



North Park Central Neighborhood Association

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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

Beware of Magazine Solicitors – Surrounding neighborhoods have reported to the police that magazine salesmen have been traveling in pairs to distract and rob you. According to residents, one individual distracts you at the front door while the other hops the fence and enters the back yard, peering into windows to see if you have anything to rob. There are also other groups that are presenting themselves as disadvantaged youth trying to better themselves. The name of the magazine sales company in this case is Movemeant Sales of LaPorte, Indiana. This company has a number of complaints on file. On other occasions, an African American male in his 20s wearing Levis and a black hooded sweatshirt was in a neighborhood selling magazines without any ID, did not carry a clipboard, and had no apparent printed information or business cards. According to reports, the man was initially polite, but quickly became angry and rude when asked for credentials. Police are requesting that we do not open our doors to anyone we do not recognize and call 911 if you see anyone going door-to-door selling magazines that match this method.



The Great Wall Project - The core project members met February 1st to discuss updates on the project. We will be setting up focus groups of residents in March to interview and film their thoughts on what “The Desert Meets the City” means to them. We will be asking neighbors who have lived in the neighborhood for many years to recount the history of the area when they first moved into the neighborhood. We will also be looking to interview new residents as well. If you have a story that you would like to tell or would like to be interviewed, please call Nancy at 602-367-4480. Also, if you have picture of the original neighborhood from the 50s or the area before the neighborhood was built that you would like to share, please let us know. The interviews will be conducted by teachers and students from Phoenix College in a coffee house setting. This information will be used to bring the theme to life as well as being used for a documentary on the project.

In the mean time, core project members will be meeting on March 9 to write the development plan. St. Joseph’s Hospital’s Suzanne Pfister and Anne Wendell from St. Joe’s Marketing and Communications division have graciously offered to help us through the process with their expertise as part of their community outreach program.

7th Avenue Reversible Lanes – The City is taking a look at the reversible lanes along 7th Avenue and 7th Street. Originally introduced in the late 70s, the lane operates during peak traffic hours and allows an additional lane for motorists to travel south towards downtown in the morning and north in the afternoon. As many of us who live close to the lanes, also known as the suicide lane, this can confuse motorists causing dangerous situations. It also causes drivers frustration not allowing drivers to make a left turn during these peak hours which in turn forces cut through traffic in the surrounding neighborhoods. If you have an opinion or suggestion regarding the reversible lanes, please call Councilman Tom Simplot at 602-262-7447 and let their office know.

Home Sales – 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
3441 N. 8th Ave.	1,185	3/1.5	\$229,000	Sold	\$193.25
821 W. Weldon Ave.	1,551	4/2	\$350,000	Active	\$225.66
812 W. Whitton Ave.	1,450	3/1	\$246,900	Active	\$170.28
849 W. Whitton Ave.	1,880	4/2	\$269,900	Active	\$143.56
808 W. Indianola Ave.	1,596	4/2	\$259,000	Active	\$162.28
812 W. Fairmount Ave.	1,570	3/2	\$250,000	Active	\$159.24



Bulk Trash Pick-Up – Collection begins on February 19th. Bulk trash is material that must not be placed in the refuse or recycling container such as furniture, large appliances and large amounts of vegetation. Bulk Trash crews do not pick up household hazardous waste such as antifreeze, pool chemicals, oil, batteries, and paint. They also do not take materials such as bricks, concrete, dirt, rocks, metal and asphalt and roofing shingles/tiles, tires, glass such as windows, shower doors, mirrors or fluorescent tubes or appliances that use refrigerants. For more information call 602-262-7251. Bulk trash takes place every three months. Our collection schedule for the remainder of 2007 is May 21, August 20 and November 19.

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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