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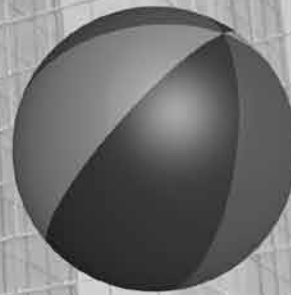
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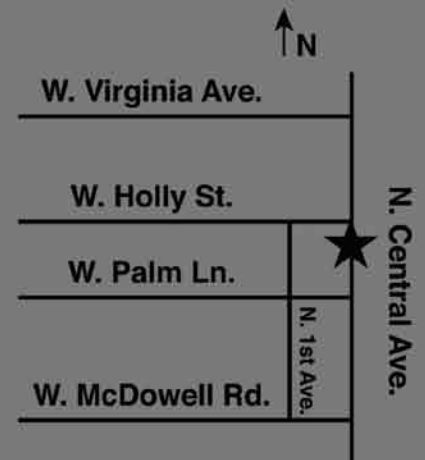


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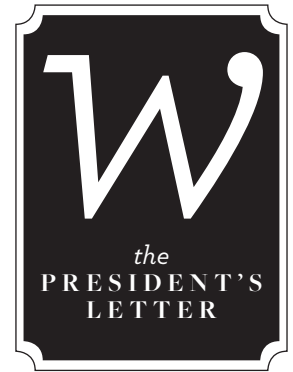
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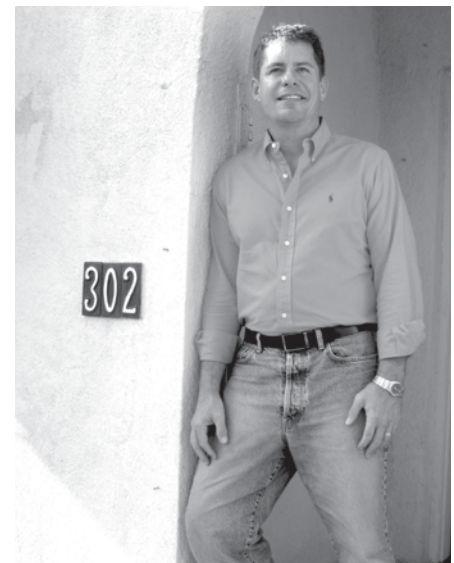
Welcome Back!

It's only the middle of August as I write this, but signs of the end of summer are all around. The temperatures are in the mid 80's when I wake up, the sun is rising later, and I just ran into five Willo neighbors at the grocery store. It's been a long summer and I think most of us will be happy to see it end bringing much cooler weather on the horizon.

As we gather together after our summer hiatus, evidenced by this issue of *Inside Willo* and followed by our Board meeting on September 8th, it's time to catch up on what has happened over the summer. There is a lot of activity around the neighborhood from new street signs along 7th Avenue denoting the travel/turn lanes, to shrinking real estate inventory and forward movement on our streetscape project. We're seeing new development along McDowell at 7th Avenue with at least two new restaurants slated to go in on the Southeast corner and hopefully some new activity on the Northeast corner as that property has

found the right financing to proceed. New signage along 7th avenue will hopefully help drivers navigate the street in morning and afternoon traffic, plus every major intersection from Thomas to Camelback now have turn arrows. Our real estate market has gone down to as little as 12 homes for sale in Willo at one point, making it difficult for buyers but a nicer market for sellers. Hopefully a lack of inventory will help raise our home values. We've also just passed our first "anniversary" since our move into the Squaw Peak Police Precinct, now known as Mountain View. As previously noted, the original transition was seamless, our crime rates have consistently dropped, and we've gained some great officers in the neighborhood. We do have a new Commander, Glenn Gardner who will join us at our September meeting.

Coming up, watch for updates on our streetscape project breaking ground and our fall yard sale and GAIN Event. Also, on October 15 we'll have movie night in the park and more. Until then, see you 'round the hood. 



BRAD BRAUER (MONTE VISTA)
Willo Neighborhood President

Mountain View Police Precinct Family Fun Day

FUN IN PHOENIX

The Mountain View Police Precinct Family Fun Day, is an effort made by the Officer's of the Mountain View Precinct to strengthen their relationship between the community and your officers.

Without support from the community, the success of the city and its police department is hampered. It is the hope of the Mountain View Precinct hosting this event, such as our family fun day, the rela-

tionship between the police department and community will grow and be strengthened by making our city a safer and better place to live.

During our Family Fun Day, a variety of events, will promote fun, education and crime prevention programs. Some of the planned activities will be:


- ◆ Child Fingerprinting
- ◆ Charlie Check First Presentation (The department no longer promotes "stranger

danger")

- ◆ Fire education (provided by the Phoenix Fire Department)
- ◆ Street Hockey (a chance for kids to hang out and play with officers)
- ◆ A no charge BBQ (paid for by various community partners)
- ◆ McGruff will be in attendance
- ◆ Arts and Crafts with Officers
- ◆ A bike rodeo (kids please bring your bikes and helmets)

- ◆ 9-11 education for kids brought to you by our dispatchers
- ◆ Police car tour

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Join the Willo email list to receive important neighbor notifications and updates. To subscribe, send an email to: WilloTalk-join@WilloHistoricDistrict.com. The Willo website, www.willohistoricdistrict.com contains information on neighborhood activities, committee and board meetings. Webmaster Eric Eggert can be contacted at webmaster@willohistoricdistrict.com.

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 Owner's 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 8:00 am to 12:00 pm, Mondays through Fridays at the main office, located at 200 W. Washington Street, 17th Floor. The field office is The Ellis-Shackelford House at 1242 N. Central Avenue (by appointment only)

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WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

If you are new to the neighborhood, have a new baby (human or pet), or have any news you want to share, please contact the Inside Willo staff at willonews@willohistoricdistrict.com



SEPTEMBER

THIS MONTH is Responsible Dog Ownership Days!

CANINE GOOD CITIZEN

WHEN: Saturday, September 24th after class
WHERE: Paradise Valley Park (40th Street between Union Hills & Bell Rd.)
FEE: \$12 for 1 test; \$20 for both (Pre-registration required. Please call 602-992-8743 to register or if you have any questions.)

THERAPY DOG INTERNATIONAL TESTING!

for testing requirements and information on how your dog can be an ambassador of compassion at hospitals and other care facilities go to www.tdi-dog.org

AIDS WALK PHOENIX & 5K RUN

Dogs like Chloe (McDowell Avenue) are doing their part to raise funds for 19 Valley-based HIV/AIDS agencies during this year's AIDS Walk Phoenix & 5K Run on October 2nd. Willo resident pup, Chloe, a mixed breed rescued from the street was the "Top Dog" fund raiser last year, and will pitch in again this year to generate dollars for Paws for the Cause. More than 500 good-natured, sociable dogs ambled alongside their owners last year, raising over \$17,000 (in addition to the \$10 registration fee which includes an AIDS Walk bandana and a bag of dog treats). Chloe's fund-raising efforts produced \$3,321.00. Chloe is also featured pup on this year's promotional poster!

"Dogs are so important in our lives and in the lives of more than 400,000 men and women with HIV and AIDS who own dogs," said Mike Oleskow (McDowell Blvd), 2011 Paws for the Cause chair. *"Scientific studies show the posi-*

tive impact that dogs can have in lowering anxiety, reducing blood pressure and preventing depression compared with HIV-positive pet owners who do not own pets."

Dog owners registering for the event at www.aidswalkphoenix.com also have access to resources to create fund-raising posters, cards and web pages to generate pledges.

THINGS TO DO:

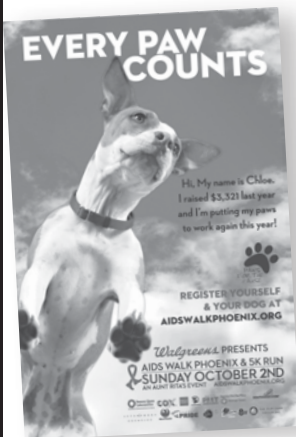
◆ Youth (grades 5-12) **SHOTOKAN KARATE** classes are offered

now at the downtown YMCA and taught by Willo resident, Tom Conners! Contact tvconners@cox.net for more information.

◆ Join Willo neighbor, Julie Hampton (Coronado) for a **HAPPY HOUR** at her new store a.ware on Friday, September 9th from 4:00 - 6:00 p.m. a.ware carries a variety of design-savvy and handmade wares from all over the U.S. and Italy—cards, jewelry, ceramics, soap, scarves, books, bags and

more. Or join one of a.ware's do-it-yourself workshops in knitting, soldering, metal stamping, rubber stamping, felting, or bookmaking.

◆ On September 9 Josie Ciricione will present a **RUBBER STAMPING WORKSHOP** from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. for \$35. For more information, call Julie at 602-262-2092. a.ware, 4700 N. Central Ave. #101, Phoenix, AZ 85012 (next to Lola Coffee in Hula's Modern Tiki complex on Central). 

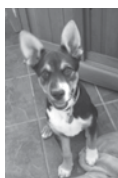


The Canine Good Citizen Program is designed to reward dogs who have good manners at home and in the community. The CGC Program started in 1989 by the American Kennel Club and stresses responsible pet ownership for owners and basic good manners for dogs. This program can help assure that the dogs we love will always be welcomed and well-respected members of our community. Go to: www.akc.org/events/cgc/index.cfm for detailed information.

Congratulations to the Cairney's! John and Heather Cairney (Holly) welcomed baby girl, London Katherine Cairney, on August 11th.



WELCOME TO THE NEIGHBORHOOD:



◆ Bob and Diana Herman (Monte Vista) and their pup, Charlotte welcome a new puppy to their home. Molly was adopted from a rescue group in Prescott, where the Herman's spend their summers. Molly is 4 1/2 months old and the pups love each other!

◆ Julie Hoffheins (Cambridge) adopted a new, two year old, 5 lb. Chihuahua from the Maricopa County shelter. Stewie, named after the toddler on the TV show "The Family Guy".



◆ Dan Masters & Robert Pargmann (Vernon) welcomed puppy, Trooper, into their home!

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Each street in Willo have them - neighbor cats living under our homes, in the alleys, in our yards, that don't seem to belong to anyone. They just live on our streets and are fed by the generosity of residents. You may be bothered by our four legged neighbors, but they add great value to our neighborhood by helping us control the rodent population, and by nature, they "stake out" their territory and keep out other feral cats from coming onto the Willo street they occupy.

It is important for neighbors to coexist with our furry neighbors and help the feral cats live healthy and happily by controlling their population through spay/neutering.

Professionals illustrate that as feral cats reproduce- sometimes up to 12 new kittens per year from one cat, the food supply they compete for demises, so many go undernourished. Additionally, with more and more cats concentrated in one location, disease and competition become a negative issue. Taking the time to spay/neuter the existing feral cats that are living in Willo will help us control other cats from coming into our neighborhood, will stop the number of feral cats in Willo from increasing, assuring that the current cats live a healthier life.

Thankfully the Willo Board appreciates that as a neighborhood, we need to help neighbors address and control our feral cat popula-

tion, and have approved a pilot program that partners with the Animal Defense League of Arizona's "Trap, Neuter, Return" (TNR hotline) program. TNR contracts with Valley Veterinarians to provide, at cost, spay and neuter surgeries for feral cats.

"The key to the success of this program is not unlike the key to a successful Block Watch program-neighborhood involvement. Willo neighbors who get involved will be the ones to keep an "eye" on our neighborhood cats, and if they recognize a new cat to the area, they would notify a contact person in the neighborhood who can help to get this cat trapped and neutered or spayed," said a Willo resident.

To participate, Willo neighbors should contract the Trap, Neuter, Return at (602) 265-7729, or contact Karen with TNR directly at KAnderson@ADLAZ.org to make an appointment with a local, participating Veterinarians for spay/neuter surgery. The TNR also have traps available for loan to neighbors. The Willo neighbor will have to provide a Willo address to TNR and be willing to trap and bring the cat(s) into the Vet for the surgery. You will also be required to return the cat to the neighborhood where it was captured after surgery. The costs for the surgeries will be covered by the Willo neighborhood - at no cost to the Willo neighbor.


If we spay/neuter the feral cats that currently live in Willo, and return them to our

neighborhood after surgery, they will continue to live in Willo, helping us deter rodent overpopulation and will STOP the continuous birth of homeless kittens.

Willo neighbor, Yvonne Anderson will be hosting an open house in her home on Tuesday, September 27th 7:00 pm, 62 W Encanto Blvd., where representatives from the Animal Defense League's Spay/Neuter program will be on hand to answer questions about the hotline, how to trap feral cats prior to surgery and how the group is working to reduce the number of cats living on the street. All neighbors are welcome; please let Yvonne know you are coming at yvonne.anderson@cox.net.

Many thanks to Willo animal lovers for helping us control animal homelessness through spay and neutering.

Again, to make an appointment to take Willo feral cats in for spay/neutering, please:

- ◆ Contact the Animal Defense Leagues' Trap, Neuter, Return hotline at 602 265-7729 or Karen Anderson at KAnderson@ADLAZ.org.
- ◆ Provide your name and Willo address to have expenses covered by the Willo pilot program.
- ◆ Obtain traps from TNR if needed or contact Willo neighbor, Lisa Burke (Cambridge) at pnutlm@gmail.com for coaching and/or trap loans.
- ◆ Take feral cats into assigned Vet for surgery.
- ◆ After 24 hours, return altered feral cats to the street/Willo location where they previously lived.
- ◆ Visit www.SpayNeuter-Hotline.org for additional information or call Karen Anderson w/ TNR at (602) 265-7729. 



Feral Cats

It is no surprise to most of us who live in the Willo neighborhood that we coexist with a feral cat population. A feral cat is a free roaming domestic cat that was never socialized by a human or a cat who was once domestic, but who has been out on the streets for so long that they have become feral. Whether you like cats or not, the fact is, cats have lived in this neighborhood for years and years. And they will continue to live in this neighborhood, regardless of whether some people choose to euthanize ones that they find, or in worst case scenarios, poison them. This will never eliminate a feral cat population from this neighborhood for two reasons. The first reason is that as long as there is a continuing food source, such as the neighbors who choose to put out food for cats, new cats will always come into the neighborhood. And secondly, many neighbors have "pet" cats who they allow to free roam, and who they feed outside. These cats may also contribute to the cat population in the neighborhood if they are not spayed/neutered and their litters may be free to roam about as well.

The most effective strategy to control a cat population is the practice of Trap/Neuter/Spay (TNR). The objective of this process is to humanely trap the cats, have them altered so that they do not reproduce and release them back to where they were when they were found. Experts in the field of animal behavior remind us that altered cats greatly minimize unwanted behaviors such as spraying, vocalizing, and fighting. They are also very useful in keeping roof rats at bay.



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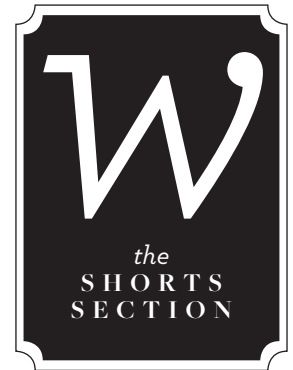
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Willo Neighbors, Urban Cookies, & OllieCake WIN "WARS" with Four Creations

Cupcake artists and Willo neighbor Brady Breese, with the help of lead baker Salvador Garcia, from the local gourmet bakery Urban Cookies and OllieCake are the winners of 'Cupcake Wars' Season 3: Miss USA airing on the Food Network.

The duo won with four bizarre but effective creations and self-taught baker Breese was stunned when respected international chef Florian Bellanger, in an un-characteristically gushing moment, told Breese that one of his creations should be called "the new All American Cupcake," bringing Breese to near tears. "Going into this competition, we really felt like underdogs, particularly since in our bakery we use all-

natural organic ingredients and aren't expert decorators."

Breese and Salvador beat out the competition to win \$10,000. Along with the top cupcake display, the four winning creations celebrated the 60th anniversary of the Miss USA Pageant. The winning cupcakes were:

◆ **ORANGE OLIVE OIL AND ROSEWATER CUPCAKE:** an orange olive oil cake brushed with a honey glaze and topped with a rosewater scented butter cream frosting and fresh rose petals.

◆ **PEACH-BERRY SHORTCAKE CUPCAKE:** a peach corn cake topped with whipped cream, a berry compote and tarragon shortcake.

◆ **ORANGE-SCENTED CHOCOLATE CAMPFIRE CUPCAKE:** an orange-scented chocolate cake housed in an orange half,



and then topped with cream cheese frosting and dark chocolate shards.

◆ **TOMATO SOUP AND GRILLED CHEESE CUPCAKE:** a tomato and thyme cake topped with a honey mascarpone frosting, parmesan crisps and roasted, sugared tomatoes.

Congratulations to the Breese team for making the Valley a little more "sweet".

Chatting with Bitsy & George Susich

Diana Herman

Bitsy and George Susich with daughter, Nina - 529 W. Granada - were part of the 2011 Willo Home Tour. They have lived in Willo since 1998 and had considered having their home on tour for several years. When Tom Vigil, this year's co-chair with Jill Bray, approached them about signing on, they were happy to do so.

I interviewed Bitsy (and George) 3 months after the home tour and asked them about their experience:

WHY DID YOU DECIDE TO MOVE TO WILLO? We lived near the Arizona Center and loved the downtown feel. Since we appreciated the architect-

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WHAT REMODELING/DECORATING PROJECTS DID YOU DO TO GET READY FOR THE HOME TOUR?

Most of the major remodeling projects were done when we first moved in so once we committed to being on tour,

we completed a few "minor" projects and we were ready! Oh, ...and a serious purge and de-clutter.

WHAT ADVICE WOULD YOU OFFER TO OTHERS WHO ARE THINKING ABOUT PUTTING THEIR HOME ON TOUR?

Commit Early!!! Have a timeline of what you want to accomplish. There will always be glitches.....so give yourself plenty of time. Don't worry if you don't think your house is perfect. People will Love it!

WHAT WAS THE BEST PART OF BEING ON THE TOUR?

This was such a positive event for us. The

"best part" list is very long-tacos and margaritas with neighbors and friends who helped "man" our house during the tour, the neighbor who brought over a lemon tart (just because), meeting a woman who lived nearby as a teenager who remembered what the kitchen looked like "before", hearing hundreds of compliments on our home, having our home spotlighted in Phoenix Home and Garden, (issue to run in March or April 2012) and featured on Fox News. The "Twilight Tour" made the whole tour experience more relaxing. The Friday party-the Saturday party! Everything was First Class!

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A Cool Yard Gives Off SERENE Vibe

Karla Panich and Mary Temm at 306 W. Virginia, have a yard that is a breath of “cool” air in the dead of summer. It is astonishing that a yard can look so perfect in this kind of heat. As you stand on the sidewalk admiring the yard, you forget for a moment that it is 108 degrees as the Zen feel draws you in. Karla and Mary have been Willo homeowners for 17 years and had dreams of re-landscaping the front yard but struggled with how to incorporate two 30’ foot Ash trees into that vision. Sadly the “Great Willo Storm of 2008” provided them with a clean slate as the high winds were too much for the trees to bare. With the help of Joe Cascio of Cascio Dezine Solutions, they began a



LIT SERENITY:
Landscaping scone
from 306 W. Virginia

quest to create an inviting and visually appealing front yard by carefully selecting trees that provide shade such as the Tipuana tipu tree which blooms apricot yellow flowers and is a fast grower. They added a color variation with a Fruitless Plumb tree known to grow a dense symmetrical canopy making a great accent plant. They began by adding a slow winding sidewalk curving it to the left to an elevated patio that just

begs to be visited. The yard has nice sloping berms with low perfectly round bushes in all the right places, along with flowering orange lantana and soft ornamental grasses. There was one particular trouble spot that would not allow a plant to thrive, so putting their artistic thinking caps on, and with a little hunting, they found a lovely cactus sculpture that sealed the deal and added the final unique touch to the yard. Lighting was a must and in the evenings the whole yard gives off a soft glow. In the cooler months Karla and Mary enjoy morning coffee on the patio, sipping wine there in the afternoon or just chatting with the neighbors. So if you see them hanging out on the patio stop by and say hi. Many thanks to Southwest Gardner for their continued support of our visual award by providing all recipients with a \$25 gift certificate. **W**

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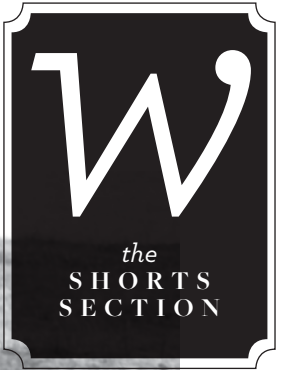
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SUMMER 2012



What Did You Do this Summer?



TOP (CLOCKWISE): Camping and fishing in Durango, Colorado (Mark [inset], Julie and Gretchen Weeter, Holly Avenue); Don Vallejo and Bob Cannon in Pisa, Italy; Jill and Dave Bray at their family's lake house in New York state; and Bob McCarville.

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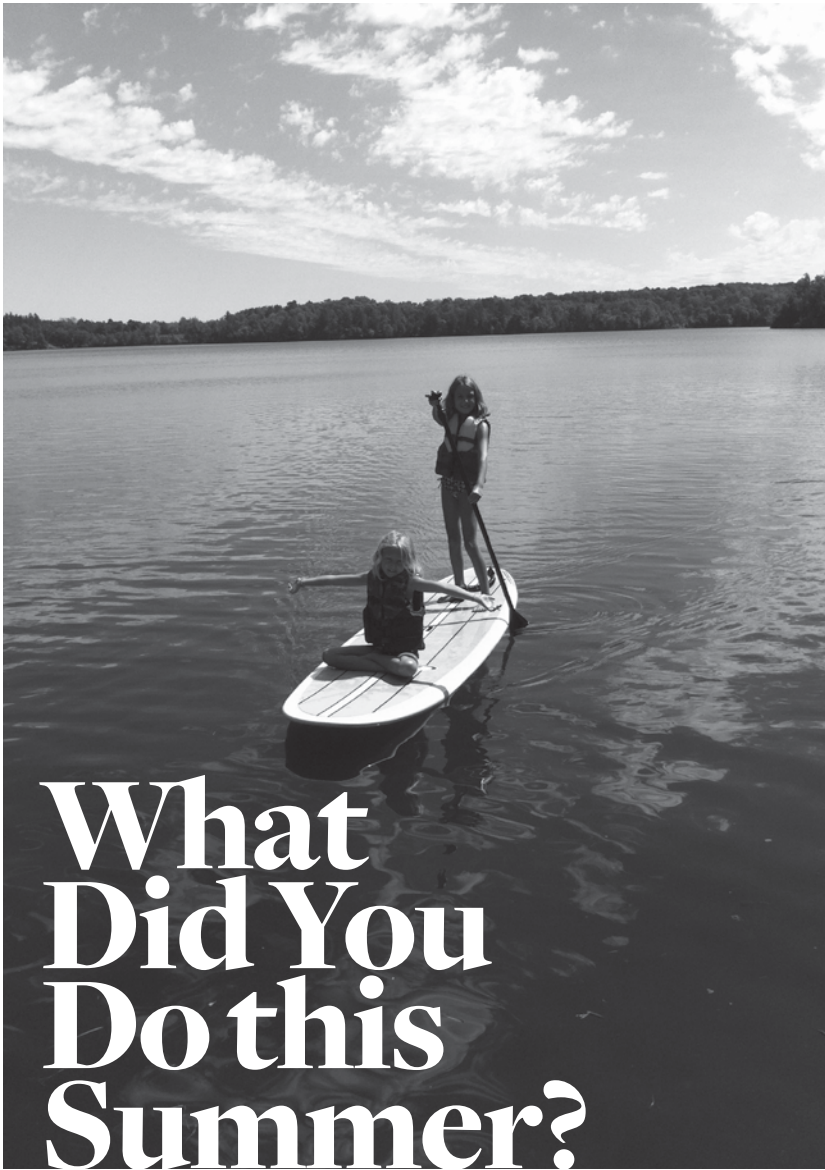
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TOP (CLOCKWISE): Julianna and Caroline McKenzie (Palm Lane) paddleboarding in Minnesota; Tom Vigil hiking in New York; Gretchen Weeter and George Meury on the beach in Coronado, California; June 5, 2011 Half-Marathon finishers; Andrea Meury, Andrea Katsenes, Julie Weeter and Kaley Weeter in Coronado, California.



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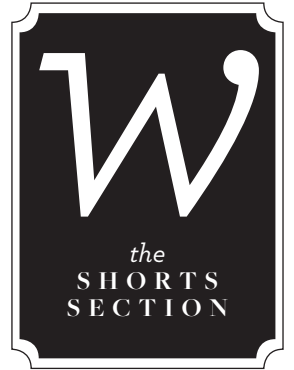
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TOP (CLOCKWISE): Phil Fleming in San Diego, California; Cameron Bray (Coronado) finishing up a jet ski ride on Lake Chautauqua; Randy Betner and Declan Reynolds (Coronado) on the Coronado beach; Reynolds family (Coronado) on Coronado Island; Willo neighbors "carb load" before the marathon that took place in San Diego, California.



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This year the Willo neighborhood will be celebrating our annual GAIN event on October 15th in Walden Park. Come join the men and women of the Mountain View Police Precinct as they prepare a light breakfast (their breakfast burritos are the best in town!). Festivities will start at 6:30 a.m., and will end when the food runs out.

Also, be sure to fill up on food and meet a new neighbor before you head off

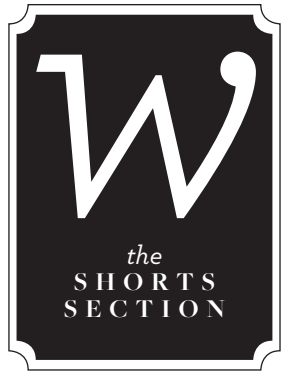
to the annual Willo neighborhood yard sale. We will have signage and a newspaper ad letting the community know that several homes in the neighborhood will be holding yard sales on October 15th. If you want to participate, all you have to do is set up your "sale" and display your wares in your yard or driveway.

Start the morning off right and be a part of an Arizona and a Willo tradition. Hope to see you there!

For more questions, about the event



or if you wish to help please contact Don Vallejo at Dval549770@aol.com 




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We are using this year to build momentum for our 25th anniversary in 2013. There isn't any set theme, so we are asking you to be creative. The basics in your design should include the following information:

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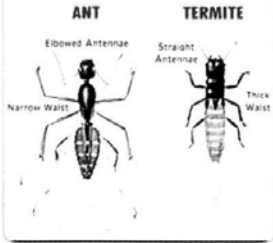
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| 111 W. Almeria | PENDING | \$214,900 |
| 98 W. Lewis | PENDING | \$250,000 |
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| 501 W. Edgemont | SOLD | \$207,000 |
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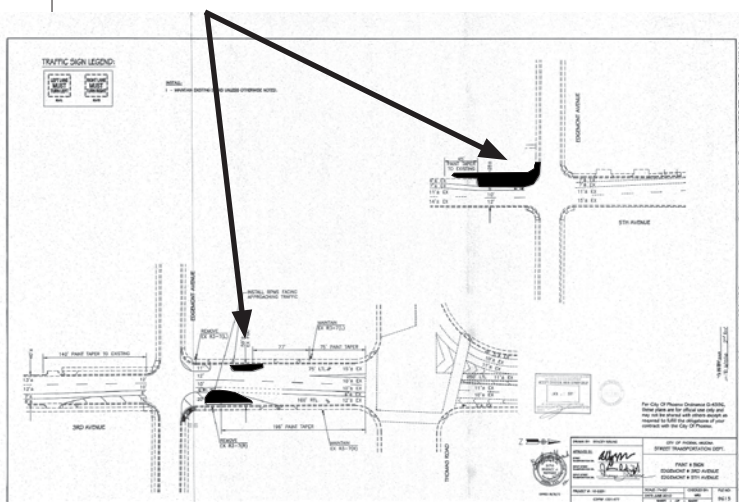
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Did you know that the City of Phoenix has provided its approval for the Willo Neighborhood Association to move forward with its Streetscape Improvement Plan on 3rd and 5th Avenue at Edgemont? As a new board member and chairman of the Streetscape Improvement Project I have been asked by the board to solicit bids and make my recommendation in selection of a contractor for this project. In doing so I wanted to invite you to attend the September board meeting to learn more about the project and ask any questions you may have pertaining to it.

If you have lived in the Willo for sometime, you are no doubt familiar with this project as it has been a topic of discussion for well over six years. The Streetscape Improvement project will provide numerous benefits to the area including additional shade and traffic calming. It will also serve as a nice transition as you enter and exit the neighborhood from Thomas. The architectural rendering will provide perspective on the size and location of the area's affected.

As for the project, the 3rd Avenue plan will add small islands just north of Edgemont on both the east and west side of the street while the 5th Av-

enue project will only effect the west side of the street at Edgemont. The landscaping for both projects will include trees, shrubs, and other assorted ground plants. The base material will be a small decomposed granite.

In my meetings with contractors they assure me this is a relatively low profile construction process. Once the work is started the project would be completed in approximately 3 weeks. There will be minimal inconvenience as there is not a great deal of trenching, however, like any construction project anticipate barricades around the area for the length of the project.

This project is funded by the Willo Neighborhood Association and in 2006 the board approved \$150,000 toward the project. At the time of approval the Streetscape Improvement Plan incorporated similar islands at the south end of the Willo on 3rd and 5th Avenue's at Almeria. Due to objection by the neighbors in the Almeria area, the project

focused on Edgemont only. The approximate total cost to complete the Edgemont phase of this project is \$90,000 (this includes construction and other fees including engineering costs, advertising/promotional fees, and drawings). Please note the association will assume costs of water while the city will maintain the islands.

Next Steps: I will present my recommendation to the board at the September association meeting. If the board approves, a vote will be taken allowing us to enter into a contract with the chosen construction company. Once a contract is in place and permits have been pulled from the City of Phoenix, I estimate construction could start as early as mid October to the first of November.

If you have additional questions about the project or would like to comment, please join us at our September board meeting. Details regarding location, date and time are available on the Willo website. 



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