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PALO VERDE PARK POST

The official newsletter of the Palo Verde Park Neighborhood Association



Welcome to the
Palo Verde Park Neighborhood Association

THE HISTORY HUB

The banner headline in the April 10, 1956 edition of the Tucson Citizen blared "682-unit Subdivision Planned for Tucson." The story went on to say the project, one of the biggest single home projects to date at that time, would be called Miramonte Terrace.

Busby & Carroll Construction Co., planned to open the first 200 homes in May. The Blue Ribbon model, about 1,800 square feet, ran about \$10,000. A slightly larger model, the Bel Monte, was selling at about \$12,500.

The development was the 13th for the firm.

A Star story hailed the subdivision for its location "on high rolling ground within view of the mountains and conveniently near several churches and shopping centers" as well as near Kellond Elementary.

Upcoming Events
Elections and Sock Drive
April 24, 9-10 am @ the mural

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Neighbors Help Trees Thrive

After a year-long watering contract expired on the east side of the park, responsibility of keeping the plantings alive now falls upon our neighborhood.

Thanks are in order to:

- Andy, Fred, Steve and others who prepared the tree wells and are hand watering with buckets twice a week through the summer
- Tucson Parks and Recreation for providing the water hookup for neighbors to continue watering
- Tucson Clean and Beautiful for providing the water contract for the year

Want to help? Drop us a line at paloverdepark@gmail.com



Check Out Our New Interactive Map!



*Creative placemaking is
alive and well at Palo
Verde Park
Neighborhood!*

We all know what makes our neighborhood
unique.

Our new interactive map tool on the website lets
visitors click to learn more about the art and
projects at Palo Verde Park.

Check it out!

<https://paloverdeparkneighborhood.com/map/>

We'll be adding to it as our park continues to
evolve, but if we missed anything, we'd love to
hear your ideas.

April Elections and Sock Drive



April 24
9-10 a.m.
@the mural!

Cast a vote, come meet the Council representatives and drop off some socks for those in need!

Michael Southworth, President;

Erinn Peters, Vice President;

Andy Weiss, Treasurer;

Rhonda Bodfield, Secretary;

Torey Crandell, delegate;

Matt Russell/Cathy Cromwell, delegates;

Dianne Bustamante, delegate;

Patty Bowers, delegate

Socks can make a huge difference for people experiencing homelessness.

They make a huge difference in reducing the risk of infection and blisters.

And while people often donate food, clothing and blankets, socks aren't always top of mind, even though they're one of the most requested items.

If you have the capacity to give, we're asking for new, unused socks. We'll deliver them to the shelters.



Got some cuttings? Need some seeds? Check out the Plant Swap!



The Plant Swap, the latest addition to the Kindness Tree Garden, is available for those looking to find new homes for seeds, plants, compost or other garden items. Leave what you don't need and see what might make a good addition to your own landscaping. The swap is affixed to the Wishing Fence.

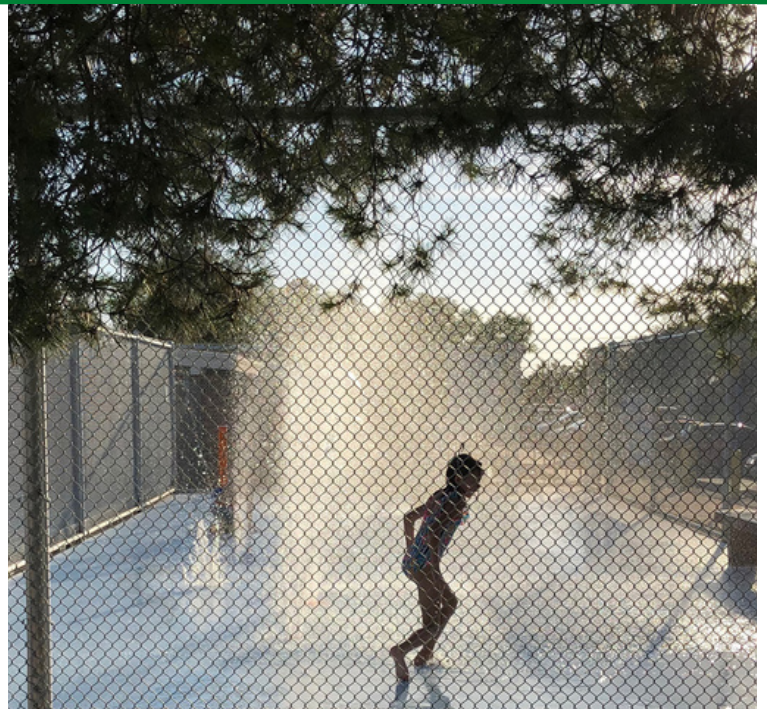
Tour with New Parks Director

Council members had an opportunity to meet with Lara Hamwey, the new parks director who came to Tucson in January from the City of Miami. Lara was pleased to see the neighborhood engagement at the park and agreed to work with neighbors about a few of our infrastructure priorities for the year: additional murals at the park and a pollinator garden at the labyrinth. We're looking forward to strengthening our partnership with the City of Tucson.



Splash Pad Opens!

Palo Verde Park Splash Pad opens Monday, April 19. Hours run from 8 a.m. - sunset. Splish splash - and do it safely, friends.



Join us May 1 for a Walk at the Park that Celebrates Birds



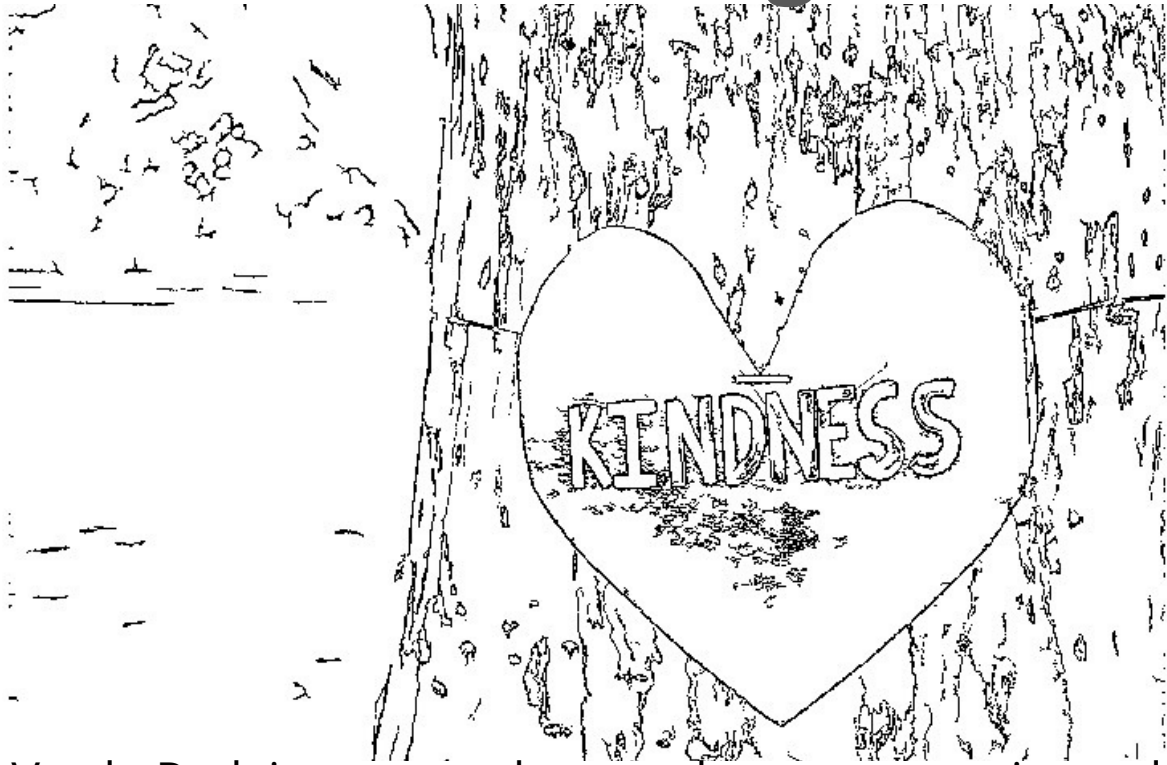
Our resident amateur bird watcher Lisa Hise will join neighborhood photographer Fred Araiza for a one-hour walk around the park, sharing tips about how best to seek out the feathered denizens of the park and capture their images.

The walk begins at 8 a.m. on Saturday, May 1, before the temperatures begin to increase.

Please wear comfortable walking shoes, sunscreen and a hat, and consider bringing water.

Questions? Drop us a line at paloverdepark@gmail.com

New Coloring Page Series Celebrates Our Neighborhood



Palo Verde Park is a great place to share community and build connections. Our Kindness Tree is just one way to share small gestures of hope. If you have an image that reflects who we are and how we live, please **submit your photo to paloverdepark@gmail.com**



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 our events.

Other donors and stalwart friends include:

- Arizona Beer House
- Little Anthony's
- Stewart Title & Trust of Tucson, Inc.
- Community Medical Services
- Bookmans
- Brian and Kelly's Pumpkins

Palo Verde Park has numerous independent and small businesses. Please support them.

Other event and sign sponsors include:

Andy and Diane Weiss
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Norma and Dave Coffman
Rhonda Bodfield and Fred Araiza
Christine Cerda
Brett Lange
Connie Sadler-Nelson

And everyone who contributed to our Go Fund Me page!
Thanks to Fred Araiza, too, for hand-etching and building the labyrinth sign. Go check it out!