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Ward 6 – Newsletter

NOVEMBER 16, 2011

A Message from Steve

In my August 3rd newsletter, I reported on some of my concerns relative to how the 2004 County Bond election was sold to the voters. I stated this:

"What I have found though are troubling examples of information presented in the Bond Pamphlet and Ordinance that either borders on, or crosses the line of, being disingenuous.

Truth in advertising - if the government is taking your money, it should tell you straight away how it's going to be used. To the extent that that didn't happen, this little graphic sums up how I feel about the Bond package



Some specifics - Page one of the Ordinance states that all of the 2004 projects will be completed within 12 years of voter authorization. However, in numerous areas throughout the document it is stated that there are more projects named than there is Bond money available. I don't believe the voters should be expected to read through 125 pages of Ordinance language to uncover that sort of information. Another example – we were told that for \$76M we'd have a new County/City Courthouse."

In reality, they estimated the cost at \$91M, but the bonding was only for \$76M and the plan was to either seek out additional funding or re-scope the project to fit available funds.

Here is a link to the discussion of that project from the 2004 Bond pamphlet http://cms3.tucsonaz.gov/sites/default/files/ward6/11-16_bond_2.pdf

However, in April of this year, the Pima County Board of Supervisors amended the 2004 Bond package, including the City/County Courthouse project.

Reading the Amendment document one finds that that they voted to allocate the



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

2004 Bond money only to cover the shell of the building, not the interior. Anything on the interior is "dependent on future funding sources."

Here are three relevant sentences from the April Amendment to the 2004 Bond Improvement Plan pamphlet:

Scope: Design, construct and co-locate a new Pima County Justice Court and City of Tucson Municipal Court."

On Page 60 of the pamphlet - "Phase I will include design and construction of the core and shell for a 257,000 square foot seven-story building." Later on Page 60 - "Phase II will not be a part of the 2004 GO Bond Project and is dependent on future funding sources. This phase includes future tenant improvements for the Court Tower which will build out the entire 257,000 square feet to accommodate 30 court rooms, holding cells."

Note the reduction in size of the building (337K sq/ft to 257K sq/ft) and the change to phasing first the shell, then the unfunded Tenant Improvements.

Last week the Arizona Daily Star had an article that described the County's having sent to the City a request to choose a new funding option for the project. This is the 12 page letter we received from the County Administrator that was being referenced in the Star article http://cms3.tucsonaz.gov/sites/default/files/ward6/11-16_bond_1.pdf

It raises for me some significant questions. Paraphrasing Senator Howard Baker's Watergate questioning, "What did you know, and when did you know it?" I would ask, what was the money spent on and who was managing the \$76M the taxpayers authorized for the project in 2004?

I have sent to the City Manager a letter that includes a series of questions about how we got to this point and what our options really are. I'm going to include you all in this sausage making process because what the M&C finally decide on this item involves your money, and lots of it. So, here is my letter to the City Manager. I will share with you how the questions are answered and how we move towards a final decision on which funding option to select.

http://cms3.tucsonaz.gov/sites/default/files/ward6/letter_to_miranda.pdf

Ok, that's off my chest - a couple of quick updates.

MQ-1/9 Squadron Basing

Last week the Mayor and Council unanimously voted to send a Resolution to our Congressional Delegation through the DM command structure in support of basing a ground support operation at Davis Monthan AFB. The Mayor sent out the appropriate letters to five Under-Secretaries of the Air Force expressing that support and in return we received the following letter of acknowledgement from Col. Cherrey, DM commander.



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)

Date: Thu, 10 Nov 2011 14:39:53 -0700

Subject: M&C Unanimously Approved Memorial

Mayor and Council,

Once again, the City of Tucson through your individual and collective leadership, stepped out to show continued support for the strong relationship between the City of Tucson and Davis-Monthan AFB. Your unanimous adoption of the memorial to support the Air Force's consideration of Davis-Monthan to stand up an active duty MQ-1/9 Remote Split Operations Squadron continues to demonstrate this community's understanding of and support for its role to National Security and the preservation of one of our country's instruments of national power; a strong military in Southern Arizona.

I consider myself truly fortunate to command the 355th Fighter Wing in such a supportive community. Sending Airmen to defend our national interests will always be a concern for any commander. However, knowing that our Airmen and the families they leave have the support of this community, especially its leaders is a comfort not just to me, but most importantly to DM's Airmen who even now face the challenges and daily uncertainty of serving in a hostile areas around the world.

If I or my staff can be of assistance to you in any way please do not hesitate to ask. Again, I thank you for your direct support of the Airmen, Families and Missions of your "Desert Lightning Team".

r/jac

JOHN A. CHERREY, Colonel, USAF
Commander, 355th Fighter Wing

For a review of the mission description, refer back to last week's newsletter. I'm sure I join the rest of M&C in thanking Col. Cherrey for his note back to us. Now we wait and see whether we are selected for the mission. That selection is supposed to be announced in January or February of next year.

Alternatives to Incarceration

During the last budget cycle discussions both Council Member Fimbres and I began pressing for some savings in our Court system through finding alternatives to jailing people. To their great credit, Court staff and TPD have really stepped up to the plate and initiated a program that recently was awarded the 2011 JUDICIAL PERFORMANCE AWARD FOR LIMITED JURISDICTION COURTS.

Here's a brief summary of what they're doing and how it's saving you money.

The Alternatives to Jail (ATJ) program is a joint venture between the Tucson City Court and the Tucson Police Department. We pay over \$100 per inmate for the first day of incarceration,

so if we can avoid that, and not sacrifice the safety of the public in doing so, we save money. Achieving that has been the goal of the Alternatives to Incarceration program.

Prior to this program, it was normal to simply have TPD take defendants straight to Pima County Jail and book them. They would have their initial court appearance while in custody. Now, under the ATJ program, TPD takes defendants who are arrested for some specific violations straight to Tucson City Court for their initial appearance, following which they are released and we avoid the jailboard costs associated with booking the person into P.C. Jail.

Some of the charges that are eligible for this program include non-victim criminal cases such as Drinking in Public (DIP), Urinating in Public (UIP), City park charges, shop lifting charges under \$250, soliciting in median, and other non-victim cases.

The program saved taxpayers over \$1M in fiscal year 2011. Of the over 2,000 defendants who were processed through the ATJ program, only 68 were sent to jail. In addition to the jailboard cost savings, TPD enjoyed a savings by allowing the arresting officer to immediately return to the field after having turned over the defendant to the Prisoner Transport Unit out in the field.

We're short staffed in the field with respect to Police Officers. Our jails are overstuffed. And we owe it to the taxpayers to operate the bureaucracy in as efficient a manner as we can. This is an example of exactly that.

Reid Park Zoo

About a year ago we voted to honor a commitment made by a prior City Council to help to fund the expansion of the elephant exhibit at Reid Park Zoo. I was then, and continue to be, a strong supporter of the fine work done by the professionals who run that facility.

The construction of the exhibit is under way and plans are being made to transport some elephants over to our facility from the San Diego Zoo. In return, we will send them one of our older Asian elephants. While that sounds like a trade that's made between sports franchises (we'll send you these four players for two of yours, and a player to be named later) it's actually based on a much more significant set of facts than simply passing animals back and forth. It has to do with responsible animal husbandry and the health and long term well-being of the animals. Both the Reid Park Zoo staff and that of the San Diego Zoo are respected among their peers for the manner in which animal herds are managed under their care. We have established a great working relationship with the San Diego group and this exchange is an example of that.

Recently a group called In Defense of Animals (IDA) has begun a campaign to have the animals sent to an "animal sanctuary" instead of to the respective Zoo's. They have expressed a concern over breaking up a long term relationship that has been established between two of the Reid Park elephants, one of which is the older Asian gal who's being sent over to San Diego.

I'm attaching a letter from our Parks Director that explains the transaction, and fully justifies the exchange. Here's the link to his letter:

http://cms3.tucsonaz.gov/sites/default/files/ward6/11-16zoo_elephants.pdf

There are few bigger animal lovers than me, so I am sensitive to claims of alleged abuse or mistreatment. And yet, in this case there are legitimate health and husbandry reasons behind the transfers.

Thanks to the Reid Park Zoo staff, the members of the Tucson Zoological Society and our partners over in San Diego for managing this process in a professional manner. We have a wonderful asset here in our community. If you haven't visited for a while, take some time out of your schedule this weekend and visit the animals at the Reid Park Zoo. It's family time with a fun and educational twist.

We will be discussing this item during the November 22nd study session in case you'd like to tune in and hear from the experts themselves.

Pit Bulls

Early in November, KGUN9 ran a story on the tragic episode of a man who was killed by his pet dog. The dog was a Pit Bull. This a link to the original story

<http://www.kgun9.com/news/local/133124728.html>

and to a follow up story that Channel 9 posted in response to the reaction their original piece generated

<http://www.kgun9.com/news/local/133789618.html>

This week they ran another follow up story, an interview with a local group of Pit Bull Terrier owners called Pit and Proud. Here's the link to that story

<http://www.kgun9.com/news/local/133464233.html>

Since the incident, there has begun some movement in the direction of putting together a local ban on owning Pit Bulls. My purpose in raising this here is not to take a position one way or the other on that idea, but to reinforce the significant responsibilities that go along with owning a pet, of whatever nature.

Above I said that I'm an animal lover. I confess to leaning heavily towards dogs – but they're all fun. One of the most enjoyable trips I have taken was a game safari into the interior of Kenya.

The video I shot is breath-taking.

Each year the Humane Society is inundated with animals from people who failed to follow a responsible spay/neuter program for their pets, or who simply “got tired of them” and turned them back in as if they were simply objects. The same is true of Pima Animal Care Center. The result for the animals is all too often fatal.

So, what about Pit Bulls. Here's a link to what they did in Denver

<http://www.dogsbite.org/legislating-dangerous-dogs.php>

The breed has been outlawed. Where other jurisdictions have done that, States have subsequently passed legislation that preempts the local Ordinances and effectively overturns them. I'm not advocating for us going down that path.

What I do advocate for is a healthy community conversation about responsible pet ownership and humane treatment of animals we take into our families. We have leash laws. Respect the rights of others and obey those. We have ordinances that direct you to register your dogs, and the responsible thing to do is get their shots, and help reduce the number of pets that end up being euthanized by getting yours spayed/neutered.

The events reported by KGUN9 were tragic. The conversation it has spawned is a legitimate one to have. But underlying it all is the fact that your pet is not an object. There are laws that govern how it is to be treated, and how you interact with it and the rest of the community.

My thanks go out to Tammy Vo for her work on the story. I certainly don't pretend to have the answer to the questions it raises, but it gives me the chance to use this vehicle to encourage the continued dialogue on all aspects of pet ownership.

Development Agreements

What do Depot Plaza, Plaza Centro, The Post, Gadsden and Julian Drew all have in common? Answer: they're development agreements (DA) that the City was a party to and is still sorting out details and obligations of years afterwards.

This is not an indictment of the people who invested their money into development projects. Although in some of the examples, given the messes that resulted from the poorly written documents, some can be laid, in part, at the feet of the builders. The point in my raising this here is to tease the item as one that you will be hearing still about more in the days ahead. Either more information will come out related to some of those deals, or others that are still surfacing. In either case the message is that the City has a poor track record of drawing up and managing development agreements, maybe to the point that the answer is we should employ consultants on a case by case basis when beginning to craft DA's, or not enter into them at all.

This is an item on which I began to be focused even before being elected. Given the fact that my early concerns have been borne out, it is clearly an issue that deserves the City to look at a new approach if and when we get to entering into new DA's in the future. It's my intention to plant the seed through discussion with appropriate staff ahead of that time. Stay tuned, there is more to come on this one

911 Update

I haven't given you an update on the progress at the 911 center for a while. In the past week I've been in touch with some of the dispatchers and have a good news report.

Cassidian (the system vendor) came and visited the center last week with the upgrades to the system that had been requested. They have now implemented them. The result is a change in one of the areas that was giving significant heartburn to the dispatchers last summer when this was in the news. That function is the way incoming calls are distributed to dispatchers working the system (ACD).

With the changes that were implemented only 911 emergency, fire and medical calls, and Raytheon come in on the ACD. All others show on a board so that the appropriate positions can answer them, thus alleviating redundant work that was being done by dispatchers.

Meetings with the new TFD management team are ongoing and the few remaining minor glitches in the system are being reviewed and addressed regularly. Morale is up and with our having eliminated furlough days the staffing issues receive an immediate shot in the arm. The dispatch team is still working in a high stress environment that brings with it significant responsibilities to the safety of the public, but with the new management team in place, the trend is definitely to the good.

Occupy Tucson

During the Tuesday study session we again considered the on-going issue of how to address the Occupy Tucson campers. This week the court issued a ruling that after three citations in a given park, the recipient of those citations might receive an order to refrain from returning to the site, or be subject to arrest if caught.

The truth is that the City already has the authority to arrest, but has elected to use the citation method of applying the law instead. That is a police decision and the Chief has chosen to go down the path of cite/release up until now.

I share the concerns of my colleagues with respect to how we move forward on this issue. It clearly has several moving parts, some of which became the point of discussion at the Tuesday council meeting:

Should we place a moratorium on citations? That is not a legislative decision.

Should we stop requiring permits or insurance? That would have to be implemented for all civic event groups using City facilities.

Should we begin to move our investments out of large, national banks? State law governs where the City invests your money, not the City Council.

When the group was camping at Armory Park I shared feedback I had received demonstrating that the illegal use of the park was having a negative impact on some surrounding businesses.

With the move to Veinte de Agosto Park, that same thing remains true. This letter is from a nearby businessman

http://cms3.tucsonaz.gov/sites/default/files/ward6/11-16_occupy_tucson.pdf

Yesterday, the council rejected a motion that would have given direction to the City Attorney to draft an Ordinance naming Veinte de Agosto a "Free Speech Zone" and bringing it back to us for discussion, a public hearing and adoption.

I did not support the motion for several reasons. None of them is related to the content of this particular group. In fact, the issue of content and the necessity of treating all groups equally irrespective of what their message is was one of the reasons I did not support asking the City Attorney to

draft an ordinance. Specifically, if we designate a particular park to be a free speech zone, everybody would have the same rights. In order to avoid a free-for-all and possible confrontations if counter demonstrations were to occur, we would have to implement some sort of process by which a group had the right to “occupy” the space at a given time. We have hard costs to consider in terms of park maintenance. That's where permits enter the conversation. We have the legitimate responsibility of guarding the general public from being sued in case of injury, or worse. That's where naming the City as additional insured enters the conversation.

So, reservations, insurance, permit fees for maintenance costs and the rest of the safety and health related event requirements are right back on the table. If we're going to end up effectively where we are beginning, I see no reason to start down that road and build false hope that the City is going to concede the proper management of this system.

Occupys's proposed amendment to our existing Parks Use process reads as follows:

To exclude people peaceably assembling for use in a manner consistent with the common good clause of the Arizona Constitution (Article 2, Section 5) in a safe and respectful manner, with no limit on duration or time of day nor requirement for insurance or fees.

The proposed change is a non-starter, for the reasons I cited above. Some of us are in fairly regular contact with the Occupiers so the door is not necessarily closed. But on Tuesday the Council sent a clear message that we're not going to negotiate a deal that simply opens up public spaces for uncontrolled use, and that we believe the legal position on which we're standing is sound.

Outdoor Lighting Code

I gave a background on this item in the last newsletter, so this week I'll simply report that on Tuesday we received a briefing on the proposed Ordinance. The briefing came from City Staff, and members of the committee that has been working on this since 2006. The Council moved to schedule a public hearing on the document, ahead of which we will meet again to discuss the contents of the draft manual. I included the link to that document in the last newsletter.

The general message for this update is that on Tuesday, we moved a step closer to adopting a region-wide outdoor lighting manual that has the backing of both the Astronomy community and the support of members of the Outdoor Sign Code Committee

I have spec'd lighting upgrades on Arizona Stadium, the UA football practice field, the UA soccer field and the UA softball field. The sporting events are better lighted, and they emit far less spill-over light. And that is happening with new technology that reduces the cost.

Here are two photos that show the changes that can be achieved by using new technologies that are now available:

http://cms3.tucsonaz.gov/sites/default/files/ward6/11-16_ua_image.pdf

and what Tucson spill over light looks like to a Martian:

http://cms3.tucsonaz.gov/sites/default/files/ward6/11-16_space_view.pdf

The code is geared to protect our \$250M asset (State wide research dollars geared to the astronomy

field) by focusing light down and reducing spill-over light and saving money in the process.

On Tuesday we voted to approve Staff moving forward with adoption of the draft document and scheduling a public hearing on the issue prior to formal approval by M&C.

Sun Tran/RTA/Streetcar

There has been recent media coverage on whether or not the City should extend the Sun Tran operations contract with Professional Transit Management (PTM) or put it back out for competitive bid. The contract expires early next year, so if we're going to bid it, that process has to begin now.

The question is a rather simple one if all we're considering is if we're obligated by City procurement policy to go back out on the street. In fact the confounding variable is whether or not the operations of the Streetcar should be included in the current RFP - or extension of the PTM contract - or if that should be awarded separately.

The PTM operation of Sun Tran has been efficient and is worthy of being given strong consideration in a rebid of their current contract. But the M&C is not in the position of giving out no-bid contracts for our vendors, regardless of how efficiently they run their shop. The taxpayers deserve to see us take the time to get the best value for their money.

With respect to whether or not to add the Streetcar operations to the current RFP, the decision was made to split that RFP out separately since there is nothing to operate at this time and we have to get the Sun Tran contract renewed within months. What we agreed to do is to issue the Sun Tran RFP, award that for a two year term (with the option of renewing it if service levels deserve) and to issue a separate RFP for operations of the Streetcar at the appropriate time. The timing may be such that the first Sun Tran contract will be expiring at about the time we award the Streetcar operations agreement, so there exists the possibility that we will have one operator for the entire multi-modal transit system. But we are not bound to that if the vendors bidding on the Streetcar bring a different skill set and range of experiences to the table that allows us to split the bid; one company for Sun Tran and one for the Streetcar.

After yesterday's move, all options are on the table. PTM has the right to bid on any and all parts of the system, when each comes up for consideration. So do other vendors. At the end of the process, M&C are committed to issuing each part of the agreement to the vendor who brings the offer to the table that is most advantageous to the taxpayers.

Texting while driving

Last week the M&C agreed to move ahead with a no-texting while driving ordinance. We will have a public hearing on the topic before adoption, so if you would like to weigh in, keep your ears open for the date and time of that hearing.

Since we took that action, I have received some notes of opposition, the bases of which would be borderline humorous were it not for the public safety danger texting while driving poses.

One objection is that the ban would infringe on the liberty of the driver. So do DUI laws. The liberties I'm more concerned with are those of the other people on the road who deserve to be travel-

ling along side other drivers who are focused on that task, not sending messages to their friends while cruising down the road. It is strikingly hypocritical for these same people who are raising this liberty claim to also be the same ones who cry out for a greater focus on victims' rights when talking about other crime. Liberties attach to rights. Driving is not a right.

The other objection that's making its rounds is that "Texting bans actually result in more accidents." That begs the response that therefore we should encourage texting? But I wanted to try to understand this revolutionary concept, so I took the time to read some of the material that is being sent around by the proponents. Here's the basis for the claim:

"WASHINGTON - As Maryland gets ready to ban talking on a hand-held cell phone, new research finds that banning texting while driving may actually prompt more crashes.

The Highway Loss Data Institute, part of the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety, compared collision insurance claims

<http://www.iihs.org/news/rss/pr092810.html>

in four states before and after texting bans. It found more crashes after the bans took effect.

Researchers think drivers are lowering their phones so police can't see them texting. By doing so, they are taking their eyes off the road for longer stretches of time."

So the argument goes that we should not adopt a ban on texting while driving because people will find a more dangerous way to engage in what is already a dangerous activity. My apologies to those who actually buy into that nonsense, but you'll have to do better than that. With the adoption of probably every law for all of time, those who are inclined to violate it have tried to find ways to do so. That is not an argument against passing the law. It's an argument for stricter penalties imposed on those who choose to ignore it.

For balance, since bringing this to the M&C last week, I have also heard support from representatives of surrounding jurisdictions (PAG), members of the insurance industry as well as from public safety agencies (as recently as this morning when I received a very supportive phone call from Pima County Sherriff Clarence Dupnik). The right people are supporting this for the right reasons. Other than creatively crafted statistics and self-interest, I have yet to hear compelling arguments in opposition.

Sincerely,



Steve Kozachik

Arts and Entertainment Events Calendar

Free Festivals and Events in the Downtown/4th Avenue/Main Gate Area . . .

Tucson Museum of Art Holiday Artisans' Market, 140 N. Main Avenue

November 18, 2011 - November 20, 2011, 10:00am to 6:00pm

New this year, an expanded Holiday Artisans' Market with 140 artists, food vendors, a kids' play area, live music, and more! Museum galleries featuring the highly acclaimed exhibition, **Who Shot Rock & Roll: A Photographic History, 1955 to the Present** will be FREE and open to the public all weekend. Bring the entire family for a fun-filled experience at the Museum!

El Tour De Tucson

Saturday, November 19. Start/Finish Line is on 6th Avenue at Armory Park. Free to watch thousands of cyclists start and finish the race.

<http://www.perimeterbicycling.com/!ETT/ETThome.html>

This week at the arts and entertainment venues in Downtown Tucson . . .

Fox Theatre, 17 W. Congress St.

Friday, November 18, 7:30pm. **John Prine**, with Loudon Wainwright III

Saturday, November 19, 7:30pm. **Cry Baby** (film)

Sunday, November 20, 4:00pm. **Jadi Norris and The Presidio Boys**, with Lisa Otey

www.FoxTucsonTheatre.org

Rialto Theatre, 318 E. Congress St.

Tuesday, November 22, 7:30pm. **Between the Buried and Me** (metal)

Wednesday, November 23, 9:00pm. **Bass Giving with Evol Intent** (drum and bass)

www.RialtoTheatre.com

The Screening Room

Sunday, November 20, 3:00pm. *Taste Film, Talk Food.*

www.azmac.org/scroom

Beowulf Alley Theatre, 11 S. 6th Ave.

Through November 20. *Lear*, by William Shakespeare. Adapted and Directed by Michael Fenlason.

www.BeowulfAlley.org

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

Arizona Theatre Company presents *Café Bohemia: A New Play Reading Series - Used to Was (Maybe Did)* by Brian Dykstra

Sunday, November 20, 8:00pm. \$5.

www.arizonatheatre.org

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

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

www.childrensmuseumtucson.org**Museum of Contemporary Art (MOCA)**, 265 S. Church Ave.Friday, November 18, 3:30pm. **Museum Studies - Museum Acquisitions, Collections and Stewardship: Practicing custodianship of the past to safeguard the future.** \$5 members/\$10 non-membersSaturday, November 19, 5:00pm. **Works in Progress - Go Rainbow Go! Heroic Diversity Meets Hilarious Dysfunction.** \$5 members/\$10 non-members**Tucson Convention Center Events****Leo Rich Theatre:**November 17-19, 7:30pm and November 19-20, 2:30pm. *The Scarlet Pimpernel.***Music Hall:**Sunday, November 20, 2:00pm. *Faust.*<http://cms3.tucsonaz.gov/tcc/eventcalendar>**The Rogue Theatre**, 300 East University Boulevard, Suite 150

Through November 20, Thursday thru Saturday, 7:30pm. and Sunday, 2:00pm.

William Faulkner's **As I Lay Dying**, Directed by Joseph McGrath**Ongoing****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 Fridays and Saturdays, and until

9:00pm on 2nd Saturdays) 300 E. Congress St.

<http://www.sciencedowntown.org>

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

www.MainGateSquare.com

www.FourthAvenue.org

www.DowntownTucson.com

November 10-17 THE LOFT FILM FEST

Presented by Casino del Sol Resort & Conference Center

The Loft Cinema | 3233 E. Speedway Blvd. | www.loftfilmfest.com

Passes: \$100 • \$75 for Loft Cinema Members Click Here to Buy Passes

Individual Film Tickets: \$10 • \$8 Loft Cinema Members

The Loft Film Fest is an eight-day showcase of exclusive one-time-only screenings and will feature:

- Festival favorites from Cannes, Sundance, SXSW, Telluride, and more!
- Lively Q&A's with talented filmmakers and actors
- New international cinema
- Edgy Late Night movies

Wednesday, November 16th

Le Havre, 7:00PM

Resurrect Dead, 7:30PM (Upstairs)

Thursday, November 17th

Lofty Lifetime Achievement Award Ceremony Honoring Udo Kier, followed by a screening of House of

Boys, 7:00PM

Luminaria Nights Tucson Botanical Gardens

December 2, 3 & 4, 5:30 to 8 p.m.

A Tucson holiday tradition, Luminaria Nights is celebrating its 25th year as THE festive gathering place for thousands of Tucsonans and their out-of-town guests. Three magical evenings' promise thousands of luminarias and twinkling lights plus decorated holiday trees and wreaths to set the mood for enjoying a wide range of eclectic music while munching on culinary treats sure to summon the holiday spirit. \$9 adults, \$5 children For more info call (520) 326-9696 or

www.tucsonbotanical.org

Tucson Parks & Recreation

Please join us at REID PARK on Saturday, November 19, at 10:00 as we celebrate our Sixth Annual Festival in the Park which is free to the public and allows our Department to highlight and showcase our staff, activities, programs and events.

For more information call 791-4973