fiscal issues they’re trying to deal with. The Board is working extremely hard to come to grips with the loss of student population, and the loss of funding. What seems to be the collateral damage in the most recent proposal to close down and consolidate several schools is the sense of community that we’ll lose if they mothball more neighborhood schools.

The budget issues are for real. Some consolidation may be needed. And yet, there is an offer on the table for one of the currently closed schools that could yield \$1.6M, and there’s another possible offer for one of the other now vacant buildings. The District needs to become more aggressive in seeking out these opportunities. The vacant schools are a blight on the neighborhoods, as well as being sitting ducks for crime.

On Monday I took some time to share a few thoughts at the public hearing held at Catalina High School. Some of what I said was in specific support of retaining Sewell Elementary School. They’re 100% enrolled, have a B rating (higher than the two schools with which they’re competing for closure), and have nearly 2/3rds minority enrollment. The parents are fund raising to buy a portable so they can expand their enrollment. This is not the picture of a school begging to be shut down. It’s a model to be replicated.

I hesitate to dive into other jurisdictions’ budgets because in my experience a cursory study is sometimes vulnerable to missing some of the legal constraints that prevent what

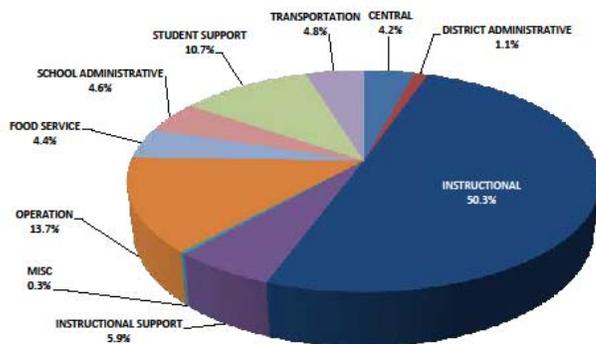
may look like easy solutions to the untrained eye. And yet, looking at the TUSD budget left me wondering if there isn't some money in the 'departments' (support services) that might be better spent in the schools, thereby postponing the need to close.

Here's some data to make that point:

Tucson Unified School District
Delivering Excellence in Education Everyday
FY 2012 -2013 BUDGET

SUMMARY

	M&O	DESEG	TITLE I	OTHER	CAPITAL
ALTERNATIVE ED	2,560,616	1,243,021	99,064	512,388	
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	73,868,473	4,097,600	5,946,307	5,365,381	339,100
MIDDLE SCHOOL	28,816,396	3,257,750	1,962,503	1,697,378	176,500
K-8 SCHOOL	24,924,718	1,994,250	2,034,830	872,046	80,600
HIGH SCHOOL	49,229,219	9,390,800	884,974	4,308,624	109,000
DEPARTMENTS	98,131,017	40,802,142	23,343,864	13,730,357	366,500
Grand Total	277,530,439	60,785,563	34,271,542	26,486,174	1,071,700



** OTHER, inclusive of current approved funding
 *** DESEG, allocations currently under revision

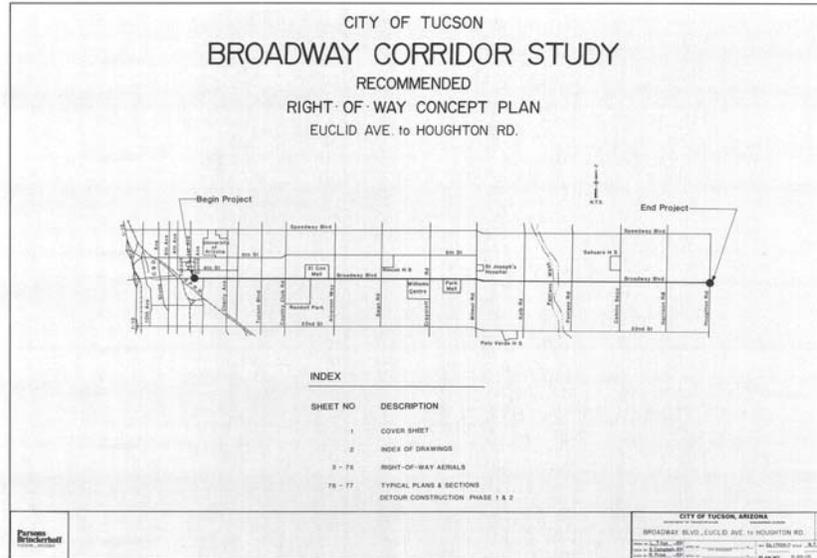
When \$98M is spent on support, and not in the schools, that at least appears to be an area worthy of closer scrutiny before we shut down schools. Fully 35% of the O&M budget goes to 'departments', not into the schools. The District tells us that by going ahead with the present closure plans they'll save \$5M. That's 2% of their O&M. Surely the parents and front line workers could suggest a 2% savings in support services that would offset the need to find that \$5M.

The legislature has a new cast of characters. The TUSD Board has new members. I suggested to the Board that they not act hastily, but take their time, let the new Board and new Legislature get seated, and then let's work together as a community to see if we can recoup the previously lost funding and preserve as many of these schools as we can.

Their decision is due on 12/20. If you've got an opinion, the Board has asked that you get it to them ahead of that deadline.

Broadway Update

This is the cover sheet from the "concept plan" related to the Broadway corridor that was adopted before the RTA even existed in 2006. Note the word "recommended" – that's significant as the Citizen's Task Force works through the eventual cross-width for the Euclid – Country Club section.



What staff has been saying is that they're bound by the 150' cross-width. Our Planning Dept tells potential builders that they can't build into the future Right of Way. TDOT has, until now taken the same position. And yet, we're telling the CTF that their work is valued and they can use their creative juices to come up with some design concepts that save the \$43M it will take to demolish and acquire the properties along the north side of the roadway.

Here are some quotes that come from that same document:

9. Effects on neighborhoods and historic districts shall be considered in determining the impacts of street widenings, new transportation routes, and reclassification of streets. Such projects shall be sensitive to and compatible with the specific neighborhoods and historic districts they pass through and serve (GP, Section 3, Policy 4.B. and Section 10, Policy 1, N).

2. The maximum width of an arterial street shall be no more than six lanes in the mid-block, except where the additional lanes are designated for buses, bicycles, and high-occupancy vehicles. Where traffic volumes create the need for additional capacity, intersection modifications should be pursued prior to further widening.

Remember, the design was based on some unproven traffic projections. This comment also appears in the material adopted back in 1987 that formed the basis for our present day design discussion:

By the year 2005, the population of the Tucson metropolitan area is anticipated to increase by 648,000 (118%)

Not only did we not hit those numbers by 2005, we still haven't, and don't appear to be headed in that direction any time soon.

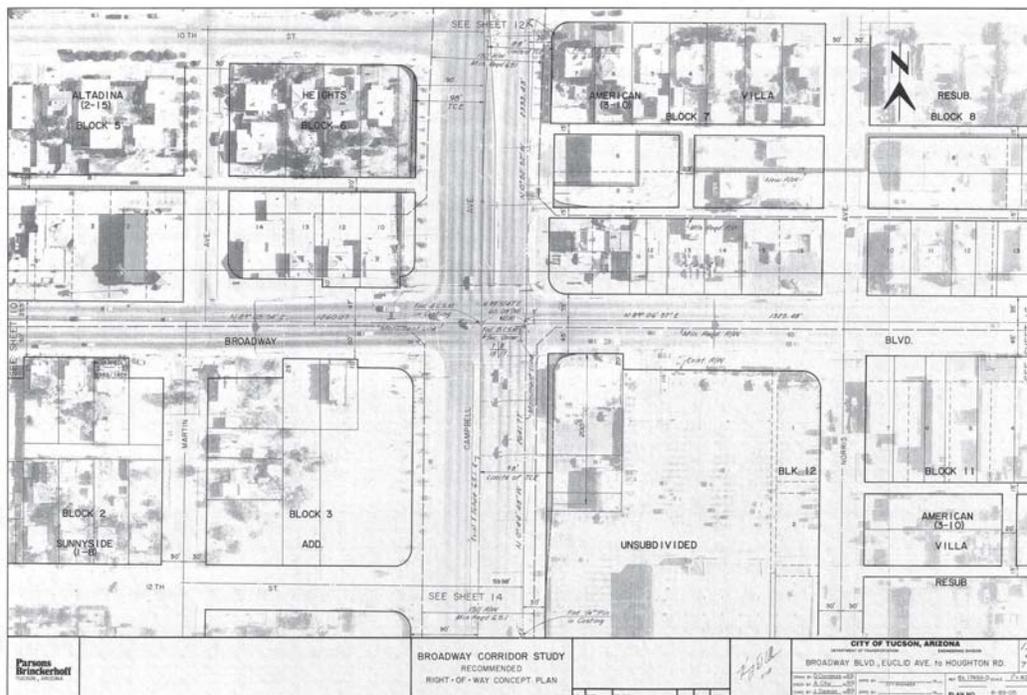
The study also suggested some design criteria in addition to the 150' width of the roadway. Consider these:

The Corridor Concept Plan is comprised of four major elements:

- 1) Widening of Broadway to provide a minimum (??)150 feet of right-of-way;*
- 2) Buffering of adjacent residential areas;*

- 3) Grade separations at warranted locations; (Note: The candidate locations for grade separations were Euclid, Campbell, Alvernon, Swan, Craycroft, Wilmot, and Kolb.) and
- 4) Further study of a major transit capital investment component.

Let's take a look at what would happen to the 50+ year old church at Campbell and Broadway if we expanded to 150'. The church is the large building that's immediately west of Martin (left side of the picture). The 150' proposed width is the dashed line that is immediately north of the church. In essence, the building is gone if that's the eventual design that this process results in.



The point is this. We're not doing any of the seven proposed Grade Separations. Based on the traffic and population projections, we don't need the 150' cross-width. And the study suggested intersection work to preserve functionality and to preserve historic structures. In the game of picking and choosing which of the 1987 criteria we're sticking to, staff seems to have landed on 150' but is ignoring the others.

For the study session of 12/18, I've requested a two-part item. One part will be a presentation of the historic, mid-modern structures that lie along the northern border of the corridor. It will identify many more than the church I've shown above. They will be demolished if the project continues on its present path. The second part of the agenda item will be to discuss the "recommendation" that we go to 150'. Scroll back up to the cover page – that word is prominent in the title. Words have meaning. We'll seek to clarify that on the 18th so the Task Force is yet again given the message that they have the authority, granted by the Lead Agency to propose design concepts that are not bound by what is still being presented by staff as a requirement.

If that's not the case, then let's start designing the Grade Separated Interchanges at those

seven intersections and really comply with the 1987 Plan.

Lisa Nisenson, working in what was then known informally as EPA's Smart Growth Office, in her publication entitled *Density and the Planning Edge* cites a survey that shows the top three reasons why Americans oppose development. They are:



Image on left: Vancouver (courtesy of City of Vancouver)

- a) Protecting community character
- b) Protecting the environment, and
- c) Too much traffic.

We can address each of those by turning the CTF loose on this project, unconstrained by design criteria that were guess work over 25 years ago, and allow the group to employ ideas such as adequate park space, bus pull-outs to preserve roadway functionality, tree canopy retention, etc.

All of that is to say that when/if we end up with a design that does not take up 150', we will at that time need to be able to defend why what we are building is better. We are now going through the public process that is geared towards ending up with wide public buy-into the eventual design. I think that's something that our project management team will agree with as a desired direction.

Council Retreat

The Mayor wanted to take a break from our regular study session format and spend last Tuesday receiving input from some respected public servants from other jurisdictions on a variety of topics related to governance. The guests were former Arizona Attorney General and Mayor of Phoenix, Terry Goddard, Mayor of Mesa, Scott Smith, and the Department Head of the UA Management and Operations Department, as well as the Executive Director of the Center for Leadership Ethics, Stephen Gilliland.

City Attorney Mike Rankin also took part in presenting. The topics we discussed included our Charter "strong manager" form of government, relationships between council and staff, general communications issues (both internally and with the public and media), intergovernmental relations, how we balance ward responsibilities vs. our responsibilities to the broader community, and ethics. As I said, we covered a lot of ground.

My honest assessment is that, while the men who made the presentations have been around the block and bring a wealth of experience to the table, all of what they presented has to be overlayed onto the uniqueness of who we are as a council, and what Tucson is in terms of its own uniqueness. While there are certainly some general principles, especially in the area of ethics and communications, the relational issues (between us and staff, between our ward constituents and the wider community, intergovernmentally) all have local histories that have to be factored into policy and practice. I appreciate the input, and the

exchanges – and look forward to taking some portions of what was presented and implementing it into my work for you.

Here are a few bullet points that describe some of what was presented:

- Know who you are as a community, and build on your strengths
- Don't always swing for the fence – singles and doubles win the game (500 room hotel vs small boutique hotel)
- Take a long term look at issues you confront. The immediate gain by taking a particular position may not be in the long term best interests of the community
- Distinguish between values and specific programs; don't micromanage staff
- Solicit public input, and be ready to implement some, or all of what you hear.

Thanks to each of our guest speakers, and to the Mayor for setting up this meeting.

Film Making – Senoia, Georgia



Do you recognize that house? It's from the movie "Fried Green Tomatoes" – a film that was shot in the 3,300 population town of Senoia, Georgia. The place is about 25 miles from Atlanta, and it has been the home of about one show per year since the Georgia legislature adopted some lucrative tax incentives back in 2008. They estimate the impact to have been hundreds of

jobs, and \$879M, state wide since the incentives were put into place. For Senoia, it has allowed the small town to now thrive on over 24 shows, including "The Walking Dead" and "Drop Dead Diva," "Fried Green Tomatoes" and "Driving Miss Daisy."

Scott Tigchelaar, the President of the Raleigh Studios in Atlanta was quoted as having said "It has been like turning on a fire hose of cash." The Studios employ up to 250 people during a shoot, and local store owners say profits rise by over 30% during filming. As I've noted before, this is about jobs, across the spectrum of the private sector (rental cars, rooms, restaurants, entertainment, set dressing, pre-post production, and of course actors/extras).

People still come to Tucson to visit Old Tucson – looking back to the days of the many westerns that were filmed out there. Senoia has also seen a new tourist industry develop, bringing in people from around the world, during and after shoots. It'd be great to see the January 7th bi-partisan event be the catalyst for commitments to seeing a film incentive package get through early in the '13 legislative session; a bill based on rebates from money already spent in the local economy – and jobs.

Community Food Bank / TUSD

On Monday, December 17 at 3pm, the Community Food Bank will be holding a formal press conference to announce the recent award of a USDA Farm to School Grant. From the hundreds of applications for this \$97K Grant, only 35 were issued in this category, so the CFB has a lot to be proud of in being selected. In fact, this partnering (CFB and a local school District) is the only one of its kind nation-wide that was awarded the Grant money, and the only recipient in the entire State.

The partnering will include 11 TUSD schools in support of garden projects so the schools can produce food for themselves and actually serve it in their cafeterias once other policies are adopted by the District. Similar work will be done with the San Xavier Mission School. The goal of the grant is to increase the availability of fresh, local food in school cafeterias. The Grant, and therefore the project will extend for the next 18 months.

While I was working in Zambia, I had the chance to help to start some micro-businesses with locals in the more poverty stricken compounds around Lusaka. With the help of the Rotary Club, we got a hammer mill and a rice polishing machine donated to the community. They used that equipment to produce food for both sale and consumption. Certainly if the model works in sub-saharan Africa, a similar one can work locally.

This Grant project shows the important role that Food Banks can play in addressing hunger, and by employing the Biblical admonition “teach a man to fish.” Congratulations to the CFB on their award, and thanks to them for the work they’re doing throughout the community, and the region.

Sincerely,



Steve Kozachik
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ward6@tucsonaz.gov

Nutcracker Ballet – Dancing in the Streets.

Join Dancing in the Streets on Saturday and Sunday December 22 and 23 for a unique performance of the Nutcracker Ballet at the Fox Theater. Prominent community members will be dancing in the party scene, including Mayor Rothschild, his wife Karen, Dave Fitzsimmons, and many more. Tickets are available at the theater box office 520-547-3040 or visit <http://www.ditsaz.com/nutcracker/> for more information.

Draft Plan Tucson Open Houses

The City of Tucson Housing and Community Department will be hosting five public open houses to review the draft Plan Tucson document. Come to any of these open houses to learn more about the plan and share your thoughts.

- Friday, December 14, 2012, 3:30-5:00pm. City of Tucson Housing and Community Development. 320 N Commerce Park Loop, Sentinel Bldg.
- Monday, December 17, 2012, 4:00-5:30pm. City of Tucson Housing and Community Development. 320 N Commerce Park Loop, Sentinel Bldg.
- Wednesday, January 9, 2013, 7:00-8:30pm. Tucson Police Westside Service Center. 1310 W. Miracle Mile, Meeting Room.
- Saturday, January 12, 2013, 9:00-10:30am. Tucson Police Hardesty Multi-Service Center. 1100 S. Alvernon Way, Meeting Room.
- Thursday, January 31, 2013, 7:00-8:30pm. Ward 2 Council Office. 7575 E. Speedway Blvd, Conference Room.

Visit www.tucsonaz.gov/plantucson for more information and comment cards.

Posada in Main Gate Square, December 15 1:00-4:00pm.

Come spend your weekend at Main Gate Square on Saturday, December 15. There will be a series of events and performances within Geronimo Plaza, including Calpilli Tonantzin Aztec Dancers, Mariachis Estrella, and much more. There will also be artists in the plaza and a fundraiser for Ben’s Bells. For more information, visit www.maingatesquare.com

Arts and Entertainment Events Calendar

This week and next week at the arts and entertainment venues in the Downtown, 4th Avenue, and Main Gate areas . . .

Rialto Theatre, 318 E. Congress St.

Thursday, December 13, 8:00pm. “**Marchfourth Marching Band**” all ages

Saturday, December 15, 5:00pm. “**The 2012 Great Cover Up**” all ages

www.RialtoTheatre.com

Fox Theatre, 17 W. Congress St.

Friday, December 14, 7:30pm. “**Festival Navidad – A Christmas Celebration**”

Saturday, December 15. “**The Polar Express**”

Monday and Tuesday, December 17 & 18, 7:30pm. “**Moscow Ballet’s Great Russian Nutcracker.**”

www.FoxTucsonTheatre.org

Temple of Music and Art, 330 S. Scott Ave.

Arizona Theatre Company presents “**Jane Austen’s Emma**” by Paul Gordon

Saturday, December 1 – December 22, 2012.

www.arizonatheatre.org

Tucson Convention Center <http://cms3.tucsonaz.gov/tcc/eventcalendar>

Music Hall

Saturday and Sunday, December 15 & 16. “**The Southwest Nutcracker**”

Ongoing . . .

Tucson Museum of Art, 140 N. Main Ave.

Ongoing exhibition, Opening Saturday, October 6 and ending January 20:

“**Barbara Rogers: The Imperative of Beauty, A Fifty-Year Retrospective**”

www.TucsonMuseumofArt.org

Museum of Contemporary Art (MOCA), 265 S. Church Ave.

Current exhibition: **The AIR Show & Vinjon Global Corp: Quietly Taking Over the World**

Hours: Wednesday to Sunday, 12:00 to 5:00pm.

www.Moca-Tucson.org

Children's Museum Tucson, 200 S. 6th Ave.

Tuesday - Friday: 9:00am - 5:00pm; Saturdays & Sundays: 10:00am - 5:00pm

www.childrensmuseumtucson.org

The Drawing Studio, 33 S. 6th Ave.

Ongoing Exhibit, Opens November 10 and runs December 15

“**Small Wonders**”

<http://www.thedrawingstudio.org/>

Jewish History Museum, 564 S. Stone Ave.

Open Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday, and Sunday, 1:00-5:00 and Friday, Noon to 3:00pm

Special hours for school and group tours, for more information call 670-9073

www.jewishhistorymuseum.org

Meet Me at Maynards

A social walk/run through the Downtown area
Every Monday, rain or shine, holidays too!
Maynards Market and Kitchen, 400 N. Toole Avenue, the historic train depot
Check-in begins at 5:15pm.
www.MeetMeatMaynards.com

Tucson Farmers' Market at Maynards

Saturdays 9:00am – 1:00pm
On the plaza at Maynards Market & Kitchen. 400 N Toole in the Historic Train Depot

Santa Cruz Farmers' Market Mercado San Agustin, 100 S. Avenida del Convento
Thursdays, 4:00 – 7:00pm.

Science Downtown: Mars + Beyond 300 E. Congress St.

Open by appointment only
2nd Saturday of each month, extended hours to 5:00pm – 9:00pm
<http://www.sciencedowntown.org/index.html>

For other events in the Downtown/4th Avenue/Main Gate area, visit these sites:

www.MainGateSquare.com
www.FourthAvenue.org
www.DowntownTucson.org

Other Community Events

Loft Cinema www.loftcinema.com/

Thursday, December 13, 7:00pm. “**The Circus.**”
Saturday, December 15. 7:00pm. “**The Very Merry Holiday Sing-A-Long Spectacular!**”
Sunday, December 16. 12:00pm. “**Giselle in 3D.**”

Arizona State Museum – Woven Wonders (beginning April 28)

The Arizona State Museum is debuting a sample of 500 pieces from the world’s largest collection of Southwest American Indian basketry (over 25,000 pieces). Visit www.statemuseum.arizona.edu for more information.

UA Mineral Museum – Ongoing

“100 Years of Arizona’s Best: The Minerals that Made the State”

Flandrau Science Center

Join the Flandrau Planetarium on the University of Arizona Campus for their weekly Planetarium and Laser Show. Call (520) 621-4516 or visit www.flandrau.org/ for events and information.