

MAY 2011



North Park Central Neighbors

Heating Up Again

Are you ready for summer in Phoenix? Temperatures that seem to reduce the severity of our allergies warmly bless some of us each year. Personally, I look forward to a sneeze-free summer.

We have changed our May meeting to the second Thursday!

Please join us Thursday, May 12th at 6:30 in room OSW 102 at Phoenix College for a presentation on burglary prevention with Detective/CAO Aaron Stevens of the Mountain View Precinct.

Peter O'Meara



BLIGHT BUSTER VOLUNTEERS

by Gary Knight

In neighborhoods all over Phoenix, Graffiti Buster Volunteers are working to help reduce blight by scraping, scrubbing and painting over graffiti after photographing and reporting the tagging to the City for later identification and prosecution. The Blight Buster Program is one way Phoenix is fighting graffiti and other blight concerns, amid 30% program cut from 2 years ago.”, per Tim Boling, Deputy Director of Neighborhood Services Department of Phoenix.

Graffiti statistics reported from the City of Phoenix from July 2010 to February 2011 Include:

- >> 43,829 graffiti sites removed by city staff.
- >> 997 graffiti sites removed by Blight Buster volunteers.
- >> 5,441 gallons of paint donated to community groups to remove graffiti.
- >> 71 Blight Busters volunteer graduates, including Allen Meyer, Brad Moore, Peter O'Meara and Gary Knight.
- >> 1,214 Blight Buster volunteer hours served.

HELP FIGHT GRAFFITI NORTH PARK CENTRAL NEIGHBORHOOD

To volunteer and receive training, call 602-495-0232 or email to Blight.Buster.Volunteer.NSD@Phoenix.gov

Report graffiti to the Graffiti Vandal Catching/Reward Program at 602-262-7327, and you could receive an award up to \$250. For more information on this program visit the Police Graffiti Hotline site.

Thanks for all past, present and future volunteers for your Community Service.

COMMUNITY PHONE NUMBERS

Animal Control
602 506-7387

**Arizona Public
Service**
602 371-7171

Blight Violation
602 262-7844 or
blight@phoenix.gov

**City of Phoenix
Administration
Service**
602 534-5033

**City of Phoenix
Water Service**
602 262-6251

**COP Speed
Enforcement**
602 334-7730

**Crime Stop
(non emergency)**
602 262-6151

**City General
Information**
602 534-6262

**Graffiti Busters
Hotline**
602 495-7014

Metro Light Rail
602 262-7433

Sex Offenders
www.azsexoffender.com

Silent Witness
480 WIT-NESS
480 948-6377
800 343-TIPS
800 343-8477

Southwest Gas
602 862-1999

HOW DOES YOUR STREET LOOK? By Barbara Meyer

The Hail Storm That Just Doesn't Quit

I would love to know how many roofs have been replaced in our neighborhood, and who were the first ones to even think to call their insurance companies? Since the roof replacements started quite a long time after the October storm, I suspect that the 'Roving Roofing Companies' (as I call them) had been working their way across the Valley offering finally reaching us. We weren't even home when that storm hit and had no idea that there was any damage. And like everyone else, after talking with a 'Rover', we had our insurance adjuster come out to confirm that indeed we had enough damage to warrant a new roof.

But 'Recycling Barbara' needed to know what happens to all the old shingles and even the air conditioners? I researched, but never found anyplace to take the shingles but the landfill. So if anyone knows how to recycle shingles, let me know.

The air conditioner and other old home appliances can be recycled. Take them to either of the city's two transfer facilities or to a city sponsored Household Hazardous Waste collection event, which is coming up on April 28 – 30 at the Baptist Church on Bethany & Central. Also, for a nominal fee, you can schedule a pick up from your residence. Call the Solid Waste Customer Service Center at 602-262-7251 or e-mail pwserve@phoenix.gov to set up a collection date.



THE URBAN HEART OF ARIZONA

Downtown Phoenix Partnership

It's Spring Fling Pub Crawl Time in Downtown Phoenix!

Saturday, June 4th come explore Downtown's nightlife at this Second Annual event. Visit participating bars and restaurants and enjoy entertainment and food and drink specials only available to Pub Crawl participants. The night begins at 9 p.m. on Adams Street between Central and 1st Avenue and will end with breakfast at Steve's Greenhouse Grill. Trolleys will be available until 2:30 a.m. to transport participants to and from different Pub Crawl locations. Tickets are \$12 in advance or \$15 the day of the event and can be purchased at DowntownPhoenix.com/pubcrawl. Don't forget to collect those beads for prizes at the end of the night! This is sure to be an event you won't want to miss!



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THE CITY OF MESA, ARIZONA IS RECOGNIZED IN “MAKE A DIFFERENCE DAY”

By Gary Knight.

USA Weekend Magazine, in partnership with the Corporation for National & Community Service and Newman’s Own Food Products announced the new “Make a Difference City Award”, which recognizes the volunteer efforts of 3 cities nation-wide.

More than 325 Mesa residents turned out for a City-led effort to clean up their city on Make a Difference Day. The volunteers filled 12 dumpsters with **39 tons** of trash; painted over graffiti and cleaned playground equipment. “Make a Difference Day” is a great tool for getting people together’, said Mesa Mayor Scott Smith. For the volunteers’ efforts, the Newman’s Own company donated \$10,000 to the Foundation for Mesa Parks and Recreation.

Congratulations to the City of Mesa Volunteers for their unselfish giving to the city they live in!

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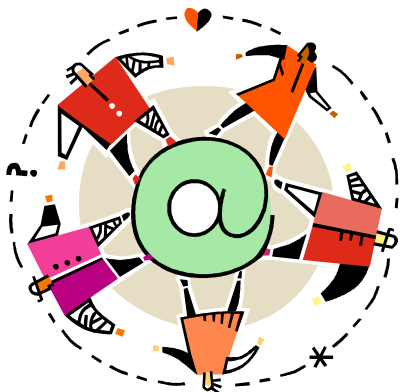
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North Parcel Central Neighborhood Association thanks Chad Preston for contributing with the Comparable Market Analysis Report

Address	Bed/Bath	SqFt	List Price/Sale Price	Price per StFt	Listing Status
1011W Weldon Ave	3/2.50	969	84,900	87.62	Active
841 W Amelia Ave	4/2	1,629	93,000	57.09	Active
3801 N 8th Ave	3/2	1,480	135,000	91.22	Active
3615 N 8th Ave	3/1.75	1,506	149,900	99.54	Active
824 W Amelia Ave	3/2	1,276	76,500	59.95	AWC-Seller
818 W Fairmount Ave	3/2	1,571	120,000	76.38	Pending
816 W Whitton Ave	3/1.75	1,237	79,900/83,000	64.59/67.10	Closed
840 W Whitton Ave	3/2	1,641	159,000/138,000	96.89/84.10	Closed
830 W Amelia	4/3.50	2,111	125,000/109,000	59.21/51.63	Closed
1002 W Weldon	3/2	1,780	49,900/48,900	28.03/27.47	Closed

CONNECT

Join NPCNA email list. This list will be used to notify neighbors of current events, safety issues, and issues of importance in the NPCNA and Central Phoenix area. It's not a junk mail list! You are free to join or leave at anytime. Your email will not be passed onto anyone, it's only for neighborhood use. To subscribe send an email to: marivel.omeara@hotmail.com



SHARE YOUR STORIES

THIS free newsletter is published monthly and compiled by a group of volunteers. You are encouraged to submit neighborhood news, tidbits, photos and articles by the 20th of each month. We reserve the right to: edit as needed, attribute to the submitting neighbor (with the street they live on where appropriate), determine which issue the information may be printed and use content on our website. The NPCNA is not responsible for nor endorses the editorial content in NPCNA newsletter. A copy of NPCNA Newsletter is also posted to NPCNA website each month. www.npcna.com

Let's bring "MEET YOUR NEIGHBORS" section back to our newsletter.

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If you moved in the neighborhood and want to share a bit about you. Let's us know, we would love to know more.

- A little bit about you, and
- When did you move to our neighborhood—from where?
- What brought to this neighborhood?
- What is your favorite local place (e.g. restaurant, park, gym, coffee place)?
- What makes your ideal weekend?

