

MARLBOROUGH MESA



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

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APRIL thru SEPTEMBER 2011

G.A.I.N.

(Getting Arizona Involved In Neighborhoods)

This year, G.A.I.N. will take place **November 5, 2011** from 4:00 to 8:00 pm. There are many Blockwatches throughout our neighborhood on many streets. If you do not have one—start one. Anyone can do this and it can be on your block or your street. Make it simple—just have fun and get to know someone new or share dinner with old friends. This could also be a time for some type of Community (or individual) Preparedness. I have all the brochures you will need either individually or on a group level. Just ask. (But do so in the next 2 weeks.)

And - think Blockwatch doesn't work? Tell that to a group of northeast Phoenix residents recently who had burglars working their neighborhood. They did not have one - until they formed one and got involved. When they began comparing notes - they found they had 30 burglaries in their neighborhood! We have a great opportunity here in Marlborough Mesa, whereby you need not only report it to the police - but you can let other neighbors know by posting it (some do already) on our website listed at the top. If there's a pattern - neighbors will know quickly.

McGruff, the Crime Dog turns 31 this year! It would certainly be special to receive a visit from him for the children on your street or block. And getting that registration in early will give better chances.

As always, a GAIN registration form must be completed in order to receive visits from the city. The information packet and registration forms are available at this link:

http://www.mesaaz.gov/police/GAIN.aspx

PS: You can use your own barricades and not have to rent them from the city.

Registration for your G.A.I.N. party must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. on October 21, 2011 if you want to be placed on the visitation list.



As Arizona's approaches 100 years of statehood come <u>February 14, 2012</u> - it is also <u>Valentine's Day</u>. Let's have a celebration right here in our park. We need <u>your IDEAS</u> and willingness to help! We have a rare opportunity - one that happens <u>once in a lifetime</u>. This could be a wonderful experience for our children to learn of Arizona's history in a way they will never experience in school and one that none of us will soon forget. We here in Marlborough are such an creative group so let's make it happen.

We will need a Coordinator/Planner as well as other volunteers in the neighborhood for this event. Google "Arizona Centennial" or "Centennial Themes" and see what kinds of ideas are out there.

I will help anyone who would like to get this started and be your 1st volunteer. Let's plan something special for our neighborhood. If you are at all interested in helping with the planning or you have those great ideas - please send me an email soon. This will not be one of those events we can plan at the last minute. Many neighborhoods and both state and federal have begun their plans - sometimes long ago.

My husband, Jim is a native and there are probably many more in our neighborhood who probably have seen countless changes. From horses and trolleys to autos and light rail, much has changed in 100 years.

Before the holidays, let's be bringing to the table some great imaginative ideas. We also have funds available for such an event. Weather Balloon ... costumes ... beard growing ...

Mesa Public Schools

By Lynda Jordan

Community Relations Specialist for Mesa Public Schools

Free Montessori programs at Bush and Pomeroy elementary schools are available. Openings abound in first grade. Students in kindergarten through sixth grade are also welcome. Bush Elementary is at 4925 E. Ingram St., Mesa. Pomeroy is at 1507 W. Shawnee Drive, Chandler.

Program and registration information:

Call Kathy Tolar, Montessori coordinator, at (480) 472-3575. Send an e-mail to her at: montessori@mpsaz.org. Log on to http://www.mpsaz.org/montessori.

Neighborhood Notes

New Wave of Car Vandalism

In the Discussion area of our website at: www.neighborhoodlink.com/Marlborough_Mesa/, you will find that broken windows of vehicles are on the rise. We know of some on Emerson and Obispo and who knows how many others. At least these have all been reported to the police.

Keep an eye out for someone in the neighborhood with a bb or pellet gun. And, please - if this happens to you, by all means file a police report. The number of crimes committed is a direct result of how much patrol we receive in our neighborhood.

Jim's Rain Report

By Jim Jones

As most know - this has been a very dry year. All our plants and trees show stress. Last year at this time we had received 9.45" of rain through August. This year we have only received 2.88" as of now.

Alex's Lemonade Stand

By Peggy Weister



My daughters are hosting a fundraiser for childhood cancer

Please check their page out. They will be having a lemonade stand on <u>September</u> 24th from 11 AM to 2 PM at Marlborough Mesa

<u>Park.</u> All the information is on the website. Feel free to send the link to your friends and family. We appreciate all the help. Thank you in advance for your support.

http://www.alexslemonade.org/mypage/76143

Shop for DOBSON Day at

By Linda Murphy



Save this date:

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 29TH

from 4-8pm at the FRESH AND EASY STORE at Alma School and Elliott

They will be hosting a <u>SHOP FOR SCHOOLS</u> <u>NIGHT FOR **DOBSON** HIGH SCHOOL.</u> A portion of the sales from this date will be donated back to the Athletic Dept. Tell your family and friends to "SHOP for DOBSON" on 9/29.

GO MUSTANGS!

Neighborhood Ice Cream Social



What? Come on over to meet your neighbors and eat some tasty ice cream! Please bring a topping and we'll provide the ice cream. yum yum.

Where? Lendl & Denise Meyer's home 825 W Portobello Ave When? Sunday, October 9th, 3-5pm

Questions? email us at lentilsandbacon@gmail.com

Email Correct?

Do you receive emails about what's going on in our neighborhood? Is it up-to-date?

If not, send it my way at <u>almajones2@cox.net</u> and you will be added to the list. For your safety, all emails are sent in the BCC field and never given out without your express permission.

How to Register and Post on our website

http://www.neighborhoodlink.com/Marlborough_Mesa

Left side is the "Sign in" box. Click it.

Under Username there is a place to "Register Now! Fill out the necessary information and click in the box "Sign Up Now".

You will see a message:

"Neighborhood Link Registration Success ... your new Neighborhood Link account is almost ready for you! We've sent you an email containing a confirmation code. When you receive that email, click on the included link to sign in." It will then tell you that your account is confirmed.

Why do I need to register?

To ensure the security of our neighborhood website, Neighborhood Link only allows registered users to add content to the site. To that end, during the initial Sign In process your email address is verified.

Privacy of all users is very important to Neighborhood Link. Your information will never be sold or given out except in the case of a court-ordered subpoena.

Trash / Recycle Collection Schedule Changed

Beginning on October 3, 2011, your new collection days will be:

Recycle (Blue and Green) barrels - Wednesday Trash (Black) - Saturday

Next Hazardous Waste Collection is:

Saturday, October 22, 2011 from 8 AM - Noon East Mesa Service Center Street 6935 E. Decatur St.

Code Compliance Update

By Nina Williams

Just a quick update about Code Compliance issues in our area. Because of the very hot and dry weather this summer, all of the yards, bushes, and trees are as stressed as we are. Please make sure that all dry and/ or dead materials are taken care of properly and promptly. One thing we do not need in our neighborhood is a fire.

Now that the weather is scheduled to cool down, it is time to finish all of the yard maintenance we have been putting off for so long. Remember, the City of Mesa has tools that are available to borrow if you do not have what you need. If I can be of any help, please contact me at 480-831-1926

11 Years in 2011 of Christmas at the Park

By Sandra Fischer

Christmas is coming and it is time to start organizing our annual Toy Drive and Christmas Party. The date is **Saturday, December 3, 2011** from **9:00 a.m.** to **12:00 p.m.** We need lots of help with the food and decorating the ramada. Please call me, Sandra Fischer, at my home #480-820-2773, my cell #480-234-1658 or email me at uffdaskf@cox.net if you can help this year.

In addition, do you want to meet your state and congressional representatives at this time? If so, I will send out an invitation to have them attend our toy drive. I need to hear from you as to what you want to do at this great event we have each year, so please let me know.

Also, we will again be offering a boutique so anyone 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. We want to support the businesses of our neighbors. Thanks for all you do to help others in need.

Marlborough Mesa CLASSIFIEDS



The CLEANING EDGE, quality homecare – ceiling fans to baseboards and everything in between. Call for a free estimate. Based in MM since 1998. Contact Chanin Sauer, 480-491-7880, 3155 S Davis Circle. References: The Mitchell, Jones and Weaver Families.

HONEY OAK Bookcase style twin headboard and frame with dresser. Excellent condition \$325 OBO. CHOCOLATE Brown Twin Comforter and sheet set: \$25 OBO. BIKES: Child size twin girls bike \$10 (needs tires). Ask for Karen: 480 839-8006.

PARENTS: Ms. Carol is a resident of Marlborough Mesa and would like to offer this coupon to you. Her gym is on Southern Avenue (next to Mesa High School) and offers recreational gymnastics and dance. If you have a child that likes to dance or wants to be a cheerleader some day or just likes to hang on bars or jump on a trampoline, please come and visit her gym... you'll love it! View the website at: www.MsCarolsGymkids.com



ENTERTAINMENT Center - good condition. Overall dimensions: 77" W, 71" H, 18" D. TV area: 35 1/2" W, 30" H, 18" D. \$50 obo. TEACHERS school desk, oak, approximately 70-80 yrs old. \$75 firm. MM/Spruce resident.

Contact Claire 480-831-0289.

AARON has a new job with Vector Marketing selling/showing <u>Cutco Cutlery</u> and wants me to help get the word out. It's that type of job that he isn't required to sell anything and is paid a base pay of \$16

a visit, so it helps him out either way. The prices range on type of product and the list of product goes from cutlery, silverware, and kitchen tools to BBQ sets, hunting/fishing knives and gardening tools. His phone number is 480-516-7069 for anyone that wants more information about what he's doing and when he's available for an appointment. Thanks, Teresa Weiland

Councilmember Kavanaugh's Coffee with the Councilmember

Date: October 21, 2011 Time: 7:30 - 8:30 am

Location: EVIT Boardroom (1601 W. Main St.)

Coffee and delicious food provided by EVIT's culinary department. Special Guest: This month's guest speaker is William Jabjiniak, the Economic Development Director for the City of Mesa. William will give an update on the development along the light rail and downtown Mesa including Cresent Crown which is scheduled to open early next year.

Please RSVP to <u>charlotte.mcdermott@mesaaz.gov</u> or call 480-644-5294 with any questions.

Free Holiday Pancake Breakfast and Tov Drive

Councilmember Kavanaugh's free holiday pancake breakfast ill be prepared by the Mesa Fire Department on **December 10 from 8-10 am** at Fire Station 207 (2505 S. Dobson Road).

If you are unable to attend the breakfast and would still like to donate a toy, you can drop those off from Nov. 14 – Dec. 8 in the collection boxes at the following locations:

Fire Station 207, Mesa Library Dobson Ranch Branch 2425 S. Dobson Rd., Southwest Ambulance, 708 W. Baseline Rd., Mesa Community College, Student Center, 1833 W. Southern Ave.

Redistricting in City of Mesa

After a series of six public meetings and residents' reviews, the five-member commission will present the recommended redistricting plan to Mesa City Council was at its Study Session Monday, Sept. 12 at 4 p.m. The recommended plan is posted on the City's website at:

http://mesaaz.gov/Government/advisory/redistrict.aspx.

Questions or comments can be sent by email to <u>redistricting@mesaaz.gov</u> or by calling (480) 644-2397.

The City of Mesa is required to revise the boundaries of the existing 6 Council districts to reflect changes in population and demographics following the 2010 Census.