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SAGA NEWS & UPDATES

SAGA has a new website—The new website address is: **aztours.org**

SAGA monthly meetings will resume in October but on the 3rd Tuesday of each month

SAGA newsletter, *Footprints*, will resume publication every month

SAGA will begin a weekly email each Tuesday of reminders, breaking news and events

SAGA will be offering a variety of programs throughout the year

SPECIAL SAGA/Presidio Trust Meeting Friday, September 29

6:15 pm Networking (See info below)**

7:00 pm Program: "The Presidio Trail" by Gayle Hartmann

This is a joint program presented by SAGA & the Tucson Presidio Trust for Historic Preservation. Gayle Hartmann, anthropologist/archaeologist and president of the Tucson Presidio Trust for Historic Preservation will describe highlights of the walking tour, the relation to the Presidio San Agustin, (now under construction). This is also a wonderful opportunity to discuss the progress of the Presidio restoration and how local tour guides, tour operators and downtown businesses can assist in preserving and benefit from Tucson's rich history. Get your copy of the **Presidio Trail Map**.

Whether you are in the tourism business or a 'history buff,' you will take away a greater appreciation of what downtown Tucson has to offer and how much there is still much to learn

****** Please note that there will be copies of the new **Tucson Visitors Guide** available and **handouts for guides** with contact information on businesses & organizations that may be hiring for the coming tour season. *Please see page two for additional information.*

NOTE: All regular, monthly SAGA meetings will be held at: Four Points Sheraton (Speedway/Campbell) in the main restaurant area. Meals, appetizers & full bar available; Free parking lot right outside the door

**October 17 meeting will be: History & Culture of the Hohokam
300 B.C to A.D. 1450**

A color slide presentation with artifacts on display for your examination

?? DID YOU KNOW ??

General John J. "Black Jack" Pershing, at age 78, came to Tucson in the winter of 1938 to stay at the El Conquistador Hotel. During that time he became ill and was admitted to the Desert Sanatorium. Soon rumors of his death spread throughout the country. He recovered and left Tucson only to return later that year and again in 1940.

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SAGA Meeting Details for September 29:

All Full Members of SAGA can fill out their ballot to approve the slate of officers for the fiscal year beginning October 1.

Please check to be sure that your membership is current and bring your checkbook or cash to pay your dues at this meeting—Full Membership \$30 (Husband/wife guides can renew for \$50/couple). Associate Membership is just \$20.

This meeting is especially geared for our guides to be informed about the new walking trail being promoted by the City of Tucson and about the Presidio restoration. A great deal of time and effort has been invested by the Presidio Trust to bring these projects to completion. We believe it will show both local officials and area residents that Tucson's history is valuable and will bring tourism dollars to our community. We need to make as many people as possible aware of these projects for the benefit of all members of the tourism community, area businesses and Tucson itself. Other cities around the country have capitalized on their history and unique culture. There is no reason to believe that Tucson and Southern Arizona cannot learn and profit from their examples.

SAGA **badges** will be ready for new members. Also

SAGA **ID cards** will be ready for both new and re-newing members. **Please contact us ASAP if you do NOT have a badge.**

A listing of guides will be posted on our new website soon. Please come and fill out the form with your contact information & specialties, languages spoken, etc. **Your name will not appear on the website w/o your permission (current paid membership is also required).**

This Month in History

September 16, 1882 the first flow of Santa Cruz River water through the nozzles of the Tucson Water Co.'s mains took place at Congress and Main streets in Tucson.

“Only Sonora” Program Update

In December 2005 the “new” *Only Sonora* program began. The vehicle checkpoint has been moved further south on Highway 15 to kilometer 98 just south of the Guaymas bypass. Paperwork will be processed at that point for visitors to and from the U.S. and Canada.

This means that visitors to the “free zones,” considered border cities which include Puerto Peñasco (Rocky Point) and other towns do not need a vehicle permit or a visa. This will save time and the \$27 permit fee. Proof of U.S. residency, a driver’s license and proof of vehicle ownership are required.

Americans, Canadians and other foreign citizen going beyond the Kilometer 21 Checkpoint into Mexico’s interior will still be required to obtain a visa (immigration permit), which is valid for up to 6 months and good for multiple entries. The Banjercito booth will remain at KM21.

Motorists entering Sonora through San Luis Rio Colorado, Sonoyta, Sasabe, Nogales, Naco and Agua Prieta will not need paperwork for their vehicles, either, if their destination is before the new ‘Only Sonora’ checkpoint.

U.S. State Department Travel Regulations

The Intelligence Reform and Terrorism Prevention Act of 2004 requires that by January 1, 2008, travelers to and from the Caribbean, Bermuda, Panama, Mexico and Canada have a passport or other secure, accepted document to enter or re-enter the United States. This is proposed to be implemented in two phases, as follows:

- January 8, 2007 - Requirement applied to all air and sea travel to or from Canada, Mexico, Central and South America, the Caribbean, and Bermuda.
- January 1, 2008 - Requirement extended to all land border crossings as well as air and sea travel.

For more information visit the U.S. Department of State website at: http://travel.state.gov/travel/travel_1744.html

Cinema La Placita—Outdoor Movies

Classic films and cool summer night breezes at Cinema La Placita (SW corner of Broadway & Church). Plastic chairs are provided although you might find a folding camp chair more comfortable on the courtyard steps or a bring blanket to sit on the lawn. Food and drinks available at the La Placita Courtyard cafes. Admission is free but a \$3 donation at the popcorn table will keep the films rolling—and you don’t have to “feed” the parking meters after 5pm; 326-5282

September 14 [Key Largo](#), starring Humphrey Bogart, Lauren Bacall, Lionel Barrymore and Edward G. Robinson. Directed by John Huston.

September 21 [Raising Arizona](#), starring Nicholas Cage, Holly Hunter, John Goodman and Frances McDormand. Directed by the Coen Brothers.

September 28 [The Stranger](#), starring Orson Welles, Loretta Young and Edward G. Robinson. Directed by Orson Welles.

Classic Films at the Fox Theatre

Films begin at 7:30 pm; \$8/ticket

Sept 15: The Godfather

Sept 22: The Godfather II

Historic Fox Theatre located at 17 W. Congress St.; 624-1515

Coming in October



Oct. 28 *Voices from the Past*

"Voices of Southern Arizona Railroaders," a new exhibit, will open with a free reception Oct. 28 at the Southern Arizona Transportation Museum, co-located with The Historic Depot, 414 N. Toole Ave.

Exhibit curator Renee Ross will unveil the new exhibit at the 1 p.m. reception. Visitors may hear oral histories from individuals who worked with the railroad during the era of steam locomotives and the more recently added voices of those in the post-steam era. Additional information is available at 623-2223.



Spotlight on History

Restoration of Rialto Block Begins

A \$2 million restoration of the downtown Rialto block is set to begin by October, with a restaurant possibly in place on the ground floor in about a year. Doug Biggers and Tom Powers purchase the Rialto block just this year as a \$4 million package deal that also includes the Depot Plaza project (where the Martin Luther King Jr. Apartments await demolition) and the south side of Congress between Fifth and Arizona Avenues.

The Rialto Apartments were built in 1920 and the area became known as the Rialto block with the Rialto Theater on the east. Biggers and Powers plan to have keep apartments on the second story. The upstairs has been gutted and is ready for reconstruction.

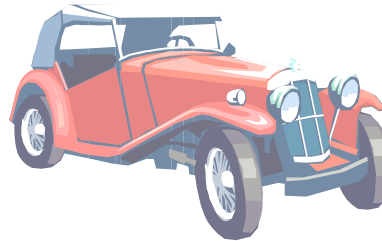
The plan has been approved by the state's Historic Preservation Office and the National Park Service. The portion to be restored is just west of the Rialto Theater, 318 E. Congress St. The restored facade will reflect the original 1920's look with large windows and marble below the windows. Transoms above the storefronts will be restored with prismatic leaded glass. Currently only one of the originals is still intact. The new facade should be finished in February 2007. Office lofts are planned for the space along Fifth Street.

At the corner of Fifth and Congress, the angled entrance will be restored and a little market may go in the space. The two-story, 24,000-square-foot structure has stood empty since late 2004.

Historic Courthouse May Become Museum

The Tucson Museum of Art wants Western and American Indian art on display at the old Pima County Courthouse. Robert Knight, the museum's executive director would like to display historic regional art at the old courthouse at 115 N. Church Ave.

Franklin Car Museum Saved



This one of kind museum, a collection of vintage luxury cars built from 1904 to 1932, will stay at its North Side home instead of moving to New

York according to attorney Eric Hager.

Under a court settlement, six of the seven trustees overseeing the Thomas Hill Hubbard/H.H. Franklin Foundation, which owns the collection, have resigned.

Hubbard created the trust before he died of cancer in 1993. He established the museum at his home, 3420 N. Vine Ave., and put up buildings to house 20 lovingly maintained Franklins. He began collecting the cars in the 1950s.

The last of the original trustees and the only one not required to resign under the settlement, Bourke Runton, had sued the other six for breach of fiduciary responsibility because they planned to sell the museum and relocate the collection to Cazenovia, N.Y.

Hager said the six former trustees also tried to sell another part of the trust, the Alice Carpenter Collection of Native American Artifacts, which had rugs and baskets dating back at least 100 years and Hohokam and Anasazi spear-points that were 1,000 years old.

The sale was halted by court order just minutes before the collection was to be put on the auctioneer's block.

Tom Peterson, retired director of the southern division of the Arizona Historical Society and a vintage car enthusiast, will become a trustee. *(Reprinted from Tucson Citizen, 08/22/06)*

The museum is located at 3420 N Vine St; contact phone 326-8038; it contains 25 rare Franklin cars in mint condition, the largest collection to be found. To learn more do an Internet search on "Franklin Museum Tucson" and find local newspaper articles and some great photos on the web.

Freeway Changed Barrios, Downtown

The article below is a reprint from Paul Allen's column in the Tucson Citizen. Paul does wonderful pieces on Arizona's history in his regular column, "**Lookin' Back**." Since this story from August 17th is about "improvements" and huge changes to the historic downtown and the opening of "The Freeway," Route I-10 which took place this month in 1968, we thought it was appropriate to reprint it in our September issue—plus it is a good history lesson for tour guides:

Before Interstate 10 was called Interstate 10, it was called simply "the freeway," and its purpose wasn't just to speed the trip to (or from) Phoenix. Its purpose was to route traffic away from other overcrowded streets in the city.

As early as the 1930s, when the Old Pueblo's population was less than 20,000, traffic already had become a problem. One of the more vexing issues was the heavy concentration of trucks competing with automobiles for the fastest route through Tucson: through the heart of downtown.

City and county officials attempted the usual balancing act between residents wanting less traffic in their areas and businesses wanting more, and a similar feat trying to keep peace between downtown merchants and hoteliers and those motels and service stations on the outskirts.

It was contentious business.

Federal highway dollars were becoming available, but that possibility was put on hold by World War II. But early in 1948, city voters OK'd \$850,000 to purchase rights of way. A bypass between Casa Grande Highway and Congress Street was begun, opening just before Christmas 1951.

While billed as a "freeway," the route still had intersections, and numerous accidents occurred. By the end of 1954, it was extended to South Sixth Avenue - following a route that would (not by accident, many believe) condemn many old adobe residences in the city's *barrios*.

By 1958, plans were well under way for overpasses across Congress Street, St. Mary's Road and Speedway Boulevard to eliminate the intersections problem.

That summer, the federal government agreed to foot most of the \$12 million bill for the roadway and make it part of Interstate 10.

On Sept. 18, 1968, a decade in the making, Interstate 10 through Tucson was dedicated by Gov. Jack Williams, who noted that the Arizona of 1913 had a total of 1,800 automobiles - the number expected to utilize the new interstate in a single day.



Ancient Hohokam Ruins at Queen Creek Explored

An archaeological site containing the remains of a Hohokam settlement dates back to a rarely explored Hohokam era, according to recent dating.

The settlement in Queen Creek, southeast of Phoenix, has preliminarily been dated between 1400 and 1450, which could make it one of the latest settlements of the mysterious desert dwellers ever identified.

Hohokams are believed to have inhabited the Sonoran Desert between 500 and 1450 before they abruptly disappeared.

Archaeologists have done exploratory work in the area of the Queen Creek location, called the Germann site, since the 1930s, but the dating that showed it may have been one of the earliest settlements was only done recently.

A large adobe-walled compound, pottery styles, radiocarbon data and archaeological magnetic dating helped identify the time period. Based on an early analysis, the adobe compound would be the largest construction by the Hohokam that late in their existence, said Banks Leonard, senior project director for Soil Systems Inc., a Phoenix company.

October's SAGA meeting will be about the Hohokam Period, so the above article will give our readers a little preview of what researchers have found out about the dwellings and history of this vanished people.

(Reprinted from the Tucson Citizen July 25, 2006)



HISTORIC CHARACTERS Wanted

“Living History” portrayals is a great way to publicize your organization or yourself as a tour guide. While some organizations are looking for free speakers, a growing number are willing to pay for authentic, knowledgeable and entertaining presenters.



SAGA and the Tucson Presidio Trust and other local organizations have members that participate in special events, neighborhood festivals and go out as speakers to various clubs and organizations.

If you are interested in getting started the Living History Rendezvous (see page 7) is an excellent place to start learning. Our Program Co-Chair, Ali Iliff is the keeper of our list of “Who’s Who of Living History.” So if you would like to participate in future events and want to get your name on the list for the character of your choice, please contact Ali via email:

ali_iliff@hotmail.com Ali is one of our seasonal resident guides. She spends the summer months in Alaska and will be back in Tucson by October 10 in time for the Rendezvous.

ATTENTION SAGA MEMBERS YOUR INPUT IS NEEDED

We are looking for potential meeting places. Do you have any suggestions or know of a recreation hall or room that is available at no charge or for a very reasonable fee? We would like to have some informal gatherings and an annual potluck dinner but many facilities are expensive so we need your help. Let us know if you are a member of a church, club, professional organization or, perhaps live in a community that has a “rec hall” that would be available. Please contact us with any leads you may have. Your assistance would be much appreciated.

Please note that SAGA is also seeking new Executive Board members. Les Sloan is serving as interim Secretary. The positions are just for one year so come join us!

Tours by SAGA Members

Several SAGA members are tour operators and offer a variety of trips. Listed below is information on group tours and members that offer custom tours. Please contact them directly for more information.

Alan Kruse of Kruse Arizona Tours will be taking a motorcoach tour to Mata Ortiz on April 12-15, 2007.

He also has a few spots left on his trip to Las Vegas October 23-26.

Anyone interested in learning more about Tucson’s historic neighborhoods may want to consider the **Twilight Walking Tour of the Mansions of Main Avenue** on Monday, September 18th at 5:00 pm with the optional dinner at El Charro afterwards.

For details and prices on any of Alan’s tours you can contact him at 881-1638 or via email: info@KruseArizona.com.

Char White, Tour of the Month is offering a Weekend at Rancho Esmeralda October 21-22.

Just 15 miles southwest of Nogales, nestled in the Auispas Mountains of Sonora lies **Rancho Esmeralda**. 30,000 acres of pristine grandeur. Tour Cost of \$249 includes: deluxe motor coach transportation, tour director, all activities, and food.

Contact Char via email to: tourofthemonth@cox.net or phone 648-1642

Custom Tours for small groups (2-6 people) are also available from SAGA. The perfect solution for visiting friends & relatives when you have to work. Also a way for local Bed & Breakfast owners to assist their guests.

Dale Sloan offers custom tours in the comfort of a mini-van or 15-passenger van upon request. Contact Dale at 743-3553 or via email to: SloanSouthwest@comcast.net.

Kay Dahms also offers custom tours in a private vehicle. Just give her a call at 762-1692 or via email: kdahms@mac.com

If you have current, full (Tour Guide) SAGA membership and would like to be listed in this column, just contact SAGA.



The Guide Ed News & Tips Page

Featuring News, Updates, Reference Information & Opportunities for Tour Guides, Planners & Tour Operators



EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

For those just starting out as Tour Guides and for experienced Guides as well, there is always room to learn and hone our skills.

On **Saturday, October 14**, the **Living History Rendezvous** is an excellent place to attend workshops, meet and talk with other guides and historic reenactors and visit the State Historical Society's Museum in Tempe. SAGA has reserved one 15-passenger van for those interested in sharing the ride and cost. If we have a lot of interest, we will try for a second van so please call Dale Sloan at 743-3553 if you would like to ride along. The cost is \$17 per person for the van rental and gas.

The Arizona Historical Society Museum is located at Papago Park Tempe. **Living History Rendezvous**, will begin at 10am and end at 4pm. The event is free of charge so take advantage of the opportunity.

The Living History Rendezvous is a gathering of Arizona's best living history interpreters from all corners of the state. Living Historians set up camp around the museum grounds, tell their stories, and describe their role in Arizona's history. If you are interested in becoming a living history interpreter or refining your current character, AHS offers free workshops throughout the day. Topics include: discussions on collecting, making, or designing clothing to fit your historic character and a roundtable discussion on script writing and development. Information updates on the Living History Rendezvous will be posted on our website at www.arizonahistoricalsociety.org.

Anyone who would like to participate as a Living History Character can request forms from SAGA and we will forward them to you. The Historical Society is also actively looking for vendors and those forms are also available by contacting SAGA via our email address.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Handouts with contact information on potential employers in the area will be available at the September 29 and October 17 meetings. If anyone has leads on employment opportunities for our guides, please contact us so we can pass the info on to our members.

Frequently Asked Questions

One of the questions many tour guests ask is—What is the Spanish/Mexican population here in Tucson. A recent article in the Tucson Daily Star gave a breakdown of the population and we found that it is almost half Anglo and half a mixture of other ethnicities here in the Old Pueblo. Here are the exact figures taken from the 2005 American Community Survey and U.S. Census Bureau:

Population breakdown—Tucson population (total) 507,362

Black/African American: 19,129 = 3.8%

American Indian/Alaskan native: 14,848 = 2.9%

Asian 12,782: = 2.5%

Native Hawaiian/ Pacific Islander: 759 = 0.1%

Hispanic/Latino (any race): 206,958 = 40.8%

The above figures total 50.1% nationalities classified as minorities. This means that the Anglo population of Tucson is just below half at 49.9%. Still far higher than many visitors assume to be the case.



What's News

Dining Around

New restaurants in town:

Sam Hughes Place at Campbell & 6th;

Zivaz Mexican Bistro at 490 E. Broadway— they are open 11am-9pm Sun-Thur & 11am-10pm Fri/Sat; 325-1234.

Benihana has taken over the former Sakura location at 6091 N Oracle Rd. Benihana, founded in 1964 has 74 Japanese themed restaurants nationwide.

If any of our readers have checked out these new eateries, please send us a review.

Tiffany & Co. To Open at La Encantada

The famous New York City luxury jeweler plans to open a 4,000 square-foot store at the Campbell & Skyline shopping center. Founded in 1837, Tiffany has been featured in movies and is one of the most prestigious and requested names in the world. The opening is set for October 12.

Growing Arizona

The latest statistics from the U.S. Census Bureau Arizona is the second fastest growing state with a population of 5.7 million. Nevada is #1. Phoenix has moved up as the nation's fifth largest city.

UofA Moving into Phoenix

In December the UofA College of Medicine was scheduled to begin construction on a bioscience building in downtown Phoenix. As Phoenix and Arizona grow, so does the need for additional branches to university campuses.

Airline Updates

US Airways/ America West Announces New Fare classes

US Airways and America West published new fare classes Sept. 1 as the first step in the consolidation of their reservation systems.

The change will affect travel beginning Sept. 20, including all reservations made before Sept. 1 for travel after Sept. 19. The new fare classes will re-

place both old US Airways and America West fares, allowing for an identical fare hierarchy for both operating carriers. Get more details at www.usairways.com

New State Quarter Designs

Combinations and separate depictions of the saguaro and the Grand Canyon dominate a state commission's choices for the image that may appear on Arizona's state quarter.

The Arizona State Quarter Commission agreed either unanimously or near unanimously on key points on each of five possible narratives describing possible images the commission wants U.S. Mint artists to prepare for Arizona's quarter. One would show the Grand Canyon and the sun. A second would have the canyon, a saguaro cactus and the sun. A third would depict a saguaro in a desert setting. The remaining two picks are based at least in part on history: John Wesley Powell exploring the Colorado River in the Grand Canyon and Navajo Code Talkers.

1st Color Film of Arizona Wartime Japanese Camp Discovered

While taking inventory at the Arizona Historical Foundation last year, archivist Linda Whitaker found a brown film canister labeled "Poston Color Dup." Inside was 16-millimeter film showing the Colorado River camp, commonly known as "Poston," being built and receiving its first inhabitants 64 years ago. Until that time it was believed that no color moving pictures existed. The foundation, based at Arizona State University's library, is working to widely share this unique footage. The 25-minute-long film has been copied into a digital file and talks are underway to post the film on the Internet for viewing. Unfortunately, a narration recorded on the film's magnetic sound strip no longer works.

The camp, located about 12 miles south of Parker near the California border, was constructed in a matter of months and was home to about 18,000 internees. Due to the camp, Poston was Arizona's third largest city after Phoenix and Tucson at that time.

What's Happening

SEP 14-17 GLOBE

GILA COUNTY FAIR

The fairgrounds located just 5 miles north of Globe on Hwy 60. Traditional activities & crafts including, 4-H exhibits, live-stock auction, a carnival, special events, Bull Riding Friday night, entertainment on Saturday - Kids' Rodeo, WGAS monster truck show, tuff truck competition, Gone Country 7 pm. Monster truck rides \$5; two performances by Dolan Ellis, Arizona's Official Balladeer, on Saturday at 3 pm and 5:30 pm. Senior Citizens Day is Friday - free admission; regular admission \$3 age 12+; 800-804-5623

SEP 15-17 SONOITA

SANTA CRUZ COUNTY FAIR

County Fairgrounds - Carnival, exhibits, games, 4H livestock, live music, kids rodeo & ranch rodeo, team roping, vendors, food. Starts 8:30a, \$3 adm. 520-455-5553

SEP 16-17 HEBER-OVERGAARD

19TH ANNUAL OKTOBERFEST

Over 100 booths with handmade arts & crafts, food, live entertainment, and games for the kids. Show times—Saturday 10 am-4 pm ; Sunday, 10 am-3 pm; Parking is \$5.00 donation/car.; located at Navajo County Tall Timbers Park (on Hwy 260 in Overgaard) Heber-Overgaard is located 55 miles east of Payson, the White Mountains; 928-535-5777; www.heberovergaard.org

SEP 16-17 CAMP VERDE

PIONEER DAYS & MULE SHOW

Community Center Grounds - Antique tractor & engine show, Dutch oven cookoff, dinner & dance; Sat 8a-11p, Sun 9a-4p; mule show & mule pack competition at Arena del Loma daily 9a-6p; free adm. 928-567-0535

SEP 21-24 DOUGLAS

COCHISE COUNTY FAIR

Opening at 10 am—old fashioned country County Fair with Amusements and live entertainment daily including western singer Chris Dunwoody, 36th US Army Band, Mistress of Mesmerism Susan Rosen, rock band Left of Centre, The Doo Wah Riders band, Tucson band Los Gallegos and Linda Hulet Clown of Many Faces; College Rodeo performances, bull riding; many agricultural, arts and animal exhibits; food and vendor booths and open beer garden.

SEP 21-24 TUCSON

GREEK FESTIVAL

Authentic Greek food, pastries, wine and beer, as well as live Greek music and kids' rides, folk dancers, pastry, deli & import booths; jumping castle, kiddie train; Thursday 5-10 pm, Friday 5-11 pm, Sat 4-11 pm., Sun noon to 6:30 pm; Fri & Sat only- FREE parking & shuttle service at Salpointe Catholic

High School Stadium, one block south of Glenn on Mountain Avenue; 520-888-0505

SEP 22-24 PHOENIX

2ND ANNUAL WILD WESTERN FESTIVAL

Pioneer Village - Voted one of the best western festivals in the US! 5 Stages of world famous Wild West acts & music! Hollywood celebrities, stunt shows, Kids Korral, arts & crafts, food & FREE parking. www.wildwesternfestival.com

SEP 23 BISBEE

2ND ANNUAL BISBEE BLUES FESTIVAL

City Park, Brewery Gulch - Live blues from a variety of bands, food & beverages avail. Sponsored by Bisbee Arts Commission. 11a-7p, tickets \$10 in adv, \$12 at door. 520-432-3554 or 1-866-2BISBEE

SEP 23-24 PAYSON

STATE CHAMPIONSHIP OLD TIME FIDDLE CONTEST

Houston Mesa Horse Camp - Best fiddling in AZ, twin fiddlers, trick fiddlers, lots more incl. gospel, food, arts & crafts, \$8 adults, \$4 ages 6-16, 9a-5p.; 928-474-5242, ext 7

SEP 30 SONOITA

EMPIRE RANCH ART SHOW

The Historic Empire Ranch's 2006 Roundup & Western Art Show/Sale from 10 am to 4:30pm will offer more than 100 works. Also featured, live music, a ranch store, guided tours of the historic ranch, a photo exhibit and book signings, demonstrations, arena events, wagon rides and barbecue lunch available; FREE admission; Location: about six miles north of Sonoita by way of Interstate 10 and state Route 83 to the ranch entrance midway between mileposts 39 and 40; Contact (520) 455-4603.

OCT 7-8 SIERRA VISTA

ANNUAL ART IN THE PARK

Veterans Memorial Park - 220 art & craft vendors; juried outdoor show; 20 food booths operated by local non-profit groups; Sat 9a-6p; Sun 9a-4p. Free adm; 520-378-1763

Please see page Three (3) for more items of interest

Note to Footprints readers—Each Tuesday we will be sending an email update of events & happenings of interest. If you would like to receive the update, please be sure we have your correct email address. We welcome your suggestions for email &



REMINDERS

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS—SAGA MEETINGS
NEW SCHEDULE: 3rd TUESDAY EACH MONTH**

Four Points Sheraton at Speedway & Campbell

Networking from 6:15—6:45 pm (SAGA announcements/Business 6:45-7pm)

Program begins at 7:00 pm

Appetizers, Beverages, Full Bar available (purchase optional)

October 17: Hohokam History & Culture 300 B.C. to A.D. 1450

Color slide presentation & artifacts on display

Program by: Celebrando el Pueblo de Tucson

***An invaluable source of information on these ancient people for all members of Arizona's
Tourism industry—Come and be amazed***

November 21: Economics of Wildlife

Arizona's wildlife brings in \$1.5 Billion dollars annually

(Wildlife viewing, tours, hunting & fishing)

Tom Whetten, Wildlife Photographer/Guide &

Arizona Game & Fish Information/Education Manager

***Color slide program with beautiful photos & information on wildlife, photo tours &
how AZ Game & Fish Department works with wildlife & the community***

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