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## PAUL'S NOTE

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Usually when I open up the Star, I can expect an article from Tony Davis about the myriad of issues regarding water, and by extension climate change, in our community. Even though I'm on the inside and get regular briefings from our city's water officials, I learn a lot from Tony's articles.

This week, Star columnist Tim Steller got into the water conversation as well. In his piece, he challenged city leaders like me as well as citizens to start taking water issues more seriously. His column can be found at <http://tucson.com/news/local/steller-column-time-for-tucson-to->

wake-up-take-drought/

Our water issues are at one level a matter of supply and geography: we're an isolated desert city that's hundreds of miles away from where most of our water comes from. But, they are also a matter climate change since the Colorado River's flow depends on snow pack in the Rocky Mountains. The water conservation measures that Steller alludes to in his article are necessary, but they won't do much to fix the climate change problem.

Along those lines, there will be changes that you'll see at my office soon that will

lessen our impact on the carbon footprint and our dependence on fossil fuels. While our individual impact will have only the tiniest effect on global climate change, I'd like to think we can provide an example. Stay tuned.

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In the meantime, it is going to be 108 this weekend and we are due for a dozen weekends just like that. Even long time Tucsonans sometimes forget what we need to do to stay safe during these hot days. I had my staff get in touch with the Tucson Fire Department to get some advice for you.

## PAUL'S NOTE (CONTINUED)

First of all, if you have to work outside in the heat, limit time in the heat and try to give yourself time spent in a cool environment. Try to reduce the metabolic demands of the job and increase the number of workers per task. Implement a buddy system so that you can keep an eye out for fellow employees.

All of us should know the signs of heat exhaustion. They are heavy sweating, cold, pale, and clammy skin, a fast, weak pulse, nausea, muscle cramp, weakness, dizziness and headache. If you or a friend are suffering from these symptoms, move to the shade or indoors immediately. Drink some water (slowly) and apply some cool, wet cloths.

Most of us know how to be sensible in the heat, but sometimes it's easy to forget. Take care of yourself and also each other on these hot days.

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Another way to get relief from the heat is to make a visit to one of our city pools. Ft. Lowell Pool, Udall Pool and Palo Verde Pool are all open for their Summer schedules. I'm including those schedules in this newsletter.

Keep in mind: kids under 18 swim free. This was a something I fought for and I'm happy that the city is doing it for the second year in a row. Please, take full advantage of it.

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We are in the "dry heat" portion of the summer, but it isn't too early to plan for our Monsoon season. Our monsoons, by the way, have gotten more severe because of climate change. As part of the preparation, our Transportation Department is implementing the Operation Splash program.

This coming Monday through Friday at about 6:30 am each day, TDOT crews will deliver more than 500 barricades to approximately 150 dip crossings throughout the City.

For the third consecutive year, TDOT will once again assist residents concerned with flooding by distributing free sand bags beginning Wednesday, June 13, 2018. TDOT will distribute free sandbags in the north parking lot of the Tucson Rodeo Grounds, 4823 S. Sixth Avenue every Wednesday from 4 pm to 8 pm until the Operation Splash Program concludes in mid-September.

A self-serve sandbag site will open on Monday, June 11, 2018 in the east parking lot of Hi Corbett Field, 700 S. Randolph Way, at Reid Park. This location will be open 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Residents should bring their own shovel. Sand and sandbags will be provided by TDOT. To accommodate as many residents as possible with sandbags, there is a limit of 10 sandbags per vehicle.

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## LIVING HISTORY SUMMER CAMP

Your child can live Tucson's history at the Presidio Museum's summer camp. A child age 6—12 can become an early inhabitant of Tucson and experience history hands-on.

Children will make adobe bricks, tin ornaments, a family tree and a personal family crest.

Other activities include calligraphy, gardening, grinding corn by hand and presidio era games.

They will learn about nature, their ancestors and Tucson's multi-cultural history.

Click on the dates below for more information and to register!

June 4-8 and June 11-15 from 8:30 am to 3:30 pm. Aftercare available until 5 pm.



## TAP TAKEOVER AT SAGUARO CORNERS

Saguaro Corners and Uncle Bear's Brewery are partnering with the Humane Society of Southern Arizona to help support their mission to help the animals and people in our community.

The Tap Takeover will be on Wednesday, June 13th from 5 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at Saguaro Corners, 3750 Old Spanish Trail, Tucson, AZ 85730.

Come by and participate in the raffle, win prizes, and enjoy the amazing selection of craft beers on the pet-friendly patio. \$1 from every pint will go to the Humane Society of Southern Arizona.

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## ARIZONA SYMPHONIC WINDS

Arizona Symphonic Winds have one final concert for this season. The concert is on June 2 at 7 pm at the László Veres Amphitheater at Udall Park (7200 E Tanque Verde). Admission is free. Bring a comfortable chair and a picnic dinner. The program is entitled "Stars of the Future." Trumpeter Mason Christofferson and clarinetist Quinton Nickum, both seniors at Mountain View High School, are featured. Other selections include beautiful melodies from the Merry Widow, Hungarian Dances and more.

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## PARKS PROGRAMS

**Activity Guide:** Tucson Parks and Recreation's Activity Guide for summer 2018 has arrived, and copies are available for pick up at all Parks and Recreation facilities. It can be viewed online at: [www.tucsonaz.gov/parks](http://www.tucsonaz.gov/parks).

The Activity Guide contains complete information on leisure classes, KIDCO after-school, aquatics, sports programs, registration, and the Discount Program. Registration dates are as follows:

All leisure class listings are online at [www.EZEEreg.com](http://www.EZEEreg.com). Please see the Activity Guide for more information on registration and deadlines. Whether you enjoy being active in slow-pitch softball leagues, want to design amazing jewelry, or get healthy and fit, there truly is something for everyone at Tucson Parks and Recreation. For questions or more information on registration or programs, contact Registration Services at 791-4877.

**Carol West Senior Addition:** The Carol West Senior Addition at Udall features multipurpose rooms, lounge area with TV, computer adult learning center and pool tables. It is located at Udall Park and is open from 9 am to 4 pm Monday thru Friday.

**Summer Track and Field:** The City of Tucson Parks and Recreation department will be hosting the annual summer track and field and road race events Tuesdays and Thursdays in June and July. Track and field is every Tuesday, June 12-July 17, at Drachman Stadium, 501 S. Plumer. Registration begins at 5:30 p.m., and the meet begins promptly at 6 p.m. Events will include: long jump, turbo javelin (18 and under), shot put, 50 meter dash (5 and under), 100, 200 and 400 meter dash, 800, 1600, 3200 meter runs, 4 x 100 relay, and 4 x 400 relay.

Road races will be every Thursday, June 7-July 19, at Freedom Park (June 7 and 28), Lakeside Park ramada 1 (June 14 and July 12), and Reid Park southwest corner (June 21 and July 19). Registration begins at 5:30 p.m., with races starting at 6 p.m. Events will include: 1 mile predict, 2K short race, and 5K long race.

The costs for these events are \$3 for youth 17 and under and \$4 for adults. Ribbons will be given to the top finishers at each track and field meet and road race. More information can be found on the City of Tucson Parks and Recreation sports website, or call the Sports Unit at 520-791-4870.

**Swim Lessons:** Tucson Parks and Recreation, in partnership with the American Red Cross, to offer \$2 swim lessons to those who qualify. For details, call 791-2877 or visit [tucsonaz.gov/parks](http://tucsonaz.gov/parks)

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**THE COMMUNITY FOOD BANK—Non Perishable  
Items**

**DIAPER BANK OF SOUTHERN ARIZONA—  
Infant/Child/Adult Diapers**

**TIHAN - Personal Care Items for Individuals  
and Families in Need**

**LIONS CLUB—Eye Glasses**

**DANCING IN THE STREETS ARIZONA—Ballet/  
Dance Equipment**

**CASA MARIA—Plastic bags**

**SR. JOSE WOMEN'S SHELTER—Summer items  
and clothing, athletic shoes, back packs, tote**

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## MAYOR AND COUNCIL

The next Mayor and Council meeting will be on **Tuesday, June 5**. Regular Session starts at 5:30 pm following an afternoon study session. There is always a short call to the audience before the business portion of the meeting. Council chambers are located downtown at 255 W Alameda.

The agendas for the meetings are posted online at <http://cms3.tucsonaz.gov/clerks/mcdocs>

