

## NEWSLETTER July/August 2018

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#### Meetings will resume in September

Board Meeting 6:15pm
General Membership Meeting Starts 7:00pm
\*\*Trinity United Methodist Church - 3104 West Glendale Ave\*\*
Meetings are 2nd Thursday of each month, mark your calendars!



## Fabulous Phoenix 4th July, 2018

The 33rd annual Fabulous Phoenix 4th will feature one of the largest fireworks displays in the southwest. The free, non-alcoholic family event at Steele Indian School Park annually attracts 100,000-plus people. Visit Fabulous Phoenix 4th official website. for more information and key "Know Before You Go" questions. Included in this year's event will be two stages featuring international recording artists, a variety of vendors offering festival-style food and beverage, arts and crafts, interactive exhibits and a classic car display. Youth activities, rides and inflatables, and a water spray zone will be part of Kids' World. \*Fabulous Phoenix 4th is a rain or shine event. In the event of severe weather, stage and other activities will be delayed until weather clears.

Festival Recorded Information line: 602-534-3378

#### **Calendar of Events**

July 4th	Independence Day
July	No NGS Meeting
August 6th	K-12 Back to School
August	No NGS Meeting
September 3rd	Labor Day

#### **Bulk Trash Collection**

South of Orangewood Ave (Area 10) Placement Begins: July 21st Collection Begins: July 30th

North of Orangewood Ave (Area 11)
Placement Begins: July 28th
Collection Begins: August 6th





#### BLOCK WATCH BASICS & PHOENIX NEIGHBORHOOD PATROL CLASSES

July 28, 2018 September 22, 2018

The citywide classes are held on Saturday mornings in the Mountain View Precinct's Community Room.

2075 E. Maryland Ave The class is from 8:00 a.m. until Noon Registration begins at 7:30 a.m. Seating is limited to 45 people.

To sign up for the class please contact: <u>brian.kornegay@phoenix.gov</u> or call 602-256-4303



#### What to do when it is HOT! HOT!

Take a Self-Guided Driving Tour of Phoenix historical areas. To download a map go to website below.

http://www.phxhnc.com/the-neighborhood-map/.



### CARTS CARTS, Everywhere CARTS!

We seem to have more and more carts lying around. If you see them please call the hotline number located on page 5, under Important Numbers.

(1-800-843-2278)

#### North Glen Square Crime Statistics

CRIME TYPE	JAN/	MAR/	GRAND
	FEB	APRIL	TOTAL
	2018	2018	
Homicide	О	0	0
Sexual Assault	О	2	0
Robbery	3	1	4
Aggravated Assault	7	7	14
TOTALS	10	10	20



#### How to Request a Rideshare Bike pick up

Green bikes: call 602.753.4743 or email info@gridbikes.com

Yellow bikes: call Paul Basha 480.312.7651 or email at pbasha@scottsdaleaz.gov



#### FREE Fall Square-wide Yard Sale

This event is open to everyone in North Glen Square with NO FEE to sign up. The dates will be **October 19** & **October 20**. Rain or Shine! Since we won't collect a list of participants, we will not be producing maps as we have in the past. We will run a general ad in the Arizona Republic, on AZ Central and on Craig's List. There will be signs posted at the main entrances to North Glen Square and at 31st Ave and Orangewood. If you have any questions, please call Michele Sahlin at 602-841-1278 or Jean Rigtrup at 602-841-1203. Leave a message and we will get back

to you ASAP.

## Misadventures in Riding the Phoenix Light Rail

On a hot Monday morning in June I had quite the start to my day. Riding the light rail every day you see some fairly interesting things. However this morning was even more so then normal. I was wearing a new blouse and a skirt I had not worn in a while because it had been a little tight. Now fitting me better, I put on some heals with my new blouse and thought I was looking pretty cute, if I did say so myself. I had to stop by the doctor's office on my way into work to get some blood drawn and was assured they would be open at 7am. They were not open at 7am, but rather at 7:30am. Left there to sit and wait, I thought now I am definitely going to be late for work, so even in my cute outfit I was annoyed before I got to the light rail that morning.

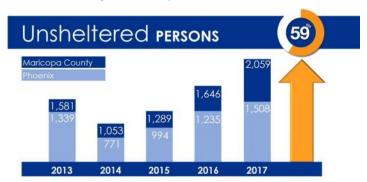
I get in and out of the doctor's office a little exasperated and needed a new light rail pass, since my last one had expired the Friday before. The machine at the station I needed to catch the train at, refused to take my cash. The dispenser was broken. Already running behind this meant I was going to have to get on the light rail and off again at another station to buy a pass, and wait for the next train and get back on.

Light rail security hops onto the train at the next station and I get their attention to find out what to do since I was not able to buy a pass. They said sometimes they get broken and as I thought, I needed to hop off at that station and get one, otherwise risk being given a ticket. As I am walking on the platform towards one of the ticket dispensing machines a homeless, very disheveled, young gentleman was arguing with security.

I don't know what he was going on about, but suddenly he got infuriated and picked up a bunch of rocks and flung them everywhere mostly towards security. However, in my cute outfit, and already late, one of the rocks hits me. I stomp my foot and yell at the guy, really! Are you fricking kidding me! Security takes off after him and of course even the homeless guy can run like a bat out of hell. They call the cops and I am just beyond annoyed. I sit down and wait for the next train to arrive while stewing over the fact that my leg hurts and I am late to work!!!! #\*\$ \*@##&! Kill me now!

### Is Homelessness increasing in Phoenix?

Although the total number of people experiencing homelessness has remained relatively consistent over the last several years, the number of persons living unsheltered has increased by 59% between 2015 and 2017.



## What is the impact of homeless encampment?

Unsheltered homelessness is costly both to those experiencing first hand, and communities at large. Consider this:

- Individuals who live without shelter have significantly reduced life expectancies.
- Blight may reduce property value, disrupt business, and decrease neighborhood livability.
- Encampments or prolonged occupation by large groups may limit access to public spaces and amenities.

Aggressive panhandling may compromise feelings of comfort and safety.

#### **How it Works**

- 1. The city receives information about unsheltered homeless through the customer service line at 602-262-6251 or online at PHX at Your Service.
- 2. Human Services department staff coordinates outreach and engagement for person living in reported encampments with the goal of connection them to housing and supportive services.
- 3. Human Services and Community Bridges, Inc. (CBI) outreach teams respond 7 days a week from 5 a.m. to 11 p.m.
- 4. Outreach teams seek to respond within 3 to 5 days of receiving referral.



#### **Grilling safety tips**

Fire in the grill, under hot dogs and burgers, is a welcome sight at the family cookout. But fire anywhere else can make your summer kick-off barbecue memorable for all the wrong reasons. To keep you and your family safe while grilling, follow these general guidelines.

#### General grilling tips

- Propane and charcoal BBQ grills should only be used outdoors.
- The grill should be placed well away from the home, deck railings and out from under eaves and overhanging branches.
- Keep children and pets away from the grill area.
- Keep your grill clean by removing grease or fat buildup from the grills and in trays below the grill.
- Never leave your grill unattended.

#### Before you use your grill:

- Check the major connection points between the gas (propane) tank hose and the regulator and cylinder, and where the hose connects to the burners. Tighten if loose.
- Check the gas (propane) tank hose for the potential (gas) leaks. To do that:
- Apply a light soap and water solution to the hose using a brush or spray bottle.
- Turn the propane tank on. If there is a gas leak, the propane will release bubbles around the hose (big enough to see).
- If there are no bubbles, your grill is safe to use.
- If there are bubbles, turn off the tank and check connections, then have your grill serviced by a professional before using it again.
- If the leak doesn't stop, call the fire department immediately.

#### When the grill is on:

- As you are cooking, if you smell gas, turn off the gas tank and burners.
- If the leak stops immediately, get the grill serviced by a professional before using it again.
- If the smell continues, move away from the grill and call the fire department immediately. Do not move the grill.

#### **Charcoal grills**

- There are several ways to get the charcoal ready to use. Charcoal chimney starters allow you to start the charcoal using newspaper as a fuel.
- If you use a starter fluid, use only charcoal starter fluid. Never add charcoal fluid or any other flammable liquids to the fire.
- Keep charcoal fluid out of the reach of children and away from heat sources.
- There are also electric charcoal starters, which do not use fire. Be sure to use an extension cord for outdoor use. When you are finished grilling, let the coals completely cool before disposing in a metal container.

### Phoenix Public Library Play the Summer Reading Game!

Readers of all ages can play the summer reading game now through August 1! Get points by reading, attending programs, and more! Earn prizes along the way and be entered into drawings all summer long! Start reading and logging points now!

Why to play, how to play? Reading for at least 20 minutes a day helps build a strong lifelong reading habit.

<u>Sign up today</u> and log your reading minutes through August 1. Visit one of our 17 locations to collect your prizes through August 15, 2018 (while supplies last).

**At 500 points**: Peter Piper Pizza coupon for kids (while supplies last). Rubio's coupon for adults (while supplies last) **At 1000 points**: All participants will receive a voucher for a free new book of their choice from a list of titles. Kids will receive a special award medal for reading.

**Every 100 points**: Children and teens may earn up to \$50 per person in \$5 off fine reduction coupons during summer reading. Every 100 points earns \$5 off. See library staff for details.

#### 1 point = 1 minute of reading

At signup all participants (grown-ups, too) may choose a free used book provided by the <u>Friends of the Phoenix Public Library</u>. Pre-readers receive a free reusable tote bag. Kids ages 0-14 receive a coupon for a free personal pan. Every 100 points earns \$5 off. See library staff for details.

**At 500 points**: Prereaders and kids (birth to 11) receive a Peter Piper Pizza coupon. Teens and adults receive a Rubio's coupon for a free taco.

At 1000 points: All participants will receive a voucher for a free new book of their choice from a list of titles. Kids will receive a special award medal for reading. Kids will automatically be entered in the Grand Prize drawing (to take place on August 2) for one of 12 family memberships to the <a href="Children's Museum of Phoenix">Children's Museum of Phoenix</a>, the <a href="Phoenix Zoo">Phoenix Zoo</a>, or the <a href="Arizona Science Center">Arizona Science Center</a>.

**Weekly drawings**: Kids who earn at least 140 points in a week will be eligible for weekly drawing prizes.

#### Fine reduction at every 100 points

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#### **IMPORTANT NUMBERS**

Crime Stop (non-emergency)	602-262-6151
Graffiti Busters (Phoenix)	602-495-7014
Graffiti Committee (Chair: Jon Vreeken)	
(leave detailed info, name & phone number	s)
Email: northglengraffiti@yahoo.com	

Phone: 602-242-0019

#### **Community Action Officers**

Officer Garrick Henry	
garrick.henry@phoenix.gov	602-256-0474
OFC Wade Niver wade.niver@phoenix.go	ov602-543-6988
Cactus Park Precinct.	602-495-5009
Abandoned Vehicles (private property)	
Abandoned Vehicles	
Animal Control/Rabies	602-506-7387
Barking Dogs	602-262-6466
City Bus Service	602-253-5000
Dial-A-Ride	602-253-4000
Garbage Collection	602-262-7251
Illegal Dumping	602-262-7251
Loud Party Info	602-262-7803
Loud Party Reporting	602-262-6151
Neighborhood Enforcement	602-262-7844
Neighborhood Narcotic Complaints	
Parking Complaints	
Property Maintenance Violations	602-262-7844
Poison Control	
Shopping Cart removal	
Illegal signs	
Street repair (potholes)	
Street Light repair	
Councilman Valenzuela	
Parks Department	602-262-6575

#### NGSNA Officers 2015

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Mike Simms, President	602-790-3467
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TJ Jett, Director	602-999-2100
Julie Nelson, Director	
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#### **Newsletter Production Staff**

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## Sex Offender web site: www.azsexoffender.com

North Glen Square gets updated regularly on sex offenders from the Phoenix Police Dept. We encourage you to visit the site so you are informed on their whereabouts in our neighborhood. An informed resident is a safer resident.



PHX C.A.R.E.S. sends trained outreach teams, that take the time to build rapport and trust with people on the street, to encourage them to accept the services and resources that are offered to help end their homelessness.

- •Learn about Neighborhood CleanUp Programs
- •Find a Neighborhood Specialist
- •Report to PHX CARES Online
- •Learn about how homelessness affects your community
- •Find information for Property Owners by phone at **602-262-6251** or online at

https://www.phoenix.gov/phxcares



## Do 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 send an email to our Newsletter staff (NorthGlenSquareEditor@gmail.com or a.watkins9075@gmail.com) 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! Keep 'em coming!!

**Amy Watkins -Editor** 

#### From the North Glen Kitchen

15 Minute Chili



#### **Ingredients**

1 cub fresh or frozen chopped onions

1 (1 pound) lean ground beef, turkey or chicken

1 can (28 ounces) stewed tomatoes

1 tablespoon chili powder

1 tablespoon cumin

1/2 cup salsa

1 can (16 ounces) pinto beans, drained & rinsed 1 can (16oz) kidney beans, drained & rinsed

#### **Directions**

- 1. Chop the onion
- 2. In a large pot, brown beef (or meat of choice) with onions on medium heat.
- 3. Add tomatoes, seasonings, and salsa to beef mixture.
- 4. Stir in drained and rinsed beans
- 5. Cook until hot and serve immediately

10 servings 1 cup each

#### **Nutrition Information**

#### **Nutritional Info**

Servings Per Recipe: 1

Amount Per Serving

Calories: 370.8

Total Fat: 13.3 g

Cholesterol: 83.6 mg

Sodium: 648.3 mg

Total Carbs: 32.3 g

Dietary Fiber: 10.1 g

Protein: 31.3 g

## facebook

Did you know that we're on Facebook? Just search and follow/friend North Glen Square Neighborhood Association for updates, information and to meet your neighbors!

#### NORTH GLEN SQUARE WEBSITE

Did you know we have a website? We do, and we try to keep it updated with a calendar of events, newsletter issues, documents, and links to helpful information & resources. Whether you want to report a code violation, request street light service or view a map of zoning in North Glen Square, we have links to help. Our web site also includes a discussion board for registered users. Having a yard sale? Did your house get broken into? Do you have a question or concern about the neighborhood? Start a discussion. We also send emails on upcoming events, crime & scam alerts, and other important information between newsletters.

www.northglensquare.org

# Looking to make a difference in your community?

Visit https://www.phoenix.gov/volunteer or call 602-262-6011 to learn how!



## North Glen Square Neighborhood Association 2018 MEMBERSHIP FORM

Please CIRCLE the appropriate categories: Renewal New Membership Resident Business

I would like to help whenever extra assistance is needed. Call me!

I want this contribution amount to go to the NGSNA Legal fund

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Name:		Address		_Phone:
E-Mail:				(Please print clearly
<b>Comments:</b>				



#### Have you heard of NextDoor?

Nextdoor is a free social media network that lets you connect to your community. It is the best way to stay informed about what's going on in your neighborhood. Whether it's finding a last-minute babysitter, planning a local event, or sharing safety tips. Just create a free account today! Nextdoor is available as an App on your smart phone or at online at website www.nextdoor.com.

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

The very nice people who help fold this newsletter and help mail them out!!!

Also, Special Thanks to our printer, **Gateway Printing** 



#### Advisory Board Meeting Schedule

May 22nd

Hosted by: Maryvale-Estrella Mt.

Precinct (800)

Time: 6:30pm-8:30pm

Location: Maryvale Community Center

4420 N. 51st Ave

<u>June</u>

NO MEETING

July 24th

Hosted by: South Mountain Precinct

(400)

Time: 6:30pm-8:30pm

Location: TBA—www.phxblockwatch.org

for more info.



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