



MARLBOROUGH MESA

News

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

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NOVEMBER thru DECEMBER 2014



14 Years of Christmas at the Park Toy Drive and Community Lunch

By Stephanie and Chris Robertson

Can you believe it's that time of year again!? We are excited for Marlborough Mesa's Annual Christmas Party in the Park and Toy Drive which will be held on **Saturday, December 6** from 11am – 2pm. A delicious lunch will be provided and there will be pictures with Santa!

This is one of our neighborhood's great traditions so come out to the park, meet some neighbors and bring an unwrapped toy to help those in need. Also, as in years past, we will collect clothing, personal hygiene items, etc. that are always needed by the local charitable organizations we support. All items will be donated to **Helen's Hope Chest** and **Save the Family**. Save The Family houses, trains and supports homeless families or those coming from abusive situations. Helen's Hope Chest assists foster children with essential items they will need each time they are relocated until they are placed in a forever home.

This wonderful event is a great way to practice giving during the holiday season and teaching our children to do the same. Please come out and join us as we gather for food, fun and celebrating together! We would also love you to volunteer with us this year! If you can help with preparation activities, park set-up, dessert donations, or clean-up afterwards we welcome your support. Please email us at chris.steph.robertson@gmail.com or call (480) 518-6607 and let us know you're interested! Thank you! We look forward to seeing you at the park on Dec. 6.

Presenting Our New Christmas Toy Drive Coordinators ...

Yes, Chris and Stephanie Robertson are no strangers to our Toy Drive and Luncheon. They have helped the past 2

years in preparation to take it on their own this year. They are a young couple with a baby named Owen.

And, yes, they are going to need a lot of YOUR help - small things - big things, whatever you can find the time to do. These small things add up to make for a wonderful time at Christmas of bringing a toy and sharing a lunch with your neighbors, thus bringing an entire neighborhood even closer.

It is rather nice living in a large city in a small community such as ours where others are not afraid of helping one another.

Sandra Fischer has been our "Christmas Chair" for several years now and we can all be grateful of the time she has given. *Thank you Sandra and Mike.*

New Directory of Businesses and Services is here



Once again, Naomi Mills has put together our new Directory of Business/Services. It was developed for our neighborhood to promote a business you own or to advertise a service you provide.

Many hours are spent to help you in finding someone in our neighborhood (or a referral). Also, I have gone back thru the years and inserted pictures throughout the Directory. You just may find yourself in one of these.

Both the Directory and newsletter will be on the website. They will also be passed out this year.

Pancake Breakfast & Toy Drive

Councilmember Kavanaugh is hosting a FREE pancake breakfast cooked (as usual) by our Fabulous Fireman. He is collecting NEW toys for the patients at **Cardon Children's Med. Center**.

WHEN: Sat., Dec., 6 from 8-10 AM

WHERE: Mesa Fire Station 207, 2505 S. Dobson Rd.

(It is on the SAME day as our MM Toy Drive - so come have breakfast with Kavanaugh - bring a toy, and then come back to the Park for a luncheon with your neighbors.)

Neighborhood Link Visit

Jim and I recently went to Denver, Colorado and were fortunate to meet the staff of Neighborhood Link who are the sponsors of our website.

We had a nice luncheon and we brought along one of our custom "Welcome Baskets." In this basket, everything was made here in Arizona. Just a nice gesture on behalf of our entire neighborhood for the many years they have provided us with a free website and all the technical help to boot without asking for anything.



New to the neighborhood and wish to receive Neighborhood Messages? These are always kept confidential. Send your name, address and email to: al-majones2006@cox.net

Been on our website? Some things you won't see unless you are a member and signed in. Lots of information. Join in and add to the Discussions.

www.neighborhoodlink.com/Marlborough_Mesa/

Updated your email lately?



Battery Theft Prevention

Don't let your battery grow legs and walk off!

From the City of Mesa: Batteries are being stolen right out of engine compartments!

- Remove battery that will be parked for extended periods.
- Record the Brand and any other significant identifiers found on your batteries - Pictures are great.
- Mark battery with a Driver's License Number using a neon colored fingernail polish or similar paint - be careful not to damage the battery or it's label.
- Keep vehicles locked to restrict access to hood latch.
- Park in well-lit areas.

The Clean Sweeps have come and gone ... until next year

We are always indebted to Kristine Malcolm for "making the Clean Sweeps magically appear" year after year. If you see her, know her - don't forget to say a thoughtful thank you. Those words go a long way. For myself and those of you who do not know her - you are indeed appreciated Kristine

Education ECA

(Extra Curricular Activity)

Tax Credit Donation 2014

This is a way of directing where your tax dollars are spent. You CHOOSE where to distribute the tax dollars you are al-

ready paying. Any person can contribute who pay taxes in Arizona. Just remember that donations need to be delivered to the school of your choice or postmarked by December 31st, 2014 to qualify for the Arizona tax credit in 2014. Spend your tax dollars on education – our children ARE our future!

Household Hazardous Waste

These events are hosted by the City of Mesa from 8 a.m.-noon on Saturday, at the following locations: (*You must present your City bill.*)

Center Street Facility, 2412 N. Center St. (*Center Street, north of McKellips Road*), December 6, 2014.

Acceptable items include paint, tires, automobile fluids, batteries, appliances, computers, electronics, fluorescent light bulbs, propane tanks, prescription and non-prescription drugs, pool chemicals, etc.

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Email: www.ballardd@autonation.com

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FOR Sale - we are downsizing! Treadmill - \$150.00. Set of 3 black leather theatre chairs - \$200.00. Queen Mattress - \$35.00. Punching Bag - brand new- \$40.00. Everlast free standing heavy bag with sand - \$50.00 - barely used. Queen mattress and boxspring set with frame - \$125.00. My air compressor (26 gallon with all the tools) \$200.00 great condition.

Call Tami-480-223-3389 after 5pm Mon to Fri. Between 9am and 7pm Sat or Sun. 1038 W Obispo