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## QUARTERLY MEETING!!!

### G.A.I.N Event

(Getting Arizona Involved in Neighborhoods)

## PANCAKE BREAKFAST & CLASSIC CAR SHOW

Saturday, October 21, 2017

8:00 to 10:30 am  
on 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave at Coolidge St

### SPECIAL GUESTS

Mayor Stanton and Vice Mayor Pastor  
State Representatives Lela Alston and Ken Clark

Sherriff Paul Penzone

Police and Fire Departments

Free Bike Safety Etching

A Raffle Ticket Will Be Delivered To Your Door...  
**Exchange it for Free Crime Prevention Items  
at this event!**

Come and Meet YOUR Neighbors!!  
Have Breakfast!! Have a Blast!!

## Give Police “Authority To Arrest”

By: Roland Reagan, Hazelwood St

“Authority to Arrest” forms allow the police to arrest suspects on commercial property any time when the owner or business operator is not available (after hours). Robert Donat, Liam Sherman and I personally distributed these forms to all businesses located near the intersection of 7th Ave and Camelback. We obtained signed forms from the businesses in the northeast section of the intersection, and on both sides of 7<sup>th</sup> Ave immediately south of Camelback. The police already have a signed form for the entire shopping center on the northwest corner of the intersection, and that’s a good thing! We started this project in response to the increased crime at the light rail station, which brings increased pedestrian traffic to this area. We have commitments from more businesses along 7<sup>th</sup> Ave to sign up next week.

With a lot of new businesses coming into the area, some have signed, and some have not over the years. It was fun and rewarding to go out and meet the property owners, as well as the store and shop operators. Having them express their concerns and ideas gave us a new perspective about what is really going on in the hood. We hope that if police have more ability to arrest the offenders, the word will get out and it will motivate the bad guys to avoid this area. Our goal is to touch base with all of the business owners around our neighborhood to make sure everyone is on the same page.



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**Construction Starting Now!**

Phase I of Grand Canalscape includes a 12-foot-wide multi-use path, dusk-to-dawn pedestrian lighting, entrances to neighborhoods with links to local streets and signalized crossings at 7th Avenue, Central Avenue and 7th Street.

It is part of a larger trail project which will eventually result in a contiguous trail along the Grand Canal from Glendale to Tempe. The primary goal is to develop a safe route for bicycle and pedestrian traffic along the Grand Canal bank that includes crossing facilities at the major arterial streets. A secondary goal is to re-integrate the canals into the community by incorporating public art, landscaping and neighborhood access points to the pathway to provide better visibility, access and ultimately appreciation of the whole canal system in Phoenix.

Look down 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave and see the construction happening, take your dog for a walk and see the action. We have been talking about this for years, and now it is finally coming to Pierson Place. What a great amenity for our neighborhood!

**Website** [GrandCanalscape.com](http://GrandCanalscape.com)

**Hotline** 623-825-3444

**Project Email** [info@grandcanalscape.com](mailto:info@grandcanalscape.com)



## THE LYCEUM

By: Charley Jones, Mariposa St.

The Community Alliance of Seventh Avenue announces the start of “The Lyceum” project at the northwest corner of 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Montecito (south of Campbell.) Lyceum means “gathering place”, and it is a passive park with shade, seating, low-water trees and plants, lighting, a stage, bike racks and plenty of space to mingle. Woodlea-Melrose resident Perry Allen conceived the idea years ago, and the Community Alliance adopted the project in 2014 with Charley Jones as Project Manager.

The park is a partnership of the Community Alliance of Seventh Avenue, the City of Phoenix Parks Department and Clear Channel Outdoor. It became possible because of Clear Channels’ commitment and donation to the Melrose district. They are a phenomenal corporate neighbor, and we can’t thank them enough. This project also furthers Mayor Stanton’s objective to activate vacant lots throughout the city. He has helped many times over the years, and we send mountains of thanks to him. Also, Councilwoman Pastor has been very instrumental during this process, and we send a ton of thanks her. Finally, the community has been involved several times throughout this journey, and now the project enjoys widespread community support.

The Community Alliance engaged Norris Design, LLC to design and build the improvements, and Norris chose Harvest Design Group for the construction. Both companies are donating plenty of time and labor to the project, and we send huge thanks to them. Also, a majority of the materials for the project will be donated, and we truly thank those donors too.

## **IMPORTANT!!**

If you see anything suspicious...  
please tell the cops & your neighbors

Emergency: **911**

Non-emergency: **(602) 262-6151**

And, tell YOUR Community Action Officers:

**Mario Lozoya: 602-534-1745**  
**mario.lozoya@phoenix.gov**

**Matt Makinster: 602-534-0347**  
**matt.makinster@phoenix.gov**

The Lyceum will have a special area of donor bricks. You can have your name engraved in a brick, or your company name, or your dogs’ name, or just about anything you want. It is a great way to be involved in the inaugural stage of the park, and to show your commitment to the Melrose area. Just think about it, your name will be there forever. Proceeds from the bricks will be used for maintenance of the park. Look for emails and social media posts in the next few weeks, and stake your claim to bricks before they run out.

A ground-breaking ceremony will be scheduled later this fall, and construction should be completed by February. Look for more information in the next few weeks, and get ready to christen a park in Melrose!

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## See Something Suspicious? Call Crime Stop at (602) 262-6151

By: Liam Sherman, Pierson St.

I often hear from folks about suspicious characters lurking about in these cool fall evenings — I'm lucky to have great neighbors on my block who call me if they see something unusual going on near my home. I always ask them to please also call the police non-emergency line (602) 262-6151 as well. Crime Stop is the best way to get the police engaged during non-emergency incidents such as:

- Vandalism or Graffiti in progress
- Suspicious or unknown persons on your or your neighbors' property
- Casing activity - where strangers circle the block repeatedly at slow speed or on foot, etc.

In general, if you see something happening that you wouldn't want to happen on your property, it's better to call than not. The police will make contact with any suspicious individuals and will identify them. They maintain an ongoing database of contacts and incidents that they use to track behavior patterns for offenders. Thus, if an individual has been involved in trespass, vandalism, or theft incidents in the past, they are able to proactively take action.

You can also contact the police for non-emergency incidents via their website form at:  
<https://www.phoenix.gov/police/policereport>.

Of course if you see anything that jeopardizes life, limb or property - e.g. fighting, robbery, a break-in in progress, etc. please call 911 immediately.

Reporting things makes our neighborhood safer. We are the eyes and ears for cops. It really works.



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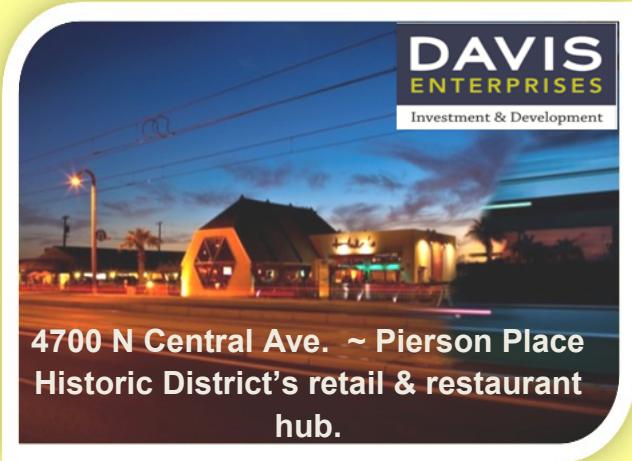
July 1<sup>st</sup> – Sept 26<sup>th</sup>  
 Source: [raidsonline.com](http://raidsonline.com)

- 7-6-17 Agg Assault, Knife 5xx W Highland
- 7-7-17 Agg Assault, Officer 7xx W Camelback
- 7-8-17 Agg Assault, Minor 46xx N Central
- 7-16-17 Burglary, Residential 3xx W Highland
- 7-17-17 Agg Assault, Knife 3xx W Pierson
- 7-27-17 Theft of Transportation, xx W Coolidge
- 8-17-17 Agg Assault, Knife xx W Camelback
- 8-24-17 Theft of Transportation 1xx W Pierson
- 8-30-17 Burglary, Residential 3xx W Pierson
- 9-17-17 Burglary, Commercial 47xx N Central



## Lost Lake Festival Oct 20-22

The **Lost Lake Festival** is a three-day celebration of music, culinary, games, and art at **Steele Indian School Park**. It features more than 40 national and local musical acts on multiple stages. The festival will also highlight the Valley's vibrant food and drink scene with offerings from local restaurants. There also will be games, a marketplace, and the Lost Playground, a unique twist on games and sports. This will be near the lost lake inside Steele Park. This event includes the day of the PPHD GAIN event, so stop by YOUR neighborhood event for a great breakfast before hitting the festival! A full day of great activities!



## Reimagine Phoenix Initiative Nominated for Prestigious International Award

Phoenix is one of 25 finalists for the C40 Cities Bloomberg Philanthropies Awards in 2017. The Reimagine Phoenix initiative – which advances the City's goal to achieve a 40 percent diversion rate (recycling more instead of landfilling) by 2020 and zero waste by 2050 -- has been judged one of the most ambitious and innovative sustainability efforts by mayors

of C40 cities around the world. Phoenix was shortlisted in the Cities4ZeroWaste category.

The fifth-annual [C40 Cities Bloomberg Philanthropies Awards](#) will celebrate the best projects across five categories: building energy efficiency and clean energy; sustainable transportation; reducing waste; climate action plans and adaptation plans and programs.

"Phoenix has authored one of the best sustainability comeback stories in the nation over the past six years, and this international recognition is another sign of our incredible progress," said Mayor Greg Stanton. "We've set very ambitious goals for ourselves, so there's no slowing down now. Phoenix will continue to create new opportunities and new services to help Phoenix residents recycle and divert waste away from our landfills – which benefits us, our environment and our economy."

Last month, the city of Phoenix also announced the overall city waste diversion rate increased to 30 percent in fiscal year 2016-17.

The winners of the C40 Cities Bloomberg Philanthropies Awards 2017 will be announced in Chicago, at the [North American Climate Summit](#) in December. C40 received 174 applications from 92 cities, which were assessed by a selection committee of urban sustainability and climate change experts at C40 and Sustainia, to identify the finalists.



You can report things to the Police Department through the Citizens Online Police Reporting System at: <https://www.phoenix.gov/police/policereport>.

Do not report an emergency or a crime in progress through this website. You will receive a tracking number and be able to print a copy of your submission to follow up later. Such an easy way to contact the police. Try it out!



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## **Neighborhood Breakfast & Car Show coming Oct 21st!** **(see inside for details)**

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### **Crime Prevention Tips**

- 1.) be aware of your surroundings,**
- 2.) get to know your neighbors,**
- 3.) report anything suspicious or out of place.**
- 4.) use crime prevention items at your house.**

**Attend our Neighborhood Event on Oct 21<sup>st</sup>  
and Accomplish All Four!!**

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