



North Park Central Neighborhood Association

April/May 2007

Our goal is to work together as a friendly community to maintain and improve the appearance, safety, and property value of our neighborhood, thereby creating a better place to live, grow, and raise our children

Please welcome our new Association President –

I hope you will all join me in welcoming our new President, Kat Moore. At the board meeting on April 12, Kat was elected with a unanimous vote from the board members. Kat and her husband Brad moved into our neighborhood over 2 years ago. She has a Bachelors degree from the Art Institute in Interior Design. Her leadership skills and multitude of talents in the area of design along with her enthusiasm will serve our neighborhood well.



Kat grew up in Tulsa Oklahoma in a Historic Neighborhood and her parents instilled a sense of preservation and respect for community from an early age. That is why she and her husband were interested in getting involved. Kat hopes to achieve inspiration and involvement from our community. "I think that people equate Home Associations with antiquated ideals and I want people to know what all can be accomplished if you get involved and take pride in where you live," says Kat "What excites me is the positive changes and growth in our neighborhood. Things like the 7th Ave. Fair which brings a loyalty to our merchants and a familiarity to our neighbors."

Kat would like to broaden the involvement in the neighborhood and in the Association's Board. She would like to expand what the neighborhood has started and build a future together that we will be proud of handing down to the next generation that will take our place.

Kat and Nancy will be working together for a while until Kat feels comfortable on her own. Please join me and extending a big welcome aboard. We look forward to her enthusiasm and commitment to community.

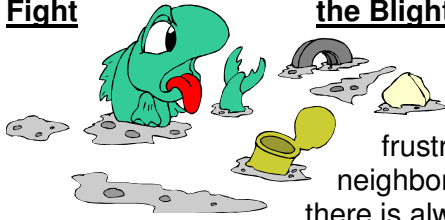
Thanks you, Nancy Joplin

Bulk Trash Pickup May 21st –

The next bulk trash pickup is May 21st. Remember the one week rule. You can place bulk trash at curb side one week prior to pickup. That date is May 12th. Please adhere to that rule to reduce the blight in our neighborhood. It is a City violation to place bulk trash out before the listed placement date. Bulk Trash Crews DO NOT pickup household hazardous waste such as antifreeze, pool chemicals, oil, batteries, or paint. They also do not pickup bricks, concrete, dirt, rocks, asphalt or roofing shingles. No metal or car parts in excess of 20 pounds. No tires, No glass windows. If you have questions or appliances that use refrigerants, call 602-262-7251

Need A NEW Trash Container?

If your trash container is old and not working correctly you can have it replaced free. Simply call 602-262-7251 and let them know. Public works will ask you to place the old container at curbside. They will replace it during their next pickup.

Fight**the Blight –**

Blight is always a concern for our neighborhood. It reduces property values, reduces the desirability of the area, creates frustration for neighbors, and invites crime and criminal activity. Our neighborhood has made a good transition in the past several years, but there is always more that can be done. If you have specific questions regarding blight or to report blight you can e-mail blight@phoenix.gov, visit www.phoenix.gov/NSD go to the Report Blight link or call 602-262-7844. Here is a reminder of the most common blight violations.

Vegetation – Property owners are responsible for maintaining their properties and the adjacent right of way, free of dead or dried vegetation. Property owners are also responsible for ensuring that weeds do not exceed 6 inches in height, and that lawn grass is maintained at 6 inches or shorter.

Inoperable Vehicles – Inoperable vehicles must not be seen from beyond the bounds of the property line. An inoperable vehicle is a vehicle that is not equipped with all parts that are required to legally and safely operate it on public streets. Car covers, tarps, bamboo, shades and other similar types of materials are not acceptable screening. This includes inoperable vehicles in carports.

Junk, Litter and Debris – Junk, litter and debris cannot be left in the yard. They must be disposed of properly. This includes junk auto parts, appliances, furniture, building and/or landscaping materials and tires.

Open and Vacant Buildings and Structures – The property owner is responsible for maintaining buildings, structures and grounds of a property. Windows, doors and other openings must be kept secure so they cannot be opened from the outside. Storage sheds must also be secured to city specifications. This includes vacant houses for sale. For specifications for securing vacant structures, call 602-262-7844.

Outside Storage – Outside storage on properties zoned as residential that can be seen from beyond the bounds of the property line is not allowed. Generally, any equipment, building or landscaping materials, auto parts, appliances or any scrap items may not be visible. Boats, campers and other similar personal items may be stored in a limited area of the rear yard.

Fence in Disrepair – Fencing and screening walls must be sound and made from the same materials. They also must be weather-tight and free from deterioration and blight. Fences in residential zones cannot be higher than 3 feet in the required front yard and 6 feet in the required rear yard.

Parking – There are limits to the amount of residential yard area that may be used for a driveway or parking. Parking vehicles anywhere other than these designated areas may be a violation. Designated parking areas must be dust-proofed. Call 602-262-7844 for specific information.

Graffiti – Graffiti must be removed from all sidewalks, walls, fences, signs and other structures or surfaces visible from beyond the bounds of the property. This is the responsibility of the property owner. Paint and graffiti removal supplies are available from the Graffiti Busters program at 602-495-0323.

Tesco Supermarket –

The new grocery store, ***fresh&easy Neighborhood Market***, is coming soon to 7th Ave. and Indian School Road. You can check out their website at www.freshandeasy.com. Currently, the store is filing a zoning adjustment to reduce the building and landscape setback along Indian School Road. This 14,000 square foot grocery store will offer everything from everyday staples to gourmet items. That includes fresh fruits and vegetables, organic food and pre-prepared food at affordable prices. Also, if you are interested in employment opportunities, please check out their website.

Home Sales – According to realtor, Juan Medina, our homes are the only pocket of nice homes in the affordable 250K range in the downtown area. To see updates, pictures and current prices on the web of these homes, join our e-mail list and you will be sent the “Buyers Page” and “CMA Page” which is comparable market analysis courtesy of Realtor Juan Medina at *HomeSmart*, 602-430-6895. Send an e-mail to mail@npcna.com and ask to be added to the home sales e-mail list. All e-mail addresses will be kept confidential.

Address	SqFt	Bed/Bath	List Price	Sale Price	Price per SqFt
821 W. Weldon Ave.	1,551	4/2	\$330,000	Active	\$212.77
1017 W. Weldon Ave.	1,408	4/2	\$215,000	Active	\$152.70
812 W. Whitton Ave.	1,450	3/1	\$246,900	Active	\$170.28
849 W. Whitton Ave.	1,880	4/2	\$269,900	Pending	\$143.56
808 W. Indianola Ave.	1,596	4/2	\$252,500	\$259,900	\$162.84
821 W. Indianola Ave.	1,178	3/1.75	\$248,500	Active	\$210.95
822 W. Indianola Ave.	2,017	4/2	\$349,000	Active	\$173.03
812 W. Fairmount Ave.	1,570	3/2	\$239,000	Active	\$152.23

Contact Information

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Community Phone Numbers

City of Phoenix Administration Services	(602) 534-5033
Graffiti Busters hotline	(602) 495-7014
Graffiti Detective reward hotline	(602) 262-7327
Property blight violations	(602) 262-7844
	blight@phoenix.gov
Grocery Cart Removal	(800) 843-2278
Illegal Signs	(602) 534-7100
Landlord/Tenant Counseling	(602) 262-7210
General Information, city	(602) 534-6262
Police Crime Stop	(602) 262-6151
To report a crime in progress	9-1-1
Dave Chambers, Police Comm. Action Officer	(602) 534-2637
Tom Simplot, District 4 City Councilman	(602) 262-7447
Ken Chevront, District 15 State Senator	(602) 926-5325
City of Phoenix Water Services	(602) 262-6251
Arizona Public Service	(602) 371-7171
Southwest Gas	(602) 862-1999
Cox Communications	(623) 594-1000
City of Phoenix Sewer Dept.	(602) 262-6222