

**Next Meetings May 9 & June 13th**

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!*

**Zoning Update**

The owner of the “We Buy Gold” located in the shopping center at the North East corner of Glendale and 35<sup>th</sup> Avenues where the vacant gas station resides recently applied for a C-2 zoning change. The applicant owns the vacant gas station and wanted to relocate his “We Buy Gold” store to the corner in the now vacant blue and white gas station. Leaders from North Glen Square Neighborhood Association, Ocotillo Glen Neighborhood Association, West Plaza Neighborhood Association, and United Neighbors Association got together and after careful consideration decided that the relocation of the “We Buy Gold” to the much more prominent corner location with other similar businesses near by would be detrimental to our neighborhood. The leaders came to this conclusion based on studies and specifically from the Stolen Goods Market study done by the U.S. Department of Justice, (2010) which states:

“Stolen goods markets cause a number of social harms. Some local stolen goods markets are linked to larger and more sophisticated

organized criminal enterprises. Those who buy in stolen goods markets create a demand for their own victimization and also fuel the victimization of others.” (p. 3)

The study also alluded to the increase in crime in areas where businesses like “We Buy Gold” exist. As concerned neighbors striving for lower crime rates, we opposed the zoning change. The same neighborhood leaders first spoke at the Alhambra Village Planning Committee, and the committee voted unanimously to recommend denial of the zoning change. The case was subsequently heard by the Planning Commission, and again your neighborhood leaders spoke against the change. The vote of the Commission was split 4-4. At that point the City Council was scheduled to hear the matter on April 3<sup>rd</sup>, for final approval or denial, but after careful consideration and talks with our Councilman Danny Venezuela, the applicant withdrew his application for a zoning change just prior to the

**MAY - JUNE CALENDAR**

May 12	Mother's Day
May 27	Memorial Day
June 16	Father's Day
July 4	Independence Day
September 2	Labor Day
September 14	Yom Kippur
September 25	Last day of Sukkoth

**Bulk Trash Collection**

South of Orangewood Ave (Area 10)  
Placement Begins - July 27th  
Collection Begins - August 5th

North of Orangewood Ave (Area 11)  
Placement Begins - May 4th  
Collection Begins - May 13th



## ZONING UPDATE CONTINUED.....

hearing. This is a big win for our neighborhoods, and we owe Danny Venezuela a big thank you for his assistance in this matter, and for his support of neighborhoods. Danny based his election campaign on a focus of neighborhood support, stability and maintenance of integrity, and this is evidence he is keeping his word. We also need to thank all the leaders from the neighborhood associations who did the research, formulated arguments, and spoke on our behalf! They are Beverly Konik, Amy Watkins, Frank Beaudrot, Jak Keyser, Mike Simms, Lawrie Fitzhugh, Ginny Dutson, Mary Obrachta, and Wade Bonine. They did a great job, so please thank them if you get the chance. They worked hard over several months and gave up their personal time in the evenings to work on this issue for our well-being. Great things can happen when people take the time to care!!

# Keeping our Neighborhood Safe

## NEW Online Crime Reporting Available

Effective February 27, 2012, citizens will be able to submit a limited number of incident types of low priority Police Reports online. The citizen will go to [www.phoenix.gov](http://www.phoenix.gov) and click on e-services.

### Upon completion of this process:

The citizen will receive a tracking number (Example: T12000243).

The incident reported online will be reviewed by an officer.

If further information is needed, they will be contacted

Once the report has been approved, a Phoenix Police Department report number will be e-mailed to the citizen (Example: 2012 80000152). These reports will start with an "8" to differentiate them from Police Report numbers generated by CAD.

Approval, follow-up with the citizen, or rejection of the report will be within 5 days.

No supplements can be filed to a "T" report (tracking number); supplements can only be filed on finalized reports in PACE.

### The types of reports accepted online are:

Burglary from Vending Machine

Burglary from Vehicle

Criminal Damage

Fraudulent Use of Credit/Debit Card

Lost Property

Identity Theft

Theft from Vehicle

Theft of Bicycle

Supplement Property List (Electronic Online Mail-in supplement)

### The online reports must meet the following criteria:

Crime occurred in the City of Phoenix

Citizen has an e-mail address

The incident is not in progress

The incident is not a bias crime

The suspect is unknown / or cannot be identified

The incident does not involve the use or threat of a weapon or injury

The value is not over \$10,000.

No stolen or lost firearm

No stolen vehicle or license plate

Crime is not a residential or commercial burglary.

## A Taste of Heaven Recipe of the Month

### **Goey Butter Cake**

1/2 Cup butter, melted	1 (8oz.) pkg. light cream cheese
2 eggs, beaten	2 eggs, beaten
1 box yellow cake mix	
1 box powdered sugar	

Combine butter, 2 eggs and cake mix. Press in bottom of greased 9X13 pan. Mix powdered sugar, cream cheese and 2 eggs. Pour over top cake batter mixture. Bake 40 minutes at 350 degrees.

## ROADRUNNER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL UPDATE

A LEED Platinum-certified “Safari Schoolhouse” nears completion at Roadrunner Elementary School in Phoenix. The new building is intended to help educate students about sustainability while being energy efficient itself. (Photo by Ryan Cook/RJ Cook Photography)

Dayana Gonzalez and her classmates at Roadrunner School in Phoenix will soon have a new building on their campus that not only incorporates sustainable, environment-friendly features, but also demonstrates them for the students.

The 10-year-old fourth grader is excited to see the new classroom — called the Safari Schoolhouse — because she’ll get to view how the building saves energy and water. A portion of an exterior wall will be exposed to show the construction and insulation elements.

The 6,000 square-foot Safari Schoolhouse is valued at \$3.4 million including the furniture and classroom equipment, according to the Green Schoolhouse Project, which is building the structure. It is being built with donated materials and labor and is designed to be LEED Platinum-certified, which is the highest level awarded in the Leading in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Program administered by the U.S. Green Building Council. The building was awarded to the Washington Elementary School District in a competitive grant by the Green Schoolhouse Project. The classroom spaces are planned to focus on STEM subjects: science, technology, engineering and math. The safari theme emphasizes nature inside and outside the building with lots of light and views of trees and sky through windows at all levels of the high-ceiling, open floor-plan structure.

The Green Schoolhouse Project is the brainchild of a Valley-originated public relations firm, Cause and Effect Worldwide. The inspiration came from many years of helping schools get donated, cosmetic improvements, says Jeff Zotara, who owns and operates the company with his family.

The project has partnerships with major corporations, cities, architects, engineers, contractors and building materials suppliers to create new classrooms that save energy and teach children. Four other Green Schoolhouse projects



are underway. One in Phoenix and others in San Diego, San Francisco and Seattle, Zotara says.

### **Getting a ‘Green’ schoolhouse**

A school must be under Title I status to apply for a Green Schoolhouse. Title I schools are defined as having at least 40 percent of students from low income families, typically measured by the number of students who qualify for free lunches. The school and its district must also demonstrate energy-saving efforts to qualify.

Roadrunner is already a U.S. Department of Education Green Ribbon school for being “exemplary in reducing environmental impact and costs; improving the health and wellness of students and staff; and providing effective environmental and sustainability education,” as cited by the award. The Washington District has worked to reduce energy costs for budgetary reasons and to teach energy and resource conservation to staff and students, says Sue Pierce, director of the district’s facility planning and energy department.

## ROADRUNNER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL UPDATE CONTINUED.....

Starting in 2008, the district reduced energy use by 26 percent in the first two years, simply by educating staff and students to turn off lights, computers and other equipment when not in use, Pierce says. Roadrunner was one of 18 campuses in the Washington District to earn an “Energy Star” rating by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

This focus on energy conservation and incorporating environmental studies into curriculum means Dayana and her schoolmates will be “sustainability natives,” says Halleh Landon, an electrical engineer and member of the Arizona chapter of the U.S. Green Building Council. Landon heads up the chapter’s initiative to promote green schools in the state.

Landon says today’s school children are practicing sustainable living with school recycling projects and gardens. They are also learning more about how the environment works than previous generations, including learning about the finite nature of fossil fuels and energy use.

“They (fossil fuels) come from the Earth after dinosaurs died, and they can’t be recycled,” Dayana says. “We have to save on the things we use, to keep enough for later. Paper is recycled so we don’t have to kill more trees.”

### **Building a sustainability instructor**

In addition to being constructed of sustainable and energy-efficient materials and designed to operate with low energy use, the Safari Schoolhouse will be a teaching tool. Its features will demonstrate water and energy savings for students and teachers using the building.

“Solar panels use the sun’s energy to save electricity,” Dayana says, “and when it rains, there’s a big pot underground to catch the water.”

The solar panels cover the south-facing roof slope, visible from the school playground, and the “pot” is a cistern under a culvert on the roof. It collects rainwater and drains to underground tanks that store it for use watering landscape and the school vegetable garden.

When the project got started — Roadrunner applied for the grant in 2008 — architects with the firm Burt Hill accepted the challenge to design the Safari Schoolhouse for a K-5 school. That company has since merged with Stantec, and Ken Elliott has worked on the design team for both companies. The former company had just opened offices in the Valley, and was eager to make a name here to build on its East Coast experience. Elliot says it is also important to “get the word out about sustainability.”

Stantec has several LEED

certified professionals including architects and engineers, and they were excited to incorporate those standards in a school, he says.

The project has had some delays because of the difficulty coordinating donated materials and labor. Roadrunner Principal Paula McWhirter says it is scheduled to open mid-May. The building is also going to be used as a community center when students are not in classes there, she says.

Zotara, of the Green Schoolhouse Project, says the new building is an “iconic example of what happens when people come together” to fulfill a goal. The hybrid goal, he says, is that a green school is healthy and saves money.

Dayana says the Safari Schoolhouse will make learning fun.



## IMPORTANT NUMBERS

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<b>Graffiti Busters (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 602-256-3141	
.....email: karen.anderson@phoenix.gov	
<b>Cactus Park Precinct</b> .....	602-495-5009
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<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
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<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
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**Arcadia Drive and Lafayette Boulevard** – north of Indian School Road and east of 44th Street, complete restriction to through traffic and restricted to local/resident access only due to a Maricopa County Flood Control District and city of Phoenix joint project, with completion scheduled for May.

**Baseline Road at 14th Street**, partial restriction due to a Street Transportation Department Design Construction Management storm drain installation and utility work, with completion scheduled for May.

**Camelback Road – 38th to 40th streets**, partial restriction due to a CenturyLink installation project, completion scheduled for May.

**Cave Creek Road - Peak View Road to Tatum Boulevard**, partial restriction due to construction of two manholes, as part of a city of Phoenix Water Services Department sanitary sewer project, with completion scheduled for mid-April.

**Jefferson Street – Central Avenue to First Street**, partial restriction due to CityScape's hotel construction, with completion scheduled for May.

**Village Drive – Camelback Road to 44th Street**, full closure due to a Maricopa County Flood Control District and city of Phoenix major storm drain installation project, with completion scheduled for May.

**19th Avenue, Grand Avenue and McDowell Road intersection**, partial restriction due to an Arizona Department of Transportation improvement project of US 60 (Grand Avenue). The project will include pavement improvements, road construction and new right-turn lanes and sidewalks at various locations. New lighting, landscape, screen walls and fencing will be included in the project, with completion scheduled for December. For information, email

[projects@azdot.gov](mailto:projects@azdot.gov) or call the Project Hotline at 855-712-8530.

**24th Street - Osborn to Indian School roads**, partial restriction due to a city of Phoenix Design and Construction Management waterline installation project, completion scheduled for June.

**56th Street – State Route 101 to Deer Valley Road**, partial restriction due to a city of Phoenix, Planning and Development Department storm drain project, with completion scheduled for May.

These restrictions represent only the major planned activities reported to the **Street Transportation Department's Right-of-Way Management Office**. This listing does not reflect closures or restrictions due to unexpected events such as flooding, traffic collisions, fires, utility failures or other emergencies. For information on continuing planned major street restrictions, visit [phoenix.gov/streets](http://phoenix.gov/streets) or follow @PHXStreetTrans on Twitter.

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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](http://www.northglensquare.org)

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Sex Offender web site:

[www.azsexoffender.com](http://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.

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