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Don't be Left in the Dark this April!

Tucson, AZ - Tucsonans have been left to comply with exterior lighting regulations that leave them in the dark. These local ordinances raise the question, "How can we responsibly light our homes without breaking the rules?" In response to this issue, the International Dark-Sky Association endorsed National Dark-Sky Week (NDSW) in 2003 with the intent to settle a growing world population into the routines necessary for night sky conservation. In support of the effort to save some of the most breathtaking sights in the desert sky, locally-owned Sun Lighting educates and provides their clients with responsible lighting options that comply with Arizona lighting codes.

NDSW is a week-long awareness building effort that runs from April 23-30, 2006. The week is dedicated to increasing awareness about the damaging effects light pollution has on our atmosphere and to providing information and solutions that address the problem. "We can educate and inform local residents about how to avoid light pollution and responsibly design exterior lighting schemes," Danny Lefkowitz, owner of Sun Lighting Inc., said. Lefkowitz and his employees recommend these solutions to clients:

- **Stop Light Trespassing** - Shine the light down instead of facing outward. It will not annoy neighbors or obscure the night sky.
- **Eliminate Glare** - Lighting that glares in your eyes is a serious safety hazard.
- **Use Sensors** - The best Dark-Sky Friendly Lighting is sensor controlled; on when you need it, off when you don't.
- **If 70 watts will do, why use 400?** Good outdoor lighting is not overly bright in relation to the surrounding area. Use minimal wattage because less is more!

For more information about Dark-Sky friendly lighting solutions and local dark-sky compliance requirements that affect your outdoor lighting scheme, contact Sun Lighting at (520) 322-4303. The showroom is open Monday-Saturday, 9am-5pm, and Sunday 11am- 4pm at 4545 E. Broadway.

Interviews

Danny Levkowitz, Owner & Lighting expert