

**\*\*\* NEW MEETING LOCATION:**

**\*\*Trinity United Methodist Church—31st Ave & Glendale\*\***

**JANUARY 12 \* FEBRUARY 9**

Board Meeting: 6:15 pm

**General Membership Meeting Starts 7:00 pm**

*Meetings are 2nd Thursday of each month, mark your calendar!*

**LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT**

Happy New Year, North Glen Square. Many people think of the new year as a time for fresh starts and renewed inspiration. To that end, I'd like to take this opportunity to reacquaint you with the Association. If you're new to the neighborhood, welcome. We hope you find North Glen Square a great place to call home.

This is the first of 3 square wide issues we send throughout the year to every resident in the neighborhood. We do this because we believe an informed neighborhood is a stronger neighborhood. Our primary goal is to preserve the quality of life in NGS by: fighting blight; encouraging block watches; maintaining relationships with our city councilman and various city departments; working with neighborhood businesses and prospective businesses on mutually agreeable conditions; and generally fighting to set a course for NGS instead of succumbing to forces that negatively impact our residents.

Over the years we have successfully opposed developments we felt would hurt property values, eliminated a troublesome liquor establishment, pushed the City to enforce building codes and zoning ordinances, and provided information and tools to residents to help them protect themselves and their property from crime.

Doing this is not easy. It takes committed individuals. It takes a neighborhood-wide effort. We can't do it without your help. The easiest way you can help is to be a member of the association. If the label on the front of the newsletter says Neighbor, you are not a member. We would love to see more members in 2012 to help support our cause. With membership you will receive 6 newsletters in 2012, discounts on neighborhood events, voting privileges at meetings, and the chance to receive crime prevention tools during special giveaways. We also need more people to get actively involved, whether you come to meetings, help paint out graffiti, volunteer to participate in a block watch, or just try to be more in touch with events in the neighborhood.

The best way to stay informed is to sign up for e-mail updates. Provide your email address on your membership form or send us a note at [northglensquare@gmail.com](mailto:northglensquare@gmail.com). You can also visit our web site and participate at [http://www.neighborhoodlink.com/N\\_Glen\\_Square](http://www.neighborhoodlink.com/N_Glen_Square). We look forward to a prosperous year and hope that you will help us work to make North Glen Square an even better place to live.

**WHAT IS SUSPICIOUS BEHAVIOR???**

It could be a parked car, with its engine running on a side street, with no houses facing it, or a pushy security alarm salesperson who wants to look at your current system. Maybe a bicyclist pedaling slowly as he carefully inspects the homes he passes. Or someone supposedly delivering flyers but checking out the houses in the process. Then there is the house that seems to have a lot of traffic staying only for five to ten minutes. Or a person knocking on doors to solicit contributions or whatever. Or anything else that looks a bit odd. You will know what is or isn't legitimate!

**CALL 911** for a crime in progress, or **Crime Stop** (602-262-6151) for all other calls. **BETTER TO BE SAFE THAN SORRY!!**



# Keeping our Neighborhood Safe

## CRIME STATISTICS

The crime statistics printed in our newsletter are obtained from the City of Phoenix Police Department web site at [www.phoenix.gov/POLICE/](http://www.phoenix.gov/POLICE/).

Don't hesitate to call crime stop at 602-262-6151 to report suspicious characters that do not belong in the neighborhood and/or in the alley which includes the "garbage pickers".

Stats are included for our neighboring squares. They are:

**Alta Vista Block Watch**—Northern to Dunlap, 27th to 35th Avenues.

**Manzanita**—Northern to Dunlap, 35th to 43rd Avenues

**United Neighbors**—Glendale to Northern, 35th to 43rd Avenues

**West Plaza**—Bethany to Glendale, 35th to 43rd Avenues

**Ocotillo Glen Neighborhood**—Bethany to Glendale, 27th to 35th Avenues

**Glen Canyon Vista**—Glendale to Northern, Freeway to 27th Avenue.

## COFFEE WITH A COP

Coffee with a Cop is now on the first and third Wednesdays of every month, at the usual time of 9am. Community Action officers from the Cactus Park Precinct, including our own CAO, Karen Anderson, will meet at JB's at 3567 W. Northern Avenue. Please come and join us— you never know who may show up, or what may come up for discussion. This is a great opportunity to make new friends, learn more about those you may already know and share some fellowship and laughter.

## CONSUMER FRAUD

If you believe you are a victim of consumer fraud, please fill out a complaint form with all of the requested information. Please also send us copies of any documentation to support your complaint (for example, a copy of a contract, phone records, the names and addresses of persons involved). You also may request a form be mailed to you by contacting the Attorney General's Consumer Information and Complaint's Office at: ([consumerinfo@azag.gov](mailto:consumerinfo@azag.gov)) or by phone in Phx. (602-542-5763).

## NORTH GLEN SQUARE CRIME STATS FOR SEPT/OCT 2011

GRID	Homicide	Sexual Assault/ Rape	Robbery	Aggravated Assault	Violent Crime Total	Burglary	Theft	Auto Theft	Arson	Property Crime Total	Drug Crime	TOTAL CRIMES
SW	1/0	0	0/3	2/2	3/5	5/0	3/6	0	0	8/6	0	11/11
SE	0	0	0/1	1/1	1/2	2/6	6/0	3/0	0	11/6	0	12/8
NW	0	0	0/1	0	0/1	2/4	3/6	0/1	0	5/11	0	5/12
NE	0	0	3/0	0/2	3/2	7/4	8/2	1/2	0	16/8	0	19/10
<b>TOTAL</b>	1/0	0	3/5	3/5	7/10	16/14	20/14	4/3	0	40/31	0	47/41
Alta Vista	0	1	1	10	12	40	54	13	0	107	0	119
Manzanita	0	0	4	6	10	25	19	3	0	47	0	57
United Neighbors	0	0	5	2	7	25	32	5	1	63	0	70
West Plaza	0	1	3	2	6	26	28	9	1	64	0	70
Ocotillo	0	2	8	1	11	23	111	8	0	142	0	153
Glen Canyon	0	0	1	1	2	9	15	1	0	25	0	27



### **Internationally Publicized Winter Wonderland over in UNA** (courtesy of UNA)

Last year 16,000 adults and kids visited 4237 W. State between Thanksgiving night through New Year's Day during the evening between 6pm to 10pm. Some even arrived in double-decker buses.

The attraction? For 17 years David Chuchla puts his furniture in storage in July, and begins the massive transformation to convert the interior of his house, as well as the front and back yards, with more than 60 trees and over 100 animated figures into a winter wonderland! He never charges anyone to see his incredible collection, but does appreciate donations to help pay for his electricity bill.

He has been recognized Valley wide. He has won the Best Decorated House in the Valley. Fox-10 TV did the weather from his house, and every local TV channel has covered his place. Both the New Times and the Arizona Republic have reported on it.

It isn't just local recognition that he has received. Martha Stewart included his house in "Homes Across America". Both Life and Time have covered it in their magazines. Publications as far away as Japan have mentioned this place as worthy of seeing in Phoenix during the month of December.

David's passion for Christmas decorations started at a very young age. He recalls at the age of five, he "went to Cobo Hall in Detroit to see their huge Christmas displays", and became hooked for life!

His collection of holiday and winter items keeps growing through donations. "Year round people drop off boxes of ornaments", David says, "One man decided to donate his 12 foot tall, \$1200 tree rather than take it with him when he moved." But, he admits he is a "Christmas nut" and shops all year round for items.

David is sensitive to the impact of his passion on his neighbors. He puts out trashcans for visitors, and walks the street to make sure there is no trash left behind. He told us he waits until the last minute to put up the outside decorations, and to make sure it is all gone by New Year's Day in consideration of the neighbors.

### **So, You think you want to be Published??**

If you've written an article of interest you'd like to see in print, we'd be happy to consider your writing, if space and content permits. Or, if you have an idea, or tip, or an item of interest you'd like to share with your neighbors (or perhaps a word of warning), feel free to give our newsletter staff a call, or send an email, and we'll see if we can turn it into an article for you! We appreciate all the tips and creative ideas you've sent our way so far, and certainly would appreciate more as we head into the New Year! Keep 'em coming!! Editor

NGS sends out Happy New Year greetings and prosperous wishes to our friends in the community, our neighbors and fellow neighborhood association friends!!



### **TO ALL RESIDENTS:**

At the annual meeting in January, we will hold elections for 2012 for NGS Officers and board members; All members are welcome to vote for the candidate of their choice! Voting must be done in person at the January general meeting. If you remember past neighborhood activities, picnic at the park, the rummage sale, and others you may have attended, remember how much fun those events were?? But, behind every great event, there must be a volunteer leader, and the people who help them out!!! We welcome any of you to help out on the board next year, either as a member of the board, or as a volunteer, either leading a group activity, or just lend a helping hand. The more hands, the more fun you will have!!!! If you have any interest, or questions about being on the board, or as a volunteer, please feel free to contact Mike Simms, and he will be more than happy to answer any of your questions!! We would love to have you on board for the upcoming year!! We can't do this alone, and you will always have help in some form or fashion! Call any of your friends and neighbors, I'm sure they will be glad to help you out!!! Remember the yard sale from last year? Next year we may not have it unless some nice person from the neighborhood kindly steps up and helps spearhead the efforts to produce another outstanding yard sale! Remember, help is just around the corner!!



## **NorthGlen Garden Guy**

### **Tips of the month**

#### **Cooler Temps could equal uninvited guest**

As temperatures begin to cool here in Arizona, your home may be a welcoming site for many uninvited guests. Many pets look to our homes as safe harbors for the winter months. In nature, they seek shelter under loose bark, rotten logs, leaf litter and in rock crevices. Unfortunately for us, their beady little eyes see our homes as such a place.

One of the best things we can do is bug proof our home before they have a chance to move in. For those uninvited guests that have already moved in, simple decluttering and cleaning should take care of them. Pests are looking for 3 things: 1) Food 2) Water and 3) Shelter. By eliminating these 3 things, pests will not see our home as a safe harbor.



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### **Special Thanks Go Out to:**

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Also, Special Thanks to our printer,  
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## IMPORTANT NUMBERS

<b>Crime Stop</b> – (Police non-emergency) .....	602-262-6151
<b>Graffiti Busters-City of Phoenix</b> .....	602-495-7014
<b>Graffiti Committee (Chair: Jon Vreeken)</b> (leave detailed info, name & phone numbers) .....Email: northglengraffiti@yahoo.com .....Phone: 602-354-5096	
<b>Officer Karen Anderson</b> (“Community Action Officer”) .....Voice Mail 602-534-0474 .....email: karen.anderson@phoenix.gov	
<b>Cactus Park Precinct</b> .....	602-495-5009
<b>Abandoned Vehicles (private property)</b> ..	602-262-7844
<b>Abandoned Vehicles</b> .....	602-262-6151
<b>Animal Control/Rabies</b> .....	602-506-7387
<b>Barking Dogs</b> .....	602-262-6466
<b>City Bus Service</b> .....	602-253-5000
<b>Dial-A-Ride</b> .....	602-253-4000
<b>Garbage Collection</b> .....	602-262-7251
<b>Illegal Dumping</b> .....	602-262-7251
<b>Loud Party Info</b> .....	602-262-7803
<b>Loud Party Reporting</b> .....	602-262-6151
<b>Neighborhood Enforcement</b> .....	602-262-7844
<b>Neighborhood Narcotic Complaints</b> .....	602-275-5886
<b>Parking Complaints</b> .....	602-262-6151
<b>Property Maintenance Violations</b> .....	602-262-7844
<b>Poison Control</b> .....	602-253-3334
<b>Shopping Cart removal</b> .....	1-800-THE-CART
<b>Illegal signs</b> .....	602-534-7100
<b>Street repair (potholes)</b> .....	602-262-6441
<b>Street Light repair</b> .....	602-495-5125
<b>Councilman Mattox</b> .....	602-262-7446
<b>Parks Department</b> .....	602-262-6575
<b>Solid Waste</b> .....	602-262-7251
<b>NGSNA Officers 2011</b>	
Mike Simms, President .....	602-841-9099
Jon Vreeken, Vice President .....	602-354-5096
Michele Sahlin, Secretary .....	602-841-1278
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## Notable Happenings!

January 1 New Year's Day  
 January 17 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day  
 February 2 Groundhog Day  
 February 3 Chinese New Year (Dragon)  
 February 12 Lincoln's B-day  
 February 14 Valentine's Day  
 State of AZ's Centennial Birthday  
 (February 14, 1912)  
 February 22 Washington's B-day



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**HERE IS THE RECOMMENDED SLATE OF CANDIDATES FOR OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS FOR THE NORTH GLEN SQUARE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION FOR 2012.**

ELECTIONS WILL BE HELD AT OUR JANUARY MEETING. HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!

**PRESIDENT: MIKE SIMMS**

**VICE PRESIDENT: JON VREEKEN**

**TREASURER & IMMEDIATE PAST PRES: FRANK BEAUDROT**

**SECRETARY: MICHELE SAHLIN**

**BOARD DIRECTOR: WALLY ESTFAN**

**BOARD DIRECTOR: CLAUDIA THOMAS**

**BOARD DIRECTOR: OPEN**

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**BOARD DIRECTOR: TOM WOODS**

**Note:** Any member of NGS is welcome to nominate themselves or anyone else at our next general meeting. Nominations will also be taken from the floor at the January meeting just prior to the election.

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## North Glen Square Neighborhood Association

### Year 2012 MEMBERSHIP FORM

Please CIRCLE the appropriate categories: Renewal      New Membership      Resident      Business

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"North Glen Angel" Contributor (Please check box if "yes")

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

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Sex offender web site:  
[www.azsexoffender.com](http://www.azsexoffender.com)

North Glen Square constantly receives up-dated sex offender notifications from the Phoenix Police department. We encourage you to visit this site and apprise yourself of exactly where sex offenders are residing in your area.

An informed North Glen Square resident is a safer North Glen Square resident!

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## NorthGlen Kitchen

### SNICKERDOODLES

#### Ingredients

2 cups all-purpose flour  
1/2 teaspoon baking soda  
1/4 teaspoon salt  
Large pinch of grated nutmeg  
1/2 cup unsalted butter, at room temperature  
3/4 cup sugar  
1 egg  
1 egg yolk

1 teaspoon vanilla extract

1 teaspoon finely grated lemon or orange rind

2 teaspoons ground cinnamon, to coat

#### Directions

Preheat the oven to 375 degrees F.

Prepare two baking sheets by brushing with melted butter

Sift together the flour, baking soda, salt and grated nutmeg. Cream together the butter and sugar and add the egg, egg yolk, vanilla and lemon or orange rind. Beat until light and fluffy. Add the sifted ingredients and mix well. Scrape down the sides, cover the bowl with a piece of plastic wrap and refrigerate for 30 minutes. Mix the cinnamon and sugar together in a small bowl.

Using a teaspoon, scoop up small amounts of the dough and roll them into balls about 1 inch in diameter. Roll the balls in the cinnamon sugar and use enough to fill the prepared baking sheets, spacing about 2 inches apart. Slightly flatten the balls and bake for about 12 minutes, or until the cookies are just starting to brown around the edges and slide easily from the baking sheet. Cool on a wire rack. Repeat with the remaining mixture, preparing the sheets as in step 1.

Chef's Tip: if you are baking more than one sheet of cookies in a non-convection oven, swap them around halfway through to make sure they cook evenly.

ACTIVE TIME: 15 minutes TOTAL TIME: 1 hour

Makes about 30 cookies;

Source: Le Cordon Bleu Home Collection-cookies

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## "NORTH GLEN *ANGELS*"

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