

NEWSLETTER May/June 2020

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35th		27th		
Ave		Ave		
Glendale				

Meetings will Resume in September

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

General Membership Meetings

Begin at 7:00pm & Board Meeting 6:15pm

Trinity United Methodist Church - 3104 West Glendale Ave

Letter from the President Mike Simms

What a strange couple of months it has been. I hope everyone has been managing well. Our hearts go out to those affected medically, economically, or emotionally by Covid-19. As I write this, the state is preparing to begin the process of opening up in mid-May, but we still have a long way to go. There will be plenty of mask wearing and social distancing in the future.

While many essential City services such emergency services and construction projects continue, some City activities have slowed or paused. To the extent possible, NGSNA is still working with the City on zoning, blight, crime and homeless/transient issues. The City is developing and prioritizing the 2021 budget. Neighborhood leaders have requested a high priority be given to addressing homelessness.

On behalf of the board, I would like to extend my utmost thanks and bid a fond farewell to Jean Rigtrup. Jean has been a resident of NGS and member of the association for decades. She has been on the board and served as my vice president for many years. She contributed great ideas, but was always modest about it. Good luck to you Jean. You will be missed.

On a related note, I will be appointing a new VP prior to the next meeting. Volunteers, nominations and suggestions are always welcome.

Stay healthy. We can get through this together.

Calendar of Events

May 10th	Mother's Day	
May 16th	Armed Forces Day	
May 25th	Memorial Day	
June 14th	Flag Day	
June 21th	Father's Day	
July 4th	Independence Day	

Bulk Trash Collection

South of Orangewood Ave (Area 10) Next Placement Begins: July 18th Next Collection Begins: July 27th

North of Orangewood Ave (Area 11) Placement Begins: July 25th Collection Begins: August 3rd



Phoenix Public Library City Librarian Update

Hello Phoenix Public Library Community,

I hope this finds you well; especially as our temperatures are now in the triple digits and we are officially headed into another Phoenix summer. I would like to again extend Phoenix Public Library's thanks for your support and continued patience as we work through the ongoing effects of the Coronavirus pandemic.

Arizona Governor Ducey announced this week that Arizona's "Stay home, Stay healthy, Stay connected" executive order will be extended until May 15th. Even with some limited loosening of the restrictions on the operation of nonessential businesses, Phoenix Public Library's current status is that our book drops and locations will remain closed to in-person services. The health and safety of our visitors and staff is our highest priority and we are working with City of Phoenix leadership on plans for a phased return to normal provision of city services when that is determined to be safe.

As soon as we have an update for our phased re-opening, we will be sure to make multiple announcements on <u>Phoenix Public Library Updates</u>, and our social media channels, (<u>Phoenix Public Library Facebook</u>, <u>Phoenix Public Library Twitter</u>, <u>Phoenix Public Library Instagram</u>,) as well as reaching out to you via email. Until we are able to open our doors and interact with you in person, please continue to enjoy the services we have been able to provide online; such as launching <u>online early literacy and STEM programs</u>, and expanding your access to thousands of our <u>eResources</u>.

Thank you and stay safe, Rita Hamilton Phoenix City Librarian



Keep Essential Services Running in Phoenix

During this Coronavirus health emergency, the city of Phoenix has been able to keep all essential services running for its residents and businesses. To help slow the spread of the virus, several other services have been temporarily impacted. These impacts may change depending on conditions and recommendations made by health officials on the local, state and federal levels. To stay updated, visit Phoenix.gov/Newsroom

City Paving Program Accelerated

The Council-approved Accelerated Pavement Maintenance Program is back for another season. By July 1, close to 250 miles are scheduled to be treated with either a sealcoat or new asphalt. Use the interactive dashboard to see paving in real time at Phoenix.gov/Pavement.



North Glen Square Crime Statistics January-March 2020



Type of Crime	JAN	FEB	MAR	TOTALS
Homicide	0	0	0	0
Sexual Assault	0	1	0	1
Robbery	7	3	5	15
Aggravated Assault	9	9	10	28
TOTALS	16	13	25	44

Type of Crime	JAN	FEB	MAR	TOTALS
Burglary	8	8	18	34
Theft/Larceny	2	4	3	9
Motor Vehicle Theft	9	14	12	35
Arson	2	0	0	2
TOTALS	21	26	33	80

The 2020 Census: Easy and Secure

Data from the Census helps distribute \$675 billion in federal funds to support programs in education, healthcare, transportation, parks and recreation services and other important local resources. The Census form asks nine simple questions with three secure and confidential options to respond: Online at iCount2020.info, by phone 844-330-2020 (English) or 844-468-2020 (Spanish), or by mail in a pre-paid return envelope. Count for Phoenix and complete your 2020 Census today!



The Best Way to do Spring Cleaning

Phoenix Public Works would like to remind residents to bag and tie their trash before placing it in the containers. Disposable gloves, masks and PPE materials, as well as used disinfecting wipes, should be placed in the trash container. For recycling, materials must be empty, clean and dry before placing loosely in the blue containers, not bagged. The lids of all solid waste containers must be securely closed for your safety and health. If you need to dispose additional items, including household hazardous waste, please visit Phoenix.gov/newsroom/public-works. To start receiving email updates from Public Works, visit Phoenix.gov/PublicWorks.



Neighbors Helping Neighbors

When possible to do safely, everyone is encouraged to check on their neighbors during this global health emergency, share what they can in supplies and spread kindness without spreading the virus. This is part of the city's 'distant socializing' campaign from the Neighborhood Services Department (NSD). "The 4 #PHXGreaterTogether social media posts will showcase ideas on how to keep your communities close while social distancing with distant socializing," NSD Director Spencer Self said. "We hope people follow along on the NSD Facebook page @PhxNeighborhood so we can make sure all the residents in Phoenix have what they need in these uncertain times."

St. Mary's Food Bank, It is "Business as Unusual"

As a supplier of food to those most in need we intend to keep operating to uphold our responsibility to the community. This is a fluid environment that changes frequently. Here is our current update:

*We have implemented "Best Practices" in the areas of cleaning, sanitizing, social distancing and having staff and volunteers who feel ill stay home. We are sharing those practices with our hundreds of agency partners throughout Arizona so they can implement these best practices as well. We are prepared to step in to support any of our agencies or communities with a mobile distribution if necessary.

We have gone to a no contact model for food distribution.

*Incoming food from grocery stores and food drives has virtually stopped. Combined, these areas typically bring in NINE semi-trucks of food per week. Today, we have enough food but we may need to purchase food in the near future to offset this shortfall.

Our biggest challenge at this point is a shortage of volunteers. Our volunteers have declined by more than 75% as many groups have cancelled. We need volunteers to pack our Emergency Food Boxes, our senior boxes and our Family back packs. We are reducing the number of people on a packing line to maximize the social distancing. Walk-in volunteers are welcome to join any of the following shifts:

Monday – Friday from 9 – 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. – 3 p.m. Saturday from 8 – 10 a.m. and Noon – 2 p.m.

In the meantime, we are redeploying many of our employees to pack food boxes and have hired some of our Community Kitchen graduates, who were laid off by their employer, to also help pack boxes.

A BIG thank you goes out to friends who are helping us: Fiesta Bowl Charities just gave us emergency funding. A few restaurants that are temporarily closing have reached out to us for us to come pick up highly perishable items that will spoil if left at the restaurants. These are unprecedented times. We know that we will get through this. We can't do it alone and we're lucky we don't have to.

Give hope to your neighbors in need. \$1 helps provide enough food for 7 meals. Your donation is 100% deductible and may qualify for the <u>Arizona Charitable Tax Credit</u>. You may also donate on behalf of your business by clicking <u>HERE</u>.

If you have questions, or would like to donate by phone, call (602) 242-FOOD

Thank you friends,

Tom Kertis President and CEO St. Mary's Food Bank



IMPORTANT NUMBERS

Crime Stop (non-emergency) 602-262-6151 **Community Action Officer**Officer Eric Boardman 602-534-6988

Councilwoman Betty Guardado 602-262-7446 Cactus Park Precinct 602-495-5009 Abandoned Vehicles (private property)602-262-7844 Abandoned Vehicles 602-262-6151 Animal Control/Rabies 602-506-7387 Barking Dogs 602-262-6466 City Bus Service......602-253-5000 Dial-A-Ride602-253-4000 Illegal Dumping602-262-7251 Loud Party Info......602-262-7803 Loud Party Reporting 602-262-6151 Neighborhood Enforcement 602-262-7844 Neighbor Narcotic Complaints . 602-275-5886 Property Maint. Violations 602-262-7844 Illegal signs......602-534-7100 Parks Department 602-262-6575

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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

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.



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 them coming!!

Amy Watkins -Editor

North Glen Kitchen



Summer Fruit Galettes

Ingredients

2 (23cm) Sweet Pastry Cases 3 Peaches, peeled, pitted and sliced 350g fresh strawberries sliced 170g fresh blueberries

- 4 tablespoons caster sugar, divided
- 4 tablespoons plain flour divided
- 6 tablespoons demerara sugar divided

Directions

Prep:15min - Cook:14min - Ready in: 29min

- 1. Preheat oven to 230 C / Gas 8.
- 2. Lay one pastry case on a baking tray lined with parchment, leaving room for the second pastry case next to it.
- 3. Mix together the sliced peaches with half the blueberries, 2 tablespoons of the flour and 2 tablespoons of the sugar in a bowl. Pour over one pastry case leaving a 2.5cm border. Fold up the uncovered border over the edge of the fruit and pinch into pleats. Sprinkle the pastry and fruit filling with 3 tablespoons of demerara sugar.
- 4. Lay out the second pastry case on the baking tray. Mix together the sliced strawberries, the rest of the blueberries, 2 tablespoons of flour and 2 tablespoons of sugar in the bowl. Pour over the second pastry case and form the galette the same as the first. Sprinkle with 3 tablespoons of demerara sugar.
- 5. Bake in preheated oven until crust is lightly browned, 12 to 14 minutes. Sprinkle with more sugar if desired. Serve warm or at room temperature.



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, & 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!



Comments:

North Glen Square Neighborhood Association 2020 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

Name: ______Address ______Phone: ____ E-Mail: ______ (Please print clearly)

Mail payment to: Treasurer, NGSNA, P.O. Box 39485, Phoenix, AZ. 85069-9485



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**



Virtual Block Watch

Virtual Block Watch is one of the Phoenix Police Department's contemporary crime prevention and investigation tools that demonstrates the effectiveness of partnerships between police and the community.

Registering your camera not only helps deter crime, but assists the Department in its overall crime prevention strategy in your neighborhood. Protect yourself, your family and your community by registering with Virtual Block Watch. If you have security cameras at your home or business, you can help the City of Phoenix police solve crime by registering your system with Virtual Block Watch. Sign up at www.phoenix.gov/ police/virtualblockwatch or contact Cactus Park Precinct a 602-495-5009 for more information.



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