

Virtual NGS Board Meetings January 14th & February 11th
 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

HAPPY NEW YEAR

To me, this New Year's more than any other signifies a fresh start. Regardless of your political leanings, I think we are all happy to be done with a dreadfully long election season. The Covid-19 vaccine is rolling out steadily. And not only will the US have a new President, the neighborhood association will as well.

I will not be running for president in January. Nate Schick has graciously agreed to be the nominee for 2021. See page 6 for the full list of candidates for the 2021 board of directors. I would like to thank all of the board members who have served with me for this past year. I step back knowing the association is in good hands.

I am writing this right after the spectacular, tremendous, fantastic, awesome North Glen Square Holiday Light Parade. Turnout from both parade participants and spectators was incredible. Thanks to Bill and Kendra Kelly for organizing it. You have the gratitude of the entire square for helping to end this crazy year on a high note.

It's hard to say what 2021 will bring. Hopefully a transition toward something that resembles normal. Thank you for being a part of our neighborhood. Please remember to stay safe, stay healthy and be kind to one another.

Calendar of Events

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| January 1st | New Year's Day |
| January 14th | NGS Meeting |
| January 18th | MLK Day |
| February 11th | NGS Meeting |
| February 14th | Valentine's Day |
| February 15th | President's Day |

Bulk Trash Collection

South of Orangewood Ave (Area 10)
 Next Placement Begins: Jan. 16th
 Next Collection Begins: Jan. 25th

North of Orangewood Ave (Area 11)
 Placement Begins: Jan. 23rd
 Collection Begins: Feb. 1st



Holiday Lights Parade 2020

North Glen Square saw its first Holiday Lights Parade in December. Oh what a spectacle it was. There were 50 participants and hundreds of spectators to watch. The eight-mile long parade route wound through as much of the neighborhood as possible, starting and ending at 31st Avenue and Glendale. It was just what we needed at just the right time.

Huge thanks go to Bill and Kendra Kelly for organizing the event. And big thanks to the Desert Runners UTV club for helping bring some extra special joy to North Glen Square. And thanks to everyone who donated food items. Hundreds of pounds of food were collected.

Bill and Kendra are already looking forward to next year, as are we all.

“It was a delight. I picked up my masked 94 year old mom and aunt, also 94, who haven't been able to go anywhere for a while. You would have thought we had front row seats to the Macy's parade. Thank you everyone involved for making our Christmas.”





As Arizona experiences another spike in COVID-19 cases and COVID-related deaths are forecasted to increase in the coming month, we all have a responsibility to follow safety measures designed to keep our people healthy and stop community spread. This email contains information on concrete steps each of us can take to prevent further spread of the virus.

[*Haga click aquí si prefiere ver esta información en español.*](#)

According to the [Centers for Disease Control \(CDC\)](#), the most important actions to protect yourself and others from contracting the coronavirus are to wash your hands thoroughly and often, wear a cloth mask in public spaces, cover coughs and sneezes, disinfect commonly-touched surfaces, and maintain 6 feet of distance between yourself and others outside of your home. It is important to note that wearing a mask is not a substitute for social distancing- you should do both.

While wearing a mask in public spaces is not mandatory statewide in Arizona, widespread use [could make the difference](#) in the health and survival of many Arizonans. Many counties and municipalities do have mask requirements- check your local websites to stay informed.

The Arizona Department of Health's [website](#) has lots of helpful resources. They include: A [risk index](#) for common activities - know the chances you're taking before you go. Guidance for [how long to stay home](#) if you have COVID, and who your [close contacts](#) are.

COVID19 UPDATE Continued.....

A [map](#) of testing locations, their hours, and registration requirements. How to order [free face masks](#) if you belong to a vulnerable population or cannot afford to purchase them. Arizona COVID-19 Hotline: 1-844-542-8201

As you know, Arizona experienced high rates of hospitalizations and confirmed coronavirus cases over the summer, and we all need to follow safety measures to prevent those numbers from climbing again. I understand that these prevention techniques may not seem ideal, but they could mean the difference between life and death for you or someone you know.



Showing Appreciation to Essential Workers

If you get your groceries delivered to minimize exposure, don't forget to show appreciation to those helping you stay safe. This doesn't mean a big tip. Although, I am sure those are appreciated, but rather a kind word or a thank you card letting them know how much you appreciate them is a wonderful gesture of kindness that I believe is necessary in these trying times. I encourage and challenge you to find special ways to say thank you to those helping you stay safe. The delivery drivers, the trash collectors, teachers, healthcare workers and even family if they are dropping off essential supplies. Make sure they know how much it means to you. It will make their day and make you feel good too!

North Glen Square Crime Statistics Sept. - November 2020



| Type of Crime | SEPT | OCT | NOV | TOTALS |
|--------------------|-----------|-----------|----------|-----------|
| Homicide | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Sexual Assault | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Robbery | 1 | 4 | 1 | 6 |
| Aggravated Assault | 16 | 7 | 6 | 29 |
| TOTALS | 17 | 11 | 8 | 36 |

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|---------------------|----------|----------|-----------|-----------|
| Burglary | 0 | 5 | 14 | 21 |
| Theft/Larceny | 3 | 0 | 2 | 5 |
| Motor Vehicle Theft | 3 | 4 | 1 | 8 |
| Arson | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| TOTALS | 6 | 9 | 18 | 35 |

Butternut Squash Soup

Ingredients – 4 servings

2 tablespoons butter, 1 small onion, 1 stalk celery, 1 medium carrot, 2 medium potatoes, 1 medium butternut squash – peeled, seeded and cubed, 1 32 oz container of chicken stock, salt and pepper to taste.

Step 1 – chop up all the veggies. Melt butter in large pot and cook the onion, celery, carrot, and squash for 5 minutes or until lightly browned. Pour in enough chicken stock to cover vegetables. Bring to a boil. Reduce heat to low, cover pot and simmer 40 minutes or until all vegetables are tender. Make sure to check the potatoes. They will take the longest to soften.

Step 2 – Transfer the soup to a blender and blend until smooth. Return to the pot and mix any remaining stock to attain desired consistency. Season with salt and pepper. I like to add a little cinnamon as well but your choice.

Nutrition Facts Per Serving: 305 calories; protein 6.9g; carbohydrates 59.7g; fat 6.8g; cholesterol 20.9mg; sodium 1151.4mg.

2021 Virtual Meetings

Association meetings will be virtual until further notice. Here is the information to attend either online or by phone:

Zoom: <https://zoom.us/>

Meeting ID: 870 1502 9479

Passcode: NGSNA

Phone Only: 1-669-900-9128

Phone Passcode: 745556

You can attend Zoom meetings on a tablet, PC/Mac or smart phone. You'll need to download the app for use on mobile devices. For PC/Mac, you can choose to install the browser plugin for your computer or access the meeting directly. Use the meeting ID and Password at meeting time.

You may also call in directly using the phone number and passcode.

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.



City of Phoenix

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-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
- Neighbor Narcotic Complaints .. 602-275-5886
- Parking Complaints 602-262-6151
- Property Maint. Violations 602-262-7844
- Poison Control 602-253-3334
- Shopping Cart removal 602-278-7587
- Illegal signs 602-534-7100
- Street repair (potholes) 602-262-6441
- Street Light repair 602-495-5125
- Parks Department 602-262-6575

NGSNA Officers 2020

- Mike Simms, President 602-790-3467
- Frank Beaudrot, Vice President. 602-677-7126
- Cristina Gallardo-Sanidad, Treasurer
- Michele Sahlin, Secretary 602-841-1278
- Carl Baldrige, Director
- TJ Jett, Director 602-999-2100
- Julie Nelson, Director
- Nate Schick, Director
- Patrick Shockley, Director

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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 and 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>



Transit (BRT) Survey Open to Extend into West Phoenix

BRT will be developed based on ridership & community input. It will improve transit speed, reliability & overall rider experience. We value your input, so please complete the survey with four potential routes into West Phoenix, at: phoenix.gov/publictransit/brt



2021 Board Member Elections

All current board members have agreed to run again in our upcoming 2021 election. However, if you are interested in being a board member there will be an opportunity for additional nominees at our January meeting. We encourage anyone interested in participating to become a board member. We would love to have new input from anyone in our neighborhood. The current nominees are as follows:

- Nate Schick, President
- Frank Beaudrot, Vice President
- Cristina Gallardo-Sanidad, Treasurer
- Michele Sahlin, Secretary
- Mike Simms, Immediate Past President
- Carl Baldrige, Director
- TJ Jett, Director
- Julie Nelson, Director
- Patrick Shockley, Director

If you have any questions about what becoming a board member entails, please feel free to contact any of our current members. Their contact info is located on page 5 of the newsletter. We look forward to hearing from you, and answering any questions you may have regarding North Glen Square Neighborhood Association.



Online Crime Reporting

Did you know that you can report crimes online? The system has been in place since 2013 however, many residents don't know it is available to use. It is a great tool when it is not an emergency and when you don't want to or need to speak to someone about the crime. There is criteria though on what can and cannot be reported. I have outlined them below for your convenience.

Online reports must meet the following criteria:

The incident must have occurred in Phoenix. You must have a valid email address. The value of lost or stolen property must not exceed \$10,000.00.

Online reports cannot be made for the following:

Crimes in progress, Vehicle accidents, Graffiti, Bias or hate crimes, Crimes in which the suspect is known by you or can be positively identified, Crimes involving stolen guns, vehicles, license plates or threats of harm, Residential or commercial burglaries.

Acceptable types of incidents for online reporting: Theft from a vehicle, Criminal damage, Fraudulent use of a credit/debit card, Lost property, Identity theft, Theft, Stolen bicycle, Harassing or nuisance phone calls, Theft from vending machines, Supplement additional information or property to an already existing online report.

To report a crime online go to the following website:

<https://www.phoenix.gov/police/policereport>

**North Glen Square Neighborhood Association
2021 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

\$ **20.00 Annual Dues (Per household or business)** You have my permission to publish my name in the newsletter as a
\$ _____ "North Glen Angel" Contribution "North Glen Angel" Contributor (Please check box if "yes")
\$ _____ Total amount enclosed Check No.: _____ Date: _____

Name: _____ Address _____ Phone: _____

E-Mail: _____ (Please print clearly)

Comments: _____

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



Did you know that we're on
Facebook?
Just search and join North Glen
Square Neighborhood Association
for updates, information and to
meet your neighbors!

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

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The very nice people who help fold this newsletter and help mail them out!!!

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NORTH GLEN SQUARE WEBSITE

Thanks to Debra LaPlante, North Glen Square's web site is getting some much-needed updates. If you're looking for newsletter issues, neighborhood-related documents and links to helpful information & resources, check it out. 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.

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