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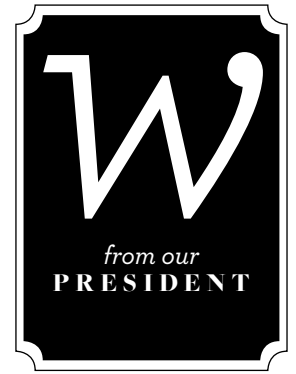


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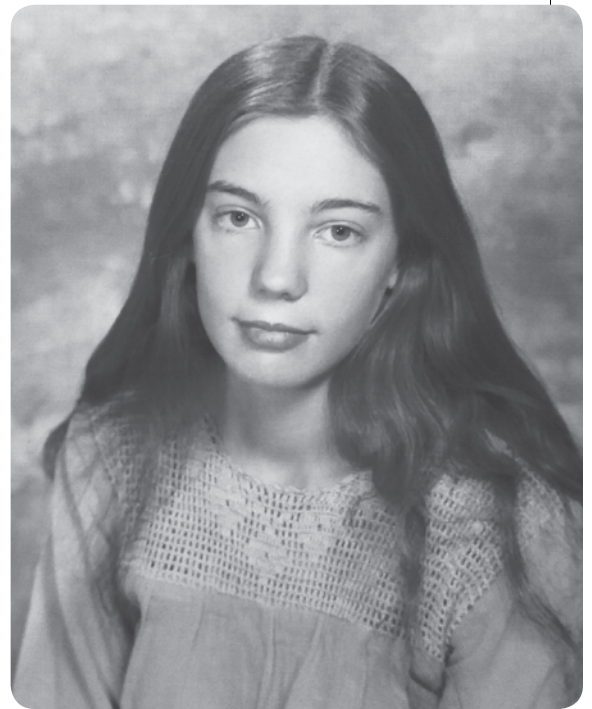
SUMMER IS COMING TO AN end soon, and we can all look forward to seeing neighbors out that we haven't seen for months. Excitement is building for the prime season for so many things! Biking, hiking, jogging, gardening, and all. Of course, all of the available cultural events occurring with the cooler weather will give you the opportunity to make many decisions on any given day.

Even with the hot weather, it has been a very busy summer for many of Willo's committees... especially the three Zoning Committees. Anthony Sumner, Opal Wagner, Paul Benjamin, and Tom Doeschler have had many tasks to perform. We also have some neighbors with differing interests. The board takes the job of looking after ALL of our neighbors' interests very seriously and try to help everyone in any way that we can. Unity over division is key. There should be no "sides," rather, communication and negotiation in order to reach mutual satisfaction regarding matters for all of our Willo residents. Parking is definitely coming closer to being a real issue, and we still have the opportunity to be proactive rather than reactive.

If you are a Block Watch Captain, it's time to schedule your individual street Block Watch meetings with Jon Whitcomb, our Block Watch Chair. There are so many new residents, we need to hold these gatherings for each street at least once per year so everyone can bond, exchange information, and be more prepared to help each other as neighbors when needed.


One of my favorite things to go to is the GAIN event. "Get Arizonans Involved in Neighborhoods." You'll find more about it inside, along with a restaurant review (love this place), historic preservation information, Willo Home Tour, Willo Point of Pride, Two-way Streets update, Zoning Updates, Kids Club, and Social Committee information.

I've been running around this neighborhood for forty seven years now, and I've been having a wonderful time doing it. We've been a Special Conservation District for thirty of these years, and we've reached a certain level of maturity as an organization. All of the people that have made our neighborhood what it is today have really done a great job of reaching the level of sophistication that it has. We are continually trying to think of ways to "change it up." So many neighborhoods copy us (Inside Willo, Home Tours, Yard Sales, Kids Club, Socials) that we have to amp up the creativity



Marilyn Rendon, Willo President

level. I really appreciate visiting with you, talking with you and hearing your ideas.

Our *Inside Willo* Co-editors, Andrea Katsenes and Rebecca Nevedale have resigned. Therefore, I will serve as the interim editor until further notice. In the meantime, several volunteers have come forward to work on various aspects of its production. If you have any stories for *Inside Willo*, or if you would like to volunteer, please contact me at flower8686@aol.com and Diana Herman at dcherman@msn.com. 

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Willo Historic Neighborhood Association Board

The Willo Historic Neighborhood Association Board was established in the early 1980s. The members are volunteers and are elected every two years in March. The association does not collect dues and does not act like a Home Owners' Association (HOA). Rather, its function is to serve the collective well being of the neighborhood. Meetings are typically held the second Thursday of each month at 6:30 pm at the Fairfield Inn and Suites Hotel. All residents of Willo are invited to attend. Agendas are available online prior to the meeting at www.willohistoricdistrict.com.

Inside Willo newsletter

This free newsletter is published monthly (excluding July & August) by a committee headed by Willo volunteers. Willo neighbors are encouraged to submit neighborhood news, tidbits, photos and articles (between 250-350 words) by the 10th of each month. We reserve the right to: edit as needed, attribute to the submitting neighbor (with the street they live on where appropriate), determine which issue the information may be printed and use content on our website and in neighborhood promotional materials. The Willo Neighborhood Association is not responsible for nor endorses the editorial content in *Inside Willo*. A copy of *Inside Willo* is also posted to the Willo website each month.

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Historic@phoenix.gov 602-261-8699
Walk-in hours are 12:30 pm to 5:00 pm, Monday through Friday at the main office, located at 200 W. Washington Street, 3rd Floor (City Hall). The field office is The Ellis-Shackelford House at 1242 N. Central Avenue (by appointment only)

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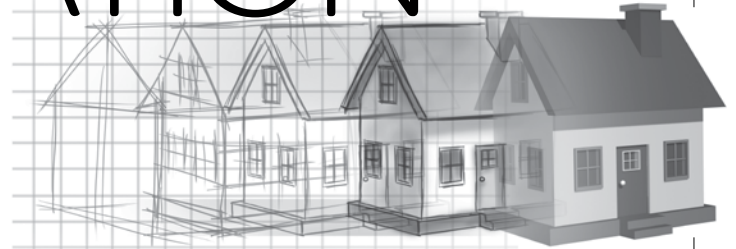
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HISTORIC PRESERVATION FAQs

BY OPAL WAGNER (CORONADO)
WITH INPUT FROM THE CITY OF PHOENIX HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICE



What types of home-improvement projects require approval from the City of Phoenix Historic Preservation Office (HPO)?

A Certificate of No Effect (CNE) or Certificate of Appropriateness (COA) issued by HPO is required for all proposed building permit applications affecting the exterior of historic properties. This includes additions, restoration or removal of existing structures, erection of walls, etc., but does not include routine maintenance, such as painting your home. All exterior changes require HPO approval if there is a conservation easement on the property - not just those that require a building permit.

How do I obtain HPO approval for my proposed project?

Reaching out to HPO (602-261-8699) to discuss your project should always be your first step. Minor work items can often be approved on a walk-in basis at HPO, which is located at Phoenix City Hall, 200 W. Washington. Once a CNE has been issued by a historic preservation planner, you are free to proceed with your project. After the HPO issues a CNE or a COA, you can then obtain a building permit unless you need additional approvals from the city first (such as a setback variance).

More extensive projects will require a COA, which calls for a more substantive review and a lengthier approval process. Start by scheduling an appointment with a historic preservation planner. The his-

toric preservation planner will review your plans and prepare a report based on an analysis of how your proposed project fits within historic preservation guidelines. The report will include a recommendation to approve or deny your proposed project, or to approve it with stipulations. A public hearing will then be scheduled, and the Historic Preservation Hearing Officer will make a decision based on whether or not the proposal meets the design guidelines.

The Historic Preservation Hearing Officer did not approve my project. What recourse do I have?

First, be sure you fully understand the basis of the Hearing Officer's denial of your project. Discuss with HPO staff whether there are modifications that could be made to put your project into compliance with historic preservation guidelines. If you do not agree with the Hearing Officer's decision, there is an appeals process as follows: The Historic Preservation Hearing Officer's decision can be appealed to the Phoenix Historic Preservation Commission, and the Historic Preservation Commission's decision can be appealed to the Phoenix City Council. In each case, there are deadlines that must be met for timely filing of your appeal. Contact HPO for more details.

Do I need HPO approval for the following projects:

A) Window replacements?

HPO approval for window replacements is no longer required unless there is a conservation easement on the property. However, original windows are generally considered part of the historic fabric of a building, and restoration of existing windows is highly encouraged.

B) Carport structures?

The addition or alteration of a carport structure, or any other type of structure that alters the exterior of your home, requires HPO review and approval.

C) Front yard/front porch pony walls?

Again, you are required to inform HPO of your intent to make any alterations to the exterior of your home. Generally, a Certificate of No Effect will be issued for walls that are less than 3 feet high. There are special rules regarding wall heights in the Zoning Ordinance that only apply to historic neighborhoods.

When in doubt, contact HPO before proceeding with your home improvement plans. In addition to providing you with up-to-date information on the City's requirements, the knowledgeable staff can also provide helpful information about best practices for restoring and enhancing the historic characteristics of your home. **W**

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HOME TOUR 2017



WILLO HOME TOUR 2017 THE 29TH YEAR!

BY DIANA HERMAN

THE WILLO HOME TOUR IS the Willo event of the year. Home Tour 2017 will be held Sunday, February 12th, from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. A dozen or so Willo neighbors will open their homes to the public for the tour. Tickets this year are \$18 if purchased online in advance at www.willohistoricdistrict.com and \$20 the day of the event. Tickets will be on sale at our own Walton Park at 3rd Ave. and Holly Street on tour day. Bring your friends and help support YOUR Willo neighborhood.

The day also includes a street fair, food


trucks, a car show, and music to enjoy. And you won't want to miss the beer and wine tent. The Willo home tour is an amazing event that both Willo homeowners and the public look forward to. Interested in volunteering?? Contact Allison Powers at allipower78@gmail.com

The Street Fair showcases over 100 vendors. If you are interested in participating, please contact Bob Herman at bob.herman47@gmail.com. Vendor spaces are available for \$75; food vendors \$110.

Our Willo Home Tour co-chairs this year are Darryl Collins and Don Vallejo.

They, with help from many committee members, promise to deliver a home tour to remember. Questions about the tour? Contact Don and Darryl at WHT2017@gmail.com

If you're new to Willo, you don't want to miss this event. If you're not new to Willo, you've been looking forward to it all year. This is the way we "show off" our neighborhood! Willo is the place to live in historic downtown Phoenix. Willo is the place other Phoenicians want to live.

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GAIN (Get Arizonans Involved in Neighborhoods) is a program designed to

introduce and strengthen the bonds between citizens and first responders, along with their support staff that help to make the system work.

Please come and show your appreciation to our first responders, and don't forget to thank your Block watch Chair, Jon Whitcomb, and GAIN Event chefs, Darryl Collins, David Miranda, and Don Vallejo. A big thanks is also in order for Patrice

Wappel, our Kleanstreets Chair. In addition to her other duties, Patrice coordinates the yard sale and the charity, which this year is the Halo Thrift Store which helps animals find new homes. They will receive the unwanted leftover items, which our neighbors will drop off at the park after their individual sales.

Our spring yard sale will be on Saturday, April 8, 2017. 



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FAA ADMINISTRATOR HUERTA VISITS PHOENIX TO DISCUSS SKY HARBOR FLIGHT PATH CONCERNS

BY OPAL WAGNER (CORONADO)

ON FRIDAY, JULY 22, 2016,

Congressman Ruben Gallego and Congresswoman Ann Kirkpatrick hosted a meeting with FAA Administrator Michael Huerta regarding the September 18, 2014 flight path changes at Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport. The meeting was also attended by a staff member from Congressman David Schweikert's office, as well as Elizabeth Ray and Glenn Martin of the FAA. Phoenix City Council members Laura Pastor, Kate Gallego and Michael Nowakowski attended on behalf of their constituents. Leaders from the Willo (represented by Opal Wagner), FQ Story, Roosevelt, Encanto-Palmcroft and Fairview Place historic districts attended. Neighborhood leaders from Laveen and South Central Phoenix were also in attendance, along with other residents and invitees, including Anne Kurtenbach from Phoenix Sky Harbor's noise office.

The one-hour meeting included remarks by FAA Administrator Huerta and Reps. Gallego and Kirkpatrick. The Phoenix Council members spoke on behalf of their constituents, and neighborhood leaders and residents were then invited to participate in a question-and-answer session with Administrator Huerta.

Phoenix City Council members, neighborhood leaders and some residents expressed their frustration with the lack of notice about the flight path changes and

the subsequent lack of responsiveness from the FAA in addressing the resulting noise impacts. Council members, community leaders and residents shared with Mr. Huerta how the noise has impacted their own lives and those of their neighbors. City Council members urged Administrator Huerta to reconsider the flight path alternatives previously presented by the City of Phoenix. Mr. Huerta spoke of his desire for the FAA to engage in public outreach in Phoenix and indicated that a community "aviation noise roundtable" is a model that has been adopted in other cities to facilitate communication.


Many thanks to Reps. Gallego, Kirkpatrick and Schweikert for facilitating the meeting and providing the opportunity for community representatives to express our historic neighborhoods' concerns directly to FAA Administrator Huerta.

Meanwhile, the lawsuits filed by the City of Phoenix and historic neighborhoods against the FAA are ongoing, with Final Briefs due to be filed with the court on August 25, 2016.

Legislative efforts to address aircraft noise and airspace changes are also continuing. On July 12, 2016, Congressmen Ruben Gallego and David Schweikert introduced the "NextGen Flight Path Review and Notification Act of 2016". This bill would require the FAA to consult with airport operators prior to certain airspace



changes, and to consider appropriate community notification and involvement. The bill would also require the FAA to review certain airspace changes made under a categorical exclusion, which would include the Sept. 18, 2014 changes to Phoenix's flight paths.

On July 13, 2016, Sen. Charles Schumer of New York introduced the Quiet Communities Act of 2016, seeking to re-establish the Office of Noise Abatement and Control within the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). If passed, this law would transfer the oversight of airplane noise from the FAA to the EPA and would authorize the EPA to conduct research on airport noise to assess the appropriateness of FAA noise measurement methodologies, the health impacts of noise, and the effectiveness of noise mitigation measures at airports. 

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IT'S BEEN A BUSY SUMMER ON THE ZONING AND LAND USE FRONT

BY PAUL BENJAMIN (VIRGINIA)

PROBABLY THE BIGGEST story involved the home at 102 W. Cypress. Evan Boxwell, who had purchased the property, applied for a permit for demolition. The Willo Board voted to oppose the demolition. On May 23rd a hearing officer approved the demolition. We filed an appeal to the Historic Preservation Commission, and on June 29th the Commission voted to reverse the hearing officer's decision and deny the application for demolition. Since then, Mr. Boxwell had decided to renovate the home rather than demolishing it, and is considering moving into the home when complete. We welcome Mr. Boxwell to the neighborhood.


There is a proposed zoning change that would allow people who work in the building at 116 W. McDowell to park in the parking lot on the southeast corner of Almeria and 3rd Ave. The lot is owned by the Fire Department. A public meeting was held to discuss this and several residents who live on Almeria expressed concern. The zoning change has been approved by the Encanto Village Planning Committee and the Phoenix Planning Commission. Almeria residents have appealed this decision and it will

be heard by City Council. Councilwoman Pastor's office tells us that there will be a continuance so that further discussions can be held. This issue will be on the September 8th Willo Board meeting and concerned

residents are encouraged to attend.

The variances needed to allow the construction of a Dunkin' Donuts facility on the southeast corner of 7th Ave. and Thomas have been approved.

Councilwoman Pastor's office is working with the city's Neighborhood Services department concerning problems with the My Florist complex. Residents in the 500 block of Almeria continue to experience a series of issues related to parking, loading/unloading in the middle of the night, powerwashing at all hours, illuminated signage not turned off at night, and so on. Watch this space for an update.

The Muse, which is the large apartment complex at Central and McDowell, has submitted a signage plan. Most of it does not have any impact on Willo, but a large illuminated sign on the west face of the building at the northeast corner of 1st Ave. and McDowell looks like it would shed light on the back yards of the homes on the south side of the 100 block of W. Almeria. I attended the hearing where this plan was considered and was successful in getting a stipulation that they must turn the sign off after 11 pm. 



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APS Update

TOM DOESCHER (CAMBRIDGE)
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1. Quantity of properties is extremely limited;
2. Property owners are hesitant to sell;
3. Several properties have gone into escrow within days of our identification (as alternative sites.)

While they are currently pursuing sites that meet the location parameters, the deadline for securing an alternative site secured is October 31, 2016. If one is not procured by October 31, 2016, Kendra noted that APS will proceed with their current schedule.

The APS Subcommittee of the Willo Zoning Committee has voted to oppose the APS substation. There are concerns regarding how a substation will affect property values as well as health concerns. A recent petition of just the surrounding neighbors of the property was presented to the Willo attorney. The response was almost 100% opposed.

Kendra has been invited to attend the September 8th Willo Board meeting, and I encourage everyone who would like more information to attend the meeting and voice your concerns and questions.

Willo's attorney continues to review the proposed substation and has been in contact with the legal department for the City of Phoenix regarding the zoning stipulations set forth in 1984. We ask that you contact Councilwoman Laura Pastor at council.district.4@phoenix.gov or by phone at 602-262-7447 with your thoughts and concerns. 


Please contact Tom Doescher, APS Subcommittee Chair at doe4749@aol.com. You can also send your feedback to APS Community Franchise & Outreach Consultant, Kendra Lee at 602-371-7872 or via email at kendra.lee@aps.com, with a copy to Tom at doe4749@aol.com.



HAPPY DAYS ARE HERE AGAIN

BY THERESA HALE (CYPRESS)

GET READY FOR IT! IT'S

almost here! Our Willo Happy Hours will be starting again in October. Start stretching your legs and working on your smile muscles because we have a great social fall ahead of us. It's time to catch up with our old friends and make some new ones. We cannot wait to hear what everyone has been up to this summer and meet all of our new neighbors. So get ready with your summer tales and start prepping drinks and snacks to share and meet us at James and Gary's beautiful home at 521 W. Cypress on Friday, October 7th from 5-7 P.M. Please find us on Facebook (Willo Social Committee) if you would like to be kept up-to-date on all of the social events going on in the neighborhood. If you would like to host a Happy Hour in 2017, please email Theresa at Theresa.lococo@aol.com for more information. Enjoy the last of summer and we look forward to seeing you in October! 





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BY MARK AND MADELINE BREUNINGER (CYPRESS)



IF YOU ARE LOOKING FOR A fun and casual restaurant that is Home-style Mexican Cuisine that is mostly seafood, this is the place to check out. Playa Hermosa is a small but quaint place with a nautical theme and is very colorful. It has been owned by Jose and Maria Maldonado since 2002. They are from a small town in Mexico called Guanajuato and brought their hometown style of cooking to Phoenix.

The fish is very fresh as are all of their food offerings. All dishes are served with a wonderful rice that has vegetables mixed in along with beans and also a salad. It's

a great mix of flavors and you will not go away hungry.

When you arrive, they will serve you chips with red and green (avocado) salsa. Another nice touch is that each guest is served a seafood ceviche on a tostada that is wonderful. You may also want to start with a delicious margarita (lime, mango, or strawberry) or a beer.

One of our favorite dishes at this restaurant is called "Molcajete." It is a dish for two and is served in a large bowl that is displayed with steak, chicken, shrimp, and fish around the top of the bowl. In the middle is octopus in a molten sauce. Beautiful

presentation and flavor combination.

On Friday and Sunday from 6:30-9:30 P.M. there is a Mariachi Band which plays throughout the restaurant. The music was very good and entertaining. 

Playa Hermosa is located at 1605 E. Garfield Street in Phoenix. They have a 4.5 - Star rating. Prices are reasonable \$-\$ and the dress code is casual. Reservations are accepted at (602)462-1563 and the restaurant is open 7 days a week. A 15% gratuity is automatically added on to parties of 6 or more. This is a fun and delicious place to take your out-of-town friends.

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WILLO AWARD

WILLO POINT OF PRIDE AWARD: BOB GIRVIN 501 W. CORONADO




T HIS HOME HAS gone from boring to beautiful! Bob's home is as good as new inside and out. New exterior windows, pony walls, extended front patio, along with bright green foliage really makes this corner home stand out. There is an open floorplan on the interior, large rooms, uncluttered, and very tastefully decorated. The home seems to go on and on. Beautiful kitchen with professional chef-grade appliances, white cabinets, marble and stand-out island. My favorite part of his house is his paint-by-numbers collection of paintings. Bob likes his dining room the best.

Bob, a 2000 graduate of Villanova University and 2013 graduate of Thunderbird

School of Global Management is quite accomplished. He currently works as a Controller of a software company in Scottsdale - 360 Cloud Solutions. He is currently working on a feature length documentary shot in Brazil called Man and the Monkey, which he hopes to complete by the end of the year and be released sometime in 2017. We hope to feature an article about his documentary in a future issue of Inside Willo.

Bob enjoys cooking, film, and you may often spot him riding his bicycle around the neighborhood. This beautiful home will also be a part of the 2017 Willo Home Tour.

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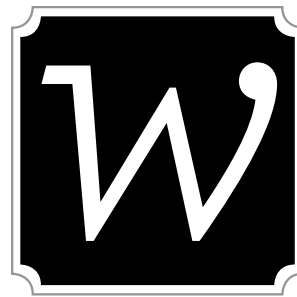
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CITY OF PHOENIX DESIGN PLANS FOR 3RD AND 5TH AVENUES

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The alternatives being looked at are to enhance existing, modified one-way, or a context-sensitive split. An evaluation matrix was used to evaluate the alternatives. They evaluated the ideas and labeled them as being an advantage, neutral, or a disadvantage. The four goals of the project are to promote the use of bicycling and walking, support implementation of city initiatives, support and manage good redevelopment and infill, and project cost.

The original plan was to make 3rd and 5th Avenues two-way streets from Wash-



ington to Indian School. The city is now stating that one-way will be the preferred alternative from Thomas to Roosevelt. South of Roosevelt will be two-way due to developer preference. Also to be consid-

ered is the possibility of one-lane, one-way in order to enhance bicyclists, pedestrians, and parking.

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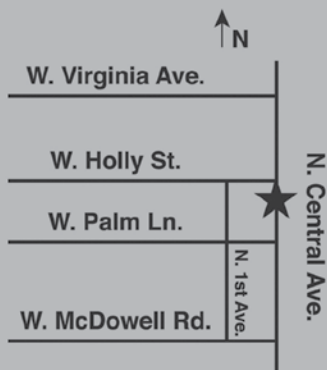
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WILLO KIDS CLUB

KIDS CLUB GEARS UP FOR A NEW SEASON

BY ANDREA LIBEY (ENCANTO)

THE NUMBER OF FAMILIES

with children moving to Willo each month is growing and the Kids Club is gearing up for a great 2016-17!

This year we are thinking big but going smaller. That means more intimate events, more often designed to give Willo families with kids of all ages loads of opportunities to have fun and build friendships.


This summer we restarted our Music classes with Teacher John at local coffee houses, cooled down with group ice skating at the Arcadia Ice Den and met at the

newest splash pad, Luci's at the Orchard, for some water fun.

School might be back in session, but that doesn't mean the excitement stops. The committee is hard at work planning for this fall. We hope to organize a couple of Mom's Night Out events, a Haunted Movie in the Park event to celebrate Halloween, our first annual Tour de Willo Bike Parade and Pizza Party in November and more. We are also looking to start a master contact list so families can find and organize playdates with other families.

To keep up with all the Kids Club news, make sure to follow our Facebook group (Willo Kids Club) and include your name on our Evite distribution for event invitations. Simply email kidsclub@willohistorictoridistrict.com or sign up on the Willo website.

Hope you had a great summer and see you at our next event!

P.S. The Kids Club needs your help to spread the word to families who recently moved to Willo, so if you meet a new family, make sure to send them our way too. 



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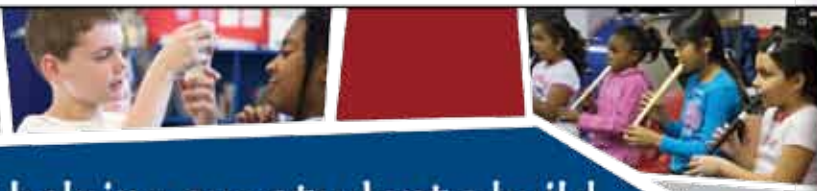
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