

January 2017



May you have a Prosperous
and Healthy New Year!

A quick note from your editor:

Please keep this newsletter handy as it will have all the dates for the neighborhood meetings and other information. This is our one newsletter that the City of Tucson provides for our neighborhood. If you wish to have an e-newsletter the rest of the year please email me at gapitgirl@msn.com or President Yolanda Herrera at acuinteriors@aol.com. You can also get on the nextdoor website for additional information to see what is going on in your neighborhood.
Beki Quintero
SNA Editor

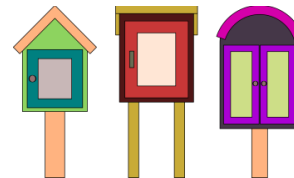


Valencia
Pima County Public Library

The Pima County Public Library will conduct a culturally-competent and culturally-relevant assessment of the needs of the Latino and Spanish-speaking community in the Valencia and other library service areas. The assessment will be

intergenerational **and will focus on the education, health and family needs of the community.** PCPL will use the information gathered to better focus the delivery of services, change or modify existing services or develop programs that address specific needs.

Your participation in Valencia's community forum, taking place on **January 23rd, 2017, 6:30-7:30 pm**, will be much appreciated. The forum will be conducted by the consultant assisting PCPL with this assessment process. **The regular Sunnyside Neighborhood Association meeting will immediately follow from 7:30-8:30pm.**



FREE LITTLE LIBRARY

We are working on placing a Free Little Library in our neighborhood, we are looking at some place near the Boys and Girls Club but are open to other suggestions. This is being provided by a grant by one of our Partners at the University of Arizona who will continue to stock books of interest.

Beat Back Buffelgrass Day January 21st

We will again be doing our part to clean up buffelgrass in our community to protect against the threat of fire in our alleys, along our front curbs and roadsides. Event partners are Arizona Sonora Desert Museum, Pima Association of Governments, Sky Island Alliance and Tucson Clean and Beautiful Inc. We are looking for volunteers for this event to assist with this clean up in our

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neighborhood. Sign up to volunteer at www.PAGregion.com/buffelgrass OR Yolanda at acuinteriors@aol.com Watch for workers on January 21st.

Unified Community Advisory Board (UCAB)

UCAB tasked w/monitoring the water contamination clean up of TCE/1,4-Dioxane. Meetings are held at El Pueblo Senior Center 101 W. Irvington 5:45 p.m. - 7:30. It is important we stay informed as our NH was greatly impacted decades ago and clean up will go on for decades more especially as technology improves:

2017 Meeting Dates:

January 18th

April 19th

July 19th

October 18th

Questions/Concerns feel free to contact Yolanda Herrera Unified Community Advisory Board Community Co-chair email: acuinteriors@aol.com 520-991-3307

We are also looking for new board members and working on a grant to capture history and stories from members of our community.

Pima Council On Aging (PCOA)

Another partner, **Pima Council on Aging**, is an agency that offers not only informative newsletters but is a great place for resources and assistance on many levels. They provided to us, a grant for tools to assist our seniors with yard work to help create safer homes and help our seniors age in place. Another aspect of this grant was to provide street numbers painted on curbs front and back to assist first responders to locate homes more quickly. As an Elder Connector, Yolanda Herrera, will provide information at the Valencia Library the first Wednesday of every month 10 a.m - 12 p.m. Questions/concerns/more info feel free to

call her at 520-991-3307 or email: acuinteriors@aol.com

Another resource provided to all residents citywide is Mayor Rothschild's website: www.mayorrothchild.com particularly of interest Pathway to purchase program (homebuyers) and Cities for Citizenship Initiative.

What would you like to see?

Airport Wash Pathway

Through **Pima County's Neighborhood Reinvestment Grant**, there was a bit of money left over from neighborhood projects who completed under budget. Pima County Board of Supervisors had opened the process to other neighborhoods so they could request funds for projects in their neighborhoods who had shovel ready projects. It was the very last pot of funding. The Sunnyside Neighborhood Association had a project that was on hold until funding became available. Funding was approved for a 10 foot asphalt walking path along Airport wash from 12th Ave to 6th Ave connecting east to west. This will provide a much safer path for all ages whether biking, skating, running, jogging or just walking along Airport Wash. More information coming in the future.

2nd Annual Book Giveaway

The Literacy Council, Friends of the Library and the Valencia Library invite you to their 2nd Annual Book Giveaway on January 28th at the Valencia Library from 10 a.m until 5p.m. Bring your own bag please and be prepared to see some amazing books. If there are any books remaining on Saturday they will continue the giveaway on Sunday at 1:00p.m.

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Concerned about lead in your home?

Come to our neighborhood meeting in February to learn more about what to look for and what steps you can take to eliminate it.

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Like us on Facebook

We meet at the Valencia Library at 202 W Valencia at 7 P.M.

Please call Yolanda Herrera for more information at 991-3307

Meetings For 2017

January 23rd

February 27th

The City Of Tucson will present on the Lead-Based Paint Hazard Program for homes built before 1978 retro fitting homes for child safety.

March 20th

April 17th (last meeting before summer break)

May 5 All American Awards

June July August –Summer Break

However we partner with The Shyann Kindness Project w/Kindness Week and Backpack night.

September 18th

October 16th

November 20th

December 18th-Christmas Potluck

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Save the Dates :

GETTING A RIZONA INVOLVED IN
NEIGHBOHOODS (GAIN) NIGHT

October 3rd

UNITED WAY DAYS OF CARING

October 28th

STAR NIGHT

TBA

Keep a **blue** light on to show your support for TPD.



A Note from Ward 1 Councilor Regina Romero

Happy New Year! We have some good news. After some delays, repaving of 12th Avenue from 44th Street to Santa Paula is set to begin early next year. Below is the tentative schedule:

Utility lowering begins Sunday, February 5, 2017

Milling and Paving begins Sunday, February 26, 2017

Scheduled completion date is Tuesday, March 14, 2017

Work hours for utility lowering will be **6 a.m. to 6 p.m. and milling/paving work will be 6 p.m. to 6 a.m.** We are all looking forward to these improvements!

Please expect a letter soon from the Tucson Department of Transportation with additional details and resources. Also, I would also want to get your feedback on an idea – Bringing **Cyclovia** to 12th Avenue in 2017!

Cyclovia Tucson is a FREE biannual event, inspired by open streets events that began in Bogotá, Colombia and are now taking place across North America. At the event, streets are temporarily closed to car traffic and become “open” to people to walk, bike, skate, jog, and explore the city from outside of the car. **There will be a meeting on Wednesday, January 11th at 9 a.m. at BK Tacos, 5118 S. 12th Avenue. We hope you can come and share your ideas .**

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2017 Brush and Bulky for our area:

East of 12th Ave.

April 9, 2017

October 8, 2017

West of 12th Ave.

March 19, 2017

September 17, 2017

We ask the public's help when we provide roll-offs for our NH clean ups which we have several times a year. The City provides roll-offs but we ask the public please respect them by not over filling them or leaving debris around roll-offs. Take advantage of COT Brush/Bulky provided twice a year. Please no "wildcat dumping" as this may cause an increase in your Environmental Service bill.



Peace Garden

5901 S Fiesta

10:00 a.m. to 2:00p.m.

Our work days take place on the 1st and 3rd Saturday of the month.

Please call Beki Quintero at 404-5805 for more information.

January 7th

February 4th

March 4th

April 1st

May 6th

June 3rd

September 2nd

October 7th

November 4th

December 2nd

January 21st

February 18th

March 18th

April 15th

May 20th

Vacation Break

September 16th

October 21st

November 18th

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