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MARLBOROUGH MESA

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Proposed Tattoo Parlor Council Meeting

When: July 5, 2006

Where: Council Chambers

57 E. 1st Street Downtown Mesa

The Council Meeting regarding the proposed tattoo parlor next to Nello's for JULY 5th will be at 5:45 PM. PLEASE try to attend and <u>bring your children</u> with you. Not only is your attendance needed, but this is good education for them to see our lawmakers at work first hand and how it directly affects their lives. Attendance speaks volumes to Council.

It is not too late to let your voice be heard. It is up to <u>YOU</u> if you want this business this close to Dobson High and across the street from our homes. Personally, I have nothing against tattoos, I feel that the law was put in place for a reason and why compromise this by changing it? If this changes – precedence will have been set.

The owner is asking that the City grant an exception to the 1200 ft. rule that applies to this type of business locating that close to a school.

A little history and a few facts:

- 1. **Damage Ink** (proposed tattoo parlor) indicated at the Planning & Zoning Meeting that the fence separating Dobson High and the neighborhood is 35 ft. tall, thereby providing a "barrier". Those of us who live here know that this is only a backstop fence for the ball field and the rest is only 6 ft. tall. In addition, the gates surrounding Dobson are all open during school hours.
- 2. The signatures required for this business were mostly NOT Mesa Residents. They do not live here. It will not affect them. Out of the **213** signatures collected on behalf of Damage Ink, only **33** were potential residents living within 1 mile of the proposed site. (Of those, 6 could not be confirmed, as they had only given Mesa as their address.) Most signatures came from the West Valley.
- 3. If Council does give a permit, this means we would have our 2nd tattoo parlor within ½ mile of one another. (*Penetration Tattoo is located in the plaza on the NW corner of Guad. and Alma School.*) There would be a total of 8 tattoo parlors within 5 ½ miles of the proposed location. They are:
 - 1. Penetration Tattoo
 - 2. Immaculate Tattoo
 - 3. Body Art Tattoo
 - 4. Urban Art Tattoo
 - 5. Club Tattoo
 - 6. Bloodthirsty Tattoo
 - 7. Ink Bomb Tattoo
 - 8. Proposed Damage Ink

Clean Sweeps Arriving

By Kristine Malcolm

Our ANNUAL Clean Sweep is upon us! Below you will find the placement dates and locations. Please be courteous of others in the neighborhood – we have had people cut down entire trees and fill up the bins. This is **NOT** the purpose of this service and we do not want to abuse it.

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1049 W. Plata	
1127 W. Plata	
842 W. Plata	
934 W. Plata	
2936 S. Mollera	
1116 W. Obispo	
2904 S. Spruce	
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Examples of ACCEPTABLE items in the WHITE containers: furniture, wood, palm fronds, old toys, mattresses/box springs, tree branches, BBQ grills (no propane), general household debris (no food waste).

Examples of ACCEPTABLE items in the GREEN containers: Only unbagged green

waste such as grass, leaves, branches (12 inches or less in diameter) - NO palm fronds in this container.

Examples of items NOT to be placed in EITHER container: rock, dirt, concrete, block, tire, construction materials, batteries, refrigerators, freezers, air conditioners, paint, tires, oil, or any hazardous waste.

REMINDER:

Debris may not extend over the top of the container. Any questions? Call 480-644-4423 or 644-4791.

The City of Mesa makes the decision in the placement of the containers.

Let's have another successful Clean/Green Sweep!

Security Lighting

Jim Jones and Mark Foster have gotten together and installed security lights on individual homes. This was the Security Lighting Project that we had applied for a grant and received from PRIDE and Mesa United Way.

We still have a few FREE lights if you have electric to the location. Call Jim or email and ask about those at 480-831-1525 or almajones 2006@cox.net

Easter Egg Hunt Recap

By Linda Murphy

YIPPIE! This is the first time in two years that we did not have a lake at the park.

We gave away goody bags to all the kids sixth grade and under, along with miniprizes and three grand-prizes. Below are the grand-prize winners:

4 and under winner, Ella Rose, Peralta 5 to 7 years old winner, Dylan, Portebello

8 to sixth grade winner, Joel, Wycliff As always, without a lot of great volunteers this event could not happen. You donated your time and items for the luncheon - A BIG THANK YOU!

I guess the fourth time is the charm. After trying to get the Mesa Police Helicopter for the last four years, this year they showed up and was able to land. Kids and adults enjoyed helicopter and asked lots of great questions.

New Sex Offender Site

By Sherry Cross

This is a good source of information. Looks like MM is a very lucky area!

The tool below is useful because we need to be able to visually identify someone who may not be safe in our area AND, YES, SHARE THOSE PHOTOS WITH YOUR CHILDREN.

Okay, here's how it works... enter your address... it will show a "house", that's yours... all the little colored boxes are Sex Offenders... click on them and you get a name & picture of the person along with his crime... pretty amazing and scary...

http://www12.familywatchdog.us/

Exchange Student

By Sandra Fischer

Many of you may know that Michael and I hosted an exchange student last year. We had hoped to do so again, but Michael's job situation does not permit us that luxury this year. Because of that, there is an excellent student who could use a home. His name is Juha Nordlund. He already has a slot available to him at Dobson High (which we found out last year could be the most difficult part of finding a student). Juha is from Finland and is the student we had

hoped to host this year. Thus, I would recommend him to anyone who would like the experience of learning about a new culture and enjoy having a high school student in your home who can help out and will learn to be a part of your family. Feel free to contact me, Sandra K. Fischer at my home email uffdaskf@cableaz.com or contact the local representative for the exchange student, Barbara Piirinen at her email - thepiirinens@cox.net. This decision would have to be made quickly (by the end of this month), but I assure you it will be worth it. Michael and I made the decision in a matter of minutes at a festival and were so pleased with the experience that we cannot wait to host another student. May you find the experience as rewarding as we did.

Christmas Toy Drive ...

By Sandra Fischer

It's June and we are already talking Christmas!!!! Am I crazy, no. We just have a lot to do and a short time to do it. There are two things that need to be considered at this time. First, there has been some talk among the neighbors that we would like our Christmas Toy Drive to support another agency rather than the East Valley Child Crisis Center because they already have so many donations that they sell some of the toys received to provide for other needs. For the past two years, many of the toys we have collected went to assist low income clients of our neighbor Diane LeFevre. We can continue this service, but we will also have to choose another charity to send whatever is left over. For that, we need ideas from you. Please provide me with any ideas you may have, so that I know how to better serve the desires of Marlborough Mesa. If you have

a particular charity that you already support and want to boost your support by adding our neighborhood toy drive to that effort, I would love to hear about.

One idea some neighbors have suggested is to adopt a family or two and provide those families with more than just toys. This is more than possible, but we would have to submit our request for families to the social service agencies by September. Because this particular endeavor requires more time and effort, we need to know who would be willing to commit to such a task prior to submitting our neighborhood's name to social services and requesting to adopt such families. Again, your input is CRUCIAL to make this toy drive as successful as possible.

With that said, all those who wish to assist in making this toy drive the best ever, please contact me either at my home #480-820-2773; my cell #480-234-1658; or via my home email - uffdaskf@cableaz.com.

I look forward to hearing from all of you dedicated to making Marlborough Mesa the best neighborhood!!!

Neighborhood Notes



We are looking for a few good Ambassadors ... call or email: almajones2006@cox.net or 480-831-1525.

Also, **Debbie Glick** has 5 ready-to-go Welcome Baskets for new neighbors. Even if you are not an Ambassador on your street and you know someone new, call and come by and pick up one. It is a great way to meet a new neighbor.

New Email

If you have not already – please make a note of my new email. It is:

almajones2006@cox.net

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BABYSITTING available: Amber, 13 Yrs old. Certified in CPR. Have an 8 year old brother that I have been babysitting since he was 3. I live on Portobello, 480-634-7310 or 480-529-5741.

CONSULTANT, painting/drywall contractor. My service is typically booked out at \$50.00 per hour. I would like to extend this to all Marlborough Mesa residents at \$30.00 per hour. I consult for analysis of surfaces, applied products, write specifications for painting, and extensive colorizing. If you'd like to discuss this please call Toni at 602.622.0227. Custom Repaint Specialists 602.253.1154.

BALDWIN piano, good condition, \$1,200. Contact Terri Martinez @ 831-2616.

3 SOLID OAK glass tables; coffee table and side tables, \$70.00 OBO. Contact Terri Martinez @ 831-2616.

FUTON - full size; \$30.00 OBO. Contact Terri Martinez @ 831-2616.

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