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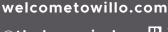
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#### President's Report Bradley Brauer



# Hello and WELCOME BACK!

#### HAPPY OCTOBER, WILLO!

I'm looking forward to the reduced temperatures we're experiencing in the morning (dog walks, anyone?) extending to the afternoons as well.

The WNA Board kicked off our first meeting of September in a new venue that I'm very excited about. At our June meeting, Board member Lara Sands was entrusted with the goal of finding a new meeting place close by so our residents could walk, bike, or drive and park for free. Lara spent half the summer review-



friendship. The growing number of neighbors attending our meetings made it difficult to hear each other and hold an orderly meeting. I hope all of Willo will continue to support this long-term neighborhood establishment.

I want to thank long-term treasurer and Cambridge resident Linda Doescher, who stepped down in September, for her 10-year service to Willo. Congrats to Scott Ferreira, Edgemont resident, for taking on the treasurer position.

We seem to be in a bit of a holding pattern with our street re-

ON THE COVER:

THE NIGHT MOOD AT GREGG AND LISA CARRINGTON'S FRONT DOOR GIVES OFF A SPOOKY VIBE! THE DECORATIVE STUCCO RELIEF ABOVE THE DOOR IS ORIGINAL TO THE 1925 SPANISH REVIVAL HOME.

COVER PHOTOS BY LARA CERRI (VERNON)

ing options close to the neighborhood. Some closed too early, some were too expensive for our budget, and some didn't suit our needs. After whittling the various venues down to four, we visited those options and were overwhelmed by what the Arizona Opera had to offer. Their space at 1636 N Central Avenue, is perfect, their audio/video connections are more than we need, their price is under our budget and better yet: within the neighborhood without crossing a major street with access from 1st Avenue around the Coronado alignment, or access

from Central Avenue. There is free parking and bike racks.

After a great experience at our September meeting, the Board voted unanimously to continue our meetings there through June 2025. I hope to see you there; there is plenty of room for our neighbors.

For the past 8 months, our meetings were held at Oven + Vine, 14 W Vernon, which was a great experience. We were able to meet, and we were able to support a small, local, neighborhood business. We can't thank the owners, Michelle and Dylan, enough for their generosity and

modeling of 3rd and 5th Avenues. I hope more positive news comes out soon; however, 3.5 Committee Chair Bob Cannon informed us that the director of Streets/Transportation has stepped down, and we have a new project manager. Despite the challenges, we are committed to keeping you updated on the progress and ensuring the best outcomes for Willo.

Finally, see page 13 of this edition for an announcement about our upcoming G.A.I.N. event, organized by our Block Watch committee.

Thanks to all, until next time, see you 'round the 'hood. ■



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Established in 1986, the WNA Board consists of 13 volunteer positions elected biennially by the membership. WNA is not a Homeowners' Association (HOA); It does not collect dues; Its mission is to preserve Willo's historic designation and community quality. WNA meetings are open, all Willo residents may attend. Bylaws, registration, and agendas are available on WILLOPHX.COM.

#### **INSIDE WILLO MAGAZINE**

Inside Willo magazine is a communication instrument of the Willo Neighborhood Association (WNA) to share and highlight Home Tour, Block Watch, Kids Club, Zoning, Historic Preservation, WNA Board business and elections, internal committee news, and any City of Phoenix business affecting Willo.

Inside Willo is published monthly and is free of charge. Residents are encouraged to submit articles (125-500 words) by the 10th of each month, Resident business owners are encouraged to advertise in the magazine. The editor retains the right to edit material as needed, attribute the author, and determine when to print submissions or use on Willo social media, WIL-LOPHX.COM, and promotional materials. WNA retains the right to perpetually use all photos, media, and articles. Inside Willo does not accept political content or ads. Inside Willo is posted on WILLOPHX.COM. No copies may be reprinted electronically or otherwise

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#### Social Committee



# Cheers to Community: Join Us for Willo Happy Hour!

BY JON ROBERTS (GRANADA)

#### WE HAVE RETURNED TO

our social season and couldn't have had a better beginning than a vibrant fiesta hosted by our neighbors Sandra Lefcovich Venancio Berrocoso. About 100 neighbors gathered, celebrating community and togetherness. Families came together to enjoy traditional foods and drinks while a beautiful sunset illuminated colorful flags rippling overhead. Many enjoyed a splash in the pool with a goodbye to these (hopefully) last hot days of summer. The fiesta strengthened bonds, fostered connections, and reminded everyone of the importance of unity in our diverse, thriving neighborhood. Thank you for your attendance and support!

Join us for our next adultsonly Willo Happy Hour on October 11th, hosted by the wonderful Robynn Longenbaugh, a dedicated and delightful supporter of our Willo Happy Hour and Neighbor Night events. The gathering will be held at Robynn's house, located on the northeast corner of Granada Rd. Look for the "Willo Happy Hour" sign out front. Please bring your favorite appetizer and drink to share as we enjoy a lively evening of great company and conversation.

## SUBSCRIBE TO SOCIAL COMMITTEE UPDATES:

Send an email to <u>WilloSocia-Committee@gmail.com</u> to request notifications on upcoming Willo Social events.









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## Living (in) History A Regular Column about Historic Preservation



# It's Exterior Rehab Grant Time Again

BY TRICIA AMATO (LEWIS)

#### DUE TO THE PASSING OF

a Historic Preservation bond initiative this year, the total amount available for rehab grants is \$300,000! Please note that the application process has changed. Read through the informational materials on the City of Phoenix website before beginning an application: phoenix.gov/pdd/historic-preservation/exterior-rehab-assistance.

In order to submit an applica-

tion, you must contact Historic Preservation by 11/13 to receive a link to upload your application. — the actual deadline is November 15, 2024. The Historic Preservation Exterior Rehab grant program is designed to assist homeowners with the preservation of their historic properties through sensitive rehabilitation of exterior features such as roofs, windows, lost or damaged architectural elements, foundation repair, etc. Successful applicants can receive between \$5,000 and \$20,000 in matching funds to complete their projects, which is significant!

The application process requires homeowners to fully document the proposed project in writing and photos, and provide a comprehensive estimate for repairs. It is also helpful to detail how this project fits into the

long-term plans for the rehab of the home and how the proposed repairs contribute to the goals of the city's Preservation Philosophy. A committee consisting of HP staff and community members evaluates the applications based on the importance of the restoration to the long-term survival of the building and the extent to which the proposed repair respects the original architectural elements of the home.

Good Luck!

Tricia is a City of Phoenix Historic Preservation Commissioner. Visit phoenix.gov/pdd/historic-preservation for information regarding historic guidelines and approvals. Reach Tricia at amatotricia@gmail.com.

## PROJECTS ELIGIBLE FOR GRANT FUNDING

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## ELIGIBLE EXTERIOR WORK MAY INCLUDE:

- Roof repairs/replacement
- Foundation repairs
- Structural rehabilitation/reinforcement
- Exterior wall repairs

- Masonry/stucco repairs
- Exterior window and door repairs
- Porch and step rehabilitation
- Cornice and parapet repairs
- Re-painting (if a part of an eligible repair)
- Historic garage, guest house, or carport rehabilitation
- Reversal of previous inappropriate alterations
- Demolition of non-historic additions
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- Interior work may be eligible only if necessary to stabilize or structurally support the building's historic exteriors

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# CALENDAR



# THURSDAY, OCT. 10th

Willo Neighborhood Association Board Meeting - 6:30pm -8:00pm

#### **NEW LOCATION:**

Arizona Opera - 1636 N Central Ave, Phoenix, AZ 85004. Please check WILLOPHX.COM and The Official Willo Historic Neighborhood Facbeook Page for more details

#### FRIDAY, OCT. 11th

Willo Neighborhood Happy Hour - 5:30pm - 7:30 pm (ages 21+ please)

#### LOCATION:

140 W. Granada Rd. **HOST:** Robynn Longenbaugh

#### SATURDAY, OCT. 19th

G.A.I.N. Event - 8:00am - 12:00pm Walton Park

PLUS Willo Neighborhood Fall Yard Sale
- 7:00am - 1:00pm
Front yards around our neighborhood

#### FRIDAY, OCT. 25th

2025 Willo Home Tour Meeting - Neighborhood Share-out -6:00pm - 7:00pm

LOCATION: 70 W. Encanto

SATURDAY, OCT. 26th



and The Official Willo Historic Neighborhood Facbeook Page for more details

#### FRIDAY, NOV. 22nd

2025 Willo Home Tour Meeting - Neighborhood Share-out -6:00pm - 7:00pm LOCATION: 70 W. Encanto

# SATURDAY, DEC. 7th

238th Annual F.Q. Story Home Tour & Holiday Street Marketplace Hom Tour: 11:00am– 7:00pm/Marketplace: 11:00am - 5:00pm. Tickets \$20 in advance, \$25 at the door

#### FOR MORE INFO:

fqstoryhometour. org or fqstoryhometour@gmail.com



# SCAN FOR MORE INFO

As always, please check WILLOPHX.COM or THE OFFICIAL WILLO HISTORIC NEIGHBORHOOD FACEBOOK PAGE for the latest updates.



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#### **Block Watch**



# Block Watch News

BY BOBBI RYALS (LEWIS)

#### THIS SUMMER WAS A BUSY

one for Willo Block Watch. Here are the following incidents since the writing of the September Block Watch column:

**7-22-24:** A random man was caught on camera on the porch of a home at 2:00 a.m. on the 500 block of Almeria. Nothing was disturbed.

**8-2-24:** A man was caught on camera attempting to enter the front door of a home on the 100 block of Vernon. The same man had entered another home in the St. Francis neighborhood earlier that morning but was chased off by the owners who were home at the time.

**8-8-24:** Report of an unhoused man sleeping on 3rd Avenue near Vernon around 7:45 a.m. By 8:00 a.m., he was gone.

**8-11-24:** Graffiti on the 500 block of Almeria, south alley.

**9-1-24:** An unhoused man was seen sleeping in the south alley of the 500 block of Cambridge.

**9-5-24:** Arrest made on the 300 block of Cambridge. The person arrested had 3 felony convictions.

**9-8-24:** Large encampment of an unhoused couple in the 500 block alley between Lewis & Vernon.

**9-10-24**: Same encampment from above moved to 500 block alley between Wilshire and Virginia.

**9-10-24:** Same encampment from above moved onto the personal property of a vacant home on the 500 block of Wilshire.

9-11-24: Same encampment from above moved to the 500 block alley between Almeria and Coronado.

**9-14-24:** Same encampment from above moved to the 500 block alley between Cambridge & Virginia.

**9-14-24:** Graffiti on the 500 block alley between Palm & Granada.

The encampment is concerning as it keeps moving around the neighborhood. Per Phoenix PD, the couple involved have an extensive criminal history. Willo Block Watch discourages approaching these folks and, instead, asks that you contact Crime Stop at 602-262-6151.

OCTOBER 19TH, 2024, WE will be having our annual G.A.I.N. (Getting Arizona In-

volved in Neighborhoods) Block Watch Event at Walton Park on the same day as the Willo Yard Sale. The City of Phoenix Grant Program and the Willo Neighborhood Association are providing breakfast burritos and coffees from the wonderful Nora Jean's Koffee Koach. Look for your ticket in the insert of this issue and bring it to Walton Park to get your free breakfast!

Phoenix Police, Fire Department, local politicians, and Phoenix Historic Preservation will all be on-site to chat informally with the residents of Willo. Officer Ben Harris will be there to register bikes. Those who register their bikes (adults and children alike) will get some cool, free reflective bike gear or bike lights (while supplies last).

We will also have a Dunk Tank where you can dunk your friendly Willo board members or anyone who is brave enough to take the plunge!

Music will be provided by Jesse French!

So come on out to Walton Park and enjoy the fun! October 19th, 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. ■

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# Participate in Home Tour 2025 Planning!

BY HOME TOUR COMMITTEE



## **2025** HOMETOUR UPDATE!

#### WE KEPT COOL THIS SUMMER WITH ALL

things Home Tour planning! Here's a picture from our most recent planning session. A BIG thank you to our committees for helping us bring so many cool ideas to the table. If you have any ideas for this year, please let us know! Until next month, *Courtney and Crawford* 

## **UPCOMING DATES**

#### **NEXT NEIGHBORHOOD MEETING:**

- October 25th, 6-7PM @ 70 W Encanto Boulevard
- November 22nd, 6-7PM @ 70 W Encanto Boulevard

These monthly meetings are open to all neighbors. Please join us to hear updates and ask questions! To be added to our Home Tour update email list or become a part of the planning committee, email: WilloHomeTours@gmail.com

## HELPUS ROCK THE HOME TOUR AND STREET FAIR!

#### HEYTHERE, MUSIC LOVERS!

We're thrilled to have music at the forefront of this community and neighborhood event. We want to ensure our music hits all the right notes for you, so we're conducting a quick survey to get your input.

Why Your Opinion Matters: Your feedback will help us create a setlist that gets everyone dancing and ensures we bring the best experience to the stage and homes. Plus, it's a chance to tell us what you want to hear and how we can make our Home Tour and Street Fair even better!

Take a Minute, Rock On: Scan the QR code to complete the Home Tour Music survey! ■







#### WILLO HOME TOUR **SPOTLIGHT**

#### WE'RE EXCITED TO SHARE OUR

first sneak peek of a house on our 2025 Willo Home Tour! Starting us off, Lisa and Gregg Carrington with a small glimpse into their amazing Vernon Avenue home.

"We moved to Willo in 2013, not knowing anything about the neighborhood other than the charm of the historic homes we had stumbled upon while trying to avoid Phoenix cookie-cutter houses. Shortly after buying the house, we took a walk and were delighted to find front porches occupied by people, sipping wine, waving, introducing themselves, and welcoming us. We knew instantly that Willo would be our long-term home. Quickly making friends on our street and at the neighborhood happy hours, our love for the neighborhood grows with

each passing year.

Our favorite historic features of the house are the living room fireplace and floor-to-ceiling arched window, which we painstakingly restored. Our favorite newer features are the back courtyard, pool, and gardens, which were added in 2015 to create a little backyard oasis.

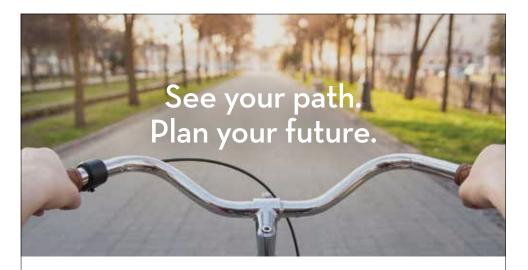
But what we love the most is how we feel when we are here, like we are truly home."

A BIG thank you to Lisa and Gregg for participating in the Willo Home Tour! This tour is only possible with the help of neighbors like you!



The home is full of hidden secrets. For example, this pass-through door in the spice cabinet provides access to the new speakeasy.

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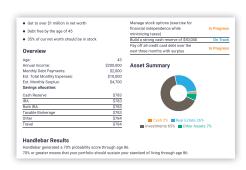
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# Q&Awith a Previous Home Tour Participant

#### WE ASKED PREVIOUS

participants to share the good and bad and what they wished they'd known. This month, we have Sarah and Stephen Bradley, who had their Wilshire Drive home on the 2024 tour.

# What did you most enjoy about participating in the home tour?

Meeting so many neighbors! Now, when we go to happy hours and other events, we know so many more people. It was also very rewarding to have so many people interested and appreciative of the unique architecture in our special neighborhood.

# What is something that you wish you had known before your participation?

Have your lunch scheduled to be delivered or brought to you by someone not working at your house. You'll be so busy answering questions and receiving positive feedback that you won't be able to step away to feed yourself!

# What was your most memorable part of the overall experience?

The line out the door for the majority of the day! It's so nice to see people who love our neighborhood as much as we do!

#### What are the top two to three reasons someone should consider participating in the next Willo home tour?

As a resident in this special neighborhood, it's so nice to hear that your hard work, attention detail, and appreciation for historical architecture are recognized. Additionally, didn't expect to have our sense community strengthened so much simply by putting our house on tour! Thanks to us attending meetings and enjoying the homeowner gatherings, we have grown an amazing group of friends and acquaintances.



# SAVE THE DATE FOR WILLO WINTER MOVIE NIGHT FRIDAY, DECEMBER 6TH @ 6 PM

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## A FESTIVAL OF NINE LESSONS AND CAROLS

Dec 22 2024 4:00 PM Harp Prelude 3:30 PM

Featuring the Trinity Cathedral Choir with works of McDowall, Briggs, and others.



# Plant Native! BY N

BY MARY CONNELL (ENCANTO)



#### AS THE ARIZONA SUMMER

draws to a close, our thoughts turn to cooling temperatures, pumpkin lattes, and fall gardens. Did you lose trees or plants this summer? As you ready your yard for fall, consider replacing dead trees and plants with native and/ or drought-resistant plants.

## WHYPLANT NATIVE PLANTS?

These desert dwellers, our native plants, have evolved in our unforgiving climate, showcasing their resilience. They typically require less water and, overall, less attention than non-native plants. They save money on water, maintenance, fertilizers, and pesticides compared to non-natives. They resist harmful insects and serve as habitat for birds and other local animals.

## **EXTREME HEAT**

The summer of 2024 was the hottest on record, with a record number of days with high temperatures greater than 110 degrees. Nighttime low temperatures often stayed in the 90s, adding to the stress on trees and plants. Many nonnative trees and plants did not survive the summer, including local favorites such as Ash, Ficus, pines, and live oaks. Even citrus trees are struggling.

#### WATER

Decades of water overuse, extreme heat, and drought have meant diminished water allocations to states in the Colorado River basin, including Arizona.

In response, the City of Phoenix is phasing in a new charging structure for water customers, incentivizing decreased water consumption. The city's water rate increased by 6.5% last year, and another 6.5% jump occurred in March. An additional 13% increase takes effect next year. Water bills could jump as much as 48% for customers who don't cut their use. This means that for every gallon of water saved, you're not only contributing to water conservation but also saving money on your water bill.

#### BEAUTY

Desert landscapes are often described as dull, barren, and dreary. A well-planned garden can incorporate a mix of trees, shrubs, cacti, succulents, and perennials, resulting in an appealing garden that is drought- and heat-tolerant. These plants can be arranged to create an attractive landscape,

bursting with color and texture.

An elegant native tree like palo verde can mature into a cooling shade structure, providing much-needed respite to patios and plants. Spring brings a profusion of blossoms on many desert trees. Consider mesquite, ironwood, and cascalote trees. Red pistache



is another drought- and heattolerant variety that provides spectacular fall color.

Cacti and other desert plants can add a pop of color to your yard, including bougainvillea, red bird of paradise, and lantana.

In short, the time has come to face the reality that we live in a desert and no longer have the luxury of artificially supporting plants that do not belong here. Fortunately, beautiful, droughtresistant native plants are here to fill the void.

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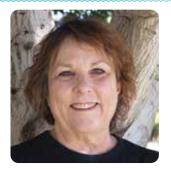


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#### Willo Board of Directors





# Farewell, Linda Doescher, Outgoing Willo Neighborhood

#### THANK YOU FOR ALLOWING

me to be your WNA Treasurer since March of 2015. Due to family health priorities and personal reasons, I made the difficult decision to resign at the September 12th WNA Board Meeting.

Tom and I moved to our forever home in Willo in 2003 and have never regretted it. We love the homes, the people, and the "neighborhood" atmosphere, and we plan to stay here for a very long time!

One of my proudest accomplishments was securing the City of Phoenix Block Watch Grant in 2021. To date, Willo has been awarded \$51,458.00 for programs such as Luminaria, Block Watch, Kids Club, and other Willo expenses.

I am confident that the newly appointed WNA Treasurer, Scott Ferreira, will be a great asset to Willo.

So, farewell for now. It's been my pleasure to serve you, and I look forward to seeing everyone around the neighborhood!

# Welcome, Scott Ferreira, Incoming Willo Neighborhood



entrepreneur and business leader with a proven track record of managing budgets and finances across a wide range of industries and organizations.

With over 15 years of experience running businesses with global teams, I have developed a strong ability to oversee and manage financial operations, even though my formal background is not in finance. I have

successfully managed budgets of varying sizes for both businesses and nonprofits. Additionally, I have served on the financial subcommittee for the WNA for the past two years.

Before moving to Willo and joining the financial subcommittee, I was on my former HOA community's financial and audit committees. My work in these roles has given me a deep understanding of the fiscal re-



sponsibilities and strategic decision-making needed to support the financial health of Willo.

As the newly appointed Treasurer of the WNA, I bring my entrepreneurial spirit, attention to detail, and collaborative approach to help ensure sound financial management for our community. I am excited to contribute my expertise and leadership to the continued success of the neighborhood!

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# Hooray, Free Yoga for Willo and Encanto-Palmcroft Neighbors!

BY LARA CERRI (VERNON)

#### I TOOK MY FIRST YOGA

class in San Francisco in the late 80s. In college, I loved dance (both modern and Afro-Haitian, as well as going to the clubs), which came from a love of gymnastics as a child. Since then, I've practiced yoga in studios from California to Florida and back home here in the Valley of the Sun. I completed my 200-hour training at Urban Yoga Phx in 2021.

I'll be offering free Vinyasa classes to our neighbors at 9 a.m. every Sunday in November. My friends have opened up their gorgeous Encanto-Palmcroft backyard for these one-hour classes.

The Vinyasa style is like a moving meditation, inhaling and exhaling through a series of



poses. We may do child's pose, cat-cow, forward folds, easy twists, and strengthening and balancing poses such as warrior and tree. We might add sun salutations or try some eagle poses. I'm a fan of modifications, so we'll have those, too. We'll always move to music, and then relax and cool down in a savasana pose on our backs.

Of course, if you want to just observe, breathe, and meditate - that's okay, too. Time on the yoga mat is your time. So give yourself the treat of movement and relaxation. And it's free! Hooray!

WHEN? 9-10 a.m., Nov. 3, 10, 17 and 24. Doors open at 8:45 a.m. WHERE? 2110 Encanto Drive SW, Phoenix, Arizona

**WHAT TO BRING?** yoga mat and water for sure. *Optional:* small towel, blanket, blocks, strap. Quiet all phones, please.

RSVP OR REACH OUT 727-580-1246 or <u>hooraynamasteyoga@gmail.com</u> ■

#### **Yard Sale**

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NEIGHBORHOOD
'FALL YARD SALE'
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19TH
7:00 AM TO 1:00 PM
Front yards all around the
Willo Neighborhood

## JOIN YOUR NEIGHBORS FOR A DAY OF SHOPPING!

The Willo Neighborhood Association will market the yard sale to the entire valley to make it a day of shopping fun for all. Thousands of people will

come through Willo, looking for treasures... Set up your own sale, or come out and browse through your neighbors' special items to make them your own! PLEASE CHECK WILLOPHX.COM OR WILLO FACEBOOK PAGE FOR

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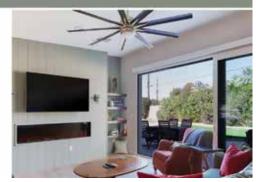


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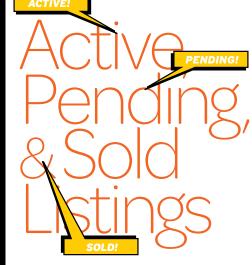
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342 W Cambridge	ACTIVE	\$659,000	
546 W Lewis	ACTIVE	\$829,900	
73 W Lewis	ACTIVE	\$1,349,000	
517 W Holly	PENDING	\$720,000	
531 W Wilshire	PENDING	\$799,000	
340 W Wilshire	SOLD	\$718,000	
309 W Encanto	SOLD	\$930,000	
525 W Granada	SOLD	\$1,116,000	

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# Annual Willo Kids Club Halloween Parade SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26TH

BY VALERIE LANE (LEWIS)

#### WE ARE EXCITED TO

announce the Annual Willo Kids Club Halloween Parade scheduled for Saturday, October 26th. We will gather at Walton Park at 4:00 PM, and the parade will begin at 4:30 PM. The route will take us down Monte Vista to 5th Ave and then back on Holly. We invite everyone in the community to join us in celebrating Halloween. There will be candy for the adults to give to our trick-or-treaters, music, and two bounce houses. One of the bounce houses will be specifically for kiddos aged five and under.

We are in dire need of volunteers to keep this event safe. We need adults to ensure kids stay on the sidewalk while marching. We will also need help to ensure the bounce houses stay safe. If you can help with the setup or cleanup, please email or text me.

I am grateful to Marie Hullander and Ron Galbraith for attending the WKC planning meeting on August 11th. This event would not be happening without your support. I also want to express my gratitude to all the parents and community members who have supported us in the past. Your con-

tinued support is what makes these events possible. All parents, please have your calendar ready. I will be asking you to help with the upcoming WKC events in February (Home Tour booth) and April (Spring Fling Event).



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# Willo Home Prices Continue to Soar for 15th Consecutive Year!

Year	Number Sales	Avg Sales Price	Avg Price/Ft	Avg Size	Lowest Sale	Highest Sale
2010	40	\$247,000	\$160	1,560	\$115,000	\$420,000
2011	49	\$255,000	\$144	1,771	\$105,000	\$632,000
2012	60	\$320,000	\$184	1,760	\$120,000	\$650,000
2013	54	\$357,000	\$213	1,689	\$186,000	\$615,000
2014	46	\$385,000	\$224	1,676	\$195,000	\$675,000
2015	58	\$388,000	\$235	1,703	\$210,000	\$734,000
2016	62	\$431,000	\$251	1,750	\$246,000	\$925,000
2017	59	\$477,000	\$266	1,814	\$265,000	\$775,000
2018	63	\$529,000	\$284	1,888	\$302,000	\$1,000,000
2019	61	\$494,000	\$284	1,770	\$302,000	\$812,000
2020	55	\$549,000	\$331	1,694	\$332,000	\$1,180,000
2021	61	\$716,000	\$415	1,813	\$427,000	\$1,440,000
2022	46	\$820,000	\$466	1,799	\$400,000	\$1,350,000
2023	39	\$801,000	\$455	1,809	\$545,000	\$1,450,000
2024*	29	\$852,000	\$449	1,934	\$590,000	\$1,500,000

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