



Meet Your Board:

The Phoenix Homestead neighborhood newsletter is published by the Phoenix Homestead Neighborhood Association. Boundaries: Thomas Road to Osborn Road, 24TH Street to 28TH St.

MEETINGS:

General membership meetings are held twice a year, in April and October. Open board meetings are held the first Thursday of each month at McKenna's at 28th Street & Indian School at 7:00PM.
Dues: \$24 per year, due in April.

BOARD 2008:

Members are elected each April at the general meeting.

President: John Berends (956-6794)

Vice President: Sally Andrek (778-9950)

Treasurer: Kris Straub (381-0382)

Secretary: Sue Thomas (956-0364)

Block Watch & Newsletter: Bea Ray (614-4355)

Members: Suzanne Bracker (468-0114),

Vicki Council (413-0289) & Jeff Blase (468-1112).

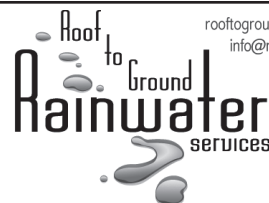
If you have any comments or would like to become a member of the Phoenix Homestead Neighborhood Association, please call Kris Straub at 381-0382 or Bea Ray at 334-1583

McKenna's Tavern & Eatery

2808 E. Indian School Rd.

(formerly the Vine)

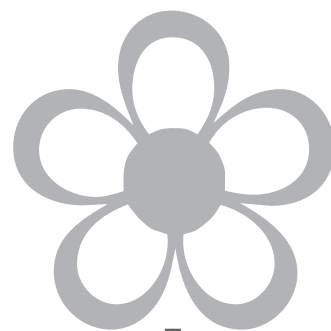
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GARDEN CORNER

by Beatrice Ray & Kris Straub

TIME TO FERTILIZE YOUR CITRUS TREES

I use my own compost, all-natural full of micro-organisms and lots of worms, also goat manure is used to strengthen flavors.

VEGETABLES TO PLANT IN FEBRUARY & MARCH:

- Asparagus
- Bush Beans
- Lima Beans
- Cantaloupe
- Sweet Corn
- Cucumber
- Eggplant
- Peppers
- Peas
- Radish
- Summer Squash
- Tomato Plants
- Turnips
- Beets
- Watermelon

So enjoy the coming nice weather and spring growth and bloom of plants.

The bursting forth of life in our gardens tends to get us humans excited about the New Year and all the beauty it brings.

Happy Panting!

Together

We can accomplish much when we work . . .

PHOENIX HOMESTEAD ASSOCIATION

Neighborhood News and Upcoming Events - Spring Issue 2009



by MDvH

DOG SHOW

at the park

Saturday, March 7

10:00 AM

at 27th Street & Flower

DOG SHOW CATEGORIES:

 Dog Walk

 Best Trick

 Obstacle Course

 Best Dressed

 And More

Prizes
Ribbons

Fun & Games
Refreshments



Get Your Tricks Mastered!

Entry fee is \$5.00 per dog, plus \$1 per contest in which your dog participates. You may register your dog(s) at the park on the March 1st.

All proceeds will be donated to The Arizona Humane Society to help feed and care for all pets waiting to go to good homes.

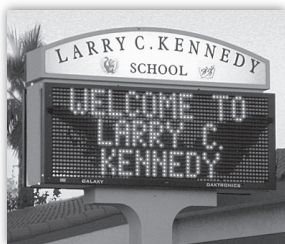
Additional donations will be accepted (www.azhumane.org) Jane Society.)

Calendar of Events:

Saturday, March 7 Dog Show 10AM
Meet at the park on Flower & 27th St.

Saturday, April 18 Neighborhood Yard Sale

Saturday, April 25 Picnic in the Park



GREAT LUMINARIA NIGHT . . .

We had a lot of people show up at the park, to help make and distribute the Luminarias. We had coffee, juice, donuts and great conversation. **A big THANK YOU to L.C. Kennedy School "Builders Club"** for their huge support of our neighborhood. Special Thank You for all the neighbors who donated money and their time. It could not have been done without all of your support!

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MEMBERSHIP DRIVE . . .

To support activities, such as Luminarias, Breakfast In The Park, Dog Show and lots more, we ask you to join the Phoenix Homesteads Association. **Yearly Dues is only \$24.00.** Please, place a check or cash in the envelope provided and either mail it or drop it off at the address stamped on the envelope. For those who cannot afford the entire amount, donations are welcome in any amount. Make checks payable to: **Phoenix Homesteads Association.**

ALL MONEY COLLECTED IS USED IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD AND FOR YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Any specific concerns: _____

"COMMUNITY" *by John Berends*

Phoenix Homesteads Association is one of the many 'communities' of the City of Phoenix. My dictionary defines 'community' as a group of people living together or in the same vicinity, people subject to the same laws or rules, people having common interests, etc.. So our half-mile square neighborhood of 400 or so homes would qualify as a community. Whether or not we function as a real community depends upon each of us, and the results will vary. Some neighbors are very close and helpful to each other; other parts of our community find people living alone together.

Did you hear about that poor old man out East who froze to death, alone, in his home? The utilities issues notwithstanding, I'm wondering how the neighbors felt about that tragedy, whether they knew the man, or even cared. Why couldn't anybody get to him any earlier? Answer: lack of genuine community.

We have many seniors living by themselves in our neighborhood. Are they being monitored? Helped and cared for? Given our current economic conditions, we will probably see increasing attempts to burglarize our homes.

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9:30 am	(24th St. & Thomas Rd.)
&	www.phoenixcrc.org
6:00 pm	
SUNDAYS	

Join The Neighborhood Yahoo! Group

This is an electronic forum, and neighbors have thus far shared useful information on crime, a planned development, the dog show, and other topics. There are currently 69 members, and we believe that many more people in the neighborhood would like to join the electronic conversation.

To do so, go to: [http:// groups.yahoo.com/group/phoenixhomesteads/](http://groups.yahoo.com/group/phoenixhomesteads/) and click on the "Join this Group!" button.

Might we be willing to start or step up efforts to look out for one another's interests? It all depends on the quality of community we exercise and experience as we live together within the boundaries of PHA.

Real community, the kind that helps and benefits others, includes dynamics (behaviors) such as kindness, helpfulness, respect, hospitality, sensitivity and a proactive style of caring (I tell my friends that 80% of caring is showing up!). Strong communities are guided by the Golden Rule (basically - whatever you'd like others to do to/for you, do that very kind of thing to/for them). Good neighbors get to know each other, then go the extra mile and practice the principle of 'paying it forward' as they interact with one another. As they/we do such things real community is created and nurtured.

I've seen, shared and experienced real community in our PHA neighborhood. I work with a group of local leaders who are committed to enhancing community among us all. Is there more we can do? Always! The biggest room in the world is and always will be the room for improvement. Why not give it a try in your little part of our little part of Phoenix.



I THINK YOU GUYS ARE READING THE NEWSLETTER.

Our curbs look good. Trash is being contained. We are taking pride in our neighborhood. Goes with the new theme of *"Spirit of Service"* AND *"Why not start at home?"*

I am not getting any letters or calls about good newz. Therefore I don't have a lot to report.

I did receive a letter regarding irrigation which is vital to our neighborhood. So eventually you will here more from me on this subject.

I am teaching drawing classes. Very reasonable and a great class for anyone interested.

Suzanne Bracker, 602-468-0114