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from our PRESIDENT

Summer Hibernation

Welcome to summer. The calendar may say differently, but we all know the truth. I'm still hoping for a quick rain that will cool us off, but if not, we will persevere. Willo neighbors are looking forward to those well-planned vacations; I foresee a hat, a chaise lounge and a beach for a certain editor of this magazine in the very near future.

A reminder to all of you to contact your neighbors and block watch captains to let them know when you'll be gone and what to expect while you're away. If your dog watcher will be there twice a day in a yellow 1969 beetle, share that. Remember to stop your mail and paper deliveries. If you'd like other ideas for protecting your home, contact our Block Watch Chair Jon Whitcomb at willoblockwatch@yahoo.com or our Community Action Officer Ben Harris at Benjamin.harris@phoenix.gov.

In our last issue I requested input from all of our neighbors on things we all interact with such as restaurant reviews, dealing with city departments, new opportunities, etc. I've had a great verbal response from many neighbors – I hope that translates into some articles on these subjects and other things going on around Willo. We try to stay on top of the "news" but can always use help and different perspectives.

While we are off on summer hiatus, there will be an election for our city council representative. I'd like to thank candidates Austin Head, Justin Johnson, David Lujan, and Laura Pastor for bringing their campaigns to Willo Neighborhood Association meetings. It's a great feeling to know that Willo is so important to these candidates. The board members will appreciate working with the winner of this election – don't forget to vote on August 27th, 2013.

It's that time of year – when we hibernate or vacate. I hope you all enjoy your choice of vacation. In the meantime, take care, help your neighbors by watching each other's homes and let us know where you see things we should report upon. Until then, see you 'round the 'hood.

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Dear Willo Neighbors,

The first half of the year has been great for Phoenix! We have seen so many new and exciting projects initiated that are contributing to the vibrancy of our great city.

This summer the long awaited Margaret T. Hance Dog Park will open, this will be a great addition to our parks system. Making this dog park a reality would not have been possible without the hard work of the many Willo residents. Thank you for coming out to support the proposal throughout the entire public process. I hope to see many of you, and our furry pals, out at the park!

We are also celebrating the activation of a new HAWK signal at 7th St. and Oak, which will make it safer for pedestrians to cross 7th Street. Central Phoenix residents have been leading the charge to shift our streets to more a pedestrian and bicycle friendly urban style. This includes increasing amenities like crosswalks to promote walkability in our neighborhoods and safe access to local businesses. Since becoming your Councilman in January, I have enjoyed working with the Willo neighborhood to move pedestrian and bicycle priorities forward. I look forward to continuing this positive progress the rest of this year.

These are just two of the exciting projects coming to central Phoenix. I am confident we'll continue to see more development as we move into the second half of the year. I hope you all have a wonderful summer! Please contact my office with any questions or ideas by calling 602.262.7447 or by email at tom.simplot@phoenix.gov.

TOM SIMPLOT
Councilman

FROM THE EDITOR

As the temperatures rise and the days grow longer, it is time for "Inside Willo" to take a summer break. This will be our last issue, but we will return in September with more neighborhood news. As we all look forward to vacations in (hopefully) cool locations, I want to say thanks to the many neighbors that work all year to help make Willo a very special place to live.

Thanks to our "Inside Willo" reporters and proofers – Mara Reynolds, Brad Brauer, Beth Lewallen, Marilyn Rendon, Officer Ben Harris, Jon Withcomb, Vicki Vanderhoff, Ron Blake, Richard Staats, Chris Wertheim, Alicia Corbett, Becky Shaw and Beth Wickenden (and proofers, Tom, Mona & Greg). And three cheers for our delivery chairs- Jaydee Sainz & Jeff Piurek and the neighbor volunteers that delivery to each of your streets.

And a BIG thank you to our advertisers for their support, which helps our newsletter get very close to self-funding each month.

And without the "professionals" behind the scene, we would all be lost – Megan Martinez-sales/advertising contact, Ralph Groom-newsletter designer and David Smith-International Printing.

I hope that you will continue to send me "news" over the summer at WilloNews@WilloHistoricDistrict.com so we can share via our "Inside Willo" e news alerts. And if you are not receiving our e-alerts now, send me your email address!

Wishing you a safe and cool summer!

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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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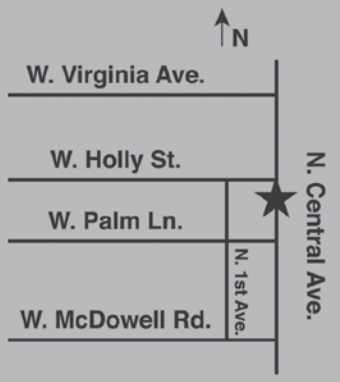

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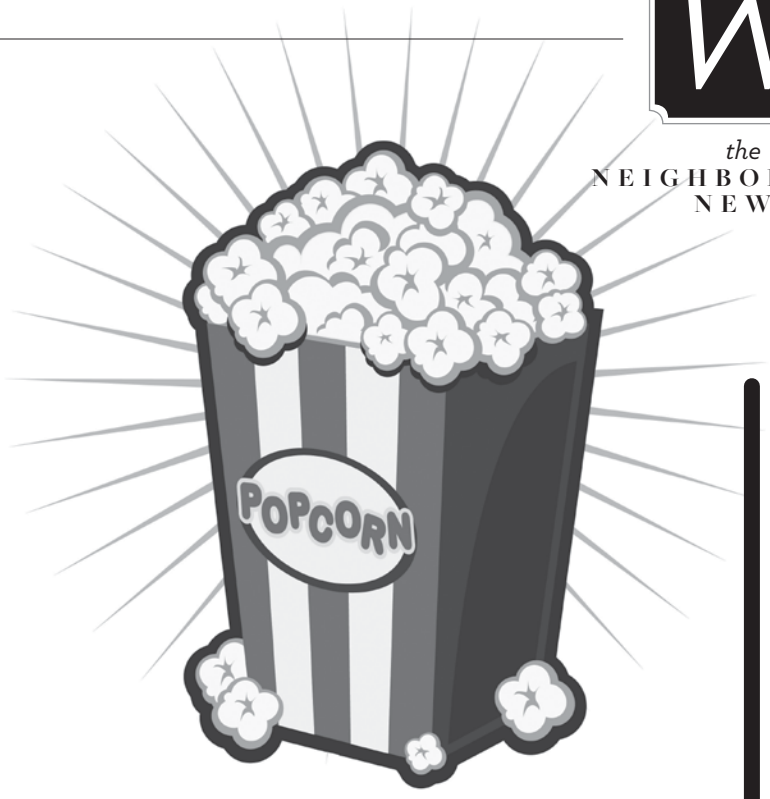

CINEMA UNDER THE STARS The Encanto Community Church will be hosting movies under the stars each Friday in June at 8:00pm. They provide the popcorn, you bring a lawn chair or blanket. Visit *EncantoCommunityChurch.org* for film titles each week. Admission is free. Encanto Community Church is located at 2710 N. 7th Avenue.

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United Methodist Church (in the Parlor Room), 1875 N. Central Ave., Phoenix. The six-week program will begin on Tuesday, June 25th and run through Tuesday, July 30th, from 3:00 to 4:30 PM. This program is free and open to any adult who has experienced the death of a loved one and is open to learning more about grief education and support. For more information, please contact Judy Peters at 602-589-2137 or judy.peters@americanhospice.com

COFFEE WITH A COP Join us for a cup of coffee and conversation on June 5, 2013 at the Encanto Park Clubhouse (2405 N. 15th Ave.) from 8:00-9:00 am

NEW TO THE NEIGHBORHOOD? Long-time Willo resident who wants to meet more of your neighbors? Inside Willo is a great chance to introduce yourself and share your thoughts on what makes Willo a great place to live. To be featured in an upcoming magazine, contact Beth Lewallen at BethALewallen@yahoo.com.

GET YOUR FREE COMPOST BIN! At our last Willo Board meeting, we had a presentation from Robert Amaya of The City of Phoenix Recycle Center. We learned quite a few interesting things. Among them: Robert told us that we will be having a separate bin for leaf and grass cuttings in the near future. He is also offering a one-time offer of free delivery of free compost bins! If you would like one delivered to your home, please email flower8686@aol.com within two weeks of receiving your "Inside Willo". Please include your name, street address and contact info in case any discrepancies turn up. We would like to get these delivered to you by mid-June.

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Farewell to a Willo Friend

Gloria is picture here at a past Willo Home Tour

Gloria Juliette (Burian) McConkey, 81, who lived in Willo Historic District from 1964-2009, passed away on April 11, 2013. She was born on March 16, 1932 in Hopkins, MN, the youngest daughter of Rev.Ludvik and Emily Kucera Burian. She is survived by her daughter Laurel McConkey Allen, son-in-law Phillip Allen, grandson Cameron Allen, sister Miriam Moore, as well as many nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her husband, H. Donald McConkey, sisters Florence Burian, Helen Griggs and Angie Reisser, and her parents.

Gloria, who was a psychologist for Phoenix Elementary School District #1 for 33 years, was known in Willo for her beautiful yard at her home on Vernon, as well as her talents in arts and crafts, especially jewelry. She enjoyed selling her handiwork at the Willo Historic Home Tour and Street Fair. Gloria hated leaving her home to move into Assisted Living at Glencroft Manor II, but she continued to be engaged in all the activities and was known for her creativity, intelligence and ability to listen and be a good friend.

BARS ON BIKES

Willo Bikers Take to the Streets to Visit Local Watering Holes!

Again this year, Willo neighbors jumped on their bikes and hit the streets to spend an afternoon together visiting several fun spots. This annual get together in its tenth year started at neighbor, Phil Flemming's house and then the bikers set off for "Hulas", "Georgian Dragon" and finished up the night with the blues and "Chars." W

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The purpose of the Expo is to provide timely advice and assistance to property owners to improve their historic or vintage home. In addition to numerous vendor booths, informative education sessions will take place with experts in the field. Topics include:

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- Urban Myths About Energy Efficiency
- Researching Your Historic Home
- Green Retrofitting
- Interior Design
- When Adding Subtracts
- Landscaping and Irrigation
- Grants, Assistance, and Tax Incentives

The Expo, free to the public, will be held from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday, June 15, 2013, at the Hilton Phoenix East/Mesa, 1011 W. Holmes Avenue, Mesa, AZ 85210-4923.

Questions? If you have questions or need of further information, contact Donna Reiner, Chair, 2013 Historic Homeowner's Expo at 602-258-5613.

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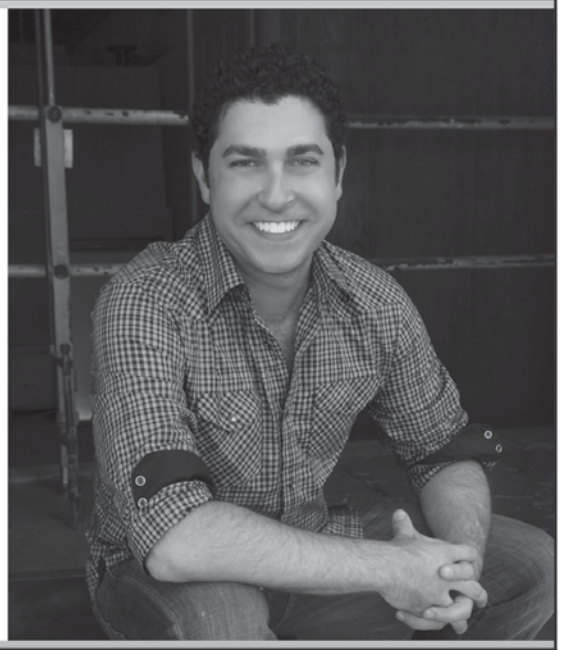

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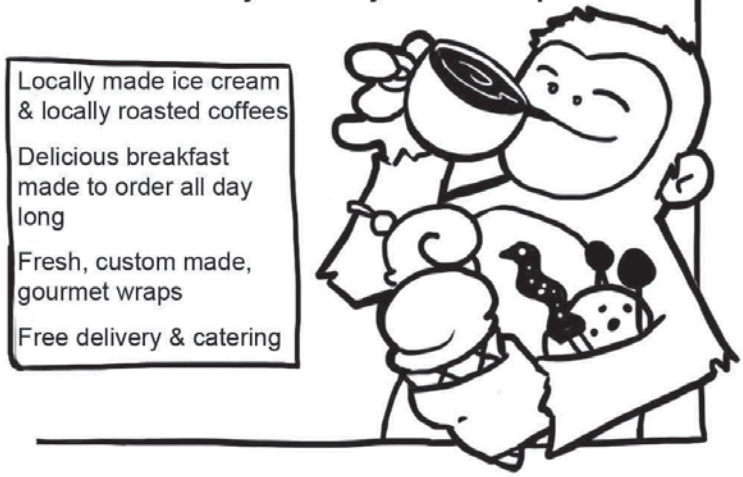

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There is a very feminine feel in every nook of the shop.

Beth first opened her store in 2010 in Scottsdale but the drive to work was wearing her down and she had always envisioned herself owning a boutique in the downtown Art District...so she packed up all her girly frocks and opened in the My Florist Plaza in June of 2012!

Living in FQ Story, this made so much sense regarding driving distance, shop after-hour events, etc.

After working at the State Capitol for many years, she was ready to make her dream of shop ownership a reality. With the urging of her husband of two years, Chad Campbell, (State Minority leader for the State House of Representatives), they found a shop home in Willo. Beth felt that the downtown area could use an eco-friendly & cruelty free clothing store where she sold items that people could feel good about wearing!

Her wares are vegan friendly (no animal or leather products of any kind) clothing, shoes, purses, etc.

She even carries soaps, body butters, scrubs, etc. that are all natural and feel amazing on the skin. Do your skin a favor and try a custom sunless tan which is all natural, air brushed tanning with next to perfect coverage.

Her jewelry & clothing is very feminine, slightly trendy and very unique pieces that you cannot find anywhere else. Clean lines, great use of fabrics with both color and black/white prints... something for every woman.

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Tips to Enjoy the Dog Park with Your Pooch

As the weather heats up, dog parks get busy at two times of the day, dawn and dusk. And we expect the opening of a new park to take place this summer at Hance Park. To help you and your dog enjoy "playtime" here are some tips from an expert.

•Know your dog's personality. Not all dogs enjoy socializing. Don't let your dog get overwhelmed by meeting a large pack of dogs on his first few times at the dog park. Test your dog before ever going to a dog park by introducing him first to a friend's or family member's dog. Do this in a controlled situation such as a back yard or a fenced area. Take your time and go slow.

■ *Is your dog healthy?* Confirm that all of your dog's shots are up-to-date. If your dog is recovering from a recent surgery or illness, postpone a dog park visit until he is fully recuperated.

■ *Observe.* We always recommend your first visit to your local dog park should be without your dog. This allows you—your dog's pack leader—to learn the park rules and familiarize yourself with the surroundings. When you are ready to bring your dog to the dog park, watch the group inside the park first. If the dogs seem too rough for your dog, plan to return at another time or try a different park. If your dog seems overly excited watching other dogs, teach him to relax at the park by just sitting quietly with him in the park area on your first few visits.

■ *Start out slow.* The first few visits to the dog park should be brief—15 minutes or less. Then slowly increase your time as your dog becomes more secure with the dog park situation. Not all dogs are meant for dog parks. If your dog is naturally fearful or timid, he simply may not be a good fit with more dominant dogs.

■ *Choose off hours to visit the dog park.* Try visit on weekdays, especially around midday. Avoid going on weekends and after work, as those are generally the busiest times.

■ *Always stay focused on your dog.* Don't get distracted talking to other dog owners. Always watch all the dogs' body language to help you avoid any trouble before it begins. Keeping an eye on your own dog's body language will help you know when he's becoming stressed or fearful. If this happens, redirect his attention back to you to help him feel safe.

■ *Let your dog off leash the moment you enter unleashed areas.* Aggressive behaviors can result between a leashed dog and a dog that's running free. Leashed dogs, and their owners, project body language that can be threatening, and keeping your dog on the leash will only make things worse. A leashed dog is unable to make his instinctual decisions. He cannot opt to take flight, so he may feel he has to fight to survive the situation.

■ *Young children should not be inside a dog park.* It's impossible to safely watch your child and your dog at the same time. In addition, children running in a dog park can trigger the dogs to chase them—an extremely dangerous situation.

■ *Leave puppies at home.* Puppies aged less than four months aren't fully immunized yet and are at risk for diseases such as parvovirus. Also, take care to avoid allowing your pup to experience any negative interactions with other canines. Your pup's socialization education will be impeded negatively if a dog is aggressive to him. A dog park filled with strange dogs is a poor place to start socializing a young pup; start one-on-one with other young puppies.

■ *Do not bring treats or toys.* Most parks already have plenty of balls and toys that other people have left behind. Also, it is very common to see dogs exhibit food aggression or resource guarding when treats and toys are introduced. Avoid this behavior potential by not having these triggers in the first place.

■ *Know when it's time to leave.* Leave on a positive note, before a negative experience can happen. If you notice your dog becoming stressed or afraid, or he's being chased by the pack, step up to your role as your dog's leader to keep your pack safe. Trust your gut and leave if the situation isn't feeling right.

To sum it up, be aware of your surroundings and enjoy your summer "pup time." W

Information provided by Gerard Raneri, a dog behavioral therapist and master trainer with Bark Busters, the world's largest dog training company. Bark Busters trainers have trained more than 750,000 dogs worldwide, are renowned authorities in dog behavior with all-natural, dog-friendly methods. For more information call (520) 440-8848 or visit DogTrainingTucsonAz.com

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REAL ESTATE ADVICE

Home Questions? We Have Answers!

Vicki Vanderhoff (Monte Vista)

"I am ready to put my house on the market, and I'd like to save some money by selling it by owner. What do you think?"—Prudent on Palm Lane

Dear Prudent,

Now, that's a loaded question if I ever heard one. I am a realtor, so as you can imagine, I would not recommend selling by owner, but for good reason. A qualified real estate professional provides services that can typically help you make more money on your sale.

Home selling is all in the marketing, and in today's market, it's all online. That means MLS, Trulia, Zillow and all the other real estate search engines. When your agent puts your home in the MLS system, every realtor in the state sees it. That's a heck of a lot more potential buyers than you'll find driving by your "For Sale By Owner" sign on a Sunday afternoon.

A realtor will accurately price your home. With access to comparable prices to active, pending and recent sales in your neighborhood, your agent can support your asking price to buyers with current, credible data which will be especially important during the appraisal process.

Negotiating the terms of a real estate contract is not for the faint of heart. Once a buyer shows interest, your agent will work hard to get you the best price, earnest money, financing and closing date. You may not come to terms with your first interested buyer and it could take a few offers to get what you want.

When it comes to the home inspection, your buyer will probably have a laundry list of items they will ask you to rectify. Your agent will help you get bids on repairs and most importantly, negotiate a fair compromise with the buyer.

Finally, your realtor will stay on top of the buyer's lender to get your deal closed, sooner rather than later. It's your agent's job to keep everyone on task until the deal is done and your home is sold, and that's exactly what your realtor will do.

Thanks to Vicki Vanderhoff for helping us share home information with our readers. To submit your question, please contact Vicki at vanderhoffhomes@aol.com

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Building Art on Thomas Avenue

Information obtained from the Phoenix Business Journal

A building in midtown Phoenix received an external makeover in April to go along with improvements inside that are designed to bring in more creative workers. A colorful, six-story (50' x 24') mural recently was painted on the building at 2828 N. Central Ave. by Berlin artists JBAK. Addison Karl, a McClintock High School graduate who grew up in Tempe, and James Bullough, who has a sister in Phoenix, make up JBAK. The improvements are part of a repurposing of the 14-story building that has owners looking to attract more creative workers and entrepreneurs to an area that has seen businesses leaving and lots of empty space to fill, according to the property's owners.

The untitled artwork depicts Christopher Nieto, the president and founder of Nieto Development and a fifth-generation Arizonan who is passionate about the city. Karl befriended Nieto after he painted a mural at Giant Coffee, a building Nieto owns at 1st Street and McDowell Road. Nieto was instrumental in finding the spot for the new mural and got the building's owners interested in the two artists.

The mural also depicts Karl's grandmother, Maxine Bohreer, who helped raise Karl along with his grandfather and mother. The mural is an homage to both, thanking them for their love of Phoenix and to his grandmother for helping to raise him.

"With the 26 colors, we wanted to replicate the Arizona sunset," said Karl, who has been working with Bullough for more than two years and also painted a mural at the Brat Haus restaurant in Scottsdale. "I tell everyone you can't imagine the skyline here unless you've seen it." Karber said the mural shows that they are trying to do something different.

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Phoenix Public Market Café Opened Downtown by St. Francis Restaurant Chef

Willo has a new café biking distance away! The Phoenix Public Market Café opened last month, serving breakfast, lunch and dinner daily from 7a to 10p at 14 E. Pierce St., next door to the Phoenix public open-air farmer's market. The café is a natural extension of the downtown market's efforts to bring the region's food community closer. Many ingredients from café dishes will be sourced directly from the adjacent farmer's market. Its menu will focus on healthy meal choices. The café is the brainchild of Aaron Chamberlin that owns St. Francis on Camelback & Central. Aaron has a talent for working with local 'in season' produce and meats, and turning them into yummy creations.

Located next door to the café is a small retail shop that highlights products and handmade goods from Arizona purveyors such as NutWhats, lotions from Desert Palm Emu Ranch, Stone Grindz raw organic chocolate, Black Mesa Ranch goat cheese and McClendon's Select.

Designed as a casual, urban hangout, the Phoenix Public Market Café's space is outfitted with rustic picnic tables and plenty of natural lighting. Inspired by European-style café culture, guests are encouraged to linger, meet with colleagues, and surf the Web using the complimentary wifi access and tableside charging stations.

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TRASH/RECYCLING

Summer Holiday Garbage/ Recycling Pick Up Schedule

Since the city has switched to same-day collection, Public Works staff will be working on the following holidays. Trash and recycling will be collected as regularly scheduled on:

- **MEMORIAL DAY, MONDAY, MAY 27TH**
- **INDEPENDENCE DAY,. JULY 4TH**
- **LABOR DAY, MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 2ND**
- **VETERANS DAY, MONDAY, NOVEMBER 11TH**

BULK TRASH PICK UP

Placement begins on:	Pick up begins week of:
May 11th	May 20th
August 10th	August 19th
November 9th	November 18th

- Placement is allowed only between the dates listed.
- If you have curbside collection of green containers, you should place your bulk trash curbside.
- If you have alley collection of large black containers, you should place your bulk trash in the alley.
- Bulk trash crews will NOT pick up: loose debris/litter, materials such as bricks, concrete, dirt, rocks, roofing tiles, construction materials, or used appliances. Loose grass, weeds or hedge clipping -items must be bagged or boxed.
- City ordinance allows only nine days prior to the scheduled collection week to place bulk trash out for collection. It is a violation of city ordinance to place trash out before the listed "Placement begins" date.

RESTAURANTS

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FOODIES' ADVENTURES

Iconic Beef Eaters Comes Back to Life With A Hip New Space

Becky Shaw (Almeria)

My heart is just all fluttery over the restoration of this iconic establish that was one a fine, main stay of Midtown Phoenix. The old Beef Eaters is getting a make-over as we speak....Its hardwood floors, vintage leather booths and chairs, as well as the amazing chandeliers that hung during its former glory, will be restored and made part of the redevelopment. The focus will remain on the 1961 vision of the original Beef Eaters concept which is a modernist structure with vaulted ceilings and exposed materials.

Beef Eaters was opened by Jay Newton in 1961...Gasp...I was born three years later! For decades this was a favorite gathering place for community leaders and residents who came for the amazing prime rib, steaks and seafood. Newton passed away in 2005 at the age of 87. This 17,000 sq foot former restaurant at Camelback and 3rd Avenue has stood vacant and often vandalized since 2006. Thanks to the Venue Partners, a local urban redevelopment group, this building will live on.

The former cavernous location holds fond memories with me personally, as my father would take my mother on dates there. More so, I knew the head chef, Jay Aposhian, very well and when he ended up opening up his own restaurant down south, I was just steps behind him and privy to all the Beef Eater stories that followed. Such great memories.

Word has it that Changing Hands Book store will go in, as well as an office space with a modern spin to it geared to professionals who commute byway of the light rail. But more importantly, to my stomach that is, is the addition of the "Southern Rail" restaurant which has my mouth watering just thinking about the array of "Dixie-based" menu items about to hit our area.

Inspired by the transcontinental railroad's historical influence on our great state, the Southern Rail will take guests on a mental journey inspired by flavors of the American South. The menu will feature inspirations from the Carolinas to the Gulf coast, Texas, New Mexico and of course, Arizona. Chef Justin Becket (owner of Beckets Table) will use his signature style to redefine well-known Cajun and creole dishes, as well as other Southern classics. Expect a killer wine list, local beers and handcrafted cocktails featuring boutique spirits. W

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SAFETY

Street Safety Committee is Formed

When I take our dog for a walk within and around Willo, I like to go where people are painting their house, building an addition, or redoing their landscaping. I love to observe people taking their historic homes from the way they are to the way they can be.

When the light rail was being built, often I walked our dog on Central and chatted with the workers as they changed the street scape, installed the rail, the overhead electric wires and the traffic lights. As my father worked 55 years for the Missouri Pacific Railroad, much of that time as secretary to the head of the engineering department, you can imagine what it was like for me to see the Phoenix Metro light rail test runs! Now I can't remember the way Central used to be.

A few years from now perhaps we won't remember the way it is today with our streets in Willo.

The Street Transportation Department painted our bicycle lanes before the Home Tour. On May 13th they installed a new speed hump on 5th just south of Almeria to calm traffic darting for the light at McDowell. They had stretched their assessment cables across 5th and found that 1400 vehicles crossed each day at an average speed of 28 mph, 3 mph over the speed limit. Residents on the boundary of the speed hump signed the City's official petition, Willo's Board included the required $250 check, and the mission is accomplished.

Over the past year, I took numerous walks along 3rd & 5th to observe traffic. Residents out and about shared their sighting of vehicles driving the wrong way, much needed sidewalks along 5th between Thomas & Encanto, the discomfort of race track driving through the roundabouts, bicycles using the sidewalks at the roundabouts for fear of getting wiped out, vehicles darting from the Firehouse on 3rd north to the first speed hump, cars speeding from 7th Avenue east on Almeria and Coronado to avoid the traffic at 7th and McDowell, no bicycle lane between Almeria and McDowell, old white lines now showing through cracked pavement, and the need for street surface restoration after years of excavation for utility work.

All of this, and more, is on the agenda for Willo's new Committee on Street Safety. Board members Greg (Granada) and Jon (Granada), James and Shanon at 5th & Almeria, myself (Coronado) and Brad and Andrea at 5th & Encanto. all want to take our street safety from the way it is to the way it can be. We'll no doubt host a gathering to define the projects and receive further ideas. So go for walks, talk to your neighbors, observe our needs for safety and keep your eyes out for progress over the rest of 2013.

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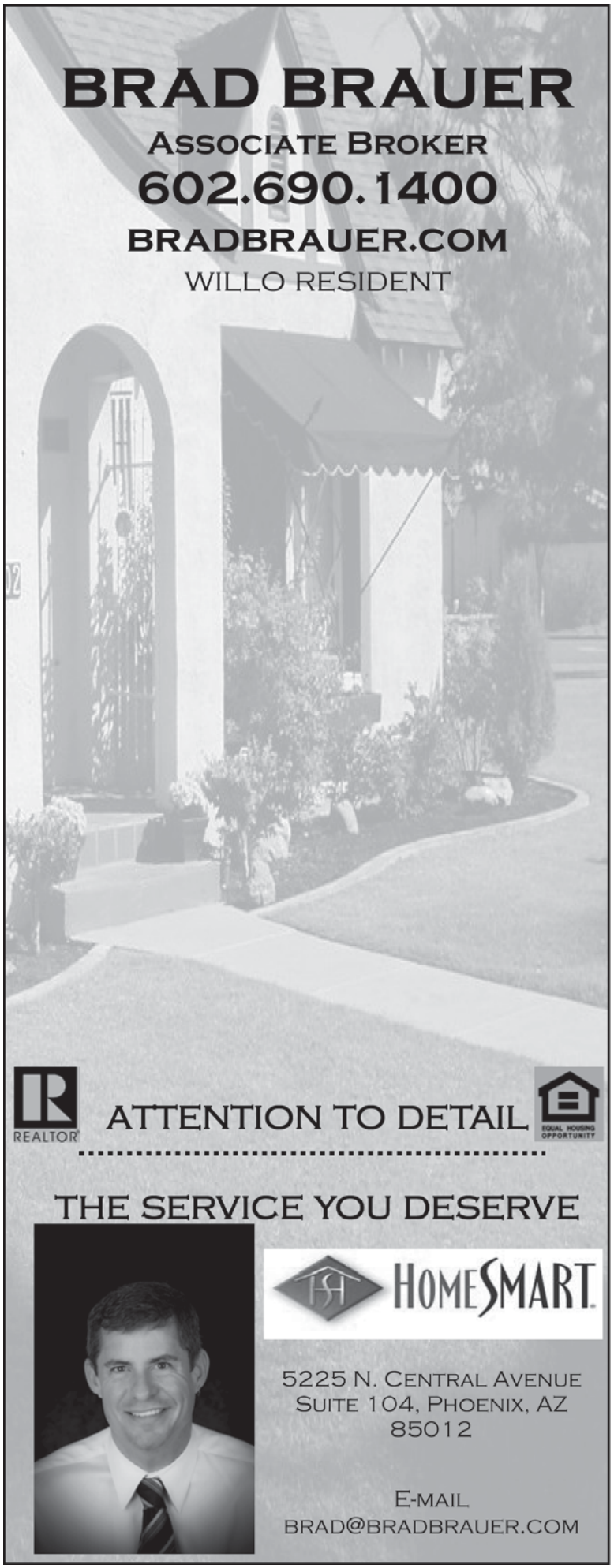

HOME SALES

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Real estate information provided by Brad Brauer, HomeSmart Elite Group.

Sold or Pending	Status	Price
345 W. Edgemont	SOLD	$283,500
25 W. Wilshire	SOLD	$290,000
505 W. Lewis	SOLD	$325,000
529 W. Monte Vista	SOLD	$345,000
302 W. Cambridge	SOLD	$375,000
511 W. Edgemont	SOLD	$379,000
90 W. Holly	SOLD	$415,000
515 W. Coronado	SOLD	$440,000
38 W. Vernon	SOLD	$549,000
38 W. Edgemont	PENDING	$180,000
541 W. Edgemont	PENDING	$199,900
89 W. Lewis	PENDING	$225,000
41 W. Edgemont	PENDING	$265,000
337 W. Wilshire	PENDING	$289,900
127 W. Granada	PENDING	$295,000
325 W. Coronado	PENDING	$299,900
501 W. Edgemont	PENDING	$334,900
505 W. Lewis	PENDING	$345,000
522 W. Monte Vista	PENDING	$479,000
330 W. Palm	PENDING	$575,000

For Sale in Willo	Status	Price
538 W. Wilshire	ACTIVE	$219,900
48 W. Lewis	ACTIVE	$232,500
335 W. Edgemont	ACTIVE	$349,000
502 W. Holly	ACTIVE	$360,000
505 W. Holly	ACTIVE	$399,900
102 W. Granada	ACTIVE	$499,000
58 W. Wilshire	ACTIVE	$529,000
54 W. Holly	ACTIVE	$549,000

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LIBRARY
EVENTS

SUMMER HAPPENINGS

Library Event Listings

READING PROGRAMS

DIG INTO READING [May 30 - July 27] Everyone can participate in this year's Summer Reading Program, from children to teens and even adults – that's right, adults! Come read with the library this summer, log your readings online, and win grab-bag prizes, raffle tickets to giveaways like iPad minis, get-away trips, Chipotle, bookmarkers, books and more! To register for the online summer reading program, visit mcldconnect.org/summer.

ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

MOVIE NIGHT WEDNESDAYS [every Wednesday @6p - 8p from July 31-July 5] Tune in every Wednesday night for an action-packed, spy-themed movie screening. There will be no movie screening on July 5.

SUMMER SOLSTICE CELEBRATION [June 21 @ 11:30a - 1:30p] Architect Wendell Burnett talks about the unique building features that creates a visual effect at solar noon on summer solstice!

FRIDA KAHLO CELEBRATION Art Exhibit [July 1 - Aug 2] Join the Phoenix Fridas art collective in their celebration of Frida Kahlo and her influence on art from painters to graphic designers to seamstresses and more!

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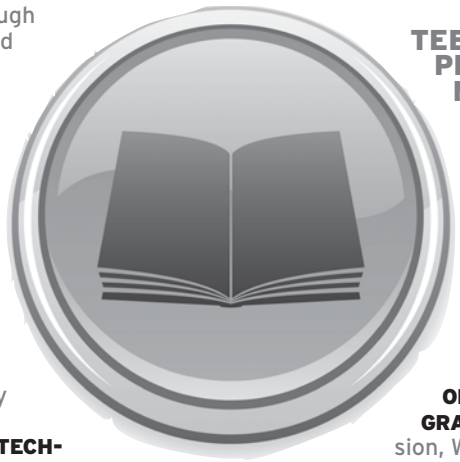

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TEEN PROGRAMMING

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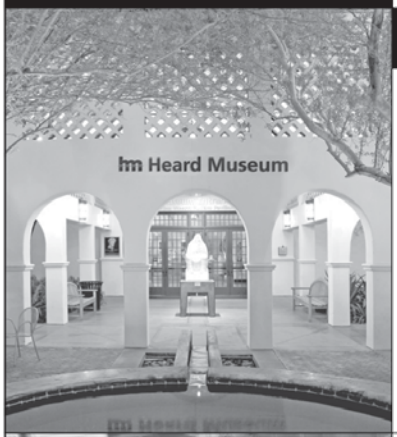

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