



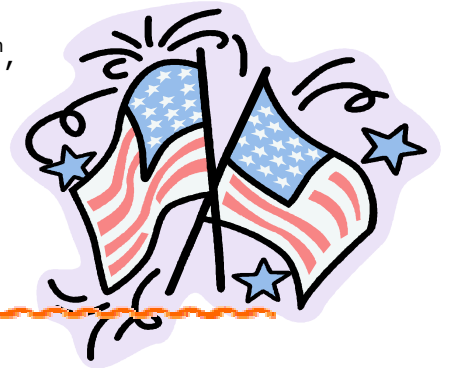
North Park Central Neighborhood Association

JUNE 2008

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

Town Hall Meeting with Councilman Tom Simplot District 4 Town Hall Meeting is slated for Tuesday, June 17th at 6:30 pm., at Community Church of Hope, 4121 N. 7th Avenue (Entrance on 6th Drive). Learn what is going on in our District; come with your questions and get an update on our great City!

Fabulous Phoenix 4th Fireworks Display for Friday, July 4th, 6 - 10 p.m. (Fireworks display at 9:30 p.m.) Celebrate our country's freedom at one of the largest fireworks displays in the southwest. There will be kids' rides, activities, local entertainment, food and drink vendors at Steele Indian School Park, 3rd Street and Indian School Road.



Movie Under the Stars at Steele Indian School Park

**OOPS...please disregard the movie schedule in our May Newsletter...
(I inadvertently printed the 2007 schedule.)**

The next Moonlight Movie in the Park is June 7th at Sundown showing "Ever After" Starring Drew Barrymore. Call 602-495-0935 for more information.

2008 Concert Under the Stars Series at Steele Indian School Park

Pack a picnic basket and bring your blanket and lawn chairs to enjoy an evening of free music set against the backdrop of beautiful Steele Indian School Park. For additional information call 602-495-0739.

2008 Concert schedule: All performances are held at 8 p.m.

- Saturday, June 14 - The RAVE, classic rock and current hits
 - Saturday, Sept. 20 - The Western Electric Band, country and light rock western band
 - Saturday, Oct. 18 - to be announced
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Neighborhood Referral List by Rosemarie Lewis

If you are like many of us, finding someone to do work around your home is difficult. I am trying to gather a resource list of companies that have worked for us in our homes. I know that most of us like to know that someone had a good experience and would pass along their information for others to check into. Here is your opportunity to help your fellow neighbor with your resources.

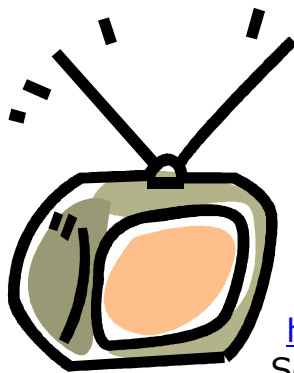
I have started a list and will continue to add to it monthly, please email me your recommendations at mail@NPCNA.com and we will put them into the monthly newsletter. Please keep in mind the Association is not backing or supporting any of the people listed. We are just trying to share resources with our neighbors. Please ask the company if it is ok to publish their name and phone number in our newsletter before submitting the information. If you do use them, let them know you saw their business name and number in our newsletter. Thanks for your help in supporting the neighborhood.

Painter Will Heisler 602-377-6699

Home Repair service Casey's Plan "B" 602-550-4485

Windows & Doors Replacement Wholesale window & doors inc 602-200-8911
(Brian the owner)

Fencing company Pinnacle Fencing Solutions 602-451-0035



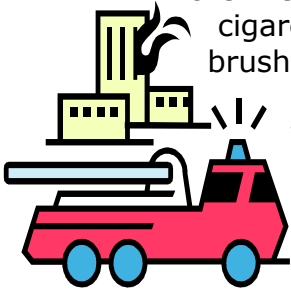
Recycle Your Old TV – Come February 17, 2009, some 15 million analog TV sets may be obsolete after the transition to digital transmission. If you want to continue to receive a transmission to your analog TV set you will need a converter unless you are receiving your signal from cable or satellite. Check out <http://www.dtv.gov/consumercorner.html> for what you need to know about DTV to help answer your questions. If you need a converter box, check out <https://www.dtv2009.gov/> to receive two \$40.00 coupons.

Send in your request early because these coupons take about 30 days to be sent out and are good for 90 days before they expire. If you have cable or satellite and an older TV set, chances are you will not need a converter box. But, it isn't as easy as that if you have an older TV set and use a VCR or DVD to record TV programs. If you have an older VCR or DVD, chances are they have a tuner already built into the appliance, but many newer DVD and VCRs on store shelves now do not come with a tuner. If you are looking to upgrade to a new TV and you need to recycle your old TV, check out www.earth911.org and type your zip code, a list of area recycling centers pop up with addresses and phone numbers. This is also good for old computer. Why should you recycle? Just one TV set can leak eight pounds of lead into the environment. Check out www.mygreenelectronics.org for more information.

Watch Vacant Property – Crime is everywhere and becoming a part of everyday life in the city. Because of the current slow economy and home loan crisis we have many properties in the neighborhood for sale. As a neighborhood we need to make sure we watch the vacant homes. Vandals can destroy a home, stealing the fixtures, air conditioning units or copper. Your home value is based on what the homes around you are worth. If your neighboring property has been vandalized, the value of the surrounding homes may also lose their value. If you see suspicious activity at a vacant house, call 911 or Crimestoppers at 602-262-6151 immediately.



Tall Weeds and Alleys by Erica Hoekstra - The weather is heating up and the tall weeds that grew from our recent rains are drying and are primed for fire danger in the alley and vacant property. Homeowners are advised to keep the area in the alley, behind their fence, free of debris and dry weeds. All it would take is a spark from a cigarette or car's hot exhaust pipes to start a fire. This could lead to nearby brush, bushes, fences, trees, sheds and to a house. Just because we live in the city doesn't mean we are not at risk for fire danger. If there are tall dry weeds in a vacant property around your house, call Neighborhood Services at 602-262-7844 or log on to blight@phoenix.gov and report it.



Also, now that the uncontained trash has been picked up, it would not hurt to keep an eye out on the area next to the black trash barrels. Illegal dumping is a crime and a real problem for the two alleys that border our neighborhood. If you notice any trash lying around the black barrel, do not hesitate to call the Public Works Department at 602-262-7251. They will come out and check on the problem. Let's do our share and try to keep the alleys clear of debris, dry weeds and trash and prevent a fire or worse, a health hazard.

Buyers and Seller Beware! –

The housing market continues to decline and if that wasn't bad enough, now there are scamming realtor and agents trying to take advantage of you and foreclosures. There are many scams going on right now. Realtors price the house thousands of dollars below market to bring in buyers and expect a bribe to present your bid to the bank before the price has been negotiated with the bank to begin with. Or agents who specialize in short sales and foreclosure are looking to cash in on a sale, listing and reselling to their own investors way below market price. *Buyers and Sellers Beware.* Do your due diligence and check out the realtor regardless if you are buying or selling. At the **Arizona Department of Real Estate, there is a database of realtors, salesperson, and brokers with license information, employment history and disciplinary actions.** Check out <http://www.re.state.az.us/> Information for Consumers to see if your realtor is legitimate.

Volunteers...It Makes a Difference – Do you have some spare time? Do you want to make a difference in your neighborhood? Then join the volunteers of North Park Central Neighborhood Association. We are proud of our volunteers. They are an important part of our neighborhood’s success. I would like to urge you to get involved choose from a variety of neighborhood needs like Newsletter Delivery Volunteer, Graffiti Painting or Board Member. For information to get involved, call Nancy at 602-367-4480.



Home Sales - Three homes dropped prices, one on Indianola by as much as 48K. No sales this month, 1 cancelled contract, and 2 new listings. Some homes for sale do not have signs in an attempt to reduce on the ever growing burglary of copper, air conditioners, appliances and fixtures. If you see a vacant house in our neighborhood that has been broken into, call 911 or Crimestoppers at 602-262-6151 to report it.

Address	SqFt	Bed/Bath	List Price	Sale Price	Price per SqFt
825 W. Mitchell Dr.	1,110	3/1	\$224,900	Active	\$202.61
840 W. Whitton Ave.	1,641	4/2	\$244,000	Active	\$148.69
1001 W. Clarendon Ave.	1,840	3/2	\$218,997	Active	\$119.02
1008 W. Clarendon Ave.	1,436	3/1	\$185,000	Active	\$128.83
817 W. Indianola Ave.	1,178	4/1.75	\$130,000	Active	\$110.36
822 W. Indianola Ave.	1,622	4/2	\$299,900	Cancelled	\$184.90
848 W. Fairmount Ave.	2,075	4/2	\$192,910	Pending	\$92.97
815 W. Piccadilly Ave.	1,275	3/1.75	\$199,900	Active	\$156.78
821 W. Amelia Ave.	1,584	3/2	\$219,900	Active	\$138.83
3441 N. 8th Ave.	1,185	3/1.5	\$224,900	Active	\$189.79
3615 N. 8th Ave.	1,506	3/2	\$209,500	Active	\$139.11
3635 N. 8th Ave.	1,088	3/1	\$170,900	Active	\$157.08
3837 N. 8th Ave.	1,600	5/2	\$169,000	Active	\$105.63

For pictures and expanding listing information, send an e-mail to mail@NPCNA.com and ask to be added to the home sales e-mail list to receive the “Buyers Page” courtesy of Realtor Juan Medina at *HomeSmart*, 602-430-6895. All e-mail addresses will be kept confidential and are not given to any realtor.

Contact Information

North Park Central Neighborhood Association

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Check out our new website at
www.NPCNA.com

To contact any board member, send an e-mail to: Mail@NPCNA.com .

We need volunteers....we need YOU!

Community Phone Numbers

City of Phoenix Administration Services (602) 534-5033
 Graffiti Busters hotline (602) 495-7014
 Graffiti Detective reward hotline (602) 262-7327
 Report 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

