

Next Meetings January 14th & February 11th

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!



Whether you are a long time resident or new to North Glen Square, welcome to 2016. This is the first of three issues of the newsletter that we send to all homes in January, May and September. We produce an additional three issues for members only that we send in March, July and November. The newsletter is one of the many endeavors of North Glen Square Neighborhood Association (NGSNA) to promote safety and prosperity in the neighborhood.

NGSNA is a volunteer neighborhood organization dedicated to fighting blight and crime through education, teamwork, and collaboration with city resources. We hold monthly meetings to share information, provide updates, and simply to build relationships among residents. All are welcome. We work extensively with our sister neighborhood associations and the City of Phoenix to accomplish improvements of life in North Glen Square.

We couldn't do it without caring, active members. If you are a member, thank you. If not, please consider joining us and helping to build a stronger coalition of residents. We ARE making a difference.

CALENDAR

January 1st	New Year's Day
January 14th	NGS Meeting
January 18th	MLK Day
February 2nd	Ground Hog Day
February 11th	NGS Meeting
February 14th	Valentines Day

Bulk Trash Collection

South of Orangewood Ave
(Area 10)

Placement Begins - Jan. 23rd

Collection Begins - Feb. 1st

North of Orangewood Ave
(Area 11)

Placement Begins - Jan. 30th

Collection Begins - Feb. 8th





TRANSIENTS & PANHANDLING

The subject of panhandling is very complicated. It can be emotional to see people begging for money on the street corner. In recent years, our area has seen a noticeable increase in panhandling. It is human nature to feel sympathy for those who are poor, homeless or hungry. Although it is very natural to want to help by giving money, we highly encourage you to reconsider helping in that way.

North Glen Square and our neighboring associations work closely with police and the City of Phoenix on this issue. Police regularly make contact with panhandlers and transients. Frequently police find that these individuals are not simply down on their luck or temporarily without a job. Often they have made a choice to beg for money to support a drug habit. Used needles can sometimes be found among mounds of trash where transients sleep. When drugs are involved, other types of crime usually are too. It can be difficult to separate the transient issue from the insidious criminal element preying on our neighborhoods.

For those truly homeless and hungry, there are numerous private, faith-based and government programs readily available. Most transients reject those services because that's not what they really want. Please give to those organizations that can use the money effectively for the homeless who need it. Your neighborhood leaders sincerely ask you not to donate directly to panhandlers you see on the street. Panhandlers beg because it works. Please help us discourage panhandling, clean up the trash and drug paraphernalia, and start to take our neighborhood back.



A Bit of Europe Right in Our Neighborhood

Old Town Sarajevo Restaurant has been in our neighborhood for 15 years, but for my wife, Lynda, and me, we are just beginning to appreciate this little tasty jewel. Located at 3411 W. Northern (in the shopping strip across Northern Ave from Safeway), this quaint Bosnian restaurant has great soups, warm bread, pitas, sandwiches, coffees, desserts, etc. The spices they use are flavorful without being pungent and the prices are quite reasonable.

The restaurant came to our attention through "Check Please Arizona" on PBS Channel 8 on Thursday nights 7pm. We have enjoyed it on two occasions and, if you give it a try, we don't think you will be disappointed. They are open daily until 9pm, except 7pm on Sundays. They even have Bosnian musical entertainment on some Saturday evenings. Call 602-680-7726 for more information.

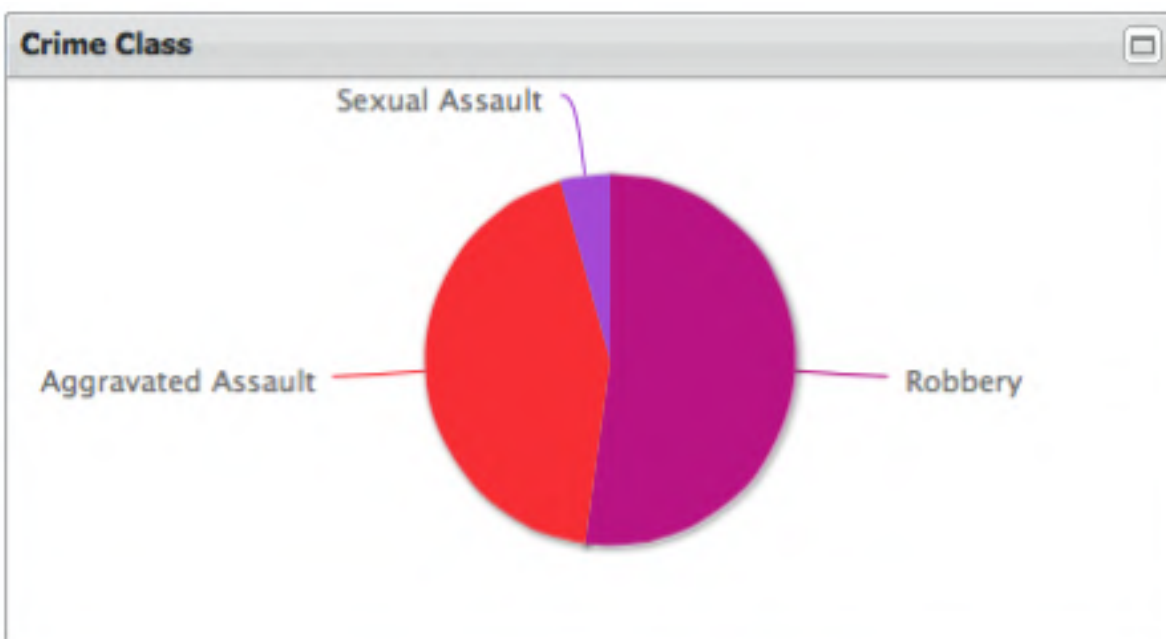
Kenneth Diamond
50 years resident in North Glen Square

"Do you have a favorite local business you would like to highlight or recommend? We would love to hear from you." Make submissions to the editor e-mail:
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CRIME STATISTICS JULY - DECEMBER 2015

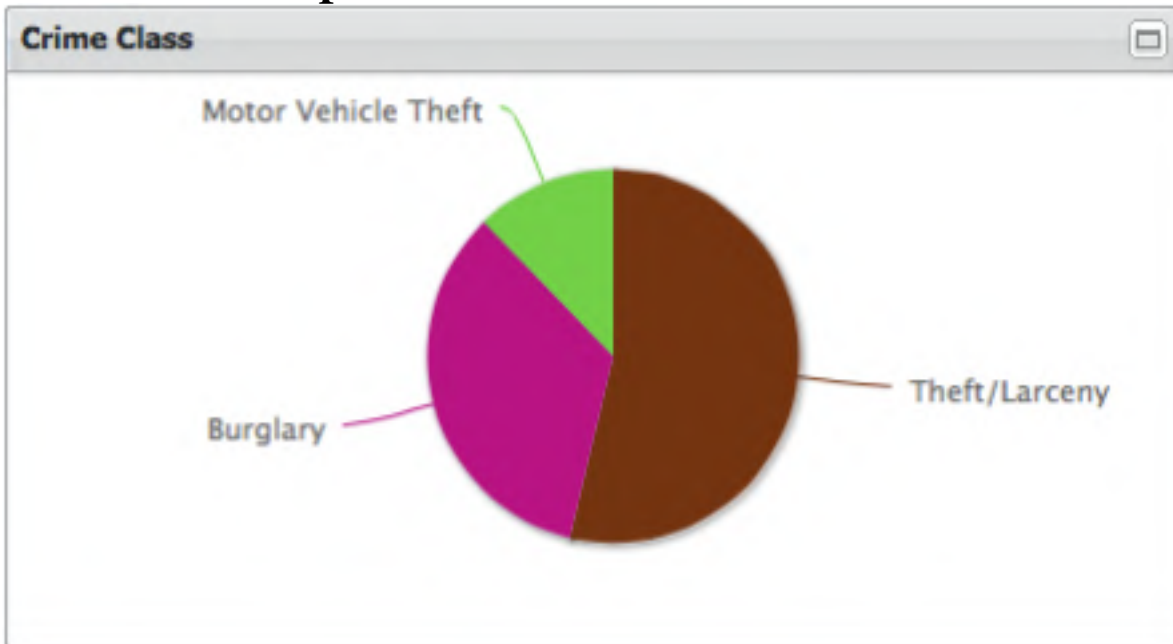
2015	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	TOTALS
Homicide	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sexual Assault	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Robbery	5	1	2	3	1	0	12
Aggravated Assault	1	3	2	3	1	0	10
TOTALS	6	4	5	6	2	0	23
Burglary	4	4	6	5	13	4	36
Theft/Larceny	16	13	8	5	10	5	57
Motor Vehicle	1	2	2	0	4	4	13
Arson	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTALS	21	19	16	10	27	13	106

Simple Assault	3	4	3	3	9	2	24
Disorderly Conduct	1	2	1	0	0	0	4
DUI	1	1	1	4	6	6	19
Drug Offenses	9	7	3	4	2	2	27
Fraud	4	3	2	1	1	0	11
Liquor Offenses	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sex Offenses	1	1	4	0	0	0	6
Weapons Offenses	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other - Criminal	5	6	3	2	2	0	18
Other - Non Criminal	4	6	5	5	27	18	65
TOTALS	28	30	22	19	47	28	174

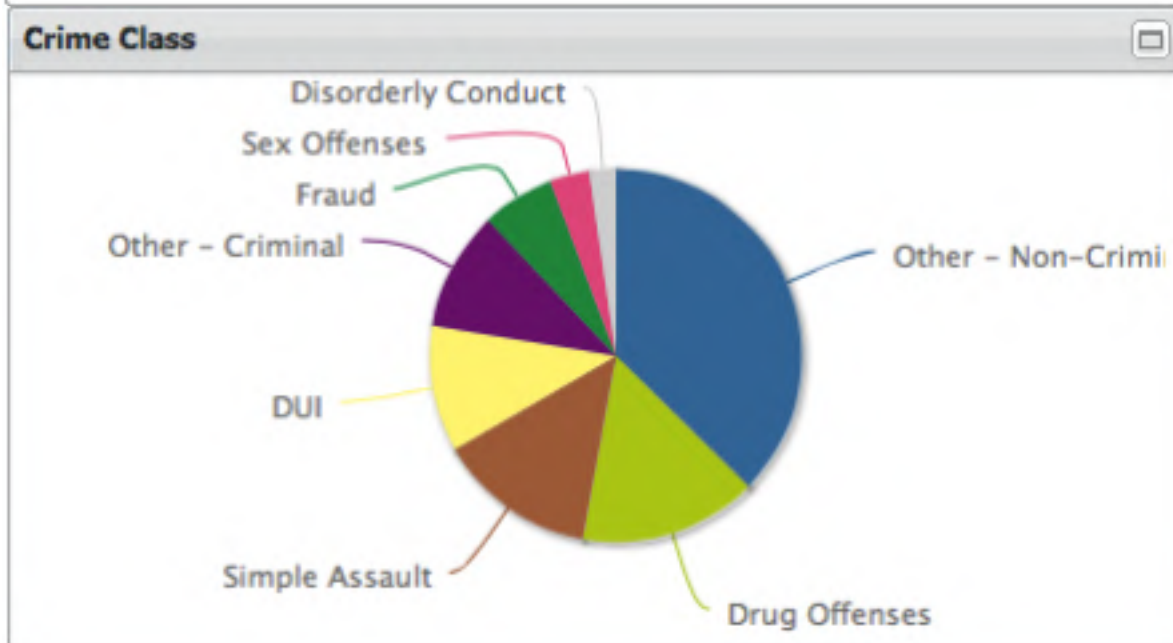


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Crime Stat Graphs continued.....



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With Peace & Love

Wally Estfan, who was a long-time resident of North Glen Square and an active member of the association, passed away in November. Wally served on the board for many years, frequently as treasurer. He was a great member of our team, and he will be sorely missed. **Our condolences go out to his family.**

Special Thanks Go Out To

The very nice people who help fold and mail out this newsletter on a volunteer basis!!

Also, Special Thanks to our Printer, Gateway Printing

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.com
Phone: 602-242-0019

Community Action Officers

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Officer Wade Niver
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Cactus Park Precinct.....602-495-5009
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Animal Control/Rabies.....602-506-7387
Barking Dogs602-262-6466
City Bus Service602-253-5000
Dial-A-Ride.....602-253-4000
Garbage Collection602-262-7251
Illegal Dumping.....602-262-7251
Loud Party Info.....602-262-7803
Loud Party Reporting602-262-6151
Neighborhood Enforcement.....602-262-7844
Neighborhood Narcotic Complaints.....602-275-5886
Parking Complaints602-262-6151
Property Maintenance Violations.....602-262-7844
Poison Control.....602-253-3334
Shopping Cart removal 1-800-THE-CART
Illegal signs602-534-7100
Street repair (potholes).....602-262-6441
Street Light repair602-495-5125
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Parks Department.....602-262-6575

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Elections for North Glen Square

The North Glen Square Board of Directors consists of 4 Officers and 5 Directors, and it is time once again (January 14th) to vote for the candidates. As always, we are seeking residents from our neighborhood to serve on the Board. If you would like to be part of our phenomenal group of volunteers & learn how we help preserve the integrity and quality of life in North Glen Square, then please nominate yourself and contact us to be listed on the slate of candidates. We would love to have more candidates than open positions so we can actually have an election!!

Please mark your calendar to attend our January 14th meeting at 7pm.

North Glen Square Neighborhood Association <http://www.northglensquare.org>

Current Candidates for 2016

- President: Mike Simms
- Vice President: Jean Rigtrup
- Treasurer: Frank Beaudrot
- Secretary: Michele Sahlin
- Director: Wade Bonine
- Director: Carl Baldridge
- Director: Julie Nelson
- Director: TJ Jett
- Director: *Available for anyone interested.....*



Preventing Heating and Fire Place Problems

In the United States, numerous agencies and organizations now recognize the importance of annual heating system inspection and maintenance in preventing carbon monoxide poisoning. The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, the National Fire Protection Association, and the American Lung Association – are some of the organizations that now encourage the regular maintenance of home heating systems and their chimneys in order to keep “the silent killer” at bay.

A well-tuned furnace or boiler – connected to a venting system or flue that is correctly-sized, structurally sound, clean and free of blockages – will operate efficiently and produce a warm and comfortable home. An overlooked heating system can produce death and heartbreak. Considering the risks involved when gas or oil systems are neglected - and the benefits that accrue when they are properly maintained - you would do well to have your chimneys checked annually by a CSIA Certified Chimney Sweep® and swept or repaired as needed. This can keep illness or death from carbon monoxide poisoning from claiming you or those you love.

- See more at: http://www.csia.org/homeowner-resources/Avoiding_Carbon_Monoxide_Hazards.aspx#sthash.f4oMZbna.dpuf

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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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