

PALO VERDE PARK POST

The official newsletter of the Palo Verde Park Neighborhood Association



Welcome to the
Palo Verde Park Neighborhood Association

President's Corner

it is in unprecedented times such as this that I value the strength of neighbors and friendship all the more.

Life as we know it is in a state of upheaval, with every day bringing some news about closures, shortages and cancelations.

You will see on the next page our own announcement that we were forced to change direction on some of our events. And yet, in the midst of it, we are watching amazing things happen even so. We have some opportunities, which you'll read about in the coming pages.

We'll get through this time together, stronger. Hang in there.



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UPCOMING EVENTS

CANCELED Sunday, March 29
ParkFest 2020!

3-6 p.m.

CANCELED

12 bands, 4 food trucks!

RESCHEDULED May 31

Sunday, April 5

**Midcentury Modified Home
Tour! Neighborhood
fundraiser - \$15, with
proceeds going to projects**

Saturday, May 23

**Free Movie Night in the Park!
The fun starts at 6 p.m. with a
pirate fencing demonstration
and a princess.
Princess Bride at 7 p.m.**

Park Fest 2020 canceled, Home Tour rescheduled to help manage COVID-19

A message from the leadership team:

Palo Verde Park Neighborhood works hard to create a collective sense of ownership in our park, a sense of reverence around public art, beauty and nature, and a strong commitment to community.

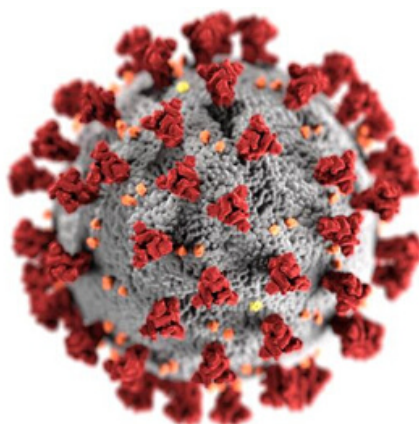
We have watched the developments around COVID-19 closely, and believe we have a responsibility to follow the guidance of our public health and elected leaders as they work to manage the spread of this disease.

With the Mayor's recent recommendation against large public gatherings of 50 people or more, we have determined the responsible path is to cancel Park Fest 2020, with the possibility of rescheduling later in the year.

We have also rescheduled our Midcentury Modified Home Tour, which will now take place on May 31, when we hope a sense of normalcy has been restored.

At this point, we also are hopeful that the threat of transmission will be reduced enough by May that our summer movie night series may proceed as well.

We appreciate your understanding and patience as we navigate this unexpected development.



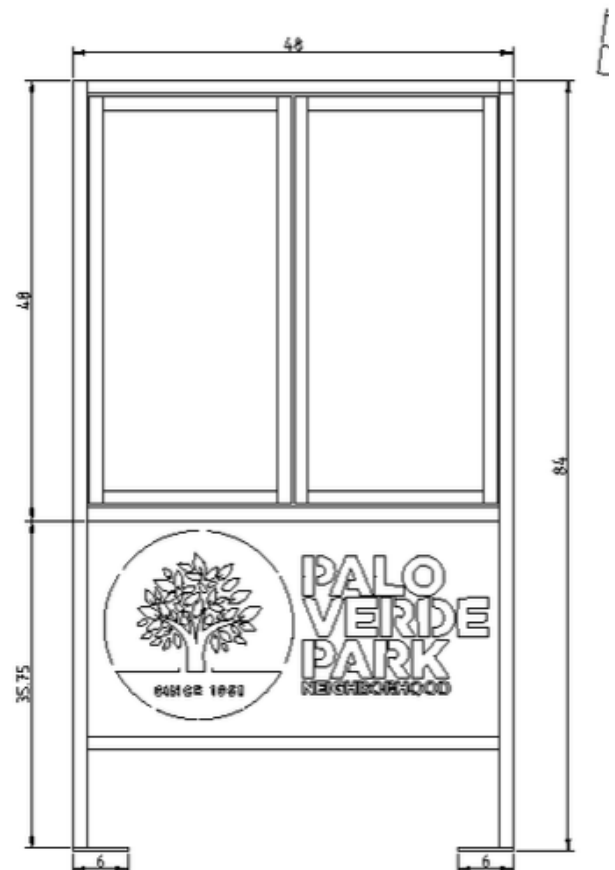
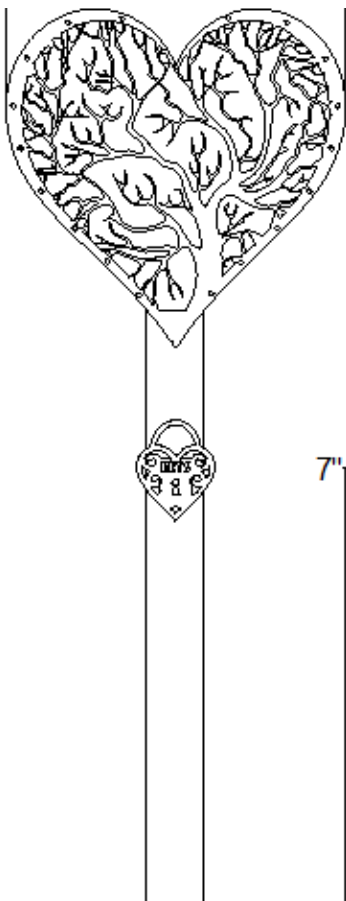
New infrastructure projects coming to Palo Verde Park

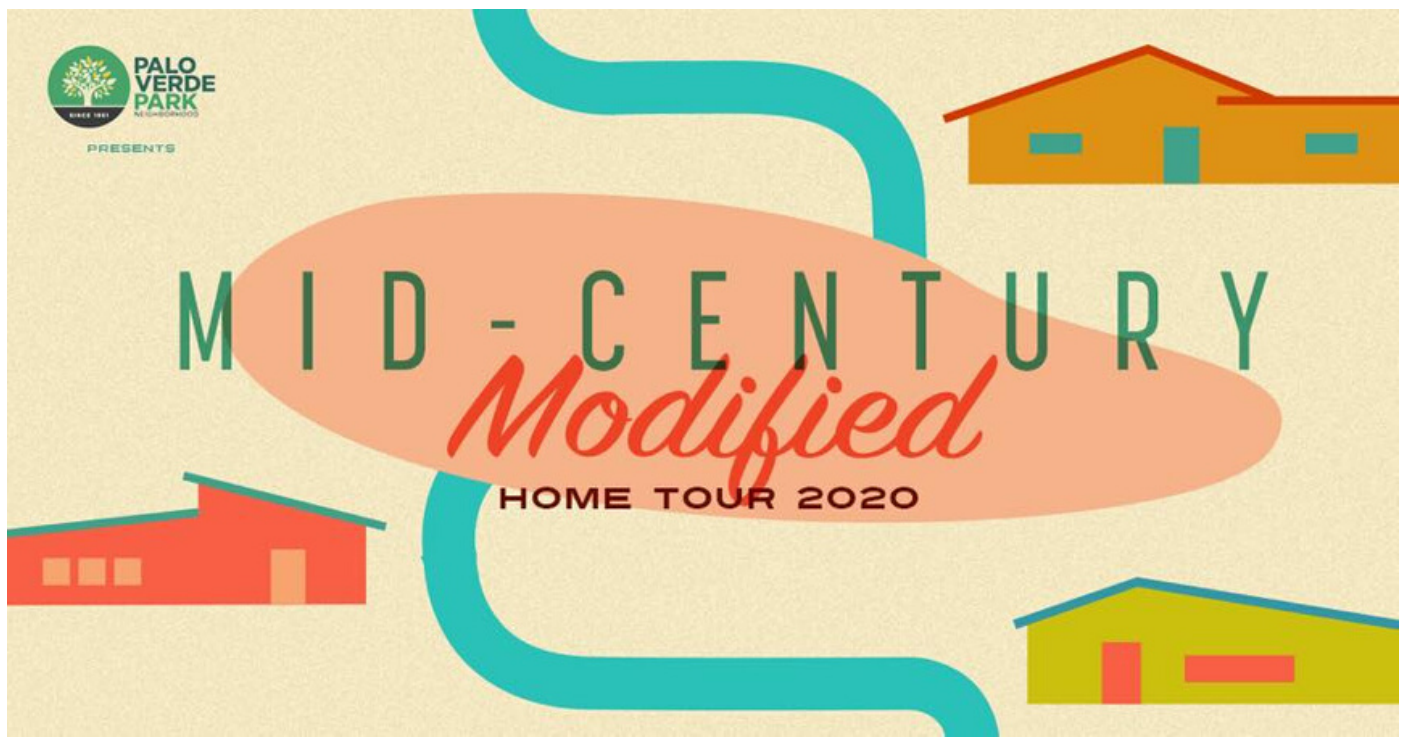
Palo Verde Park Neighborhood Association is working to bring new infrastructure projects to the park.

Communication is a challenge for a new neighborhood association, particularly since we only get one mailing assistance from the City of Tucson once a year. A sturdy, appealing bulletin board, such as the mock up below, would help us share upcoming events and news with more neighbors. Social media is so helpful, but sometimes, a throwback to older methods is helpful too!

Meanwhile, we're working toward getting our own Locks of Love sculpture! The sculptures provide a place for friends and sweethearts to affix padlocks that symbolize their affection. You can see them along Fourth Avenue if you want to check them out!

Fundraisers like the Home Tour and our GoFundMe account help us afford new projects. Every contribution, no matter the amount, helps. Thank you for your support.





Neighborhood fundraiser to highlight 1950s era architecture

The decade beginning in 1950 was a dynamic and transformative time for Tucson. Hughes Aircraft came to town. The Sonoran Desert Museum got its start. The first Gem & Mineral Show was held. In the housing boom of that era, this neighborhood was born. Each home will highlight the history of the neighborhood while showing how homes have been modified yet still retain their historic character.

Sunday, May 31, noon to 4 p.m. \$12 in advance or \$15 day-of



Free Movie Night in the Park with The Princess Bride!

May 23, 2020

Palo Verde Park, 425 S. Mann Ave.

The fun starts at 6 p.m. with:

- **Food trucks,**
- **Fencing demonstration by The Dread Fleet pirates**
- **Princess greetings**
- **Treats for the kids**

Movie starts at 7:30 p.m.



2020 Calendar of Events

Saturday, May 23, 6 p.m., Movie Night in the Park

Bring the family for The Princess Bride and 4 food trucks

Sunday, May 31, 12 - 4 p.m., Palo Verde Park Home Tour

Help us celebrate our midcentury architectural contributions in this fundraiser for neighborhood projects

Wednesday, June 17, 630 p.m., Regular Meeting

City Parks shares an update on bond projects, other improvements, Fountain of Life, 710 S. Kolb Road

Saturday, June 20, 7 p.m., Movie Night in the Park

Bring the family for Star Wars: Episode VII The Force Awakens

Wednesday, July 15, 630 p.m., Regular Meeting

Tucson Water shares conservation tips, Fountain of Life, 710 S. Kolb Road

Saturday, July 18, 7 p.m., Movie Night in the Park

Bring the family for Guardians of the Galaxy

Wednesday, Aug. 19, 630 p.m., Book Exchange

Hear from City of Tucson Recycling and "recycle" your favorite literary gem, Fountain of Life, 710 S. Kolb Road

Saturday, Sept. 26, 8-9 a.m., Park Clean Up

Bring some energy and we'll have the bags, gloves and equipment

Saturday, Oct. 17, 4-6 p.m., Zombie Walk 2020

Get your zombie on with a DJ, trunk or treat and other activities

Saturday, Nov. 7, 8-11 a.m., Wellness in the Park

Join us for a fun run, meditation, yoga, Zumba and more!

**Saturday, Dec. 5, 10-11 a.m., Cookie Exchange
and Holiday Toy Drive**

A note of thanks to our sponsors

Applause to Tread Lightly Carpet Care! Owner Matt Russell, a Palo Verde Park Neighborhood resident, was our first sign sponsor! He and his wife, Cathy, support all of our events and have been critical to Park Fest.

- Arizona Beer House has been a stalwart friend.
- Little Anthony's donated ice cream for our ice cream social
- Stewart Title & Trust of Tucson, Inc. has also been a good friend, as has Community Medical Services, which donated a sign at Broadway and Jessica across from their center.
- Bookmans supported our Zombie Walk with a trunk or treat; Brian and Kelly's Pumpkins gave us lots of little pumpkins for our little punkins to decorate.
- All of the businesses who have supported our fundraising event raffles

Other event and sign sponsors include:

Andy and Diane Weiss

Vonnie Baldwin

Jeremy and Rachael Blackketter

Mike Southworth and Giuliano De Santis

Mike and Toni Krause

Mia Ford

Norma and Dave Coffman (for sponsoring the June and July movie nights)

Rhonda Bodfield and Fred Araiza

Christine Cerda

Brett Lange

Connie Sadler-Nelson

And everyone who contributed to our Go Fund Me page!