



North Park Central Neighborhood Association

July 2005

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



Block Watch Grant Approved – North Park Central Neighborhood Association applied for a grant at the beginning of the year and was awarded \$10,000 to be used for Association projects. Goals outlined in the grant proposal are:

To improve communications and participation within our neighborhood by increasing our bi-monthly newsletter to a monthly newsletter. To create and maintain a website. To increase our Block Watch neighborhood volunteers by raising awareness. To add a Block Watch event in May of 2006 in addition to our usual annual meeting slated for mid-October 2005. To increase safety by increasing lighting in the alley behind Mitchell Drive. To paint household curb numbers with reflective paint at no charge to the homeowner.

This grant will help buy equipment, services and material to make all of that happen. It will help us increase communication, safety and visibility.

The official signing of the Block Watch Grant took place on June 28th. This is an exciting time for our neighborhood and the Association. Our volunteers have lead us through some significant accomplishment in the past years and we are pushing forward. With this money comes responsibility to fulfill our outlined goals. To do this, we need neighborhood participation. Yes, that means you. This is too important to tell yourself that someone else will step up. Things don't happen by themselves. It takes people! People like you! We are looking for volunteers. Recently our volunteer base has been reduced. Kristen, who constructed our newsletter and volunteered for many projects relocated into another part of the valley and George, our treasurer is in recovery from heart surgery. We need to increase our board members. We are also looking for newsletter delivery folks. We are looking for someone with word processing skills to help with the newsletter, and in general, folks that will help with organizing neighborhood projects. We meet monthly. It doesn't require a significant amount of time, but it does require dedication. So, if you have the skills, enthusiasm and pride to make your neighborhood better, give us a call at 602-367-4480.

New Construction – As you have all noticed, the Eye Business building was demolished on the southwest corner of 7th Ave. and Mitchell. Washington Mutual Bank is being proposed. Here is a description of the project. This project consists of a 2,400 square foot single story building for Washington Mutual Bank on .38 acres on SW corner of 7th Avenue and Mitchell Drive. The building is 22 feet high with stucco over metal frame and a drive-thru canopy with 2 lanes.

Welcome New Board Member - Barbara Herren recently joined our board last month. We officially would like to welcome her to our group. We look forward to working with her and know that she will be a great asset to our board and our neighborhood.



Alley Clean-up - Saturday, June 18, volunteers, residents and Neighborhood Services rolled up their sleeves and put on gloves to clean up our two alleys behind Mitchell Drive and Amelia Ave. Many thanks to those of you who helped make our neighborhood a better place to live. Residents have been complaining about the retailers and apartment complexes dumping furniture and trash in the two alleys. If illegal dumping or full dumpster are creating a problem, call Neighborhood Services at 602-262-7844 and report them. Residents are responsible for keeping the alleys clear of litter, uncontained large trash and weeds. The Neighborhood Association will be starting a tool lending program and will look into purchasing a gas powered weed eater with, Grant money, for residents use. Also thanks to Excel Ice Cream Co., Bashas, and Wal-mart for their contribution of ice, water and donuts for the volunteers.

Painting House Numbers on Curbs – One of the projects we will be doing as a part of our Grant is painting every house number on the curb with reflective paint. We thought we would like to first see if there was a Scout or youth group that would like to take this on as a project. Our budget for the entire project is \$1,500. This will include paint and stencils. That comes out to roughly \$6.00 per house. We are hoping to begin the project in September. If you have a group or know of one that may be interested in taking this on as a project, please call Nancy at 602-367-4480. The house numbers will be painted for every house free of charge, courtesy of the Neighborhood Association and Block Watch Grant. We will leave a flyer at your door, but no funds or tips will be collected. We have in the past had folks pose as “working for the neighborhood association” and collecting donations. Again, this will be free of charge to all resident.

Soaring home prices and sales

This has rapidly become one of the more favorite articles in the newsletter. As you can see, there are a lot of homes in our neighborhood on the market. Here are those for sale, listed as active, and those that have sold. This is for the period of April 15 through July 1.



Address	SqFt	Bed/Bath	List Price	Sale Price	Price per SqFt
3436 N. 8th Ave	1,260	3/1	\$249,000	\$250,000	198.41
1018 W. Mitchell Dr.	1,575	5/2	\$178,000	\$178,000	113.01
835 W. Mitchell Dr.	1,155	3/2	\$165,000	\$165,000	142.85
821 W. Mitchell Dr.	1,519	3/1.75	\$190,000	Active	125.08
1008 W. Weldon Ave.	1,088	3/1	\$155,900	\$155,000	142.46
815 W. Whitton Ave.	1,088	3/1	\$165,000	\$165,000	151.65
846 W. Whitton Ave.	1,547	4/1.75	\$269,900	Active	174.46
817 W. Indianola Ave.	1,178	3/1.75	\$250,000	Active	212.22
817 W. Fairmount Ave.	1,801	3/2	\$224,900	Active	124.87
841 W. Amelia Ave.	1,629	4/2	\$248,900	Active	152.79

Moonlight Movies - Saturday, July 23 at 8 pm, at Steel Indian School Park, “The Sandlot” will be shown on a 50 foot x 34 foot inflatable movie screen in the park. This movie, hosted by Councilman Tom Simplot, is free so bring a blanket or lawn chair and enjoy this PG movie. Refreshments are available for purchase, or bring your own snacks.

The offender violated probation and was released on 2/18/04. During the offense, the offender had sexual contact with a 4 year old female who was know to the offender.

Moises Michael Lustaunau, 928 W. Turney Ave., white, age 30, 5'7", 185 pounds, brown hair, brown eyes. This offender was convicted of attempted sexual conduct with a minor. This offender was sentenced to lifetime probation which was revoked. He was sent back to prison to serve the remainder of his sentence. He was then released. During the offense, the offender sexually assaulted a 9 year old for 9 years. The offender was 10 years old when this began, and the victim was 5. The offender brought this to the attention of the police in 1993, when he was 19 years old.

Jerry Lewis, 506 W. Pierson Street, white, age 54, 5'7", 155 pounds, gray hair, brown eyes. This offender sexually assaulted a 13 year old known to him. Lewis is on lifetime probation.

Levi Jon Goodwin, 1116 W. Indian School Rd, #27, age 29, 5'9", 180 pounds, black hair, brown eyes. This offender was convicted in the US District Court of Arizona on once count of Abusive Sexual Contact – Crime on Indian Reservation. The offense involved non-consensual sexual intercourse with a 15 year-old female, who he had just met. In 2001, Goodwin was convicted in Maricopa County on one count of Failure to Register as a Sex Offender and is currently on supervised release.

Water Works in our Neighborhood

The City of Phoenix water project continues. You can call (602) 248-4211 twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week for more information.

Bulk Trash Pick-Up

Placement Begins: Aug 13 ----- Collection Begins: Aug 22

Contact: Solid Waste Customer Service (602) 262-7251 or pwserve@phoenix.gov

Bulk trash is material that cannot be placed in the garbage or recycling container such as furniture, some large appliances and large amounts of vegetation. We are area 11 on the 2005 quarterly Bulk Trash Schedule. Crews do NOT pick up: dirt; rocks; concrete; bricks; tires; large auto parts; large heavy metal objects; glass such as windows, shower doors, etc.; construction or demolition materials; piping over one inch in diameter; appliances that contain chlorofluorocarbons (CFCs), such as refrigerators, air conditioners, freezers, heat pumps, water coolers and dehumidifiers.



Contact Information

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If you have any thoughts on what you would like to see in our newsletter or would like to contribute an article, recommend a business, or sponsor our newsletter, please contact Nancy at 602-367-4480 or email NPCNA@cox.net.

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 maintenance 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
Qwest Communications	(800) 244-1111
Cox Communications	(623) 594-1000

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