

Neighborhood Events Sept - Nov 2009

September
Saturday, 12th

Clean-Up Day at Pioneer Village

Please bring your own work gloves to protect your hands and don't forget a hat, sunscreen and sunglasses. If you would like to come out and help with the clean-up project in some way please call the District 1 office at 602-262-7444 or just show up.

Lunch will be served at 10 AM.
Where: I-17 and Pioneer Road
Time: 6 AM to 10 AM

Wednesday, 30th

Cholla Neighborhood Meeting

– Including an Update from Officer Anderson our Community Action Officer
Where: St Andrew 3101 W. Cholla
When: 6 – 7 pm

October
Saturday, 17th

Westcor's 40th Anniversary FREE Community Block Party

– With live music, snacks, face painter, balloon artist, stilt walker and much more! The event is free for all to enjoy!
Where: Metrocenter (lower level Dillard's court)
When: 1 – 3 pm

Sunday, 18th

Seminar on Hospice & Dying

– Presented by Hospice of the Valley
Where: St Andrew 3101 W. Cholla
When: 3 - 5 pm

Wednesday, 21st

LBE Bull Dogs Block Watch Meeting

– Det. Kornegay speaking about safety through landscaping and lighting
Where: Lakeview Elementary
When: 6:30 pm

Saturday, 24th

Rock & Roll Paint-A-Thon

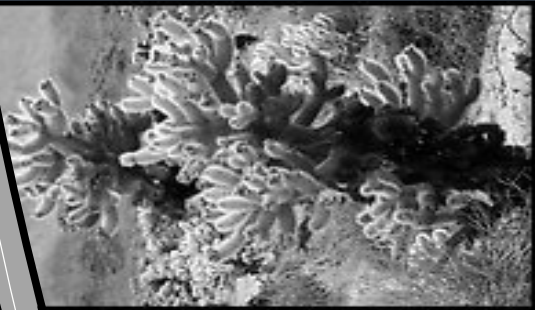
Call 602-993-4517 to volunteer!

November
Sunday, 8th

Annual Walk to End Domestic Violence – Contact kw08@kaitysway.org to join the Kaity's Way Team or go to http://www.azfoundationforwomen.org/events/walk_to_end_domestic_violence.php to register



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Cholla Area Neighborhood

New Kid on the Block

Lake Biltmore Estates Bull Dogs Block Watch

We have a new, active block watch in the area. Welcome to the LBE Bull Dogs who formed in February of this year! Lake Biltmore Estates has about 130 households representing about 250 people. Their area is from Yucca to Altadena from 29th to 31st.

Objective: To educate residents in neighborhood awareness
Goals: Deter crime and keep the neighborhood safe
Meeting location: Lakeview Elementary School

The Bull Dogs had their third meeting on August 18th. This was their first meeting with a speaker and featured Detective Weigler, a member of the Document Crime Investigative Support Detail, who discussed preventing identity theft.

Their next meeting is Wednesday, October 21st at 6:30PM (Lakeview School). All are welcome. There will be a guest speaker, Det. Brian Kornegay, who is the Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design-CPTED expert.

Det. Kornegay will discuss the merits of adequate and appropriate lighting, as well as landscaping. He does an excellent presentation and is not just a talker. He teaches so that everyone understands the 'why' behind the recommendations. Det. Kornegay will be a great resource for the review of adding additional lighting in the common areas of Lake Biltmore Estates.

The Bull Dogs are also a certified PNP (Phoenix Neighborhood Patrol).

If you have questions about the Bull Dogs, feel free to call Brent Salmon at 602- 368 5694

Kaity's Law Will Be Enacted

September 30th

What is Kaity's Law?

Well it is a new law passed just this year by the AZ Legislation, Sponsored by Senator Paton, coordinated by Kendra Leiby of the AZCADV and Bobbi Sudberry, President and Co-Founder of Kaity's Way, who testified in favor of this law being passed on a personal level.

In the simplest terms Kaity's Law affords those in abusive or violent dating relationships the same protection under the law as those married or living together.

This means if you are dating someone and they are abusive or violent towards you, law enforcement can arrest them as opposed to just taking a report. This also means that you can file an Order of Protection as opposed to just an Injunction Against Harassment. They are both just pieces of paper, but the Order of Protection allows a judge to order the confiscation of guns from the abuser. Then there is the all important paper trail. This will help, if necessary, in the future.

What else does this law provide for those in dating relationships? Repeat offenders will be stricken with a felony which cannot be plead down to a misdemeanor -- the abuser will have a felony on their record, which could also require some jail time and mandatory counseling, not to mention they will have to explain the felony to potential employers.

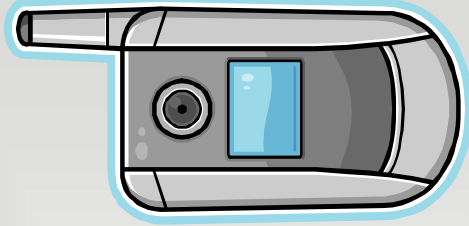
Please feel free to contact Bobbi Sudberry at kw08@kaitysway.org if you should have any questions.

NEIGHBORHOOD CONTACT INFO

APS (to report street lights that are out): **602-371-7171**
Cholla Area Neighborhood (C.A.N.): Mercy Salaz **602-993-4517**
Community Action Officer: **602-534-0474** Karen Anderson
Councilwoman Thelda Williams' Office: **602-262-7444**
Crime Stop – non emergencies: **602-262-6151**

Emergencies: 9 – 1 – 1

Graffiti Busters: **602-495-7014** This is a City of Phoenix service
Graffiti Buster Volunteer: **602-441-5244** Neighbor MaryAnn Johnson
Illegal Dumping: **602-262-7251** Report illegal dumping in our alleys
Neighborhood Services: **602-262-7844** Report blight such as weeds & outside storage



Cholla Middle School Wins Grant!

Congratulations to Cholla Middle School for writing and receiving the 21st Century Federal Grant. Special thanks to Debbie Yarbrough along with Heidi McKeever and Trish Bergstrom who wrote this grant.

What does this mean to the community? Beginning September 14th, we will have 13 different before and after school classes. The morning classes will be from 7:10-8:10 and the after school classes will be from 3:10-4:40. Students will receive an hour of academic instruction along with a half hour of enrichment in the arts, well-being to include nutrition and athletics, organic gardening and any other interests that our student body may be interested in.

Along with these classes to take place Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday, with this grant, we now have funding for our Early Release Wednesdays. Students who are in the after school program will stay on Wednesday until 3:30 enjoying a variety of enrichment opportunities: Hip Hop Dance, Computer Fun, Speed and Agility, Music, and Martial Arts.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to either email or phone Mrs. Yarbrough @ 602-896-5407; Debbie.yarbrough@wesdschools.org

Parents, you are also included within this grant. We will be offering parent education classes in the evenings. If you have questions or suggestions of classes that you will benefit from, please contact Deana Boughter @ 602-896-5493.

Support Our Kids

Providing academic support to children in kindergarten through third grade (K-3) helps to ensure their future success.

On the November 3, 2009 ballot, you will be asked to continue the current funding for K-3 academic programs in the Washington Elementary School District (WESD).

This is not a new tax! It is the continuation of an already existing override that you are currently funding.

This funding supports vital reading and math programs, as well as smaller class sizes, for all K-3 students in WESD.

We must fund our public schools because investing in our children is investing in our future.



INCOME INFORMATION

Please list all information on a MONTHLY basis.

Are you currently employed? ☐ Yes ☐ No
If yes, current employer: _____

What is your average *annual* income? _____

Source:

- Social Security Income: _____
- Disability income: _____
- Pension Income: _____
- Other Income (Please explain): _____

Physical Disabilities: _____
Are you receiving disability benefits? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Do you have any consistent medical expenses? ☐ Yes ☐ No
If yes, please explain: _____

Is this a **female-headed household**? ☐ Yes ☐ No
Number of persons living in the home: _____
Please list everyone living at this address:

Name	Age	Monthly Income	Source
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION:

ETHNICITY:
☐ Non- Hispanic ☐ Hispanic

RACE:
☐ White ☐ Black/ African American ☐ Asian ☐ American Indian
☐ Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander ☐ Other Multi-Racial:

This information does not affect the selection process. It is requested for statistical reasons only.

My signature below indicates that all information provided is accurate and complete. I understand that all work is done by volunteers and there is no warranty for services provided. This application does not guarantee selection to the program. Family and friends who are present on paint day are expected to help paint. There will be no alcohol present on the day of the event.

Signature: _____ Date: _____
If you are not the homeowner, but are filling this out for them, please provide the following:
Your name: _____ Phone: _____
Relationship to homeowner: _____

St Andrew Begins Expansion Project

St Andrew Lutheran Church at 3101 W Cholla has received the necessary city permits to begin expansion of their church and offices.

The new construction is a positive step for the church members and for the neighborhood.

A plan was approved to expand both the Sanctuary and Lange Hall, and to connect the two with a hallway. Also being added is some significant new office space between the existing Sanctuary and Lange Hall.

The goal is for the project to be completed in 2010.

St Andrew members graciously hosted our neighborhood events last year. Their expansion is another sign of their commitment to this neighborhood.



LOST OUR HOME PET FOUNDATION

Is a nonprofit group of real estate professionals who rescue pets left behind due to foreclosures or other financial hardships. Go to www.lostourhome.org for more info. Donations of pet supplies are being accepted at American Title for the above foundation. For pick-up call **Vicki Allen at 602-460-0246 or bring to the monthly meeting**. They need dry cat/kitten food, kitty litter or dry dog/puppy food.

Neighbor Recovering from Bee Attack

What To Do if Your Are Attacked By Judy Hedding, About.com

Here are some common sense tips to help you avoid having to deal with an angry swarm of killer bees:

Africanized Honey Bees: Do's and Don'ts

- **DO** check around your house regularly for bee colonies. Check storage sheds, dog houses, meter boxes, flower pots, trees, shrubs, and crevices. Seal cavities and crevices.
- **DO** keep pets and children inside when using lawn mowers, clippers, blowers, or any other equipment that makes noise or could inadvertently disturb a bee hive.
- **DO** be careful moving or cleaning up debris or items that have been lying around outside the house.
- **DO** install a cover over the chimney when not in use.
- **DO** notice if you see a few bees coming in and out of cracks in walls, utility boxes or other enclosed places.
- **DO** have an escape plan in mind if a bee attack occurs.
- **DO** wear light-colored clothing. Not only around your home, but when hiking or visiting unknown areas.
- **DO NOT** pen or tether animals near bee hives.
- **DO NOT** wear floral or citrus perfumes or after shave lotion when doing yard work or hiking.
- **DO NOT** try to remove bee hives without professional help. To get assistance, check your Yellow Pages for Beekeepers, Bee Removal Services, Bee Supplies or Pest Control Services.
- **DO NOT** panic every time you see a few bees in some flowers. Bees are very important and productive insects (when they are not attacking!) which is why there is no wholesale program for destruction of bees.

If A Bee Attack Occurs

Even if you follow all the above mentioned tips, a bee attack can still occur. Here is what you should do:

- Quickly get into a house, car, tent or other enclosure. Close any doors or windows.
- Do not jump into the pool. The bees will wait until you surface for air to attack.
- If you are attacked by bees, run away. Don't play dead or swat at the bees. Most people can outrun the bees, but you might have to run a few blocks.
- Protect your face to prevent stings to the eyes, nose and in the mouth. Bees attack where carbon dioxide is expelled. Facial stings are much more dangerous than stings to the body. Pull your shirt over your head if no other protection is available.



What is a Paint-A-Thon?

A Paint-a-Thon is a community-based effort designed to paint the homes of homeowners with limited financial resources who are 60 years of age or older and/or have a permanent disability, and are unable to do the work themselves. The paint project utilizes the support of many community organizations and most importantly, the time and effort contributed by many kind-hearted volunteers.

Where? And when?

This year’s Paint-a-Thon will be Saturday, October 24th, 2009. The project covers the entire State. We attempt to give the volunteer groups geographic areas from which to choose their home, so as to make the project as convenient as possible. Preparation on the homes can be done up to three weeks prior to the paint day.

Who qualifies for a home painting?

Homeowners of single family residences who are financially disadvantaged and who are physically unable to paint the home themselves may apply. At this time, we can not consider attached townhouses or condominiums, but we will consider mobile homes with wood or metal siding (no vinyl). These days, the average cost to paint a home is \$4,000. Such a cost is out of the question for our selected homeowners. The homes must be owner-occupied and in sufficient condition so that scraping and spot priming are the only preparations needed. If the home is in need of repairs beyond an exterior paint job, the homeowner may apply for our Rebuilding Day program. Any physically able-bodied adults living in the home are expected to help alongside our volunteers.

Who can volunteer?

Teams of volunteers are recruited from families, businesses, churches, schools, social service and civic groups. The Paint-a-Thon management works with team leaders to develop self-sufficient teams that will perform quality work while experiencing personal satisfaction and enjoyment. All volunteers must be at least 14-years old and those under 18 must have a signed parental permission form. Ideally, each team should consist of 15-25 volunteers. Individual volunteers are needed to help run the program, deliver extra supplies, take pictures, etc. and are encouraged to call the office.

What happens at a Paint-a-Thon?

Once houses have been identified, inspected and the residents qualified, a team of volunteers will be assigned to scrape and paint each house. This includes a team leader and up to 25 volunteers per house. Saturday, October 24th has been designated for painting and all the houses are done on the same day. In most cases, volunteers visit the homesite up to two weeks prior to the paint day to do any prep work (scraping, peeling paint, caulking, spot priming and trimming any plants). On October 24th, teams start painting between 7 and 8 a.m. and complete the home in a single day. If for any reason the home is not completely finished on the designated paint day, the team leader is responsible for organizing volunteers from his/her team to complete this project ASAP.

What is provided for the volunteer teams?

Rebuilding Together provides the paint for the home, limited paint supplies and recommendations for additional items that volunteers may find useful. We provide t-shirts for each team (up to 25) and our volunteers are insured. We *do not* provide food or beverages for the volunteer teams.

How is financial support provided?

Community partners are recruited from corporations, businesses, social service agencies, media, civic groups and municipalities to provide in-kind, financial and personnel support. Paint is provided through donations from paint manufacturers. Rebuilding Together will supply all of the exterior paint and the paint supply boxes.

Any questions?

To volunteer or for additional information, please visit the Rebuilding Together website: www.rebuildingtogetherphx.org or give the office a call: 480.774.0237. To join the Cholla Neighborhood Team call 602-993-4517.



HOMEOWNER APPLICATION

Please return this form to:
Rebuilding Together (Valley of the Sun)
2123 South Priest, Suite 213
Tempe, AZ 85282
Office: 480.774.0237
Fax: 480.774.0236
E: info@rebuildingtogetherphx.org

Name: _____ Age: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Alt Phone: _____

Best time to call: _____ U.S. Citizen? ☐ Legal resident? ☐

How did you find out about the Paint-a-Thon? _____

TELL US ABOUT YOUR HOME

Approximately what year was your home built?

- Is your home more than one (1) story? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- Is it a single family home? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- Is it a duplex, townhome, or condo? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- Is it a manufactured home? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- Is it a mobile home? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- What part of the home needs painting? ☐ Trim only ☐ Entire home

Is your home ☐ Stucco ☐ Wood Siding ☐ Aluminum siding ☐ Vinyl Siding
☐ Painted Brick or Block ☐ Natural Brick

Is the home structurally sound, in need of paint with no other major repairs? ☐ Yes ☐ No

- | | Do you own the home? | ☐ Yes ☐ No | How Long? |
|--|--|--|-----------|
| | Do you own any other property? | ☐ Yes ☐ No | |
| | Do you plan to sell your home in the next year? | ☐ Yes ☐ No | |
| | Would you consent to an interview or photograph by the media (radio, TV, newspaper)? | ☐ Yes ☐ No | |
| | Do you own dogs that will bother the volunteers? | ☐ Yes ☐ No | |
| | Do you have family or friends who will help paint? | ☐ Yes ☐ No | |
| | Will loud music on event day cause a problem? | ☐ Yes ☐ No | |