



MARLBOROUGH MESA

News

Strengthening our Neighborhood and Promoting the Well-being of our Community

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Clean Sweeps Are Coming!

By Kristine Malcolm

It's time to take advantage of the Clean Sweep dumpsters that will be in our area October 4 thru 18.

The City usually starts on the North end of our development and works their way South. The schedule is:

Monday, Oct. 4th thru 7th - 10 roll offs
Thursday, Oct. 7th thru 11th - 10 roll offs
Monday, Oct. 11th thru 14th - 10 roll offs
Thursday, Oct. 14th thru 18th - 10 roll offs

Due to a new fire code, all dumpsters must be on the same side of the street. So now is the time to show our pride in our neighborhood and clean up that storage area or get the garage cleaned out so you can get another car in there.

PLEASE be mindful of what can and **CANNOT** be thrown away in these types of dumpsters - I've listed the do's and don'ts below. Your cooperation with this is imperative to the program continuing for Marlborough Mesa.

Thanks, in advance, for your cooperation and happy cleaning!

Examples of **ACCEPTABLE** items in the **WHITE** Clean Sweep containers: furniture, wood, palm fronds, old toys, mattresses/ box springs, tree branches, bib grills (no propane), general household debris (no food waste).

Examples of **ACCEPTABLE** items in the **GREEN** Sweep containers: Only unbagged green waste such as grass, leaves, branches (12 inches or less in diameter) - please **NO PALM FRONDS** in the **GREEN** container.

Examples of items NOT to be placed in any container: food waste, pressurized tanks (propane/oxygen), rock, dirt, concrete, block, construction materials, batteries, refrigerators, freezers, air conditioners, paint, tires, oil, or any hazardous waste.

ALSO - please do not **OVERFILL** containers.

Schedule is up on the website ... at:

http://www.neighborhoodlink.com/Marlborough_Mesa/events

The Importance of Calling Things In To The Police

Why it's important to make the call...

We must understand the importance of reporting any crime incident or suspicious behavior in the neighborhood, even if it's too late for the police to do anything about it. Here are a few reasons ...

*Calling things in creates a paper trail that documents what's going on in the neighborhood, and makes it possible for the police to make a case to the city and other entities that have the power to provide more funding and more personnel as needed. NOT reporting things can also affect police patrolling in the neighborhood.

*If no one calls in an incident, no matter how big or small, it is like it never happened.

*The Police Department of the 21st Century goes completely by how many reports are filed in an area. If there is nothing on PAPER or COMPUTER it is assumed there is NO CRIME in an area, and unfortunately that has happened in this neighborhood before on more than one occasion. ***

*For all Emergencies-Dial 911.

*Non-Emergencies-Dial 644-2211 (Call this number if the situation is not life threatening.)

****For the great length one neighbor took to protect our neighborhood, go to the post on our website at "strange girl/woman": Aug. 8.*

http://www.neighborhoodlink.com/Marlborough_Mesa/topics

A Knock on Your Door?

Watch for this as we have had a few incidents where a man and woman or two guys come to your door and they either know your name or someone's in the neighborhood and will ask you questions regarding them. More on these incidents is on the website but not enough room to print them here.

www.neighborhoodlink.com/Marlborough_Mesa/home

YOU have the power to keep your neighbors abreast of things happening in our neighborhood. What an incredible tool we each have at our disposal through our website!

Also, if you have not updated your email and want to receive neighborhood messages - send that to me at alma-jones2006@cox.net. These are always confidential!!!

Code Compliance

By Nina Williams

Another hot season is just about over. Now we really have no reason for letting our "outside" work get the upper hand.

First impressions do count! We must remember that it only takes a few unkempt yards to make our great neighborhood look undesirable to prospective homebuyers.

If you do not have the proper tools or need help in keeping your yard looking its best, please go to the Code Compliance website www.mesaaz.gov/codecompliance/services for further information or perhaps ask your neighbor.

As always, if I can be of any help, contact me at 480-831-1926.

Community Service Connection

By Chanin Sauer

In keeping with the IB curriculum at Summit Academy, we are implementing a new program in Marlborough Mesa whereby some of our more industrious students are willing to do yard work ... i.e., pulling weeds, mowing lawns, etc. for neighbors that need a little extra help. Unoccupied homes will also be on our list. This is where YOU can help keep up the appearance of our neighborhood. No one knows better than a next-door neighbor if that home is empty - so give me a call.

Our third through eighth grade students living in MM will be looking to do community service volunteer hours. This is not a business and there are no fees and it will be up to my discretion as to what jobs these youngsters are capable of. Do keep in mind that we are in Arizona and the earlier we can get out on weekend mornings - the better. Interested volunteers OR homeowners can contact me at 480-491-7880.

911 Alerts Reach Cellphones

All landlines are automatically registered into the Community Emergency Notification System or CENS. Now you can register your cellphone to do the same. Messages are sent directly to your phone. Emergencies that prompt a call in and around your neighborhood include:

- *Neighborhood-school shutdown
- *Flash-flood warnings or rolling blackouts
- *Hazardous spills
- *Major fires
- *Endangered children or elderly people

To sign your cellphone up for emergency notifications, go to the CENS website at maricoparegion911.org and click on "Community Emergency Notification System."

Directory of Services

By Naomi Mills



The Directory of Services was developed for distribution within our neighborhood to promote a service you provide or to advertise a business you own or have received excellent service. It is on the website and will be printed for handout every 2 years.

To list a service/business in the Directory, the following format is needed. (If you have previously listed a service/business - you must still complete a form. Simply write in the changes, make a note if the ad should be deleted.)

If you are *referring* a company that has provided outstanding service, please provide your name, phone and street name. (This information will be printed in the Directory so others in our area can contact you if they have any questions.)

2009-2010 Directory of Services

Kind of Service: _____
Name of Business: _____
Experience (how many years): _____
Address: _____
Contact: _____
Cell Phone: _____
Home Phone: _____
Business Phone: _____
Email: _____
Website: _____
References: _____
DELETED: _____

Please text/call your information to Naomi Mills, Directory Coordinator & Editor, at email nao-mijo@earthlink.net or call 480-345-8464. The **deadline** for inclusion in the next printing is **January 30, 2011**.

Neighborhood Notes



New Halogen Streetlights

Noticed our new streetlights yet? They are amazing and visibility is so much better at night. They were completed in our neighborhood at the end of August. They are part of the stimulus package from the federal government and are part of the "going green" movement. They use much less power and consequently will save the City and thus - you and I.

The City began installing the lights at the west end of Mesa and they can go all the way to Stapley on the current money available (with the exception of Dobson Ranch which has a different kind of light post). There are a total of 2500 lights to be installed.

Marlborough Mesa Park - It's Official

The Council Community and Neighborhood Services Committee approved changing the name and designation of Basin 601 to Marlborough Mesa Park.

It is now up on the side of the park along Alma School. They also changed out the existing basin rules signs with park rules signs.

Having this designated as a park rather than a basin affords us more maintenance more often.



A New Ambassador

Chanin Sauer heard that we needed an Ambassador for Extension and she volunteered to do the job. Since July, she has delivered 2 Welcome Totes to new neighbors - 1 on Extension and 1 on Peralta.

If you know of someone new to our neighborhood, call or email me at almajones2@cox.net or 480-831-1525.

Welcome Basket Coordinator

I am still looking for someone ... who has a little time ... who has the desire to help. Everything we do here in Marlborough is voluntary - we are not an Association.

We have so many people who do a small (sometimes - large) part in keeping our community the desirable place we call home.

If you are a resident here and have been for a long time, you may not even know what our Welcome Totes look like or what items they contain and why it is a compliment to our neighborhood that we have someone who is willing to do this volunteer job for our community. We have our Ambassadors who deliver those totes - now we just need someone to put them together at their own home. Can you help me please? Call Alma at 480-831-1525.

New Website Updates - Pictures

We have some new capabilities on our website. One is larger pictures and if you recognize someone - it could just be YOU. I will be posting a new picture every week or two from the many activities in our neighborhood and chances are you will find your picture up there sooner or later.

If anyone chooses not to have their picture on the neighborhood website, please let me know and I will honor your wishes. Also, no names will appear.



MM CLASSIFIEDS

MANHASSET music stand, Sabine MT9000 MetroTune & Matrix Universal Tuner Pick-Up plus Plus Resonance shoulder rest like new. Please call Sandy at 480-250-7750 if interested.

POOL table for sale: 8' table, 3 piece slate top w/walnut rails, bottom is pine wood. Also have the pool rack with some pool sticks and balls. good condition. Asking \$675.00 or OBO. Call Michelle or Dave @ 480/491-1957.

KODAK Easy Share photo printer 500 & Kodak Easy Share Camera C310. Call Sandy at 480-250-7750

LAWN Mowing, Trimming, General Maintenance, Dog Clean Up - I'm Your Guy! Contact Tyler Murphy (Spruce St) 602-578-3333.

PartyLite Collectibles #1 Candle Shoppe Tealight House & #2 "The Church" Olde World Village Tealight House. Please call Sandy at 480-250-7750 if interested.

SHIRAZ String Quartet was formed during the Summer of 2010. We provide live music for weddings, tea parties, social and business events, ceremonies and any other occasions.

Please visit us at shirazstrings.webs.com or contact us by:
Email: shiraz.strings@yahoo.com
Phone: (480)276-3321

Facebook: www.facebook.com/shirazstrings
Twitter: www.twitter.com/shirazstrings

Our availability is limited to weekends from the end of August 2010 to the end of May 2011 due to members of the ensemble attending school. We apologize for that inconvenience. Syna Daudfar, UofA, Class of 2013.

GREEN Desert Golf - we specialize in hole sponsorships for charity golf events. If you are planning a golf tournament or know of any tournaments looking for sponsors please contact Chris Robertson at 480.518.1378 or playgolfgreen@gmail.com. We pay referral bonuses for any golf tournament you bring us that we book!! Thanks!

MUSIC Lessons: Cello, violin, viola, beginning piano. Experienced instructor, teaching for 25 years. Call 480-491-0021 on Spruce.

INSTRUMENT Rental: Have 1/2 size cello for rent (with case & bow). \$25 per month if taking lessons.

BOX spring with frame for twin size bed. \$40 OBO call 480-491-0021.

NEIGHBORHOOD GARAGE SALE - October 8 and 9.

10 Years of Christmas at the Park in 2010

By Sandra Fischer

Christmas is coming and time to start organizing our 10th Annual Christmas Party and Toy Drive.

DATE: Saturday, December 4, 2010

TIME: 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM

WHERE: Marlborough Mesa Park

We need lots of help with the food and decorating the ramada. And - because we now are officially a "Park", the cleaning will be done for us.

Please call or email me at (h)480.820.2773, (c) 480.234.1658 or uffdaskf@cox.net if you can help.

We will again be offering a boutique so that you and/or your children may do some Christmas shopping with your neighbors while supporting a very good cause. For all those who make crafts for sale or sell anything that they would like to donate a portion of the proceeds to the cause, please contact me so that I can get the word out to our neighborhood.

Of course Santa will be there to do his part with the kids, so make sure your little ones have their lists ready. Photos are \$1 per child. The organization we will be supporting this year is yet to be determined, but we will let you know in the next newsletter.

Neighborhood Garage Sale

By Andy Keels, Coordinator

There will be a Marlborough Mesa Neighborhood-wide Garage Sale on Friday & Saturday October 8th and 9th.

Advertising will be in several of the local papers and internet sites. I will be coordinating this for the neighborhood.

If you have a garage sale sign and would like to participate please call me at 480-361-7084.

Fall Pancake Breakfast

Councilmember Kavanaugh's Fall pancake breakfast and toy drive is set for November 20 from 8-10 AM at fire station 207 on Dobson Road. More details will be in the next newsletter.

Mark that date because our firemen are some of the BEST cooks!

Jim's Rain Report

By Jim Jones



Mar 3.19" Apr. .85" May .00"
Jun. .00" Jul. 1.04" Aug. 2.94"

Yearly Total to date: 9.45"

Acts of Kindness ...

Kindness sometimes takes a backseat in this fast-paced computer multi-tasking society of ours. Yet when we go back to visit my hometown in a rural community of West Virginia, we find our feet once again planted on "gentle" ground with the peaceful pace that tranquil surroundings engender.

From time to time, we travel throughout the U.S. and Canada and we have found many wonderful people willing to help us find our way, both literally and figuratively. Sometimes finding the way comes from the kindness of people literally leading us to the right road with their own car. And sometimes we discover "the road less traveled" when a complete stranger invites us into their home just to visit, or for a cup of tea. When searching for respite from our guarded "metro" lives, we find it incomprehensible that strangers would trust - but they do - and thus, so do we, harkening back to times when people were more kind than wary. We try to embrace our adventures with accepting minds, and are always rewarded with the grace that allows strangers to become friends.

And I believe we already have that kind of friendliness and generosity of spirit, right here in our own little Marlborough Mesa community, that sets it apart from "big city" life - we really have to look no further.

The finest act of kindness is to show the people we meet that they are valued, whether by giving a kind word or smile, doing a good turn, or listening with concern. For this reason, there is a large "Thank You" card being passed around the neighborhood and IF you should be so lucky as to receive it, please date it. Then when someone does something nice for you, take a moment and leave it at their doorstep - no names and no explanation needed. In this lifetime, there will never be enough thoughtfulness to go around, so please pass it on.