

Next Meetings March 12th & April 9th

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!



Community Garden

Community gardens have been popping up all over the valley and with the price of produce nowadays, it's no wonder. When you can grow enough vegetables for yourself, and still be able to share the extra with others, it is truly a win-win venture.

Several years ago, the idea of establishing such a community garden somewhere within North Glen Square was addressed at one of our association meetings but it never developed roots (pun intended).

I had been thinking of resurrecting the idea recently, and quite by coincidence I was invited by a representative from our sister association, Glen Canyon Vista, to attend a guided tour of the large community garden at Central Ave and Indian School Rd. It was a very enlightening experience and I learned a lot.

With enthusiasm rekindled, I extend this invitation to our residents to help design, create and operate our very own garden. Since this is obviously in the conceptual stage, we need help from individuals with all sorts of skills, not just gardening experience.

The formation of a committee to explore this and to do necessary research is the first step. Please let me know if you have any interest in being part of this committee. I can be reached via email at NorthGlenSquare@gmail.com or 602-677-7126 Frank Beaudrot.

JAN. - FEB. CALENDAR

March 12th	NGS Meeting
March 17th	St. Patrick's Day
April 3rd	Good Friday
April 5th	Easter
April 9th	NGS Meeting
April 22nd	Earth Day

Bulk Trash Collection

South of Orangewood Ave
(Area 10)

Placement Begins - April 25th

Collection Begins - May 4nd

North of Orangewood Ave
(Area 11)

Placement Begins - May 2nd

Collection Begins - May 11th



Election Results for North Glen Square

Elections of the new NGS board took place at the January 8th meeting and the following were voted on and elected in the positions listed. Thank you for your participation! All the newly elected members contact info is on page 5 of the newsletter if there are any concerns or issues you would like to share with the newly elected board members.

President: Mike Simms
Vice President: Frank Beaudrot
Treasurer: Wally Estfan
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Director: Wade Bonine
Director: Carl Baldrige
Director: Jean Rigtrup
Director: TJ Jett
Director: Jon Vreeken



Update from Phoenix Police Department



As the first two months of 2015 comes to a close it's natural to reflect on the previous year's accomplishments since the data has been tabulated and analyzed. In February we devoted a lot of time and energy on our Super Bowl events but I want to assure you that our focus is, and always will be, providing the safest community possible year round. As a police department, one of the ways we evaluate our effectiveness is through analysis of the annual crime statistics. Though it's no surprise to the very hard working men and women of the

Phoenix Police Department, citizens may be unaware of just how much crime was reduced last year. Overall, crime dropped 5.6 % in 2014 compared to 2013.

Violent Crimes are down 7.9 %
Homicides are down 6.5 %
Burglaries are down 14.5%
Aggravated Assaults are down 15.1%
Robberies are down 8.7%

As always, the Phoenix Police Department owes much of the credit to each of you, our partners in crime fighting. We will continue our efforts in 2015 making Phoenix even safer and strengthening our relationships with our community. Our outreach through organizations like the Community Engagement Taskforce, the Citizen Police Academy, Silent Witness, and Coffee with a Cop are just a few of the programs that help us understand each other and work together.

Please continue to stay informed by following us on Nextdoor.com, Facebook, Twitter, YouTube, and Phoenix.gov/police.

City Council Subcommittee Forwards 30-year, \$30 Billion Transportation Plan

A 30-year, \$30 Billion Transportation Plan covering light rail, transit and streets was forwarded on February 17th. A 3-1 vote for consideration by the full City Council on March 3. The voters will vote on the plan at the Aug. 25 city election. District 3 Councilman Bill Gates voted no. Councilwomen Thelda Williams, D1; Kate Gallego, D8, and Laura Pastor, D4, voted yes. The Plan, which was developed by a Blue Ribbon Committee, would be financed by existing and new sales taxes totaling .72 cents, federal funds, fares and other transit funds from 2016 to 2050.

It would provide a 70% increase in bus frequency, add bus routes on the south, north and west sections of the city; double funding for street overlays; set aside \$280 million for new roads & bridges, and extend light rail lines to Paradise Valley, Glendale & South Phoenix. In an 11th hour development, the Subcommittee set up an Enterprise Fund for transit from the new revenues and freed \$16 million from the General Fund to add police officers. The Subcommittee also rejected a recommendation for permanent funding for transportation and reduced the proposed sales tax increase by three-tenths of one cent.

The West Side Town Hall Program advocated against the permanent funding and for a lower sales tax with the business community & developers paying part of the cost. The West Side program also criticized the lack of publicity about the plan, leaving the public with an “up or down” vote in Aug. The Republic and local TV stations have yet to cover the plan.

City Council Approves Economic Development Plan

The City Council on Feb. 10 approved a creative Economic Development Plan that will provide infrastructure for designated business/ industrial parks at no cost to the city.

The plan, which was created by Christine Mackey, new Community and Economic Development Dept. Director, will put 50% of construction, utility and telecommunications taxes paid by city-recruited new businesses and industries into an Enterprise Fund for the infrastructure work.

The other 50% will go into the General Fund. All taxes paid by un-recruited businesses and industries will go to the General Fund. Mackey intends to make business and industry recruiting her top priority, starting by filling empty buildings in the Downtown and west side Warehouse Districts and developing new business/industrial parks at the old Greyhound Park; an 85-acre parcel at 40th Street/Loop 202, and a site near Loop 101 in northeast Phoenix. The Enterprise Fund also would finance job training, marketing and entrepreneur assistance. Mackey said she is optimistic about adding 6,000 to 10,000 jobs to Phoenix annually and raising the median income in the city above the region average of \$45,000. It is now below the average.

Walt Gray, Coordinator, West Side Town Hall Program



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CRIME STATS FOR NORTH GLEN SQUARE

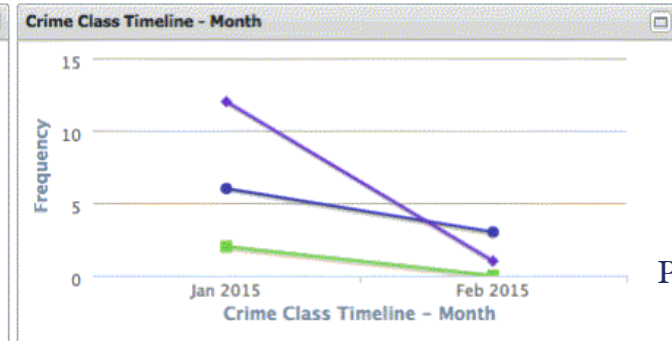
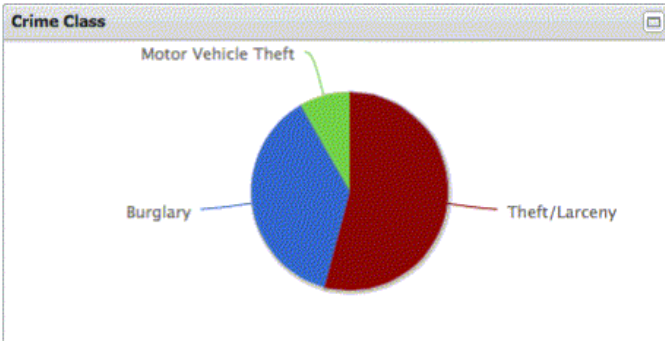
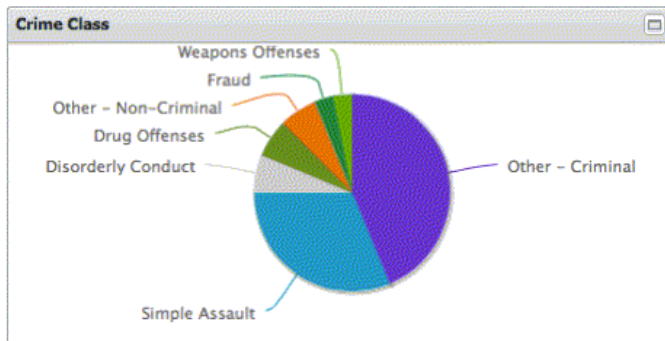
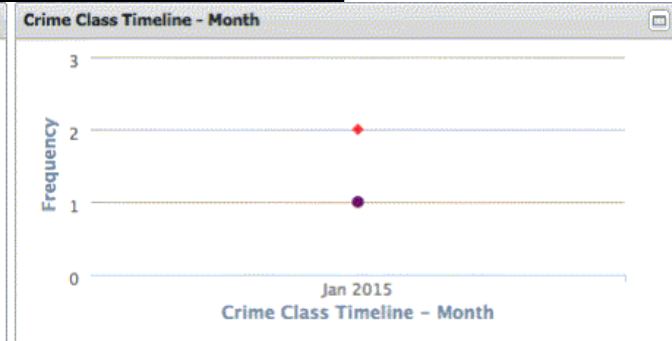
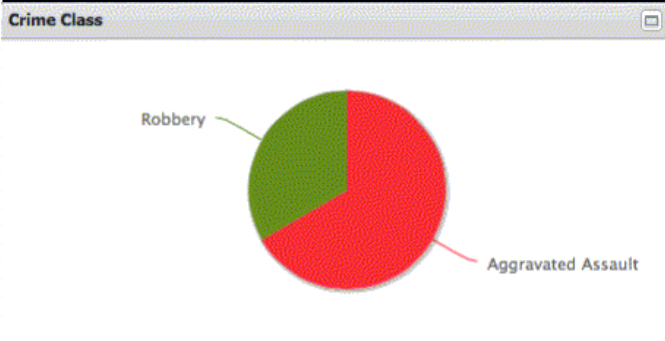
2015	January	February 1-15th	TOTALS
Homicide	0	0	0
Sexual Assault	0	0	0
Robbery	1	0	1
Aggravated Assault	2	0	2
TOTALS	3	0	3



Burglary	6	3	9
Theft/Larceny	12	1	13
Motor Vehicle	2	0	2
Arson	0	0	0
TOTALS	20	4	24



Simple Assault	9	1	10
Disorderly Conduct	2	0	2
DUI	0	0	0
Drug Offenses	2	0	2
Fraud	1	0	1
Liquor Offenses	0	0	0
Sex Offenses	0	0	0
Weapons Offenses	1	0	1
Other - Criminal	12	2	14
Other - Non Criminal	2	0	2
TOTALS	29	3	32



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 numbers)Email: northglengraffiti@yahoo.comPhone: 602-242-0019	
Officer Karen Anderson (Community Action Officer)Voice Mail 602-256-3141email: karen.anderson@phoenix.gov	
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-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	602-275-5886
Parking Complaints	602-262-6151
Property Maintenance Violations	602-262-7844
Poison Control	602-253-3334
Shopping Cart removal	1-800-THE-CART
Illegal signs	602-534-7100
Street repair (potholes)	602-262-6441
Street Light repair	602-495-5125
Councilman Valenzuela	602-262-7446
Parks Department	602-262-6575

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NEW CACTUS PARK INITIATIVE

Friends and neighbors - are you concerned over the growing criminal activity along 27th Ave and the near surrounding area? I know I have been for a very long time now. What happens along this stretch affects each and every one of us - the bad guys don't just hibernate - they spread!

Cactus Park Precinct, Commander Robinson informed us about the upcoming Violence Impact Project (VIP) underway to address these very issues and they are asking for our help!

Date: February 26th
Time: 6:30 PM
Place: Helen Drake Senior Center
7600 N. 27th Ave

Discussion topics:

Define the VIP area and scope
Clean up Programs - Dates and Locations

In attendance:

Councilman Daniel Valenzuela
Grand Canyon University
Cactus Precinct Commander Kevin Robinson

Please mark your calendar and make every effort to attend this opportunity to share information that will arm our police with the tools needed to take full advantage of this project! We know our neighborhood better than anyone else - we have a vested interest in making it the safest area for our families and maintain and improve our property values!

North Glen Square HAS YOUR MEMBERSHIP EXPIRED?

Do not forget to renew or join North Glen Square association by paying your dues. Membership has its rewards. Allows for you to get all 6 issues of the newsletter and helps the organization fight for important issues that reduce crime and help keep the neighborhood a great place to live. The new year is upon us so please use the form on page 7 & send in your dues.

March is National Nutrition Month

Healthy Chopped Salad

Total Time: 10 minutes



We roasted the red peppers under the broiler until lightly charred, 10-12 minutes, then chopped them with the skin on. You can also use raw red bell peppers (we'd avoid jarred roasted peppers). Add a pound of grilled chicken or shrimp, and dinner for four is ready.

3 Tbs. fresh lime juice, more to taste (about 2 limes)
1 cup minced red onion
1 tsp. kosher salt
2 Tbs. mayonnaise
1 avocado, chopped
1 15 oz. can no-salt-added kidney beans, drained and rinsed
2 roasted red peppers, chopped
Freshly ground black pepper
6 cups chopped romaine

In a large bowl, whisk together the lime juice, red onion, salt, and mayonnaise. Add the avocado, beans, and red peppers. Season generously with black pepper. Toss gently to combine. Arrange the romaine on four plates and spoon the dressed avocado, beans, and red peppers on top. Serves 4 as a side salad. Per Serving (2. cups): Calories 250; Total Fat 13 g; Sat Fat 2 g; Protein 9 g; Carbs 26 g; Fiber 14 g; Cholesterol 5 mg; Sodium 190 mg

Pan-Roasted Tomato & Chickpea Salad



Total Time: 15 minutes

For dinner for four, serve this savory and slightly sweet salad with a roasted four-pound chicken and some crusty bread.

1 pint cherry tomatoes, halved
3 Tbs. extra-virgin olive oil
2 cloves garlic, minced
1 cup orange juice
1 Tbs. red wine vinegar
1tsp. kosher salt
Freshly ground black pepper
6 cups baby arugula
2 cups basil leaves
1 15 oz. can no-salt-added chickpeas, drained

In a large non-stick pan, sauté the tomatoes, cut side down, in 1 Tbs. of the oil until well browned, 3-5 minutes. Remove from the pan and reserve. Add the remaining oil and sauté the garlic for 30 seconds. Stir in the juice and simmer to reduce by half, about 2 minutes. Remove from the heat and stir in the vinegar, salt, and plenty of black pepper. Toss the arugula and basil leaves with the dressing and top with the tomatoes and chickpeas. Serves 4 as a side salad. Per Serving (2 cups): Calories 230; Total Fat 12 g; Sat Fat 1.5 g; Protein 7 g; Carbs 25 g; Fiber 5 g; Cholesterol 0 mg; Sodium 270 mg

Visit www.nutritionaction.com for more great healthy recipes!

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- Bi-monthly Newsletter
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- Participation in Free Giveaways
- Support for Neighborhood Cleanups

Add your voice to the list of over 300 concerned members.

NORTH GLEN SQUARE WEBSITE

Did you know we have a website? Yes 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.

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