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QUARTERLY MEETING !!!

Guest Speaker: Ida Alonge, Administrative Licensing Investigator
 Drug Enforcement Bureau, Liquor Enforcement

Topic: Liquor Licenses in Phx
 and the Liquor Licensing Process

Plus: Jon McLachlan, our Community Action Officer
 Lisa Hubbard, our Neighborhood Specialist

updating us on crime prevention, trends in the neighborhood, and current city programs.

Date: April 25, 2013

At: The Camelback Sahara Hotel
 502 W. CAMELBACK RD

6:00 pm: MEET AND GREET
6:30 pm: GENERAL MEETING

Hosted by: Federal Pizza, located at 5210 N. Central Ave,
 (602) 795-2520, and visit them at: federalpizzaphx.com

Many thanks to Harley's Italian Bistro for providing hor d'oeuvres at our last meeting. Enjoy excellent food and atmosphere at this great restaurant located at 4221 N. 7th Avenue, 602-234-0333, and visit them at: harleysitalianbistro.com

Pierson Residents Rock! Shop Local!

Fun, Friends and Fundraising at the m7 Street Fair

A huge thank you to everyone who came out to support Pierson Place at the m7 Street Fair last month. Due to the participation of our residents and local businesses we raised funds and awareness of alarms and other crime prevention tools.

It was also a great opportunity to see many of our friends and neighbors celebrating one of the many events that makes this such a wonderful place to live.

Special thanks to Joanne Winter, Mark Davis, Dana Mule, Andrew Farrer, Kathy Dubs, Steve McMillan, Deb Stroinski, Charley Jones, Gary Shiffman, Frank Kraatz, Pam Perry, Henry Harding, Jose Romero, Bogi Lateiner, Romy Watkin, Ray Muench and Beverly Bodioga for soliciting prize donations, selling raffle tickets, helping at the booth and distributing the prizes. *We couldn't have done it without you.*

We also want to **thank all the local businesses** who so generously donated prizes to our community. The Pointe Hilton Tapatio Cliffs, Camelback Sahara Hotel, Jose Romero Photography, Wild Horse Pass Hotel and Casino, Stratum Laser Tag, Harley's Italian Bistro, 180 Degree Auto Repair, Hard Rock Café, Hula's Modern Tiki Restaurant, Super Shuttle and Twirl Frozen Yogurt.



Times Has New Editor

Romy Watkin is the new editor of Pierson Place Times. Romy (Mariposa) joined the board this year and immediately volunteered for the newsletter. She brings a lot of enthusiasm to the neighborhood & our hats off to her!
Thanks Romy!

FREE e-MAGAZINES

Phoenix Public Library has launched a new service, providing free online access to more than 290 popular magazines in English and Spanish.

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To get started, visit phoenixpubliclibrary.org and click on "magazines & newspapers". A link to Zinio, the library partner providing the service, is located near the bottom of the page. Zinio makes apps available for downloading magazines to your iPhone, iPod Touch, iPad, Android, Kindle Fire and HP's Touchpad. Phoenix Public Library cards are free to residents of Maricopa County and may be obtained at any library location.

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President's Message

By Charley Jones

Spring is in the air! Trees are blooming, birds are chirping, and several things are unfolding in Pierson Place. Gourmet food trucks, a taco themed restaurant, luxury apartments, a medical marijuana dispensary, and a bookstore with beer and wine are planning to sprout soon. What a combination! What a sign of the times.

We already have good lighting, low crime, reasonable traffic, joggers, bikers and dog walkers, renovated houses, a brand new house and first-rate business neighbors. Surrounded by a neighborhood style rail station area, the Grand Canal, the Melrose on 7th Ave arts district, and several restaurant hot spots; and we have quite an eclectic mix of urban chic!

Add in a high percentage of folks who love their homes and their neighborhood. So much so, they sponsored a phenomenal booth at the 7th Ave street fair last month. So much so, they painted out graffiti on a Saturday, and continue removing it as it occurs. So much so, they installed "block watch" and "no dumping" signs in their alleys, and painted address

numbers on their alley fences. So much so..., and so much so...., what a great combination of people, places, and happening things.

And so much so, that a dozen of them volunteered to lead the charge this year. A big "thank you" goes to all of the board members for 2013 (listed on the front page). We hope you come and meet them at the meeting this month (also on the front page); they would love to chat with you about the neighborhood. The Liquor Enforcement folks will tell us about the liquor licensing process in Phoenix, and the bookstore with beer and wine (Changing Hands) will present their plans. Start it off with noshing on Federal Pizza, and it's sure to be a great meeting!

Getting to know your neighbors is really what it's all about. The more neighbors you know, the safer your neighborhood is. They watch your house and you watch theirs. Everyone calls in anything that smells. It's the old-fashioned buddy system in a new wave urban environment. Use it, do it, live it. It's a real sign of the times.

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COMMUNITY RECYCLING EVENTS:

Don't trash old electronics. Instead drop them off between 8am and 1pm on Saturday, April 27th at Desert Ridge Marketplace, 21001 N Tatum Blvd.

Household Hazardous Waste Collection:

Car batteries, old oil based paint and varnish, pesticides and other chemicals, car batteries and tires, large appliances, evap coolers and other household hazardous waste collection event will be held on May 30th from 8am to noon at Paradise Valley Park, 17642 N 40th St.

For more information on what can be accepted at these events contact Phoenix Public Works. Be sure to bring your current city services bill.

Call 602-262-7251, Email pwwserve@phoenix.gov or visit phoenix.gov/publicworks

Sustainability Initiative Urges Phoenix Residents to Recycle More

In his State of the City address, **Mayor Greg Stanton** reiterated his support of initiatives to improve Phoenix's sustainability in the future. One such initiative is the creation of a solid waste sustainability program focusing on increasing the city's waste diversion rate. The program, soon to be launched by the Phoenix Public Works Department, is called "40 by 20," and its goal is to reach a citywide 40 percent diversion rate of waste from landfills by year 2020.

"The more we integrate sustainable practices and strategy in our everyday lives, the more we see improvement in our economies, communities and environment. Sustainable practices, such as recycling, not only protect our city's natural assets but also spur the local economy," said Stanton. *"I encourage all Phoenix residents to do their part in reaching our 40 percent diversion rate goal."*

Phoenix's diversion rate for fiscal year 2011-2012 is 13 percent, which is below the national average. With "40 by 20," the Public Works Department hopes to triple the city's diversion rate through aggressive outreach, education and possible economic incentives to residents by decade's end.

Increasing the city's current waste diversion rate goal means that the city will extend the life of its landfill assets, thus delaying future investments funded by residents.

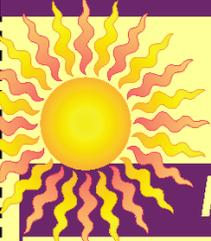
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Phoenix City Council Approves Comprehensive Anti-Discrimination Ordinances

At the February 26th, 2013 City Council Policy Meeting, the Council voted to approve updates to city anti-discrimination ordinances to include sexual orientation, gender identity and expression and disability. This is an important step for Phoenix, as we join more than 160 cities across the country that provide equal protections for their LGBT and disabled citizens.

FitPHX is up and running!

Mayor Greg Stanton, Councilman Daniel T. Valenzuela and Olympic Gold Medalist Misty Hyman recently kicked off FitPHX, a new city health initiative to get Phoenix in shape.

A recent survey ranked the Phoenix area 26 out of 50 for healthiest and fittest US Cities.

The goal of FitPHX is to break into the top 10. FitPHX brings together hundreds of the city's health related programs offering tools, opportunities and solutions to help you achieve your individual wellness goal.

This is your invitation to join the FitPHX team. Check out the latest events and news at phoenix.gov/fitphx and see how much fun you can have getting healthy.

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Councilman Tom Simplot

Phoenix Councilman Tom Simplot, who has represented the central-city area for nearly a decade, will not run for reelection. Simplot had been building the groundwork for another council bid, but said he decided to step back from public life, at least for the near future.

He said he will instead focus on his role as president of the Arizona Multi-housing Association.

The councilman is leaving the door open for a potential mayoral campaign.

He said if current Mayor Greg Stanton moves on to a higher or different public office, he would strongly consider running for the city's top elected position.

Crime Statistics *by Andy Mezulis*

December 20th 2012 through March 7th 2013

Total for 85013 - 124

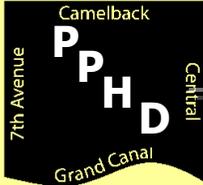
Total for Pierson Place: 5

- 1-9-13, 00 block W. Mariposa, burglary
- 1-11-13, 300 block W Hazelwood, burglary
- 2-5-13, 300 block W. Highland, assault
- 2-15-13, 600 block W. Pierson, burglary
- 3-6-13, 100 block W. Pierson, burglary

If you see anything suspicious...
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