

Congratulations to the North Mountain Business Alliance on the \$100,000 Community Development Block Grant award to improve infrastructure along 19<sup>th</sup> Avenue in preparation for new landscaping and branding. The NMBA has been working closely with city of Phoenix Neighborhood Services Department to generate designs. They have also gathered donations of money and materials from businesses in the area.

The great February weather gives us all great opportunities to enjoy the natural beauty in our city, but please think before you hike. It's dry and the fire danger remains a high. I have seen a few reports recently of mountain rescues and would like to remind you all to stay hydrated, plan ahead, and hike with a friend!

Join us for our North 32<sup>nd</sup> Cruisin' With Bill Gates Community Event on March 21, from 8:00 AM to noon at the northeast corner of 32<sup>nd</sup> Street and Shea. Registration for the bike ride begins at 8:00 AM. The fire department will provide free car seat safety checks, the police will hold a bike rodeo, there will be community and business booths and best of all, the bike ride starts at 9:00 AM. If your business or organization is interested in a booth, contact my office for more information at 602.262.7441.





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## **Upcoming Events:**

#### **March Coffee Chat**

Guest Speakers: Kathryn Sorensen, Director, Water Services and

Bill Wiley, Maricopa County Flood Control District

When: Tuesday, March 10; 7:30-8:30 AM

Where: Original Breakfast House, 13623 North 32nd Street

### Cruisin' With Bill Gates North 32<sup>nd</sup> Community Event

When: Saturday, March 21, 8:00 AM – Noon 8:00 AM - Noon: Local Business Open Booths

8:00 – 9:00 AM: Registration & Refreshments, Bike Rodeo &

Car Seat Safety Check

**9:00 AM:** Bike Raffle Giveaway

9:00 - 10:00 AM: Community Bike Ride

10:00 - Noon: Open Booths

Where: Northeast Corner of 32<sup>nd</sup> St. and Shea Bike Helmets (ages 5-18 while supplies last)

#### Joint Community Budget Hearing with Councilmen Gates, D3 and Valenzuela, D5

When: Wednesday, April 1, 7:30-8:30 AM

Where: Sunnyslope Community Center, 802 East Vogel Ave

#### Joint Community Budget Hearing with Councilman Gates, D3 and Vice Mayor Waring, D2

When: Wednesday, April 8, 6:00-7:00 PM

Where: Paradise Valley Community Center, 17402 North 40th St.

# John Jacobs Block **Watch Catches Prescription Bandit**



Officers at Black Mountain Precinct responded to a call from volunteers in JJBW on Friday February 20, and arrested a female suspect who was stealing prescription medications from residents in their neighborhood. This is a great example of how Block Watch groups can make a real difference and shows great teamwork along with the Phoenix Police Department and the Attorney General's office! If you're interested in learning more about how to organize a block watch in your community, please contact the city's coordinator for the program, Officer Deb Iodice, at 602-495-0597, or you can call my office at 602-262-7441.

### Armed Robbery / Aggravated Assault Near Royal Palm Park



Suspect #1



Suspect #3

**Location:** 1500 West Butler Drive, Phoenix

Date: January 20, 2015 at 9:20 PM

Suspect #1: Black male, 6'3"-6'4", 30-40 years old, very thin build, goatee or beard, short black hair, wearing a black

hoodie and carrying a silver handgun

Suspect #2: Black male with light complexion, shorter stocky build, short buzzed hair

Suspect #3: Black male, 6', average build, hoodie, freckles on face with a gold tooth on the upper right side On January 20, 2015 at 9:20 PM, a Male and Female were seated in her vehicle in the area of 1500 West Butler Drive in Phoenix. Suspect #1 approached the vehicle and asked the Victims about drugs. When the Victims declined, the Male was forcibly removed from the vehicle and pistol whipped. The Female was also pulled from the vehicle and her cell phone was taken by Suspect #3. All three suspects fled on foot northbound through Royal Palm Park.

Information and Reward: If you have any information on the suspects or incident, please call Silent Witness at 480-948-6377 (480-WITNESS). Up to \$1,000 reward for information that leads to an arrest.

### FAA Opens Public Comment Period for New Unmanned Aircraft Rules

The Department of Transportation's Federal Aviation Administration proposed a framework of regulations that would allow routine use of certain small unmanned aircraft systems (UAS) in today's aviation system, while maintaining flexibility to accommodate future technological innovations. The FAA proposal offers safety rules for small UAS (under 55 pounds) conducting non-recreational operations. Among other things, The rule would limit flights to daylight and visual-line-of-sight operations. It also addresses height restrictions, operator certification, optional use of a visual observer, aircraft registration and marking, and operational limits.

Public comment period on the proposed regulation will be open until April 24. Regulation language can be found along with a place to make comments in the Federal Register at <u>regulations.gov</u> and search "FAA-2015-0150-0017"

### Phoenix Fire Department Saves 3-year old boy

Shortly after noon on Valentine's Day, Phoenix Fire Crews responded to a report in District 3 of a 3-year-old boy who was drowning. They arrived quickly and found a 3 year old boy having CPR performed on him. Phoenix Fire Department initiated Advanced Life Support care and the patient began breathing and became alert. Patient was transported to Level 1 facility and is expecting to make a full recovery with no complications. This is great work by our first responders, and another reminder to watch your little ones closely!



### **City Manager Sends the FAA an Official Protest**

At the unanimous direction of the Mayor and City Council, the City Manager filed a legal protest with FAA Administrator Michael Huerta, against the recent Next Gen flight path changes. The protest included public comments from January community meetings and a number of other exhibits. All of that information is posted here: https://www.skyharbor.com/flightpaths/LegalProtestExhibits.html

### **New Map Application for City Properties and Services**

I encourage residents, business owners, non-profits and would-be entrepreneurs to check out Phoenix's new, enhanced IMAP mapping web application, which now shows a large collection of city-owned properties. Viewers can search properties by city department or city council district.

Instead of thumbing through pages of paper documents, this new application gives anyone almost instant access from any laptop or desktop computer to a vast inventory of city-owned land, including vacant properties. Phoenix has been working hard to streamline the economic development process in the city, and this easy-to-use web application is a welcome addition to this effort. It gives the community the opportunity to see what is out there and bring development ideas and opportunities to the city.

The application is viewable from the "Map It" tab along the top of the city's homepage at phoenix.gov and then the selection of the "Find City-Owned Properties" button. Click here: <a href="www.phoenix.gov/imap">www.phoenix.gov/imap</a>.

In addition to the city-owned property feature, the IMAP application allows residents to identify all city parks, libraries, transit facilities, police precincts, fire stations and other city facilities in close radius to their homes or businesses.



## Save on Airport Parking During the Entire Month of March

Traveling for Spring Break and looking to save some money? For the entire month of March, Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport is offering savings on already deeply discounted parking for those <u>reserving in advance</u>. For just \$5 a day, travelers can park in the West Economy Park & Walk.

West Economy Park and Walk is an on-airport parking choice that gives travelers the option of parking and walking to the terminal. No bus service is available, and travelers will find the parking area most convenient to Terminal 2. From the eastern portion of the parking area to Terminal 2, it is approximately a 3 minute walk. It takes about 15 minutes or less to walk from the western portion of the parking area to the Terminal 3 PHX Sky Train® Station, where travelers can access Terminals 3 and 4.

To take advantage of this discount, visit the easy-to-use, online reservation tool on skyharbor.com by following the **Prepaid** Discount Parking link. Travelers reserve and prepay online. After arriving on-site, travelers take a ticket as they enter the parking area and then present that ticket and the prepaid parking confirmation (printed or on a smartphone) to the cashier when exiting.

The \$5 parking special is only available March 1-31, 2015, for the West Economy Park & Walk, and through the online Prepaid Discount Parking tool at <a href="https://www.skyharbor.com/prepaidparking">www.skyharbor.com/prepaidparking</a>. Note there is a \$2 service charge per transaction.

<u>Prepaid</u> Discount Parking is also available in the terminal garages for those who prefer the convenience of parking in the garage and walking right in to the terminals. Terminal garage parking is also discounted from \$25 a day to \$18 per day if using Prepaid Discount Parking. For additional information on all parking options, prices and availability, visit the Sky Harbor Airport Parking website.

## Neighborhood Spring Cleanup with Neighborhood Services

Keeping your community looking great is dirty, yet rewarding work! The city's Neighborhood Services Department (NSD) has a Tool Lending Program offered to residents and community groups for cleanup events at no charge. Your neighborhood group or Block Watch listed with the Neighborhood Services Department may receive paint, and borrow supplies and clean-up tools to improve your neighborhood. Other great services available:

- Neighborhood Services holds several classes each month on topics from how to use paint sprayers or
  pressure washers, to grant writing and social media. For a calendar of upcoming training classes go to
  www.phoenix.gov/nsd/neighborhoodcollege
- For your next neighborhood clean-up, email <a href="mailto:nsd@phoenix.gov">nsd@phoenix.gov</a>.
- Tool trailers and tools available for loan include:
  - paint rollers
  - wire brushes with scrapers
  - hoes
  - weed eaters
  - shovels
  - gloves

- paint sprayer
- buckets
- ladders (three-step)
- pole trimmers
- brooms
- water coolers

- brushes
- hedge shears
- loppers
- rakes
- wheelbarrows
- garbage bags



Trying to figure out what your kids should do over spring break? Summer break?!!! Arizona Center for Afterschool Excellence is not just focused on *After*school, but **ALL** *Out-of*-School time. They are a non-profit backed by Federal, State and private grant money, including the C.S. Mott Foundation (<a href="https://www.mott.org">www.mott.org</a>). They can help you in several ways:

- They have a directory thousands of providers statewide. A quick search revealed over 80 public and private organizations in just one zip code in District 3.
- If you are a provider or would like to be, they can put you in touch with the right training organization to maximize your effectiveness.
- Find them at: www.azafterschool.org or call them at 480.730.7126.

## Where's Bill Answers:

- 1. Puppy Bowl! at Chloe's Corner in Cityscape, January 29
- 2. Press Conference to unveil the new PANGO parking meter Credit Card pay system and mobile application, February 12
- 3. Coffee Chat at Oink! Café, February 12
- 4. Speaking at the North Mountain Business Alliance community meeting, February 26

# **Important City Numbers:**

• Emergencies: 911

• City Non-Emergencies: 602-495-5555

• Abandoned Vehicles: 602-262-6151

• **Barking Dogs**: 602-262-6466

• **Blight Violations**: 602-262-7844

Buildings, Open/Vacant: 602-262-7844

• City Manager: 602-262-6941

• City Prosecutor: 602-262-6461

• Crime Stop: 602-262-6151

• **Dial-A-Ride**: 602- 253-4000

• Flooding within City Limits: 602-262-6441

Garbage/Trash services: 602-262-7251

• **Graffiti Busters**: 602-495-7014

• Graffiti in Parks: 602-262-6862

• **Illegal Dumping**: 602- 262-7251

**Mayor's Office**: 602-262-7117

Neighborhood Services: 602-534-4444

**Loud Party Information**: 602-262-7821

Phoenix Dial-A-Ride 602-253-4000

**Parks Dept. after hours**: 602-534-9440

Parking complaints: 602-262-6151

Police Blockwatch: 602-495-0597

**Potholes**: 602-262-6441

**Shopping Carts, abandoned**: 602-CRT-PKUP

**Street Repairs**: 602-262-6441

**Street Light Maintenance**: 602-495-5125

**Speeding/Traffic Hotline**: 602-534-7733

Water Leaks/Water Main Emergencies: 602-261-8000

Water Department after hours: 602-261-8000

City Council Meetings- visit phoenix.gov/cityclerk/publicmeetings/notices.

City Calendar – visit phoenix.gov/calendar.