



THE DISTRICT 3 DIGEST

A NOTE FROM SUPERVISOR BRONSON...

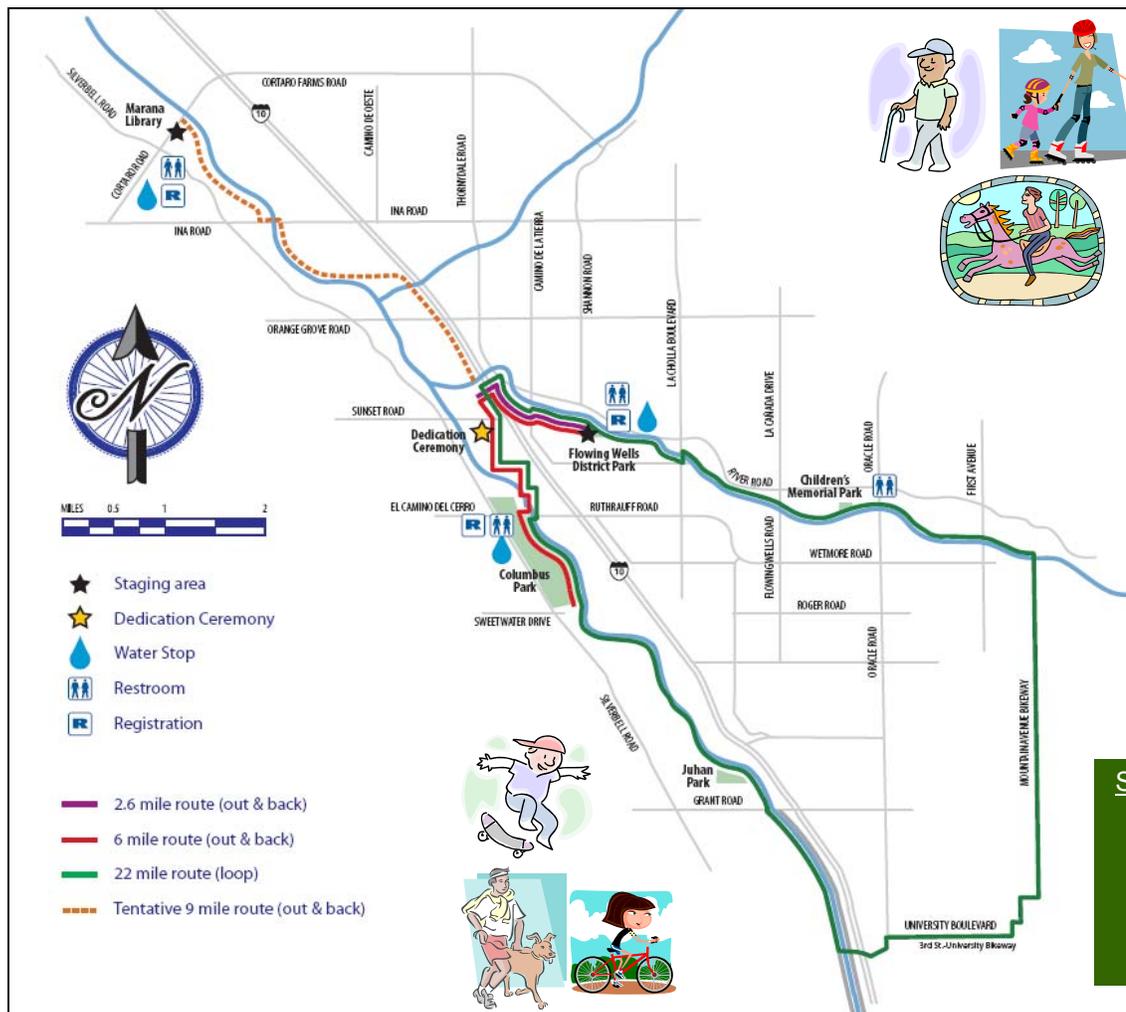
On November 11, 2011 please take a few moments to honor all those who have served and who are serving in our Armed Forces and celebrate their sacrifice and courage. Lets not forget to also include their families. American Legion, Morgan McDermott Post # 7 will be hosting the Tucson Veterans Day Parade which will begin at 16th St./6th Ave. and continue down 6th to Broadway, to Granada, and finally to the Tucson Convention Center. For information about events on a national level visit: <http://www.va.gov/opa/vetsday/>

On November 12th you can take part in the Green Living Fair sponsored by Pima County and Habitat for Humanity's Habistore from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm at the HabiStore at 935 W. Grant Road. This is an opportunity to talk one on one with experts in home energy savings, solar, green building and remodeling, gardening, transportation options, water conservation and more. You will be able to see the many ways our community is becoming more sustainable and you can also do some shopping at the store. Call 889-7200 or visit www.HabitatTucson.org for more information.

Launching...."The Loop" October 22, 2011

Come join the celebration of the connection of the multi-use paths along the Santa Cruz and Rillito rivers. This connection is a 23 mile route that can be used for walking, running and cycling from West Silverlake Road to North Craycroft Road. This route is the longest continuous segment of The Loop, which will eventually be 55 miles of paved and decomposed granite paths for Pima County residents and visitors on foot, bikes, skateboards, horses and skates.

The activities start at 7:30 am through 11:00 am with the dedication ceremony beginning at 10:00 am The dedication site will be on West Sunset Road, west of Interstate 10.



There will be FREE T-shirts, water bottles, fun and safety gear for kids while the supplies last, so register early between 7:30 and 9:30 before you head over to the dedication site.

Event partners include Pima County, City of Tucson, the Town of Marana, the Town of Oro Valley and the Northwest YMCA. For additional information and updates go to www.pima.gov.

And don't forget the most important thing....
Enjoy!

Something for everyone....
Horseback Riding
Walking/Running
Skateboarding
Inline Skating
Biking

Flowing Wells Library



Any idea what is happening at the library right in your own neighborhood? It is free, it is close to home, the whole family can participate, and many of the events are fun and educational all rolled into one package. On any given day you can choose from several different options.

Take a look at some of the choices you can pick from:

Storytime or Strings & Things (*knitting etc*)
Book Club or Drop In Job Help
Homework Help (*primary thru college*)
Teen Media Lab (*6 week program*)
Wii Fitness Club (*every Thursday 3 - 5 pm*)
Computer Classes
Family Movie Night (*2nd Friday of each month*)
Special Events Every Month



Halloween Party October 29th from 1:00 - 3:00 (all ages)
Games - Crafts - Trick or Treating



Celebrate Dia de los Muertos - Day of the Dead
Make Sugar Skulls @ Your Library
Tuesday, October 25th - 3 - 5 p.m.
At the Ellie Towne Community Center (free for all ages)

Pima County - Flowing Wells Branch Library
1730 W. Wetmore 520-594-5225
www.library.pima.gov/locations/flowingwells/

Copper Crest Garage Sale Nov 5th

Save the date....

Nov 5th from 8:00 am - 11:00 am
Copper Crest Clubhouse
(inside and outside).



Not only will the Garage Sale be taking place, but they will also have....

Bake Sale - Coffee/Donuts - White Elephant Sale



The entrance to Copper Crest is on Coral Crest, right off Bopp Road, Tucson, AZ 85735
Check out their website at: www.coppercrest.net

So spread the word to everyone you know and come enjoy the day...and take home dessert for supper.

A Growing Problem...Buffelgrass

Tucson Clean and Beautiful, Southern Arizona Buffelgrass Coordination Center, and Saguaro National Park have created a community based initiative to remove buffelgrass from all over Tucson.



Starting this fall they will be holding meetings, hands on experience and training on how to successfully remove it and how to keep it from spreading to other areas.

For more information and/or to register contact:
Caroline Patrick at: happydesert@gmail.com

B. J. Cordova at: tcb@tucsonaz.gov or 837-6832



Lend A Hand....Arts and Craft Fair

It's that time of year again when it is great to be outdoors... without the heat. Please make plans to attend the semi-annual benefit to support the Senior Assistance program ran by Lend A Hand and at the same time support local artists.

There will be music, good food, and 75 or more participating local artists displaying their one of kind pieces of art. Can you think of a better place to get an early start on your holiday shopping.

So share the news with friends, family, neighbors and coworkers and come out and enjoy the fall weather.
You will be impressed!!



Saturday, October 15, 2011
Opens at 9:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m.
Mountain Ave. Church of Christ
2848 N. Mountain Ave.
For more info contact:

Wallace Kinkade 323-2142 wkinkade@aol.com
Junie Hostetler 360-7613 jhos7@aol.com

PACC.....Pet of the Month

Meet "Cooper"....that must be his last name because he sure looks like "Yoda" to us. He is a 2 year old neutered terrier. He already has experience living with cats and kids and he is very loving, playful and quite affectionate. He does need some more help with house training, but with the right teacher "Yoda", (oops, we mean Cooper) can learn anything.

The weather is getting a little cooler so it would be the perfect time to go visit with him and take him for a walk. Ask for kennel card # 333504.



For more information you can contact Pima Animal Care Center at 243-5900, stop by at 4000 N Silverbell or visit the website at www.pimaanimalcare.org.



Have you ever had to visit several web sites in order to get the information you need just on one topic alone....well thanks to funding from the Dept. of Energy, Pima County and the City of Tucson teamed up to create one location to research solar technology. You now have one-stop access to information and web links so you can educate yourself, find solutions, suggestions etc. on all solar questions for residential, businesses, non-profits and developments.

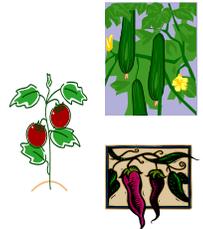
So if you are looking for anything solar related please check out the new website at:
www.SolarOneStopAZ.org.

Samos Neighborhood... Awarded Grant

The Samos Neighborhood has just earned a Pro Neighborhood grant for their...
"Community Food Security Project"

This grant will enable them to hold events and workshops in:

- Food Plants and Garden Inventory
- Harvesting and Distribution
- Small Scale Home Water Harvesting
- Native Food Preparation



To stay informed and to join the Samos Gardeners listserv go to:
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/samos_Gardeners/

Congratulations Samos!

ISDA..... Las Artes GED Program

Since 2005 the Las Artes GED Program has been an effective part of the Ajo Community. The students experience learning in all aspects of life and meet Monday through Friday from 1:00 to 5:00 pm. They receive academic prep for the GED test, job training, team and communication building and hands on activities that enhance their learning. Each activity has an entrepreneurial aspect so students practice small business skills, self sustainability, and all students also give time to community service projects. There is an evening program which meets twice a week that provides academic support only for those that cannot attend class on a daily basis.

Morgana Cooper, GED Program Director has been with the program since 2007 and this year alone there are several enhancements that will be taking place:

- GED Academy - Online program
- Career Coach - Transition from school to work or higher education
- Counseling - To assist with various life challenges

Pima County Community College administers the test in Ajo twice a year and since 2007 thirty-five individuals have received their GED and a few students have even pursued higher education after completing the course.

In addition to all this, the GED graduates have the option of enrolling in an Apprentices Program where they work with a mentor one on one, get paid, receive certification and prepare for the working world. The current program offers apprenticeships in the following areas with plans to include more in the future:

- Renewable Energy - Sustainable Agriculture - Teachers Aide
- Paraprofessional - Photography

You can view their web site at: <http://www.isdanet.org/las-artes-ged-program.html>, give them a call at 387-3570 or stop by their office at 400 W. Vananda.

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