Canadians attempt world record journey in van powered by waste vegi oil, visit Tucson schools to educate students about Sustainability

Meet and greet set for Jan. 21 at Bookmans

Tucson, Ariz. - Tyson Jerry, 26, and Cloe Whittaker, 24, of Driven to Sustain, are attempting to beat the Guinness Book of World Records’ current record for farthest miles driven on an alternative fuel. On Thursday and Friday, they will visit Tucson students to educate local youth on sustainability issues facing our world today.

The Tucson Regional Clean Cities Coalition, a program of Pima Association of Governments, and its members have been working with the two to find waste vegi oil and helping to schedule student presentations during their Tucson stop. We would like to particularly thank Environmental Development Group, and Bookmans Entertainment Exchange for their support with this project.

Whittaker and Jerry are over half way through their 28,000-mile road trip in a van powered by the waste oil from restaurants. If all goes well, they will roll in to the record books in approximately 3 months, having made the longest journey by car using alternative fuel. The two Canadians will travel through every province, state and territory and, along the way, will stop at schools to talk about sustainability.

Tucson will have a chance to meet the two and find out more about the journey, and sustainability, at a “meet-n-greet” sponsored by Bookmans Entertainment Exchange, from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Thursday, Jan. 21. Refreshments will be available during this incredible evening event to learn more about this record-pursuing journey.

“Working with our youth is so very important. Teaching them how to respect our environment is a key to sustaining our future, and I am proud to be

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“working with Tyson and Cloe on this monumental journey,” said Colleen Crowninshield, manager of Pima Association of Governments’ Clean Cities Program. “We would like to see a big crowd greet them at Bookmans and show them that Tucson is supportive of their effort”.

**What:** Meet-n-Greet opportunity with Tyson Jerry and Cloe Whittaker of Driven to Sustain  
**When:** Thursday, January 21, 2010  
6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.  
**Where:** Bookman’s Entertainment Exchange  
1930 E. Grant Road (Grant and Campbell)  
Refreshments will be served

*Pima Association of Governments is an association of local, state and tribal governments with a mission to build consensus among its members and the public on regional planning for transportation, air quality and water quality.*

*Clean Cities is a voluntary program of the U.S. Department of Energy to expand the use of alternatives to gasoline and diesel fuel, accelerate the use of alternative fuel vehicles and build a local refueling infrastructure for these vehicles.*

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