

PALO VERDE PARK POST

The official newsletter of the Palo Verde Park Neighborhood Association



EVENTS

July 18

Please join us as we learn from Tucson Electric Power of how we can save energy, resources and money!

6:30-7:30 p.m.

**Fellowship Bible Church
6700 E Broadway**

Upcoming meetings

Aug. 15: Fire prevention

Sept. 19: Learn chest-only CPR

**Oct. 6: Palo Verde Park cleanup - roll-offs
available all weekend!**

**Nov. 3: Wellness in the Park! Come try
yoga, tai chi, meditation and more!**

**For more details and meeting locations,
visit**

<http://paloverdeparkneighborhood.com>

*Be a good neighbor - build a better
community*

A word from the president

Did you know that Tucson Police Department handled more than 1,700 calls over the last six months in the Palo Verde Park Neighborhood boundaries?

It turns out that it's not as dramatic a number as it sounds, by the time you remove traffic stops, check welfare, traffic hazards and proactive police patrols.

Nevertheless, neighbors are reporting that vehicle break-ins or petty larceny or mail theft are still at numbers that are too high.

It's a reminder that what we're doing is important: Getting to know one another so we're more likely to spot something suspicious and engaging in conversations to protect our quality of life.

Thank you for your energy and engagement! - Norma Coffman



Methadone clinic moving in at Broadway and Jessica

Neighbors learned recently that Community Medical Services is opening a methadone clinic where Focus Employment Services was formerly.

As a "medical use," there is no notice requirement and no zoning change required.

Neighbors are torn between understanding the need for treatment, particularly in this era of the opioid crisis, and wanting to see responsible management of the facility.

Neighborhood leadership has engaged the Ward 2 Council office and it is our expectation that they will help facilitate a meeting between neighbors and property owners to help establish a set of expectations that will allow for the smooth delivery of care for those in need of services.

We will keep you updated as more details become available.

Vacation crime prevention checklist

- When the mercury rises, Tucsonans head out of town if they can. Tucson Police have provided a few tips to make your home safe in your absence:
- Secure windows and sliding glass doors with a dowel or bar
- Put several lights on timers and consider installing motion lights
- Put tools and ladders away
- Suspend newspaper delivery
- Have your mail held at the post office
- Ask a friend or trusted neighbor to check on your house to remove clues you aren't home, such as election materials left behind on your door
- Don't make big announcements of your vacation plans on social media or your message machine that you are on vacation

Consider Neighborhood Watch

Sgt. Jeremy Williams encouraged neighbors last week to consider starting Neighborhood Watch.

Best practice is to have no more than one or two streets participate. There is an initial meeting and then at least one annual followup. To learn more, call the east side neighborhood watch coordinator Sgt. Williams at 520-837-7158.

Keep an eye on our website for more news and events!

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Interim Council:

Board President: Norma Coffman

Vice President: Mike Southworth

Treasurer: Jack Kulawik

Secretary: Rhonda Bodfield

Riviera Estates delegate: Andy Weiss

Manana Vista delegate: Virginia Stanek

(Special thanks to Scot Osborne for photos)

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JOHN MADSEN, COOPER STREET

Neighborhood recognition award

When he's not busy serving as a docent and volunteer at the Tucson Botanical Gardens, or cleaning up Palo Verde Park, John does a great job making his yard tidy and appealing.

Thanks for all you do to make our community stronger, John!



**ANYONE
LOOKING FOR
A PROJECT?**

**FREE
LIBRARY
BOOK
SWAP**

We're not above stealing good ideas. Sam Hughes has this super cute free library that allows neighbors to swap good reads.

Anyone have mad woodworking skills out there who could help us have our own?

