

PHOENIX NEIGHBORHOOD PATROL

APRIL 2009 NEWSLETTER

It is our privilege to award the

President's Volunteer Service Award

to the following Phoenix Neighborhood Patrol members:

Silver & Bronze

Miguel Morales

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Richard Sain

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Stephany Scovel

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James Shoemaker

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These awards will be presented at the 2009 Annual PNP Celebration - coming soon. We extend a heartfelt "Thank you" to **all** Phoenix Neighborhood Patrol members!







We are fast approaching the closing out of the 2008/2009
Neighborhood Block Watch Grants. You just finished your quarterly reports and need to think about how you will spend your remaining funds. To make sure you have all your money spent, make sure any purchases need to be invoiced **prior to**June 30th.

http://phoenix.gov/POLICE/nbwgrant.html

The following is provided as a resource, not an endorsement.



http://www.nnwi.org/index.asp

NNWI products are in use by over 13,000 police and sheriff agencies, housing authorities, emergency management agencies, as well as concerned citizens.

NNWI recommends starting a Neighborhood Watch program in your neighborhood. Also protect your valuables by implementing Operation ID in your community. Join the fight against crime today!

Their materials are available to local Neighborhood Watch groups, home owner associations, police and sheriff agencies, and individuals involved in crime prevention activities.



"Confessions of a Burglar"

video was presented at the following meetings:

- ★ 900 PNP Member Monthly Meeting on March 12th.
- ☆ Eaton Moon Mountain Block Watch on April 14th.
- ☆ West Plaza Neighborhood Assocation on April 16th.



Curfew

Daily curfew hours for the city of Phoenix are from 10 p.m. to 5 a.m. for children 15 years old and younger and midnight to 5 a.m. for 16 and 17 years old. Curfew hours apply seven days a week year round. Children that are on legitimate business authorized by a parent or guardian, or in the care and custody of another adult, are not in violation of the curfew ordinance. Phoenix city ordinance code (pcc 22-3) places responsibility on parents and guardians to supervise their juvenile children and to take custody of them if they violate curfew.

Barking Dog Information Center

http://phoenix.gov/LAW/bark0.html - Check the website for complete information Barking dogs can present a major problem within urban areas such as Phoenix. While some people are very tolerant of dog barking, others are sensitive to the disturbance. The ideal solution is to talk to your neighbor and resolve the issue or try mediation. Mediation is highly recommended and can resolve a conflict without involving the court process. If the situation cannot be resolved, the complainant (person annoyed by the barking dog) can begin the process of filing charges against the dog owner by filing a formal complaint. Phoenix City Ordinance § 8-2 classifies a barking dog offense as a class one misdemeanor.

Barking Dog Hotline

You may call the Barking Dog Hotline at 602-262-6466 to have information sent to a barking dog owner in your neighborhood or to receive a <u>Barking Dog Petition</u> by mail.

Graffiti Busters

http://www.phoenix.gov/NSD/getpaint.html - Check the website for complete information

Get Paint for Your Neighborhood

Any neighborhood group or Block Watch listed with the Neighborhood Services Department may receive paint, and borrow supplies and clean-up tools to improve their neighborhood. Tools available for loan include: paint rollers, brushes, wire brushes with scrapers, buckets, hedge shears, hoes, ladders (three-step), loppers, weed eaters, pole trimmers, rakes, shovels, brooms, water coolers and wheelbarrows. Garbage bags and gloves also are available.

The Graffiti Busters program also has paint sprayers for loan. Graffiti Busters will deliver and pick up the paint sprayers to any neighborhood group who has a member that is certified with the program. Residents of a neighborhood group interested in borrowing the equipment first must attend a free training session to become certified. Contact the Graffiti Busters to get paint, reserve a paint-sprayer, sign up for the next training class or reserve tools for your next neighborhood clean-up. Please call (602) 495-0323 for more information.

The link for the permission slip to remove graffiti it at: ftp://phoenix.gov/pub/NSD/permeng.pdf

CITY OF PHOENIX - Licensed Alarm Agents and Companies

Have you ever wondered if an alarm company is legit? Have you ever wondered if the person installing your alarm is? Here is the link where you can find all of the answers.... Licensed Alarm Agents and Companies http://phoenix.gov/APPINTRO/alaintro.html

Information provided by Laveen Village Block Watch - Rob C/Stef

Apologies for the hard to read copy, but it gives you an idea....

2010 Decennial Census Address Canvassing April-July 2009



In an effort to accurately count the population in the US, 2010 Decemial Census questionnaires will be delivered to residents beginning March 2010. To prepare for the delivery process, the US Census Bureau will conduct Address Canvassing from April through July 2009 to ensure the address list for the Census is as accurate as possible. Address canvassing involves Census Bureau personnel

canvessing neighborhoods to update the Bureau's address list and maps using hand-held and laptop computers. Census
Bureau employees will be capturing GPS information as they knock on door to verify addresses. This canvassing
operation may require limited contact between Bureau employees and local citizens.

During this massive operation, approximately 140,000 decennial employees will conduct address canvassing in neighborhoods across the US. Local law enforcement and 911 emergency call centers may experience an influx of calls from citizens regarding strangers in their neighborhoods, carrying unknown devices, who are perceived as suspicious or threatening. The US Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, wants to ensure that local law enforcement can identify Census Bureau employees, both temporary decennial employees and permanent field representatives. All employees can be identified through identification cards issued by the Census Bureau.

It is incombent upon law enforcement to become familiar with the valid identification cards issued by the US Census Bureau for employee identification. This information is provided to law enforcement for Situational Awareness purposes.

How to Verify US Census Bureau Employment

Each temporary Census employee will have an official identification card with the employee's signature and an expiration date. Identification cards for temporary employees do not include a photograph. Each permanent/temporary regional level employee's identification cards will have the bearer's photograph and expiration date. In addition, field office managers' ID will have the bearer's photograph and expiration date. See the "Sample" US Census ID cards below.



Temporary Decemnial Field/Office Employees- No Photo (Front & Euck) Permanent/Temporary Regional Staff (Front & Back) Temporary Field Office Managers (Front & Back)

The US is made up of 12 regions for the 2010 December Census, each having an assigned Regional Census Center (RCC). The RCC for Arizona is located in Denser, Colorado. To verify an employee's identity for Arizona, contact the Denser RCC at (720) 475-3640. Arizona law enforcement agencies are advised to contact the RCC with any questions about the Census effort or for assistance in identifying Census Bureau employees. More information regarding the 2010 December can be found at <a href="https://doi.org/10.census.gov/2010.

Any activity beyond the above described or that is unusual in nature should be reported to law enforcement. Please report fraudulent activity, suspicious persons or individuals impersonating Census Bureau employees to the ACTIC at (602) 644-5805 or actic@azdps.gov.



Block Watch Leader & Phoenix Neighborhood Patrol Training

is available on the following Saturdays:

June 6, 2009 August 1, 2009 October 3, 2009 December 5, 2009

Please register to attend by emailing jill.fowler@phoenix.gov or deborah.iodice@phoenix.gov

Location:

Fraternal Order of Police-FOP Lodge #2 12851 North 19th Avenue - Just south of Thunderbird on 19th Avenue

Sign-in begins at 7:30 AM

Lunch is not provided. You may bring a lunch or the FOP offers a hamburger or cheeseburger with fries and a drink for \$8. The schedule does not permit time to leave for lunch.

"THE BEST OF THE BEST" PNP COOKBOOK!!

Find your most favorite recipe and email it to jill.fowler@phoenix.gov to have it featured in our new cookbook! We will be compiling all your best recipes into one book to sell this year to help fund the PNP Program! Your most delicious tried and true recipes will be featured along with your name!

Help us make it a great cookbook, as all proceeds will fund the PNP Program!



OPEN INVITATION!!

The 900 PNP Meeting

on the

2nd Thursday of each month at **Goelet A. C. Beuf Community Center** 3435 W. Pinnacle Peak Road at 6:30 p.m.

Any PNP member and quest is invited to attend!

Come learn from other members! Share information across precinct lines – the bad guys do!! If you can't make one meeting, come to the next!

MAY 14 & JUNE 11 & JULY 9 & AUGUST 13 & SEPTEMBER 10 & OCTOBER 8

Phoenix Foreclosure Buyers Offered \$15,000 Incentive

by **Candace**

http://www.phoenixarizonarealestatehomes.com/phoenix-foreclosure/

If you are looking to **buy a foreclosure in Phoenix, Arizona** then this news is for you!

The City of Phoenix will begin offering home buyers thousands of dollars toward the <u>purchase of a foreclosed home</u>. If you are a home buyer searching for a foreclosed single family home, townhouse or condominium within the Phoenix city limits then you could qualify for a new program that will award home buyers \$15,000 dollars.



One of the criteria's is to be able to qualify and be deemed **creditworthy by FHA (Federal Housing Administration)**. Potential buyers must also complete a mandatory eight hour counseling session on home ownership.

There are a few catches currently known, one is that home buyers have to repay the full amount of the loan if they ever sell the home or refinance. The second catch is that there are two informational meetings about the new program that will be held this **Monday, March 16, 2009 at the Phoenix City Council Chambers at 200 W Jefferson St.** The two meetings will be at **2:00 p.m. and 5:30 p.m.**

Some questions are left unanswered like can you buy a second home, investment home? All the answers no doubt will be answered if you attend the meetings. If you are searching for a **foreclosure within the City of Phoenix** and would like more information about this program, stay tuned as I find out more information as it becomes available.

Andrea R. Roman, "Weed & Seed Program"

Community Resource Specialist, U.S. Department of Justice, 40 N. Central Ave., Ste. 1200, Phoenix, AZ 85004, Office: (602)514-7549, Fax: (602) 514-7586

http://www.phoenix.gov/police/precin2.html

NORTH ZONE

Desert Horizon Precinct

16030 N. 56th Street Phoenix, AZ 85254 (602) 495-5006

Squaw Peak Precinct

6206 N. 24th Street Phoenix, AZ 85016 (602) 495-5007

Cactus Park Precinct

12220 N. 39th Avenue Phoenix, AZ 85029 (602) 495-5009

SOUTH ZONE

South Mountain Precinct

400 W. Southern Avenue Phoenix, AZ 85041 (602) 495-5004

Central City Precinct

1902 S. 16th Street Phoenix, AZ 85034 (602) 495-5005

Maryvale Precinct

6180 W. Encanto Blvd. Phoenix, AZ 85033 (602) 495-5008

PNP CALENDAR

APRIL						
S	M	Т	W	T	F	S
			1	2	3	4 PNP Training - cancelled
5	6	A'C	8	9 1830 PNP mtg in 900	10	11
12 Easter	13	14 Eaton Moon Mtn BW	15	16 West Plaza NA	17	18
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24	25 Memorial Day	26 PBWAB	27 CPCA	28	29	30
31						

Phoenix Block Watch Advisory Board Calendar of Events 2009

SHARE THE RIDE ~ BRING A FRIEND! ~ NO MEMBERSHIP DUES! BRING YOUR MONTHLY NEWSLETTER AND NEWS ABOUT UPCOMING NEIGHBORHOOD EVENTS!!

Check out our Website: www.phxblockwatch.org

DATE	MEETING/EVENT	TIME	LOCATION
April 28	PBWAB - Presentation TBD	6:30 PM – 8:30 PM	PLEA Office @ 1102 W. Adams Street
May 26	PBWAB - Hosted by Maryvale Precinct	6:30 PM – 8:30 PM	TBD
June 23	PBWAB- Presentation TBD	6:30 PM – 8:30 PM	PLEA Office @ 1102 W. Adams Street
July 28	PBWAB - Hosted by South Mountain Precinct	6:30 PM – 8:30 PM	TBD
August 25	PBWAB- Presentation TBD	6:30 PM – 8:30 PM	PLEA Office @ 1102 W. Adams Street
September 22	PBWAB - Hosted by Squaw Peak Precinct	6:30 PM – 8:30 PM	Washington Activity Center @ 2240 W. Citrus Way
October 17	G.A.I.N. 2009	various	various
October 27	PBWAB Presentation TBD	6:30 PM – 8:30 PM	PLEA Office @ 1102 W. Adams Street
November 24	PBWAB - Hosted by Central City Precinct	6:30 PM – 8:30 PM	TBD



Do you have your large, metal PNP neighborhood signs posted?

Jump onto the internet and down load the form – there are installation instructions too!

The signs are \$16 each. They fit nicely right above the Block Watch signs! Put the bad guys on notice – there are "Eyes and Ears" in your neighborhood!!

http://phoenix.gov/POLICE/pnp_metal_sign_order_form.pdf

LOOKING FOR MONEY FOR YOUR GROUP?

Look at all the creative ways there are to fund your group:



- \$ Yard Sales
- \$ Bake Sales
- \$ Donations
- \$ Discount coupons from your local businesses
- \$ Advertisements in your newsletter



- \$ Sell popcorn, candy, etc.
- \$ Paint house numbers on the curb
 - Pancake breakfast
- \$ Partner with Wildflower Bread, Applebees, Red Robin, etc.

Sign up for "The Fundraising Hotline" newsletter at: http://www.fundraising-ideas.org/newsletter/newsletter.htm

You will receive their **free** monthly newsletter, which includes a new or unusual do-it-yourself fundraiser, fundraising product or event ideas, fundraising news from around the world, focus on an individual charity, trivia, and even a little humor. They hope that each issue will contain information that is beneficial to you and your organization. New issues are sent via email at the beginning of each month. They keep the content brief to keep from slowing your email system. If there is nothing in one issue that interests you, the next one probably will! There is a link at the end of each newsletter to unsubscribe your email address.

Did you get to attend this fund raiser?



John Jacobs Block Watch Neighborhood Pancake Breakfast

Saturday, April 18 8:00am until 11:00am John Jacobs School 14421 N. 23rd Ave.

Proceeds go to the John Jacobs Block Watch

Our 2nd Annual Block Watch ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT Pancake Breakfast will be held as a fundraiser to earn money to keep our John Jacobs Block Watch operational as we work together to maintain a safe and secure neighborhood. We need your support!

Adults \$4.00 and Kids under 10 \$2.00 ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT Pancakes!

This event will only be successful with your help. If you can volunteer to set-up, cook, serve, or clean up, it would be greatly appreciated. Call our new Special Events Chair Ryan Burrie at (602)548-0103 to sign-up to help.

Bring your family and friends, meet your neighbors. Breakfast is the most important meal of the day – stop in to eat and meet, and the whole neighborhood benefits!

USAOnWatch is the Face of the National Neighborhood Watch Program



USAonwatch through Neighborhood Watch empowers citizens in our communities with the opportunity to volunteer to work toward the safety of our homeland.

USAonwatch.org Neighborhood Watch Program National Sheriffs' Association

http://www.usaonwatch.org/index.php

Register Your Watch Group in 5 Easy Steps:

- 1 Recruit and Organize as many neighbors as possible
- 2 Contact your local law enforcement agency and schedule a meeting
- 3 Discuss community concerns and develop an action plan
- 4 Hold regular meetings and train
- 5 Implement a phone tree and take action steps

The Neighborhood Watch Toolkit

In response to the President's call to involve more Americans in neighborhood safety and security, the National Sheriffs' Association in partnership with the Bureau of Justice Assistance, Office of Justice Programs, U.S. Department of Justice has produced a new Neighborhood Watch Toolkit. The Toolkit provides numerous resources for law enforcement and community members working with Neighborhood Watch groups whether starting, revitalizing or enhancing existing programs.

The Toolkit includes:

- Six CD's offering self-paced PowerPoint training aids law enforcement or community members can work through to build Neighborhood Watch related skills, Law Enforcement and Facilitator Guides Participant Handbooks, Five colorful, user-friendly posters, Law Enforcement and community guides to Neighborhood Watch
- Flipbooks on effective meetings, teamwork and target hardening for the home



NEWS



Residents: Burglaries Connected To Solicitors

<u>Sarah Buduson</u> Reporter, KPHO.com

http://www.kpho.com/news/19015981/detail.html

5 Investigates How To Read Graffiti

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http://www.kpho.com/iteam/13366147/detail.html

Phoenix gang members clean up their own graffiti



Reported by: Christina Boomer

http://www.kpho.com/iteam/13366147/detail.html

azicentral.com

Fate of volunteer trash collector in north Phoenix put on hold

http://www.azcentral.com/community/northvalley/articles/2009/04/02/20090402phx-litter0403.html#comments



Auto Theft Down

http://www.azfamily.com/news/local/stories/phoenix-local-news-041509-auto-theft.d959fca6.html



http://www.rd.com/advice-and-know-how/neighborhood-watch-how-you-can-fight-blight/article119211.html

ILLEGAL SIGNS - http://www.phoenix.gov/NSD/illsign.html

PNP has had great success assisting police officers with illegal sign round ups. The process involves having marked units protect the areas being worked and having officers* identify signs that are illegally placed and since they are authorized, they remove or oversee the removal of the signs. It is a tedious process identifying if signs are placed in approved areas or not. The right of way and easements vary throughout the city.

In many cases the signs are costly and may need to be returned to their owner. We find that most companies don't know they have placed their sign illegally and are happy to retrieve them, saving everyone time and money.

You ask, "How can we help?" Because you are our "Eyes and Ears" you help just by being out and seeing the signs – then call them in! To report a violation, call (602) 534-7100 or e-mail illegal.signs.rightofway.nsd@phoenix.gov.

*Sec. 36-9.1. Procedure generally.

... B. Persons authorized. The authorizing official may remove and dispose of the property in accordance with the section of this chapter which is most nearly applicable under the circumstances. The impoundment may be made under the direction of the authorizing official by any City employee, City Police Officer, duly authorized City contractor, or duly authorized City volunteer. Check out the city website for further information.

Information provided by Detective Brian Kornegay, Citywide Abatement

https://www.citizencorps.gov/cert/

The Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) Program educates people about disaster preparedness for hazards that may impact their area and trains

them in basic disaster response skills, such as fire safety, light search and rescue, team organization, and disaster medical operations. Using the training learned in the classroom and during exercises, CERT members can assist others in their neighborhood or workplace following an event when professional responders are not immediately available to help. CERT members also are encouraged to support emergency response agencies by taking a more active role in emergency preparedness projects in their community.

LOCAL STORY: Because our CERT contact information was readily available to Don Peyton, he was asked to quickly contact and organize volunteers to assist at the Coliseum - when the evacuees were flown in to Phoenix from New Orleans after Hurricane Katrina. There were several dozen of us who worked in a variety of capacities. Among other things, I worked the volunteer identification trailer for several nights, to make sure people going into the Coliseum were on authorization lists and had appropriate badges. I also went along as an



escort when evacuees left the Coliseum to move into other quarters as they were made available to them around the city - to help them transport their possessions and get relocated. I was glad to part of a resource the city had to help locally with this disaster effort.

Information provided by John Lorenzen

THE FOLLOWING IS NOT AN ENDORSEMENT OR RECOMMENDATION, IT IS ONLY PROVIDED AS INFORMATION.

http://www.jitterbug.com/



Key Features:

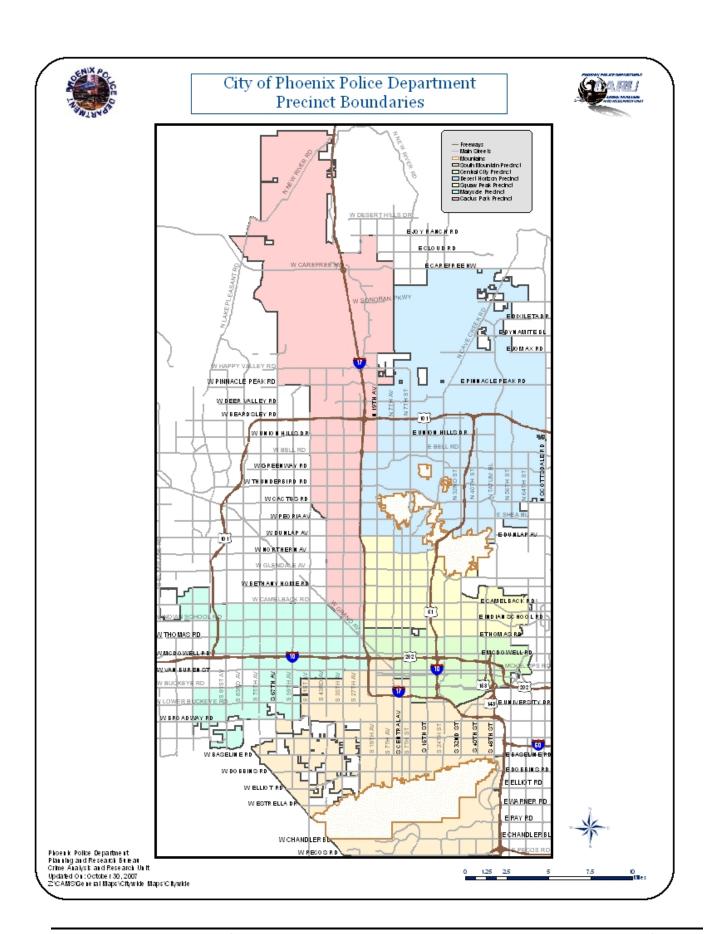
- Comfortable keypad
- Large bright screen
- Powerful speaker
- Eliminates background noise

That's Not All:

- A personal phone book stored on the phone with easy access
- Padded ear cushion eliminates background noise
- Familiar dial tone just like your phone at home
- Fits comfortably in your hand and around your ear
- Easy to use speakerphone
- Update your phone list and features on your personal Jitterbug web page
- Hearing-aid compatible

*The Jitterbug is available in Graphite and White





NEED HELP WITH YOUR ENERGY BILL?

Community Action Programs in Maricopa County are hosting walk-in events for utility assistance for low-income households- *No Appointment is necessary at these events!* If unable to attend one of these events, CALL the Community Action Program in your area (reverse side). If you have received utility assistance in the past 12 months, please call your CAP office to schedule an appointment as you may not be eligible at this time.

Maricopa County residents living outside of Phoenix can attend these walk-in events.* Persons are seen on a first-come, first-served basis. Residents will be given a number in order of their place in line. A number is not a guarantee of an interview. Residents given numbers that morning may be interviewed and pre-screened to apply for UTILITY ASSISTANCE ONLY. An interview is not a guarantee of assistance. *Phoenix Residents may attend the event in Glendale.

Location: Address Date: Hours of Event:

United Church of Sun City 1250 N 107th Avenue, Sun City AZ Wednesday, April 15 Time: 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM Scottsdale's Vista Del Camino Ctr 7700 E Roosevelt, Scottsdale Thursday, April 23 Time: 1:00 PM - 7:00 PM Buckeye Community Center 201 E. Centre Avenue Saturday, April 25 Time: 10:00 AM – 3:30 PM Guadalupe Senior Center 9401 S. Avenida del Yaqui Saturday, May 2 Time: 1:00 PM - 6:00 PM West Valley Career Center 1840 North 95th Avenue. Ste.160 Thursday, May 7 Time: 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM Gilbert Boys & Girls Club 25 W. Washington Avenue (Gilbert) Saturday, June 6 Time: 8:00 AM – 3:00 PM Gilbert Saturday, 6/6 Boys & Girls Club 8:00am-3:00pm

This service is provided to you at no charge. GovDelivery, Inc sent this message on behalf of the Maricopa Association of Governments. 302 North 1st Avenue, Suite 300 • Phoenix, AZ 85003 • Please call 602-254-6300 for all the details of this program.



PHOENIX NEIGHBORHOOD BLOCK WATCH GRANTS

Remember the **grant requirements for 2010**? To be eligible for the maximum of \$10,000 from the Neighborhood Block Watch Grant Program you must:

- Have a sign in sheet at all your block watch meetings.
- Have a minimum of 4 meetings in 2009 with a crime prevention topic.

Thank you for all your hard work!!



Phoenix Police Department Community Programs Unit 620 West Washington Street Phoenix, AZ 85003 602-262-7331 Bureau 602-262-7626 Front Desk





















