

Neighbor to Neighbor



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Sunnyslope W.I.N.S.

where impacting neighborhoods succeeds

2005 Annual Weed & Seed Report

2005 was a productive year for the Desert Horizon Neighborhood Enforcement Team 61X and vigilant Sunnyslope residents. The two groups are partners in implementing the community's Weed & Seed strategy. Here are some of the results.

- During **3,029.52 hours** of Weed & Seed funded overtime, officers served **73 Search Warrants** – **63** of which were **drug-related**.
- These **warrants resulted in 147** (30%) of the **473 total arrests** made during **Weed & Seed funded overtime**.
- Of these arrests,
 - **17** were individuals arrested for **prostitution**
 - **10** were **gang** members
 - **21** were **charged under Project Safe Neighborhood**, a program designed to reduce gun violence
 - **25 individuals** were **imprisoned for a total of 138.75 years** as a result of the Repeat Offender Program
- **30-50 residents** attended **monthly** Community Policing meetings
- **84 drug complaints** were received **from citizens** via the exclusive Sunnyslope Complaint Line and at monthly Community Policing meetings held at Cowden Center.
- Investigation of **these complaints resulted in** the recovery of:

Drug	Amount	Estimated Street Value
Methamphetamine	4.5 pounds	\$75,901.00
Cocaine	1.6 pounds	\$19,936.00
Heroin	1 pound	\$18,160.00
Marijuana	7.1 pounds	\$15,955.00
Steroids	30 vials	\$2,250.00
Prescription Pills	60 pills	\$600.00

That's \$132,802 OUT of the hands of drug dealers!

- And the seizure of:
 - \$45,761
 - 68 firearms
 - 11 vehicles at an estimated value of \$103,000
- **Police and residents** came together at more than **199 community events** building trust, relationships and maintaining open lines of communication.

Weed and Seed received **\$236,335.37** for fiscal year **2005**. This paid for the Weed & Seed site coordinator, supplies, marketing pieces and all activities related to the police department and other subcontracted providers.

Since 2001, under the leadership of John C. Lincoln Health Network Sunnyslope residents have brought approximately **\$860,000** into the community to implement these strategies, **more than half of which directly benefited the City of Phoenix Police** Department Desert Horizon Precinct Neighborhood Enforcement Team.

All of this occurred exclusively within the boundaries of: 19th Avenue, 16th Street, Northern and Cactus.

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If you're concerned about crime in your neighborhood or are interested in finding out what's being done in the Sunnyslope community, please join us for our **monthly Law Enforcement meetings**, the **third Tuesday of each month** at **6 p.m.** at **Cowden Center – 9202 N. 2nd Street**, between Dunlap and Hatcher.

Visit the calendar of events section of the Sunnyslope W.I.N.S. website for current meeting dates and times:
www.sunnyslopecommunity.org



Community Resources @ Your Fingertips



The website: www.sunnyslopecommunity.org recently underwent a renovation and now users can find details about upcoming community meetings and lodge complaints directly from the home page!

The left side of the page features a list of meeting dates with live links that direct the user to a description of meetings, format and current committee objectives. The intention is to help busy community members maximize their time by making informed decisions to attend the meetings that best meet personal goals and objectives for community involvement.

The right side of the page has live links to lodge complaints citing blight issues, suspicious drug activity, graffiti, liquor license violations, prostitution and resources to fight trespassing. Clicking the appropriate link will take the user to a list of tips – information to have on hand – for making the most effective complaint and provides phone numbers and/or email links to complete to process.

The middle section features community news and alerts.

See for yourself by logging on to: www.sunnyslopecommunity.org



Sunnyslope W.I.N.S. Neighborhood Restoration Series

Neighborhood Restoration Committee meets the **first Wednesday of each month at 6:00 p.m.** at Cowden Center (9202 2nd St. - on the west side of 2nd Street between Dunlap and Hatcher).

The **Neighborhood Restoration Committee** is working to encourage blight elimination by hosting informative guest speakers to educate residents and promote awareness.

April 5: Graffiti & Gangs: Breaking the Code

May 3: Citizen Emergency Response Teams: How You Can Prepare

The meeting agenda also features updates on Sunnyslope properties on the Maricopa County Slumlord Task Force list, gives block watch and fight back leaders an opportunity to share some recent successes/challenges and allows for updates on open neighborhood preservation complaints.

Complaints are not taken at the meeting. To make a complaint, call the **Neighborhood Preservation Hotline at 602-262-7844** or click on the blight link on the right side of the www.sunnyslopecommunity.org home page.

To get an update on an open complaint at a meeting, send an email to cplant@jcl.com **one week prior to the meeting date**. Include the address/location that you have questions about. This is a great resource as neighborhood preservation complaints often take a long time to resolve.

Openings at Lincoln Learning Center

Lincoln Learning Center has the answer for parents who need care for their school-age child this summer. The highly acclaimed and nationally accredited center, which is a part of John C. Lincoln Health Network, has openings for children age 5 (enrolled in kindergarten) through 12 in its summer program. The \$60 registration fee will be waived for new children who enroll now for the center's summer program. Lincoln Learning Center, located at 303 E. Eva St. on the campus of John C. Lincoln North Mountain Hospital, provides the safe environment children need to grow and develop as individuals. All teachers have been educated in early childhood development, with age-specific training for each grade level, and they model the values of caring, honesty, respect and responsibility. At the center, teachers plan activities that stimulate children's minds, encourage positive self-esteem and provide ways to creatively express themselves by exploring the arts, science, technology and more. Qualified guests are invited to talk to the children on important subjects such as bullying. "We build on what they are learning at school. Children have opportunities to practice their reading and writing skills with fun and enriched activities," says Cathie Hanna, curriculum coordinator for Lincoln Learning Center. Lincoln Learning Center's extended hours are offered from 5:45 a.m. to 6:30 p.m., Monday through Friday and 6:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. on Saturdays. The center is closed on Sundays. Lincoln Learning Center is among the first child care/preschool programs in the United States to be accredited by the National Academy of Early Childhood programs (NAEYC).

For more information, or to schedule a tour of the Lincoln Learning Center, please contact Director Kathryn Wauters at (602)943-3731. You can also learn more online by visiting www.JCL.com/lincolnlearning.

NEWS AT THE SUNNYSLOPE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Things happen in bunches in life and at the Sunnyslope Historical Society and Cultural Center. To begin with we had our annual meeting Saturday, January 21, 2006. We had the election of officers. We elected a board of 15 members. They are: Trish Blaine, Jane Bringgold, Inona "Nonie" Coburn, Rigo Duran, Ron Gawlitta, Reba Grandruc, Craig Hansen, John Jacquemart, Barbara (Bobbie) Kraver, Connie Kreamer, Polly Martino, Joyce Porter, Bob Rowe, Linda Rushton and Clark Thomas. At a separate special meeting the board elected the officers. They are President, Reba Grandruc; 1st Vice President, Linda Rushton; 2nd Vice President, Bobbie Kraver; Secretary, Jane Bringgold; and Treasurer' Connie Kreamer.

The next news item is a change of hours. So—Starting March 1, 2006 we will be open on Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Sunday from noon until 4:00 PM. We will also be open by appointment for school groups and others who wish to come in the morning or at a different time.

We will be having a joint meeting with the Sunnyslope Village Alliance in March and you can find that information in the SVA/SHS article.

Our next exhibit begins on March 1, 2006. This will be called "Structures in Sunnyslope – then and now". Maybe you can find some familiar building out of your past. That's all for now folks.

Sunnyslope Historical Society and-Sunnyslope Village Alliance HOLDING JOINT MEETING

The Sunnyslope Historical Society and the Sunnyslope Village Alliance are sister organizations. The two groups have different goals but many of the members are the same people.

When: Thursday, March, 23, 2006
7:00PM

Where: The Sunnyslope Community Center
801 E. Vogel

What: We have lined up a very interesting speaker.

The two organizations have planned a joint meeting. That way our members and friends can socialize and enjoy light refreshments. Please put March 23rd on your calendar and we will see you there.

Literacy Volunteers of Maricopa County Looking for Tutors

Did you know that 1 out of every 5 adults in Maricopa County can't read this sentence? We have hundreds of adults on our waiting list that need your help! If you are at least 18 years of age, graduated from high school, read at a 12th grade level and can commit 3-4 hours a week to teach someone to read or speak and understand English, LVMC wants you as a volunteer!

Our volunteer tutors meet one-on-one with students all across the Valley of the Sun and are matched with consideration of geographical location and available hours. Tutors also can help in one of our Learn Centers, a family literacy class or an ESOL class. To become a tutor, you **must** meet these qualifications:

1. Be at least 18 years of age and have a high school diploma or GED.
2. Read at a 12th grade level.
3. Meet with your student at least 4 hours per week.
4. Make at least a nine month commitment.
5. Attend 18 hours of training in one of our workshops that will equip you to tutor in either Basic Reading or ESOL (English for speakers of other languages). All potential tutors are required to attend tutor training regardless of experience or expertise.

People are waiting for help. Be a part of this worthwhile literacy effort and help change someone's life! Please call the Literacy Volunteer office at 602-274-3430 or you can register online at www.literacyvolunteers-maricopa.org

Information for becoming a student at Literacy Volunteers

If you, or someone you know, would like to learn to read, write, speak English, or work on obtaining your GED, you must first call us for an Intake appointment at (602) 274-3430. You will meet with a Literacy Volunteer for about 2-3 hours. We then place your name on a list for the first available tutor in your area or you can choose to come to one of our Learn Centers, a computer-assisted class. All of our programs are free to the public.

To be a student in a Literacy Volunteers' program:

1. You must be at least 16 years of age
2. Not enrolled in school or other educational institution
3. Have the desire and the time to increase skills in basic literacy and/or English as a second language. (6-8 hours per week)

Please call us at (602) 274-3430 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday to schedule your appointment. There is a site located in Sunnyslope.

The North Phoenix Singles Club

The *North Phoenix Singles Club* is a group of men and women over the age of 50 who are widowed, divorced, or never married. We are a social singles club whose purpose is to meet people, enjoy ourselves, and have fun!

Our club meets on Sundays, except the second Sunday of the month, 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m., at:
Sunnyslope Presbyterian Church, 9317 N. 2nd Street, South Room, Phoenix.

A few examples of the type of activities that we schedule are:

Dinners (at moderately-priced restaurants), House Parties, Potlucks, Social Hours, Trips, Dances, Bowling, Game Nights, Movies and the Theatre, and so much more!

For more information, please call (602) 356-6195.



Spring Cleaning Tips & Tricks



When you dust, start at the top and work down.

Wash walls from the bottom up, to avoid streaking.

To removing heel marks, take pencil eraser and rub them off.

Shine windows using old newspaper.

Rubbing alcohol can remove the dull haze from mirrors

Spots on stainless steel also can be removed with vinegar.

Running the shower on hot for five minutes will steam the dirt loose.

News from New North Town February 2006
Betty Bellanger

After our December 1, Partnership Meeting we really concentrated on the children's Christmas Party on December 15th. It was absolutely wonderful. Michael Nielsen got each and every child a big of gifts. They each got beautiful handmade and filled stockings from Shirley Arthur's group, and the cutest shirts and t-shirts from Adult probation and a wonderful BBQ dinner from Tom's BBQ, thanks to Tom Brophy and his friends. It is so much fun to watch the children's faces. They sang songs first and we had the delicious food and then each child was called up by Santa and Mrs. Santa and got their big bag. They are not allowed to open them until every child has received theirs. They are so good and they honor that request but oh, how they want to dive into the bags and stockings.

December 8th we had Kate McGee come and do Snow Angels with them. She does this every year and brings them salt water taffy. They love it. Also on December 8, we had our annual Christmas concert. You would not believe how wonderful those children are. From the little ones to the older ones, they are terrific. Strings, singing, and such talent. Such wonderful teachers, Dr. Farney and Greg Harris. I am in awe of them.

Starting January 4, we embarked on our regular five meetings but I enjoy all of them and learn something every time. Particularly keeping quiet. On January 13, Ray Acuna and Tom Brophy and his partner, Matt Belmont met over at my house and talked about Tom's plans for a project. On January 19, we had our regular NNT meeting and our annual food drive for Desert Mission Food Bank. My people are terrific and we received a lot of donations. Speaking of the Mission, I had some volunteers from Adult Probation come and pick all my oranges and tangerines and Desert Mission picked up three big bins of fruit for the people. On January 23, Kate McGee and I attended a meeting for Support Our Schools. A huge turnout and great speakers. We all need to get involved in supporting our schools. The funniest thing happened, I forgot to mention that on January 12, Tom Brophy came to read to the children. I had not read the story before and much to his horror when he started reading it he discovered this was not a very nice book. First the donkey was going to be killed because it was too old to work. Then the cat would be a goner as she couldn't catch mice. The chicken and dog also had a grim future. It was so funny. Poor Tom was so distressed. But he manfully forged on. He had all the children making the sounds of the animals and as it ended happily it was all right I think he was much more concerned than the children. It was so funny.

I belong to an organization of wonderful people who hate graffiti as much as I do. It is called NOGRAF. It is a world-wide organization and I have friends all over the world. We all e-mail each other, exchange news, hints, ideas etc. It is wonderful. I finally got to meet the two heads when they came to Phoenix to give Jerry Abmont and me President Bush's Volunteer Award. I was more excited to meet them than to get the award. They asked a lot of questions about my kids and at Christmas I got \$500 check from them, the California Highway Patrol and NOGraf. I was just so astonished. We always insist on the children writing thanks you notes and pictures and I sent photo to everyone who does anything for us. Keeps us busy as people are so kind.

Well I sent pictures and thanks to all the officers of the Yreka California Highway Patrol and got the most wonderful letter from them. In it they said they hope it would just be the start of a relationship between them and the children I am so happy. . I am almost through, are you getting tired? A very nice young woman, Renee Gonzales rescued me the other night as it was getting dark and I had a total flat tire at Walgreen's. She followed me home to be sure I was safe and said she loved the paper and my column. I am asking Lynn to see she gets on his list. She and her husband, Adrian are personal chefs so if you have a party coming up and need some help, please call Renee and Adrian at 997-7198. They live a couple of blocks from me and we like to encourage using our own people in the neighborhood. Finally we are getting ready for our Valentine's Day Party. Ann Kells, Judi Fuller and I are going to make homemade frosted sugar cookies for the 100+ children and staff. Last year we did this in my kitchen and I had to call the Red Cross to find the flour. I walked on sprinkles, etc for a couple of days. But it was worth it.

Sunnyslope Calendar of Events

All meetings are held at the Cowden Center, 9202 North Second Street, except Sunnyslope Block Watch Meetings.

2006	April	May	June
Sunnyslope Weed and Seed Law Enforcement Committee -6:00 p.m.	18	16	20
Sunnyslope Weed and Seed Neighborhood Restoration Committee -6:00 p.m.	5	3	7
Sunnyslope Weed and Seed Sunnyslope's Promise -6:00 p.m.	19	17	21
Sunnyslope Weed and Seed Steering Committee -5:30 p.m.	X	10	X
Sunnyslope Youth and Family Partnership Meeting -8:00 a.m.	6	4	1
Sunnyslope Block Watches -6:00 p.m.- SVA Office-755 E. Hatcher	11	9	13



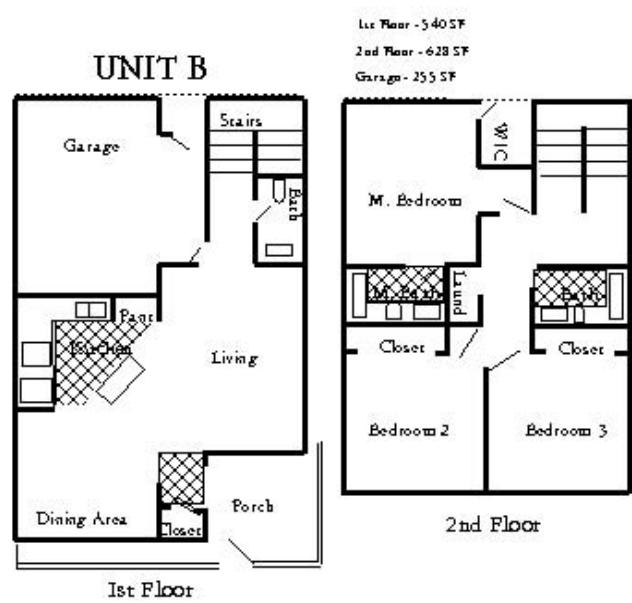
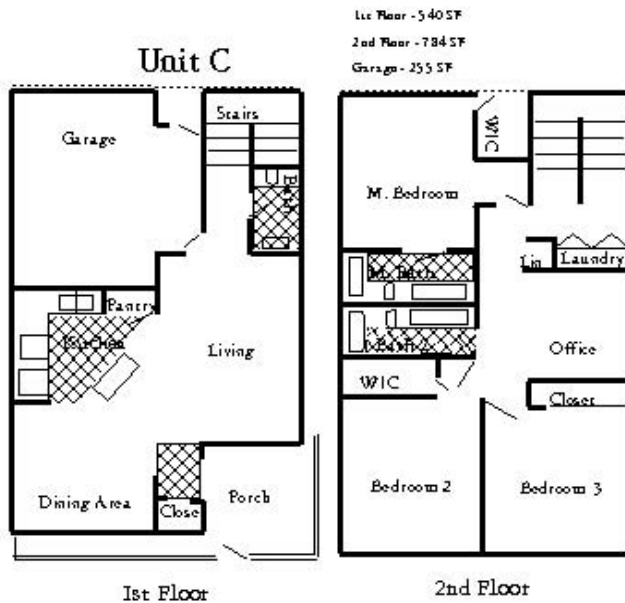
Vogel Park Coming Soon!... Town Homes

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2006

by Sunnyslope Village Revitalization, Inc.



An affordable housing community in the Sunnyslope area- Featuring 2 & 3 bedroom charming townhomes with numerous amenities...



Features

- ◆ Featured 2 of 3 floor plans - 2 & 3 bdrm homes
- ◆ Walk in closets
- ◆ Energy efficient dual-pane windows
- ◆ Vertical and mini-blinds
- ◆ Ceiling fans
- ◆ Upgraded lighting
- ◆ Tiled Entry, Kitchen and Bath
- ◆ Custom cabinets
- ◆ Private porch and patio areas
- ◆ Fully Landscaped
- ◆ Upgraded appliance package to include:
 - 18 c.f. refrigerator
 - Range & oven
 - Dishwasher
 - Full size washer and dryer
- ◆ Gated Entry and restricted access
- ◆ Covered Garage and Stall Parking
- ◆ Tot Lots
- ◆ Ramadas
- ◆ Central to most shopping areas
- ◆ Nearby Major hospital - John C. Lincoln

FOR INFORMATION CALL: 602-331-5833 or visit our office at, 9221 N. Central Ave., Phoenix, AZ 85020

Sunnyslope Senior Center


Human Services Department
802 E. Vogel
(Located inside the Community Center)
602-262-7572

Drop by for a menu and complete calendar of events!



Art All Around Us


This is not a craft or art class! This slide/ lecture series is given by docents of the Phoenix Art Museum and provides a look at artist and their techniques. **Begins promptly at 9:15 A.M.** March 3 "Wood Block Prints", March 16"Ansel Adams"
April 6 "Picturing Arizona", April 20 "American Regionalists"



**DANCE TO LIVE MUSIC
THURSDAY MORNINGS
10:30 A.M. – 11:30 A.M.**



Exercise to a Healthier You
M, W, F at 9:30 A.M. and 10:15 A.M.



AARP TAX ASSISTANCE
Available on Thursdays,
9 A.M. -12 P.M., now
through April 14, 2006.



AN ENCHANTED EVENING

An Enchanted Evening took place on December 15, 2005, at the Cowden Center on the John C. Lincoln Health Network's North Mountain campus. This event was sponsored by a generous donor who is the owner of Girly Girlz Tea and Trinkets Boutique (Scottsdale & Mesa). Through her generosity, 29 girls, ages 6-12 years old, experienced the fun of being a "special princess for an evening" – complete with glamour, glitter, hair creations and pizza!!! Each girl also went home with special gifts from Girly Girlz.

This evening celebrated a special partnership among Girly Girlz, the Desert Mission Programs, and the John C. Lincoln Health Foundation. Desert Mission Programs provide services for children and families through the food bank, children's health & dental services and family support services.

To make a contribution to the John C. Lincoln Desert Mission Programs, please call Sally Moore (602.331.5792) or Charlene Tarver at the John C. Lincoln Health Foundation (602.870.6306).



Deadline for the Next Issue of Neighbor to Neighbor

Do you have an event coming up? Did your neighbor do something great you want to share with the community? Is your child involved in an activity you have to tell everyone about? Neighbor-to-Neighbor is the perfect way to let the Sunnyslope community know what is going on!

If you would like your event, item of interest, story or news item to be in the **May/June 2006** issue of Neighbor to Neighbor, please have it to Lynn McDonald by **April 7, 2006**. You can fax it to 602-331-5819, or e-mail it to lmcdon@jcl.com. Don't miss out on letting everyone know what is happening – be sure to get your items in by the deadline!



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