



Bill Gates
DISTRICT 3 COUNCILMAN



COFFEE CHAT TOMORROW! THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 12TH

THE OINK! CAFÉ

7:30 – 8:30 a.m.

4326 E. Cactus Rd., Phoenix, AZ 85032
(602) 404-6465

Guest Speakers:

Dawn Trapp, [Civitan Foundation](#)

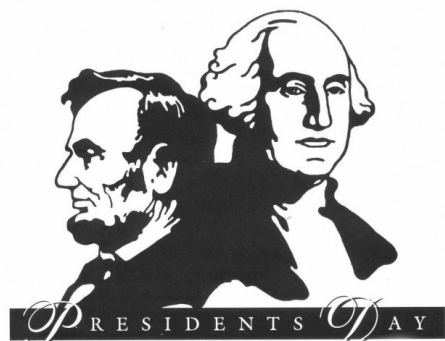
Civitan Foundation is a 501(c) (3) non-profit organization that was established in 1968 in Williams, Arizona. Civitan strives to deliver tailored programs and services to meet the ever-changing needs of the children and adults we serve with developmental disabilities.

[Phoenix Parks and Recreation Department](#)

Update on Phoenix Mountain Preserve trail improvements and public park improvements in District 3.

Please welcome me in congratulating Phoenix Police Chief Joe Yahner in being officially appointed the permanent Police Chief. I look forward to working with Chief Yahner to improve our community and reduce crime.

The Super Bowl has passed and I am grateful to everyone in Phoenix for showing the world how wonderful our city is. Jimmy Fallon, Lenny Kravitz and numerous other celebrities praised Phoenix and talked publicly about the amenities, landscape, weather and safety of our city. The past few weeks have elevated our city into the spotlight and visitors left here knowing that Phoenix is a leading travel destination and a great place to do business.



Phoenix City Hall Closed – Monday, February 16

City Hall will be closed in observance of Presidents Day.

Please refer to this website for information on affected City services: www.phoenix.gov/news/588



Where's Bill?

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Newsletter



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City News

Message from Phoenix Police Chief Joe Yahner

“As the first month of 2015 comes to a close it’s natural to reflect on the previous year’s accomplishments. We have 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.”

“Graffiti Free Phoenix” Awareness Month

The city of Phoenix Neighborhood Services Department (NSD), the Anti-Graffiti Task Force and Phoenix Police are promoting February as "Graffiti Free Phoenix" Awareness Month.

NSD and its partners need the community's help to spread the word about Graffiti Free Phoenix. Residents are encouraged to use the hashtag **#GraffitiFreePHX** and **#iLovePHX** on their personal and neighborhood social media accounts and tweet the city at @CityofPhoenixAZ or @PHXNeighborhood with photos removing or reporting graffiti during the month of February. City staff will be sharing photos of our community in action on phoenix.gov and official city social media accounts.

Here's how individuals can make a difference during #GraffitiFreePHX Awareness Month:

- Report graffiti in your community by calling 602-534-4444, extension 1, email blight@phoenix.gov (be sure to include the address if you know it) or click on "report it" on phoenix.gov and complete the online blight reporting form.
- Download the free smartphone app (MyPhxAz); use it to report graffiti and other blight violations.
- Volunteer to remove graffiti by hosting a community cleanup.
- Keep your own property free of graffiti.
- Sign up to take a free Neighborhood College workshop and learn how to use a paint sprayer or pressure washer to remove graffiti. Classes can be viewed online: www.phoenix.gov/nsd/neighborhoodcollege
- Report graffiti vandals by calling the Graffiti Hotline at 602-262-7327 and you may receive up to a \$250 reward.
- Download and share our "Graffiti Free Phoenix" brochure with your contacts.:
 - English: www.phoenix.gov/nsdsite/Documents/graffitifreephxbrochure.pdf
 - Spanish: www.phoenix.gov/nsdsite/Documents/graffitifreephxbrochure-sp.pdf
- Encourage your friends, family and neighborhood to do the same.

Free paint and supplies will be provided to any group organizing a community cleanup to wipe out graffiti.

For more information, call 602-534-4444 or visit phoenix.gov/nsd and click on "Graffiti Free Phoenix."

Upcoming Events:

Black Mountain Community Alliance Block Watch (TONIGHT!) *Special Speaker, Commander Joe Klima, Black Mountain Precinct*

When: Wednesday, February 11; 6:30 P.M.

Where: Deer Valley Community Center, 2001 W. Wahalla

Coffee Chat with Councilman Bill

Special Guests: Parks Department, and Civitan Foundation

When: Thursday, February 12

Presidents Day *Phoenix City Hall will be closed*

When: Monday, February 16

Black Mountain Coffee with a Cop

When: Wednesday, February 18; 8-9 A.M.

Where: Times Square Restaurant, 718 E. Union Hills

Desert Horizon Coffee with a Cop

When: Wednesday, February 18; 8-9 A.M.

Where: Coco's Restaurant, 4514 E. Cactus Rd.

North Mountain Business Alliance Community Mtg

When: Thursday, February 26, 11:15 - 1 P.M.

Where: 1951 West North Lane

Annual North 32nd Bike Ride and Festivities

Bike Rodeo, Food, Community Businesses, and a bike ride with Councilman Bill Gates!

When: Saturday, March 21, 8-10 A.M. (or longer)

Where: Exact location and bike route coming soon!

Joint Community Budget Hearing, with Vice Mayor Jim Waring – District 2

When: Wednesday, April 8, 6-7 P.M.

Where: Paradise Valley Community Ctr, 17402 N 40th St.

“The Heiress” at Theatre Artists Studio

Did you know we have an active live theater here in District 3? The Theater Artists studio in the Paradise Valley Mall area is set to open a new production on Feb. 17. Here's the information:

Title: *The Heiress*

Playwright: Ruth and Augustus Goetz

Director: Carol MacLeod

Description: A compelling, psychological tale of a young woman's journey to win the affection of a distant and disappointed father, to experience the joys of romantic love and, ultimately, to discover her own place in the world. Adapted from the Henry James classic novel *Washington Square*. Set in 1835, this marks the first time The Studio has presented a period piece – and a costume epic!

Venue: Theatre Artists Studio
4848 E. Cactus Rd, #406
Scottsdale, AZ 85254

Dates: February 27 – March 15, 2015

Times: Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays at 7:30 p.m.
Sundays at 2:00 p.m.

Tickets: \$10 Students 25 & Under; \$15 Groups of 10 or More, Seniors 65 & Under and Members of the Military (active or retired); \$20 General Admission

Box Office: 602-765-0120 or online at
www.thestudiophx.org

Where's Bill Answers:

1. Touring the Multi-Agency Command Center during Super Bowl week
2. North Mountain ground breaking with UMOM CEO, Darlene Newsom
3. With U.S. Congressman David Schweikert and Marc Ashton, CEO, Arizona Foundation for Blind Children
4. With Governor Doug Ducey at the Wounded Warrior Amputee Football Game

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.