



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



New Board Members - We once again welcome Kat and Brad Moore back to the Neighborhood Association Board. After a short absence, they are ready and willing to volunteer on our board. For the past few meetings, board members have been holding brainstorming meetings to define our neighborhood mission and goals. It is our hope to better serve our neighborhood. But, we can not do it alone. Our neighborhood association is made entirely of volunteers giving of their own time to make our neighborhood safer for all and to improve our community. They gather information, write this newsletter, hand deliver the newsletter to your door and work on special projects. So if you would like to improve our neighborhood...volunteer! Call any board member for information.

As many of you know, the City of Phoenix is in a budget crisis. They will be cutting programs that neighborhoods like us depend upon and residents will be asked to step in when needed. As a result of that, we need residents to be more involved than ever. So watch for information and changes in the coming months.



Donate Your Candy – Have too much left over candy to tempt you? Want to set a good example for your kids? We have the solution. You can donate your candy to Packages From Home. Packages From Home sends care and comfort packages to deployed American military heroes who are stationed in active duty around the world. And, if you don't have left over candy, you can pick some up on sale now that Halloween is over. Other items that the group collect are any ready-to-eat food items like canned chili, ravioli, salsa, fruit, or granola bars, pop tarts, trail mix, and chewing gum to name a few. They also accept personal hygiene and toiletries like sunscreen, eye drops, lip balm, deodorant, mouthwash, toothpaste, toothbrushes, hand lotion, shampoo, and nail clippers. To see a complete list and to check out the program, go to <http://www.packagesfromhome.org>. We have made it easy for you to drop off your donations. A family in the neighborhood at 828 W. Fairmount Ave. is volunteering for the group and will accept your donated items. Call Barbara at 602-277-7934.



Phony Telemarketing Scam – Phone solicitors falsely representing firefighters across Arizona are trying to collect money. These callers do not represent any legitimate fire department organization and money should NOT be donated to their cause.

Referral List – Finally, cooler weather! Many residents like to take advantage of this time and spruce up their homes. With that in mind, we are once again running the names and phone numbers of businesses that residents have used for lawn, garden and home repair services. We do not endorse these businesses, but have asked our residents to share resources. If you have a business that you used and would like to recommend to your neighbors, call Rosemarie Lewis at 602-265-9887 or email us at mail@npcna.com.

Landscaping Charlie Quandt 602-481-8571

Organizing, Interior Design and Decorative Painting Kat Moore 602-466-2007

Licensed Int., Ext. Painting, Faux Finish & Drywall Repair Will Heisler 602-377-6699

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

Windows & Doors Replacement Wholesale window & doors 602-200-8911

Fencing Company Pinnacle Fencing Solutions 602-451-0035

Roofing Irma's Roofing 602-253-1801

Concrete Drive, Patios, Block Walls, Stucco BBQ Saul Castillo 602-881-1057

Lawn and Yardwork, Hauling 602-677-9885

Heating & Cooling Dan Smid 602-672-2941 or Rick 602-769 0833

Licensed Residential Home Repair David Gasca 480-600-1100

Home Auction Scam – One of our neighborhood board members alerted us to this scam. This information as sent to our email alert list shortly after it had happened. If you would like to receive this type of email alerts, send your email address to mail@npcna.com and ask to be added to the neighborhood alert. Your email address will be kept confidential.

On October 10th, I went to the 'open house and auction' at 1008 W. Clarendon. A hand-written sign had been placed in the yard a few days prior. A young man got out of his truck, apologizing that his realtor wasn't there yet to let us in, but he knew how to get in through the back. When he couldn't get in he started telling us about the house and auction. I questioned him why there was another realtor's sign in the yard. He said that sign was the bank's realtors and they were still in process of buying the house from the bank, but he really did own it. He also said that he already had a cash offer of \$140,000.00. He was so amateurish that I went on alert and called the realtor on the sign, Nancy Carpenter. She called me back stating that she had happened to drive by the house and caught him there. She called the police and threw him and his signs off the property. The realtor was extremely grateful for my call and appreciated the alert. She told me that only the bank owns the house, and under no circumstances can anyone but her show or sell that house. If we see anyone else there she asks that we call the police and call her. Her number is 602-620-3235. My personal suspicions are that either the 'auction' man was trying to get cash deposits from unsuspecting buyers, or he was trying to 'sell' the house at a higher price before he made a much lower (house is listed at \$119,000.00) offer to the bank.

There are some legitimate homes going up for auction, but if you suspect someone pulling off this type of scam, call the police and alert them to the address.

Domestic Violence – Domestic violence is an epidemic in communities across the country, and each of us has to do our part to fight it. In 2007, there were 125 domestic violence-related deaths in Arizona alone. Domestic violence shelters in Arizona served 5,640 adults and 5,147 children in the same year. Domestic violence prevention is about real people in Arizona, mothers, sisters and children. If you or someone you know is a victim of domestic violence, you can call the National Domestic Violence Hotline at 1-800-799-7233 or the Arizona Coalition Against Domestic Violence at 602-279-2900 or 1-800-782-6400. You can also visit the National Domestic Violence Hotline Website at www.ndvh.org to get help or to educate yourself about domestic violence.

St. Joseph’s Participating in Clinical Study to Treat Severe Emphysema – The Center for Thoracic Disease and Transplantation at St. Joe’s is participating in a clinical trial to evaluate a minimally invasive device for the treatment of severe emphysema. St. Joe’s is actively recruiting patients for the IVB ® Valve Trial. The study is open to individuals ages 40 to 74 who have been diagnosed with predominately upper lobe emphysema and severe dyspnea (shortness of breath). Study participants must be able to participate in pulmonary function and standardized exercise tests cannot have smoked for four months, must be willing not to smoke during the trial, and will commit to at least four visits to St. Joe’s for health assessment tests. For additional criteria and information, call 877-547-8839 or 602-406-3845 or visit www.emphysematrial.com.

Photo Radar – Photo Radar is up and running and 60 stationary cameras and 40 mobile ones throughout Arizona. If you get caught going 10 miles over the speed limit, you’ll pay \$181. Here is a list of camera stations provided by one of our residents.

Interstate 10
Eastbound, I-10, 287th Ave.
Eastbound, I-10, Miller
Eastbound, I-10, Watson
Westbound, I-10, 91st Ave
East & West, I-10, 75th Ave
East & West, I-10, 59th Ave
Eastbound, I-10, 35th Ave
Eastbound, I-10, 43rd Ave
Eastbound, I-10, 27th Ave
East & West, I-10, 15th Ave
Eastbound, I-10, 16th Street
Westbound, I-10, Buckeye
Westbound, I-10, 24th St.
Westbound, I-10, 40th St.

US 60
Westbound, US-60, Alma
School
Westbound, US-60, Mesa Dr
Westbound, US-60, Gilbert Rd
Interstate - 17
Southbound, I-17, 15th Ave
Southbound, I-17, 12th Street
Northbound, I-17,
Thunderbird
Northbound, I-17, Bell Road
State Route - 51
Southbound, SR-51, Thomas
Road
Southbound, SR-51, Highland
Pkwy.

Southbound, SR-51, Bethany
Home Road
State Route - 101
Southbound, SR-101, McDowell
Road
Southbound, SR-101, Indian
School
Southbound, SR-101, Bethany
Home
North & South, SR-101,
Glendale Ave.
Southbound, SR-101, Olive
Eastbound, SR-101, 75th Ave
Eastbound, SR-101, 59th Ave
Eastbound, SR-101, 35th Ave

Book Drive to Benefit St. Joseph’s Pediatric Patients – The Children’s Health Center at St. Joseph’s Hospital and Medical Center has partnered with 35 local businesses to launch a book drive effort to benefit pediatric patients. All members of the community are encouraged to donate to the charity book drive. Oct 18 through Nov. 21, books can be dropped into collection bins at one of more than 35 Local First Arizona member businesses including Wildflower Bread Col., Fez, Switch and Dog Eared Pages.

For a complete list of participating businesses go to www.supportstjosephs.com. St. Joseph's Children's Health Center provides care for more than 40,000 children each year.

Housing Market – The good news is that there are two pending sale with no additions to the homes for sale in the neighborhood. The bad news is that many homes have moved in to foreclosure and are bank owned. While we try very hard to make sure the information below is accurate, things move very fast in this market and current information may not always be available. Thank you to Tana Sheets with DelMar Realty at 480-202-3906. If you would like current email listings, send an email to www.NPCNA.com.

Address	SqFt	Bed/Bath	List Price	Sale Price	Price per SqFt
822 W. Mitchell Dr.	1,088	3/1	\$140,000	Active	\$128.68
825 W. Mitchell Dr.	1,110	3/1	\$224,900	Active	\$202.61
1017 W. Mitchell Dr.	1,454	3/1.75	\$150,000	Cancelled	\$103.16
840 W. Whitton Ave.	1,641	4/2	\$244,000	Active	\$148.69
821 W. Weldon Ave.	1,551	4/2	\$290,000	Active	\$186.98
827 W. Clarendon Ave.	2,150	3/2.75	\$459,000	Active	\$213.49
1001 W. Clarendon Ave.	1,430	3/2	\$214,997	Active	\$150.35
1008 W. Clarendon Ave.	1,436	3/1	\$119,900	Active	\$83.50
808 W. Indianola Ave.	1,596	4/2	\$129,900	Pending	\$81.39
817 W. Indianola Ave.	1,178	4/1.75	\$130,000	Active	\$110.36
838 W. Indianola Ave.	1,255	3/2	\$159,000	Active	\$126.69
848 W. Fairmount Ave.	2,075	4/2	\$165,000	Active	\$79.52
815 W. Piccadilly Ave.	1,275	3/1.75	\$140,000	Pending	\$109.80
1007 W. Piccadilly Ave.	1,800	4/3	\$205,000	In Active	\$113.89
821 W. Amelia Ave.	1,584	3/2	\$179,900	Expired	\$113.57
3441 N. 8th Ave.	1,185	3/1.5	\$179,900	Cancelled	\$151.81
3615 N. 8th Ave.	1,506	3/2	\$209,500	Expired	\$139.11
3629 N. 8th Ave.	1,100	3/1	\$150,900	Expired	\$137.18
3635 N. 8th Ave.	1,088	3/1	\$137,200	Active	\$126.10
3837 N. 8th Ave.	1,600	5/2	\$129,000	Active	\$80.63

Contact Information

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Your support is appreciated!

Check out our new website at
www.NPCNA.com

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

Thank you to our many volunteers!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

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