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DUNBAR/SPRING NEIGHBORHOOD



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15th Annual
**DUNBAR/SPRING NEIGHBORHOOD
 TREE PLANTING**

Dated Material

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Upcoming DSNA Meetings:
General meetings are held the third Monday of each month from 7-9 p.m. at the Dunbar school (325 W 2nd St).

Next meeting: October 18
 Welcome new DSNA residents!

Upcoming Neighborhood Events

Dunbar/Spring Neighborhood Association monthly meetings

*Held the third Monday of each month at the Dunbar School auditorium from 7-9 p.m. (*One week later in January due to the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday)*

October 18: Tom Fisher (Tucson Department of Transportation) and Mary Ellen Wooten (Tucson Pima Arts Council) will be in attendance to provide a Downtown Links update.
Future meeting dates: November 15, December 20, January 24*

Community events organized and promoted by Dunbar/Spring residents

October 16: Nuevo Bazaar, Downtown Flea Market, 9 a.m.-3 p.m., 7th St. west of 6th Ave.
October 30: "THE HEADLESS HUNT!" Alley Cat Bicycle Scavenger Hunt presented by and a fundraiser for El Grupo Youth Cycling, 10 a.m., 439 N. 6th Ave.
Second tuesdays: Adult Spelling Bee, 7-9 p.m. (sign up, 6:30) at Sky Bar, 536 N. 4th Ave.

Also...

November 6: Desert Harvesters' Mesquite Milling Fiesta and Pancake Breakfast
November 6: Deadline to submit tree order forms
November 7: All Souls Procession
November 20: Neighborhood Tree Planting
December 4-5: BICAS' Art Auction
December/January: Construction begins on new traffic circles and chicanes

Hello Dunbar/Spring Tree Lovers! Here we are again for our annual tree ordering and tree planting. Please enjoy these affordable native trees that shade our streets and freshen our air. This year's tree planting date is Saturday, November 20, and is a day where volunteers will come to your house and plant your tree for you if you need the help! The deadline to submit tree order forms is two weeks earlier, on November 6.

Enhance, connect, and regenerate our community. Come help us plant native shade trees within water-harvesting earthworks in neighbors' yards and along the neighborhood streets. Get to know more great neighbors as you do so.

The idea is to plant food-producing, flood-controlling, wildlife habitat-producing, beautiful, air- and water-filtering, living air conditioners.

Be a part of the solution and help to create the living *cool-island-effect* instead of the exposed and over-paved *heat-island-effect*. Mature shade trees on the east, west, and north sides of a home can reduce summer temperatures around the building by up to 20 degrees Fahrenheit compared to homes without such shade trees.

In addition, street trees shading up to 75 percent of the street's surface can cool summer neighborhood temperatures by up to 10 degrees Fahrenheit. If we use street runoff to irrigate the street trees, we also reduce water consumption as we reduce downstream flooding.

Thus far, this annual event has resulted in more than 1,200 trees being planted in our neighborhood since 1996; let's keep going! Call Jamie Chandler at 979-2836 or email jrcenterprises@gmail.com for more information, tree order

forms, and to sign up to volunteer and help plant the trees.

Applications and tree order forms can be picked up at Originate (526 N 9th Ave, during business hours), the Lancaster house (813 N 9th Ave), or at Jamie's house (832 N 9th Ave). They can also be downloaded from the neighborhood's website at www.dunbarspring.org. Trees are \$8 each this year, and completed forms (as well as checks made out to "Trees for Tucson") can be returned

to these same locations. There are separate forms for home shade trees and street trees. (The home application is included on the next page for extra convenience.)

The deadline for placing your tree order and submitting your completed forms is November 6. Actual tree planting day is Saturday, November 20, starting at 8 a.m. Anyone in Dunbar/Spring can purchase these

affordable native trees and have them installed by volunteer neighbors. Anyone can volunteer to help plant trees too!

This is a great opportunity to beautify the neighborhood, get to know your neighbors, and establish some living air conditioners at the same time.

And just a reminder to call Bluestake (800-782-5348) to mark all underground utilities (for free) before you dig any holes.



Home Shade Tree Application

Dunbar/Spring completed applications due: November 6, 2010

Thanks to funding from Tucson Electric Power Company, all TEP customers throughout Pima County may be eligible to receive low-cost shade trees to plant within 15 feet of the West or East sides of your home to help cut energy costs by shading windows, walls and air conditioning units. Planting & maintenance instructions will be provided and are also available online at www.treesfortucson.org.

- Trees For Tucson (TFT) is a program of Tucson Clean and Beautiful, Inc.
- TFT is not part of the City of Tucson.
- The shade tree program is funded by Tucson Electric Power Company.

1. TO QUALIFY FOR SHADE TREES

Initial X:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • You must be a TEP customer. • Plant tree within 15 feet of your home, on the <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ WESTERN side of house (best shade location), ➢ EASTERN side of house (second best location), • ..to shade house during the hottest months. Planting locations will be confirmed by TEP at a later date. 	
Initial X:	<p>You understand that Trees for Tucson (TFT) and Tucson Electric Power Co. are held harmless from all liability associated with tree planting and maintenance.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TFT can give advice, recommendations, and deliver low-cost healthy 5 gallon trees. • TFT does not plant or maintain trees. 	

2. PAYING FOR YOUR TREES

Initial X:	Your check is cashed shortly after we receive your application as a deposit on your trees.	Your check being deposited is a confirmation that TFT received your application.
Initial X:	If your check has not been cashed	If your check has not been cashed within 2 weeks of mailing your application, please call us at (520) 250-8220 to verify.

3. WHEN YOU WILL GET YOUR TREES

Initial X:	6-8 weeks from when we receive your application	We deliver 4-6 thousand trees each year.
		We deliver trees in groups which are based on your ZIP code and the order in which we received your application. TFT cannot guarantee specific delivery dates.

Will you be out of town in the next 2 months?	<input type="checkbox"/> No	When:
	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	

4. YOUR INFO – PLANTING SITE (please be sure to fill in ZIP code)

NAME	PRIMARY:	SECONDARY:	Unit #:
PHONE			ZIP
ADDRESS	STREET:	STATE:	AZ
EMAIL	CITY:		

DO YOU LIVE IN A GATED COMMUNITY?	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> YES If yes, please provide entry instructions:
DO YOU HAVE DOGS IN YOUR FRONT YARD?	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> YES If yes, please provide entry instructions:

Desert Harvesters is a non-profit, volunteer-run effort based in Tucson that strives to promote, celebrate, and enhance local food security and production by encouraging the planting of indigenous, food-bearing shade trees in water-harvesting earthworks, and then educating the public on how to harvest and process the bounty.



There will be great live music, and a playground for all to play in. If it rains, the event will be moved just north of the garden to the Dunbar School auditorium.

People can bring the mesquite pods that they harvest (up to 15 gallons) and grind them into flour for an additional donation. This year, there will be three hammermills in operation to speed up the milling. The minimum milling fee is \$5 for any amount under two gallons of whole pods. If you have more than two gallons of pods to grind, you pay \$2 per gallon of whole pods. The idea is to encourage folks to bring at least three to five gallons of whole pods (five gallons of whole pods will provide approximately one gallon of fine, edible flour in about five minutes of milling).

If you do not want to wait in line to mill your pods, you can prepay for the milling and leave the pods with us in sealed containers labeled with your contact information, after we have inspected them to ensure they are clean enough to mill. We will grind them within a week and give you a call when your flour is ready for pick up.

If you'd like to be part of the crew that makes this event happen, volunteers are needed to run the outdoor pancake kitchen as well as to handle pod inspection and the mesquite milling operation. It is great fun, and people treat you like a hero. To join the breakfast crew, send an email to pancakes@desertharvesters.org. If you'd like to help with the milling and mesquite pod quality control, contact chaff@desertharvesters.org.

many picked from trees planted within the Dunbar/Spring neighborhood. The organic wheat is from Crooked Sky Farm in Glendale and is ground just a week before the event. The pancakes are served with prickly pear syrup, mesquite syrup, organic backyard honey, and agave nectar. There is also a variety of locally made teas and organic coffee for people to try. The price of the pancake breakfast is \$1 per pancake.

Desert Harvesters' incredible new cookbook, *EAT MESQUITE!*, will be released and available for sale, featuring 50 delicious, tried-and-true recipes. In addition, local, organic, and wild foods are for sale: These can include mesquite flour; prickly pear syrup, jam, and juice; mesquite pancake mix; baked goods; chiltepinos; cholla buds; olive oil; cured olives; and fresh mole mixes. You'll find native herbal medicines and teas, organic Desert Harvesters t-shirts, and rainwater harvesting books for sale. And educational sampling booths on other local/native foods, such as acorn flour and baked goods, will be featured.

Come enjoy mesquite/whole-wheat pancakes made with all organic, local ingredients. The mesquite flour is made from native Velvet mesquite pods handpicked by Desert Harvesters around Tucson –



Photo by Ian Fritz

8th Annual Desert Harvesters' Mesquite Milling Fiesta & Pancake Breakfast

Saturday, November 6th - 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.
 Dunbar/Spring Organic Community Garden
 NW corner of 11th Ave. and University Blvd.
 The mesquite **pancake breakfast** is from 9 a.m. to noon.
 The mesquite **milling** is from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

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5. ARE YOU THE HOMEOWNER?

<input type="checkbox"/> Yes, I am the homeowner	Landlord phone #
<input type="checkbox"/> No, I am a renter	
<input type="checkbox"/> No, other:	

6. TEP ACCOUNT INFO

Name on account:
10-digit Account #

required; call (520) 623-7711 to obtain your account number
 Circle the number of each type of tree you wish to apply for: *Max of 2 trees for post-1980 homes *Max of 4 trees for pre-1980 homes

1 2 3 4	Velvet Mesquite (<i>Prosopis velutina</i>)	Moderate-fast growth to 25' tall & wide; winter semi-deciduous; yellow flowers; high pollen; seed & pod litter; edible seed pods; medicinal properties; nitrogen fixer; thorns; multi-trunk; deep roots.
1 2 3 4	Desert Ironwood (<i>Olearya tesota</i>)	Slow-moderate growth to 25' tall & wide; edible seeds; medicinal properties; evergreen; lavender flowers; spines; nitrogen fixer.
1 2 3 4	Blue Palo Verde (<i>Cercidium floridum</i>)	Moderate-fast growth to 25' tall & wide; drought deciduous; seeds edible when green or sprouted; edible yellow flowers; blue-green leaves & bark; tiny thorns; typically multi-trunked; mild allergen; seed pods; low litter; upright growth; can be susceptible to palo verde toger and witches' broom.
1 2 3 4	Foothills Palo Verde (<i>Cercidium microphyllum</i>)	Moderate growth to 20-25' tall & wide; yellow-green leaves & bark; drought deciduous; edible yellow flowers; seeds edible when green or sprouted; some thorns.
1 2 3 4	Desert Willow (<i>Chilopsis linearis</i>)	Moderate-fast growth to 25' tall & wide; winter deciduous; medicinal properties; attractive pink flowers from spring to fall; low pollen; no thorns; low maintenance; multi-trunk; grey bark; willow-like leaves; slightly higher water use.
1 2 3 4	Cat Claw Acacia (<i>Acacia greggii</i>)	Moderate growth to 20' tall & wide; winter deciduous; grey bark; medicinal properties; yellow flowers; thorns; nitrogen fixer.
1 2 3 4	White Thorn Acacia (<i>Acacia constricta</i>)	Moderate growth to 15' tall & wide; winter deciduous; red bark; medicinal properties; fragrant yellow flowers; spines; nitrogen fixer.

8. PLANTING YOUR TREES

Plant trees at least 10 feet from sewer lines, 5 feet from water lines, and 3 feet from other utility lines. Do not plant under overhead lines. Do not plant in public right-of-way without permit & Blue Stake clearance (dial 811 or 1-800-782-5348). Planting & maintenance instructions provided with trees.

***Mark an "X" in the general location you wish to plant your tree(s)

PAYMENT (up to 2 trees for homes built after 1980 - up to 4 trees for homes built before 1980)

Prepayment by check/money order required with application. Checks deposited immediately for security purposes.

- **Trees: \$8- each**
- **T-shirt: \$15 each**
 - o Size: S M L XL
 - o Color: white light gray

Make checks payable to: || Trees For Tucson

- Additional **DONATION** to help provide even more trees for community planting projects! \$
- *Trees for Tucson is a program of Tucson Clean & Beautiful, a nonprofit organization. Additional contributions are tax-deductible.

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____ **Total enclosed \$** _____

- Please send information on future spring and summer tree tours
- Add me to TCB monthly announcement email list:



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CALL TO ARTISTS BICAS' 15th Annual Art Auction

BICAS is requesting donations of bicycle-themed artwork for its 15th annual Art Auction. This year's auction will take place on December 4th and 5th (location TBA). Donations of artwork depicting the bicycle can be dropped off at BICAS, 44 W. 6th St. Proceeds from this silent auction directly support BICAS. Don't miss out on being part of this amazing, creative event and having your work shown along with hundreds of Tucson artists. Contact 628-7950 or art@bicas.org for more information.



ALL SOULS PREP Mask and Puppet Making

The 21st annual All Souls Procession is coming up Sunday, November 7. In preparation, Tucson Puppet Works hosts weekly workshops on big puppet head construction, human-powered floats, intricate masks, and just about anything else you can dream up! All ages are welcome; please arrive wearing clothes that can get dirty. These free workshops are held Tuesdays and Thursdays, 6-9 p.m. through November 4 at the Citizen's Warehouse Courtyard, 44 W. 6th St. To learn more about this signature Tucson event, visit www.allsoulsprocession.org.