



# Tunland News

*Founded 1983*

*Supporting all people to be  
part of their community!*

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## *A Good Win for Prop 100 But Our Struggle Goes On*

The special election on May 18th was a big victory for all Arizonans and for our community. The voters told the Legislature and the Governor—in huge numbers—that they want health and human services for those who need them, good schools for their kids, and other vital services for the people of a growing state.

Proposition 100 will add one percent to the state sales tax for three years, helping to pay for vital services—for now. We hope that the legislators who pushed the budget cuts got the message that the people of Arizona want services that benefit everyone.

We're delighted with this victory. Our communities and allies worked hard for it. However, this is no time to stop fighting. Yes, there was a clear message from the voters—we want government responsible for the good of all Arizonans. Will they listen this time? Sadly, they haven't listened to us for the last two years. They've cut our funding for 2009—then cut it more severely again for 2010.

We need to remember that 2010 is an election year. There is a primary elec-

tion on August 24th and a general election on November 2nd. We have a chance to make things different. To do that we've got to exercise our citizenship. All of us—clients, staff, providers, parents, guardians, friends, next-door neighbors—everyone.

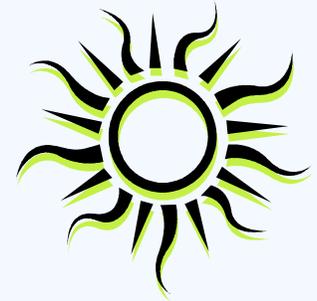
That means we must vote. Why? Because politicians listen to voters.

That means we must ask each candidate where he or she stands on funding health and human services—and don't let them get away with no answer.

If you are registered, vote! If you're not registered it's time to be a full citizen. It's not hard. If you're a US citizen 18 or older and you are competent to handle your affairs you can—and should—vote. You need a state ID with your current address. That's all.

There are voter registration forms in the Quality Management office. Or call Vince Kruse at QM at ext. 8087 and ask for help.

Don't let the politicians cut services that you need. Tell them what YOU need—on election day.



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## **TTC Summer Program Set to Start on June 1st**

Every summer TTC offers school-age children with developmental disabilities aged 3 to 21 an opportunity to learn new interpersonal and life skills in a supportive, fun, and recreational environment.

Set to begin on June 1, 2010, this year's edition will offer some interesting and varied community activities to enhance the goals of fostering self-esteem, learning how to be safe in the community, and learning how to eliminate behaviors that interfere with relationships and being in the community.

Applications are being taken currently and will be accepted throughout the summer, according to Assistant Director Maggie Crouse. However, applicants are advised to get their paperwork in as soon as possible



## STARS Picnic at Encanto Park a Great Success!



Tungland's STARS program hosted a day of outdoor fun, food, and friendship at their annual picnic on April 17th at Encanto Park. About 80 providers, clients, staff, families and friends enjoyed great Valley weather for barbeque, bouncy, face painting, a balloon artist, and a piñata with prizes!





***GHM BILL KING HIKES THE CANYON!***



*Showing that vacation can be a time to stay fit while enjoying the wonders of nature, Becker manager Bill King recently hiked down into and back up out of the Grand Canyon. Bill and his wife Janet stayed overnight in the Canyon's Phantom Ranch before trekking up to the rim.*





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*Founded in 1983 by Robert W. Tunland II, The Tunland Corporation (TTC) grew from the belief that all people are capable of growth coupled with a vision that people with challenges can live in real homes in real neighborhoods, learn to interact with their communities, and fulfill their personal dreams. Innovative thinking by TTC has led to providing a wide range of services to Arizona's disability community—over 100 group homes in the Phoenix area, Tucson, and Northern Arizona, day programs for children and adults, vocational programs that teach job skills, in-home support services, elder care, counseling and consulting services, foster care, and community access. Fulfilling its commitment to provide the highest quality services to people wherever they live, TTC has expanded its service range, providing quality residential services in neighboring New Mexico.*



## Free Stuff, Fun Stuff, & Events in June

**African American Multicultural Museum—Free**  
617 N Scottsdale Road #A  
Scottsdale, AZ 85257  
Telephone 480-314-4400  
Email: [info@aammuseum.org](mailto:info@aammuseum.org)

*Admission is always free. Exhibits and programs featuring art, historical items, speakers, and artists. Exhibits change quarterly. Emphasizes the positive contributions of many races and cultures while incorporating the African American culture.*

**Downtown Chandler Art Walk—Free**  
Visit more than 70 artisans set up along the streets in front of the unique shops and cafes of Historic Downtown Chandler. . First Friday of the month in 2010.

**First Friday Phoenix Art Walk—Free**  
Stroll in downtown Phoenix and visit over 100 art galleries, studios, and art spaces. Every first Friday.

**Westgate WaterDance Summer Film Festival, Westgate City Center, Loop 101 & Glendale Avenue, Glendale—Free**

*"You bring the chairs, we bring the stars" is the invitation to the summer film festival held through June 25th in Glendale's WaterDance Plaza. Movies are shown on the Plaza's giant 30-foot x 50-foot LED screen. Family-friendly with tie-in events and promotions. Bring chairs or a blanket.*

*Movie line-up for June:*

*June 4—7.30 pm Superman Returns*

*June 11—7.30 pm Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen*

*June 18 8.00 pm The Blind Side*

*June 25—8.00 pm Michael Jackson's This Is It*

**The Bead Museum, 58th Avenue one block north of Glendale Avenue, Glendale—Free only on Thursday evenings after 5.00 pm, otherwise \$5.00 admission. Closed Mondays and Tuesdays**

*An international collection of over 100,000 beads and beaded artifacts with exhibitions and programs designed to heighten awareness of peoples' ideas about themselves and their world through the art and study of beads.*

**Not free, but fun for dinosaur fans:**

**Arizona Museum of Natural History, 53 N Macdonald, Mesa AZ 85201. Open Tues—Fri 10.00am—5.00 pm, Sat 11.00 a, - 5.00 pm, Sun 1.00—5.00 pm. Admission \$10 adults, \$6 children 3-12, \$8 student with ID card. \$7 group rate available for groups of 10 + with reservations: call 480-644-3553. Wheelchair accessible.**

*Dinosaurs that roar, panning for gold, native peoples gallery & village, changing special exhibits.*