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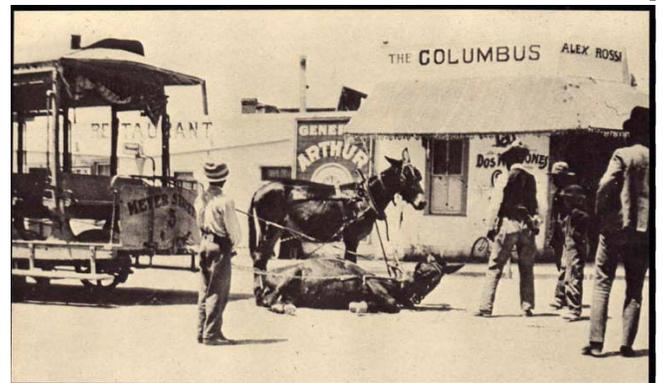
A Message from Steve

Caption Contest Winner

Last week we had a Caption Contest – the winner scoring a \$20 gift certificate to Sparkroot. There were double digit entries / here's the photograph you were 'captioning'

The winner was selected by my co-workers at the Ward 6 office. The winning entry is...

“Daggnamit I said Coffey, brake! Not coffee break you stupid mule?”
Congratulations Michelle!



Give Diana a call at 791.4601 to arrange to come and get your prize. Despite what she may say, you do not have to split it with her.

Poaching Emails

Last week, the County Administrator requested that I provide him a list of the newsletter email recipients. In response to a few concerned inquiries, I sent this reply:

“I refused and turned him over to the City Clerk. If you ever receive something from him, you will have the option to unsubscribe.”

(Rio Nuevo also made the request, but they have evidently not been able to put together facts with which to counter anything they've read and to my knowledge haven't used them either.)

But, the good news is that I'll be meeting in person with Mr. Huckelberry this week to talk about how to advance our relationship. That's a good thing. The recent dust-up in the media has been the catalyst for this breaking of the ice. I'm hopeful that we're both entering into the meeting with a common goal; that is, find a way to create public policy that reflects the greater good of the community.

New Year's Predictions

And following with that theme, this release went out prior to the New Year's week-



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

end. It's a game of chess where by staying one move ahead, you effectively block that of your opponent. We should not be opponents – Rio, County, City, business community and State Legislature should all be working together to grow our local economy.

http://cms3.tucsonaz.gov/sites/default/files/ward6/1-5_2012_predictions.pdf

There are some in the State legislature who want to advance the idea of the Downtown Tucson Initiative, and in the process enlarge the authority of the legislatively appointed Rio Board. The promises they make remind me of this quote:

Napoleon Dynamite <<http://www.imdb.com/name/nm1417647/>: "Just tell them that their wildest dreams will come true if they vote for you."

In the last newsletter, and in a recent op/ed run by the Star, I outlined some of the concerns that I have associated with the proposal to cede various levels of authority to that board. One of the proposed incentives being suggested is called a GPLET (Government Property Lease Excise Tax). I'll keep an open mind, but from the starting gate, I don't like that concept.

I'll grant that it has been used in many jurisdictions. What it does is abate property taxes for eight years after the completion of a redevelopment project by having the City take ownership of the property being developed. But while it eases the development's property tax burden, it doesn't come without collateral impacts.

School districts, community colleges and other public institutions rely on property taxes for some of their financial support. We've seen in the very recent past several local attempts by school districts to secure voter approval for property-tax-funded overrides. If adopted, they can finance needs such as repairs, new computers or new construction. We've seen many of them fail. What's the connection to the GPLET?

Although these institutions are not directly affected by the disappearance of a business from the tax rolls, other residents and businesses within their institutional boundaries are. They end up filling the void left by the GPLET by paying additional tax. To the extent that they do, the tax increases caused by the GPLET make the school measures a more difficult sell to taxpayers.

Chuck Essigs, interim head of the Arizona School Boards Association had this to say about GPLET financing:

"The higher the people's property taxes are, the harder it is to pass a bond and override."

The State has gutted public education. Taking action that might affect school districts' ability to secure their own funding options is tough to convince me that it's a good idea.

Also, you cannot implement a GPLET outside of what is defined as a "Central Business District." That District has specific geographical limitations, in terms of size, and it must have some significant component that can be described as "blighted." The DTI proposal suggests we run the incentives all the way out Broadway to Wilmot. Nobody believes those boundaries would qualify under either of those criteria.



Important Phone Numbers

Senator John
McCain (R)
520-670-6334

Senator Jon Kyl (R)
520-575-8633

Congresswoman
Gabrielle Giffords
(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 Bob Walkup
791-4201

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

The DTI proposal is not being put forward by the entire Rio Board. In fact, most of their members didn't see it until immediately before it was floated to the media. I think the legislators who are pushing for this change don't recognize the reaction to emboldening this Board would have with the electorate in Tucson. To them I'd suggest that if you want to give residents of this City a reason to vote against Republicans in the upcoming 2012 elections at the State level, continue on with this Initiative as it has been presented. Why? Because the voters understand that every member of the Board is appointed by the majority party up in Phoenix. And to the extent this Board is viewed as antagonistic to the City's efforts to develop a positive and transformative relationship with Rio Nuevo, it will serve as an incentive to vote for Legislators who will appoint Board members who will work together with the City and advance our relationship.

And to be clear, there are some members of the Board who are sincere about advancing our relationship.

Crying wolf?

My concerns over an unclean motive behind the recent DTI and Legislative efforts are not without foundation. Last week the California State Supreme Court ruled that the State has the authority to eliminate Tax Increment Financing Districts and sweep the dollars generated to fund them back into the State coffers. California Governor Jerry Brown argued that state budget priorities overrode the districts' desires for new projects, and through litigation tried to shut them down and transfer their funds to the state. He did. Their Court agreed.

The California justices said that because the state Legislature authorized the creation of redevelopment Districts, it has the power to eliminate them and called it "a proper exercise of the legislative power vested in the Legislature by the state constitution." Our State legislature could do the same, and it is my strong concern that that desire is what is behind some of the recent maneuvers being touted as a sincere interest in generating private sector development in Tucson.

Supporters of TIF Districts correctly say they can be among the most powerful tools available for local governments to revitalize communities. The City and Rio have screwed up that hope for too long. The mediation can work. The District and the City can work together and the taxpayers' money can be invested wisely. And yet, recall my comment about the Board being fractured from within. This is serious stuff and we don't need the Legislature meddling in this relationship.

If they kill the District, the local taxpayers lose. Whoever promotes that idea needs to remember that.

Tool-Kit

So how do we keep the DTI, Legislature and rogue members of the Board at bay? Color me a broken record on this, but I would like to see us put in place an incentive tool-kit that is consistent with the State Constitution and existing Statutory language and that everybody who wants to invest in our community can access. If the taxpayers are ultimately protected, and private sector growth can occur within the bounds of the law, and we're not cutting special one-off deals for buddies, in the words of Larry the Cable Guy (whom, by the way I think is very funny) "let's get 'er done."

The City and Rio got sideways by cutting deals one by one and drawing up Development

Agreements that we're still digging out from under. We need to adopt one set of rules that reflect qualifications based incentives and let the investors come. We know what the Statutes will allow, put them all in the hopper and get the politics out of the decision making process. I don't like GPLET's / that shouldn't matter. They're legal – if somebody qualifies, I should not have a veto power over whether or not they're an available tool. Site specific tax abatements – if they pass the State Constitutional Gift Clause and if the City is placed in a position of recouping all of what was abated at some specified date, include them.

My point is that to the extent there are Statutorily and Constitutionally appropriate incentives available, the City should put them together into a package, let potential investors bring forward their qualifications and we de-politicize the process. There should be a level of objectivity when we spend your money.

Each of the tools we offer must have protective controls drawn around them so that whoever uses them has met the legal qualifying criteria so the taxpayers are protected, and they're ultimately made whole.

We're about to start talking about the 2013 budget. We will begin with a deficit again. We will not be able to cut our way out from under that year after year. We have got to do what we can at the local level to grow our economy. This tool-kit will not fix the problem, but it's a good start.

I want to see the Mayor and Council take the lead on this. Then the Rio Board members who want to work with us will have their platform. And the Legislators who want to engage this sneak attack on the City will lose theirs. And we'll see whether the claims that the private sector is standing in the wings waiting are true, or have just been a mantra used to further other political ambitions.

By the way – last year the City issued commercial construction permits totaling nearly \$300M in value. It's not a case of us sitting on one of our hands. On the other hand – Rio's – we have been notified by the State that until Rio's lawsuit is cleared up, they won't give further consideration to a proposed pedestrian bridge and related work that the City is contemplating in an effort to increase the value of the I-10/Congress parcel. Rio is paralyzing progress, not enhancing it.

Oh, and that parcel at I-10/Congress, it's the one that Rio gains nearly \$900K if we sell it. When the results of ones actions are irrational, it makes sense to look for ulterior motives.

Postal Service

On Wednesday, December 28th, the Leo Rich Theater was overstuffed with members of the public gathered to hear a presentation from the USPS related to the proposed closure of Tucson's mail processing plant.

A couple of newsletters ago, I gave a background on the idea. If you'd like to see that for review, you can find it at the Ward 6 web site.

On the 28th, representatives of the Postal Service confirmed that if they go ahead with the closure, it will mean the loss of 300+ jobs in Tucson and an additional 2-3 days delay in the delivery of local first class mail. It will also increase the cost for mass mailings. They estimate a savings of \$14M annually by making the change.

What is not factored into those numbers is the impact on workers who will lose their jobs, non-profits and small local businesses that rely on the service, and customers with special needs.

There will be an increase in the cost to send mass mailers. These include direct mailers from non-profits who are trying to stay afloat seeking donations from their donor pool, as well as small, local businesses that rely on the mail service to attract customers through mailers advertising specials. The impact will also be felt by ADES benefits recipients, people who rely on the mail for receipt of medications, significant impacts on rural areas that surround Tucson, and more. Broadly, over 23,000 Southern Arizona businesses and non-profits will be impacted.

The impact will obviously be felt by the 300+ workers who will be added to the unemployed rolls. During the presentation, the representatives from the USPS stated that this will be “a corporate level” decision, and that they were here going through a “formal process” but D.C. will make the final call.

That’s too far from ground zero. And to that end it was gratifying to hear from City, County, and Federal elected officials at the meeting speak up in favor of retaining our local processing center.

The Arizona Daily Star quoted me as having suggested that they close the Phoenix processing center instead of ours. While that was the gist of my comment, it doesn’t capture its intent and context. What I said was that the impact of job loss is relatively greater in areas that have smaller populations than it is in larger cities. I wanted to drive home the point that those impacts needed to be considered, and that the human component of the decision had to be factored into the raw data the “suits” are looking at. In fact, I found it personally offensive, and even more so to the people in the audience who are staring unemployment in the eye to have somebody representing USPS management cracking jokes about changes in postmarks and suggesting that the session “was a formal process, but not a formality – the decision won’t even be made by the people here tonight.” The statement in their printed material “it is vital that we make these operational changes and consolidate excess operations and facilities” gives a pretty clear picture that the meeting was in fact a “formality.” So, I suggested they engage in some outside of the box thinking, consider closing the Phoenix plant and expand the capacity of ours, increase jobs here and lessen the relative impact on Tucson vs. that which it would have in Phoenix. The point was to get them to think about people and communities, not simply numbers. It’s hard to get that across when one sentence is given as a quote.

One thought that does fit within one sentence quite well is that we’re always getting screwed by Maricopa County. If this deal goes down, it’ll be yet one more example.

The USPS has serious financial problems. The operational solutions they’re proposing touch some of the surface level costs, but they do not get to the structural fiscal challenges the agency faces. Those include the requirement to pre-pay 75 years of pension benefits, something that is required of no other agency and something that raises the curious question as to why they are funding pensions for employees they have not even hired yet. There are billions of dollars tied up in that which has been used to make the Federal deficit look smaller than it really is as dollars are moved from the Postal Service over to deficit mitiga-

tion.

The Congress will be considering several pieces of legislation this term to try to address some of the issues surrounding the Postal Service deficits. Congress needs to do now what they should have done two or three sessions ago; consider five day delivery, refund the pension overpayment and/or suspend the current payments, and change the requirement by policy and statute. Now, they've backed themselves into a corner and the fallout could be peoples' livelihoods, access to essential benefits and medications, jobs, businesses and non-profits all over Southern Arizona (actually all across the Country, but that's beyond this focus).

It's a shame that it took this brinksmanship to get the attention of the people in a decision-making capacity. But it has and you still have an opportunity to provide your input. You may send your thoughts to:

Manager, Consumer & Industry Contact:

Arizona District

P. O. Box 21628

Phoenix, Arizona 85036-1628 *(To be considered, they must be postmarked by 1-12-12)*

Graffiti

Last week I mentioned that my #1 budget issue this cycle will be the condition of our roads. They're a public safety issue in their present condition.

Joined at the hip in terms of importance is graffiti. The city is pock-marked with that vandalism and it impacts both the visual quality of life and is also a huge financial drain on the City's resources. I believe it affects tourism, decisions made by businesses to locate here, and, by its hit on our General Fund, it impacts our ability to deliver core services, such as fixing the roads.

I know that several neighborhoods have begun a discussion on forming a coalition of concerned citizens to work towards solutions to this issue. That's an initiative I wholeheartedly support. To that end, Councilmember Uhlich has already agendized for early February a study session item to review a variety of the aspects related to this problem. She has quite properly asked for an update from TPD on how our pilot project and other efforts are faring.

In addition to that I have asked to be included in that session a conversation about how we hold utilities and Sun Tran accountable for the costs absorbed by the City for abating tags that winds up on their property. If Joe's Bar & Grill is responsible for abatement, certainly the large businesses such as those named can and should do their part to mitigate the cost to the taxpayers for cleaning their property.

Our abatement vendor, Graffiti Protective Coatings has in place the software to track time and materials related to cleaning up tags, and to tie it to particular utilities. We'll be talking about passing those costs on to the proper parties.

In addition, Karin and I have talked about the need to have a frank and honest discussion about the level of penalties attached to tagging. What is in place is clearly not doing the job. We'll get an update from the City Attorney on current levels of sanctions, and talk about what might be appropriate increases in those penalties.

I note this now because it is important that those who suffer with this blight daily know that we're taking this issue seriously, recognize that the problem is at unacceptable levels and the Council will address it in the next few weeks.

If you have constructive suggestions as to efforts we might want to consider, please feel free to pass them along ahead of that meeting.

Pedestrian Safety

Sec. 20-92. Prohibited crossings.

Between adjacent intersections at which traffic-control signals are in operation, pedestrians shall not cross at any place except in a crosswalk.

No pedestrian shall cross a roadway other than in a crosswalk in the central business district or in any business district. (1953 Code, ch. 17, § 53)

State Law References: Authority to prohibit crossing other than in crosswalk, A.R.S. § 28-791.B.

That is the language that appears in the Tucson City Code to control jaywalking. This year we have seen a tragic increase in pedestrian fatalities in Tucson. Not all of them are the result of jaywalking, but enough have been that I wanted to plant this reminder as we start the new year, and as school resumes.

The Police have the authority by Code to cite violators. We don't have the personnel to conduct "jaywalking stings" as has been done in cities such as Albuquerque, and quite honestly, I wouldn't support that use of our officers even if we were more fully staffed. Please, please just be aware of the law, and take care of your own safety, as well as that of others while out walking, riding or driving.

And yet there may need to be other changes in particular locations that have been the focus of recent car/pedestrian incidents. To that end, I have asked TDOT and the City Manager to look into the following Ward 6 locations:

Rosemont and Broadway - I requested an updated traffic study relative to that intersection. It has been reported to me by residents and local business owners that near misses are frequent there. I've asked the reason we don't implement a lag-left at that intersection and increase the duration of the light to allow for safe pedestrian crossing. I ran past the intersection last weekend and saw three cars turn either ahead of or behind people in the crosswalk. C'mon people, you can afford those additional 15 seconds to allow people on foot to clear the crosswalk.

Lakeview and 22nd - In the Transportation Access Management Guidelines manual, section 4.5.1 refers to "Marked Crosswalks." It states "crosswalk lines should not be used indiscriminately. An engineering study should be performed before a marked crosswalk is installed at a location away from a traffic control signal."

The standards for both a HAWK and a TOUCAN pedestrian signal stipulate that neither should be implemented within 600 feet of a signalized crosswalk. I measured and found that the non-signalized crosswalk at 22nd and Lakeview is about 1,300 feet from the nearest signalized crossings. So, it's an appropriate place for a crosswalk. My concern is that with six

lanes of 40mph traffic, from my layman's perspective a HAWK device would be appropriate. I asked TDOT and the City Manager to take a look and give their feedback. After looking at the issue, they agreed. Here's a memo drafted by Mr. Miranda in response: <http://cms3.tucsonaz.gov/sites/default/files/ward6/1-5pedsafememo.pdf>

It should be noted that we're working with an interim Transportation Director and our City Manager is still putting his staff into place. They acted on this issue quickly, and came to what I believe is a responsible and prudent decision. I thank Mr. Miranda, Tony Paez and the rest of the staff who were involved in coming to this decision.

In addition, on January 10th, we will be having a public hearing on the issue of a texting while-driving ban. The local experience with injuries and fatalities on our roadways makes that an even more compelling issue. Please set aside time to either come and share your thoughts or email the Council and share your thoughts in that fashion.

I run and bike all the time, and I see some crazy stuff, on the part of drivers, bikers and walkers. In the truest sense, share the road.

Red Tag Ordinance (Unruly Gatherings)

In 2003, the city adopted an Unruly Gathering ordinance by which the City hoped to get our arms around inappropriate behavior in residential areas. The ordinance defined an unruly gathering as "a gathering of five (5) or more persons on any private property, in a manner that causes a disturbance of the quiet enjoyment of any public or private property." Examples include excessive noise or traffic, obstruction of public streets by crowds or vehicles, drinking in public, serving alcohol to minors, or consumption of alcohol by minors, fighting, disturbing the peace, and littering.

This ordinance is commonly referenced as the "Red Tag" ordinance because the Police Department enforces it by posting a notice sticker on the premises. The date of the unruly gathering is noted on the sticker, or "red tag," which is to remain prominently posted on the premises for one hundred eighty days, which, not coincidentally, is about the length of a semester.

If you receive a Red Tag, you may be charged with a civil infraction, rather than just a warning and the posting of the Red Tag. How? The removal, defacement, or concealment of a posted notice is a civil infraction carrying a minimum, mandatory one hundred dollar (\$100.00) fine. Those fines increase to \$500, and in \$500 increments up to a maximum of \$2,500 for subsequent violations during the 180 day period.

The penalties have not been adequate to stop the violations from beginning. Warnings aren't doing the trick, and I guess \$100 ain't what it used to be back in the day.

The process is that TPD issues the Red Tag and advises the UA that they have done so. The UA checks to see whether or not the violator is a student, and if so, there are some remedies available under the Student Code of Conduct. The City cannot legislate changes in that Code.

What we can do is to change the existing City Code to try to put more teeth into the first offenses and stop the problems before they even begin. Because Councilmember Uhlich and I are the ones most directly impacted by this issue (our Wards surround the UA cam-

pus) we worked together with a group of landlords and residents, TPD and the UA to discuss coming up with a mutually agreeable increase in fines with the hope that this change will achieve some desired results.

With that in mind, on Wednesday we had a study session agenda item on this topic and heard the concerns of other council members and Chief of Police Villasenor. Within 30 days, we will readdress this issue at another study session, take into consideration that which we heard and ask for appropriate changes in the existing Ordinance. Those may well include increased fines, better tracking measures so subsequent offenses are addressed appropriately and the extension of the 180 day time meter.

It needs to be stated that not all of the Unruly Gatherings involve University students. This ordinance applies to everybody. If you're living in a residential area, common courtesies are expected. We all know that the vast majority of our neighbors adhere to that standard. This ordinance change is aimed at those few who don't.

National Defense Authorization Act

I'm only including this because it's a non-partisan picture of how things too often get done by the government when we're asleep at the wheel, not by accident, in my opinion.

On New Year's Eve, the President signed into law the National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA.)

That's New Year's Eve.

The Bill (S1867 in case you'd like to check it out) was one of few that was challenged by members of both parties – in large numbers, but not enough to stop it.

The NDAA is a \$690B defense bill. The most troubling parts of it (my opinion) are found in sections 1021 and 1022. Those sections appear to greatly expand the power and scope of the Federal Government by giving the US military the power to carry out domestic anti-terrorism operations on US soil. The NDAA authorizes the military to detain without trial even US citizens under the broad new anti-terrorism provisions that the bill contains. It does not "require" it, but the fact that the drafters of the legislation would not eliminate the ability of no-trial detentions is germane.

The President, as he was signing the bill said he had "serious reservations" about "certain provisions that regulate the detention, interrogation and prosecution of suspected terrorists." So did the civil libertarians who voted against it, from both parties.

It raises serious questions about the role of the military in law enforcement. While I understand that there's a balance between security and liberty, this bill is certainly tilted towards the former and away from the latter. And the right to arrest, and detain without trial extends until "hostilities end." The bill is about the "war on terror." When will those "hostilities end"?

My guess is that very few of us were aware that this was being signed on New Year's Eve.

Sorry – this is way outside the normal purview of a Ward 6 newsletter, but it's the kind of stuff government does that I abhor. I raise it to make the point that when I write about putting into place open and transparent processes for conducting public policy (how we use your money) my concerns have their roots in examples such as this that exist at all levels of

government.

In fairness (because there is disagreement on the points I've made) I'm going to include the parts of the bill that have many of us concerned over its lack of clarity.

From Section 1021:

(c) DISPOSITION UNDER LAW OF WAR.—The disposition of a person under the law of war as described in subsection (a) may include the following: (1) Detention under the law of war without trial until the end of the hostilities authorized by the Authorization for Use of Military Force.

(Remember, the 'war' this is addressing is the war on terror.)

(e) AUTHORITIES.—Nothing in this section shall be construed to affect existing law or authorities relating to the detention of United States citizens, lawful resident aliens of the United States, or any other persons who are captured or arrested in the United States.

(But it does – that's the problem. There are 4th and 5th Amendment issues that the drafters left unresolved. And what about the rights of those classes of people who are arrested abroad? Their rights are left in question.)

(1) UNITED STATES CITIZENS.—The requirement to detain a person in military custody under this section does not extend to citizens of the United States.

(2) LAWFUL RESIDENT ALIENS.—The requirement to detain a person in military custody under this section does not extend to a lawful resident alien of the United States on the basis of conduct taking place within the United States, except to the extent permitted by the Constitution of the United States.

(The trouble is that they chose not to change the word "requirement" to "ability"; that is, while the military is not 'required' to arrest citizens, the ability appears to remain.)

Ok, this is a far cry from graffiti and red tags, but it is a principle that circumscribes how I feel we, at the local level, need to conduct ourselves. If we had adopted a zoning change on New Year's Eve without your having known about it, you'd have rightfully gone nuts.

End of soap box.

Many of you know that I work for the UA athletics department and have asked me about next season's home schedule. Here it is - eight home games, so it should be fun.

2012 Arizona Football Schedule

Sept. 1 TOLEDO

Sept. 8 OKLAHOMA STATE

Sept. 15 SOUTH CAROLINA STATE

Sept. 22 @ Oregon

Sept. 29 OREGON STATE

Oct. 6 @ Stanford

Oct. 17 Open Date

Oct. 20 WASHINGTON (Family Weekend)

Oct. 27 USC

Nov. 3 @ UCLA

Nov. 10 COLORADO (Homecoming)

Nov. 17 @ Utah

Nov. 23 ARIZONA STATE (Friday)

Nov. 30 Pac-12 Championship Game (Friday)

Sincerely,



Steve Kozachik

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.

Saturday, January 14, 8:00pm. “**The Fab Four: The Ultimate Tribute**”. All ages.
www.RialtoTheatre.com

Fox Theatre, 17 W. Congress St.

Saturday, January 7, 7:30pm. “**Mr. Smith Goes to Washington**” (film)

Friday, January 13, 7:00pm. **Cab Calloway Orchestra**

Saturday, January 14, 7:00pm. **Tucson Jazz Institute’s Ellington Band** (free admission in conjunction with 2nd Saturdays)

Sunday, January 15, 6:30 pm **Ben Folds and Calexico - Fund for Civility**

www.FoxTucsonTheatre.org

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

Arizona Theatre Company presents Alfred Hitchcock’s *The 39 Steps*

Saturday, January 14 through February 4.

Beowulf Alley Theatre, 11 S. 6th Ave.

Saturday, January 7, 3:00pm. **Old Time Radio Theatre**

www.BeowulfAlley.org

Tucson Convention Center

Arena

Friday, January 6 and Saturday, January 7, 7:30pm. **University of Arizona Wildcats Hockey vs. San**

Diego State

Friday, January 13 7:30pm. **University of Arizona Wildcats Hockey vs. Michigan State**

Exhibit Hall

Friday, January 6 (12:00pm), Saturday, January 7 (10:00am), and Sunday, January 8 (10:00am). **Arizona State Home Show**

Leo Rich Theatre

Sunday, January 8, 12:00pm. Arizona Friends of Chamber Music Piano and Friends Sunday Matinee Series present **Yelizaveta and Yelena Beriyeva**

Ongoing

[Tucson Museum of Art, 140 N. Main Ave.](http://www.TucsonMuseumofArt.org)

[Ongoing exhibition:](http://www.TucsonMuseumofArt.org)

[“Who Shot Rock and Roll: A Photographic History, 1955 to the present”](http://www.TucsonMuseumofArt.org)

www.TucsonMuseumofArt.org

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

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

www.childrensmuseumtucson.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

Thursdays, 4:00 – 7:00pm.

Mercado San Agustin, 100 S. Avenida del Convento

Science Downtown: Mars + Beyond

Thursday through Monday, 9:00am to 5:00pm (until 6:00pm on Friday, and Saturdays, and until 9:00pm on 2nd Saturdays). 2-for-1 admission from 5:00 to 9:00pm on 2nd Saturdays.

300 E. Congress St.

<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.com