

# WINDSOR SQUARE NEWS

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## Folks from 4-Corners meet at Memorial Hall

Suzanne Dohrer

A huge thanks to the nearly 90 people who attended the 4-Corners Neighborhood Meeting, held Oct. 7 at the historic Memorial Hall in nearby Steele Indian School Park. The 4-Corners Neighborhoods are the four communities adjacent to the intersection of Camelback Road and Central Avenue, which has been called the Gateway to the City of Phoenix. These neighborhoods are Windsor Square Historic District, Medlock Place Historic District, Pierson Place Historic District and St. Francis Neighborhood. By showing up at the second annual 4-Corners Meeting, we demonstrate our commitment to our neighborhoods to city officials and business leaders.

If you missed the meeting, you missed seeing the beautifully restored (and recently opened to the public) Memorial Hall, a jewel for our City. The highlight of the meeting was the panel members speaking about their visions for the Camelback Road and Central Avenue area: Paul Katsenes, of the Economic Development Office; Maria Hyatt of the City Manager's Office; Dana Mule, owner of the newly opened Hula's Modern Tiki restaurant; and Kimber Lanning, longtime owner of Stinkweeds and Executive Director of the nonprofit Local First Arizona.

The panel addressed fluctuations in economic growth and how to sustain positive development, unique aspects of this area with light rail and a mix of new and old buildings and uses, and the future. Vice Mayor Tom Simplot updated attendees on the budget impacts and recent demolition of a couple of vacant buildings to provide tax advantages for their owners (and the need to close that

particular loophole in the law). He also answered audience questions. Barbara Stocklin, Director of the Historic Preservation Office, spoke about the impacts of delisting historic properties and the status of historic homes on W. Mariposa Street. Officer Jon McLachlan and Sergeant David Ong spoke on crime prevention and benefits of Block Watch and they answered audience questions.

We help to keep our neighborhoods safe and vibrant when we choose to be involved: attend Board meetings; participate in Block Watch; volunteer for Home Tour or to deliver newsletters; address zoning hearing issues; and give our business to our neighborhood retailers and restaurants. To those of you already doing this, thanks from our community. These 4-Corners meetings are building unity and cooperation among our four neighborhoods, which will be a valuable tool when we face opportunities for improvements or other issues.

## Oleander Removal

It has been suggested that the Windsor Square Board negotiate with a landscaping service to secure a reduced bulk rate for residents with infected oleanders who are seeking cleanup. This might include any or all of the following: removal of dead wood; cutting down and removal of diseased plants; root ball removal.



Before sending out a request for services, the Board needs to know how many residents would be interested in participating. If you have diseased oleanders and might be interested in participating in a neighborhood reduced-rate cleanup program, please notify Board member Sean Cunningham, who will coordinate the project. Sean's contact information is on page 8. If you already emailed your interest in response to the earlier NewsBlast, you do not need to reply again.

Cade Januszewski at the Oregon Avenue ice-cream social



## PRESIDENT'S CORNER

The holidays are soon upon us and I hope everyone is enjoying this special time with friends and family.

The neighborhood has had several events this fall and I hope you all were able to enjoy them. The 4-Corners neighborhoods meeting was held on Oct. 7 at Steele Indian School Park's Memorial Hall. This was the second such meeting of the four neighborhoods and we had a wonderful turnout. One of the main themes of the meeting was the state of the economy in central Phoenix. Kimber Lanning, Executive Director of Local First Arizona and owner of Stinkweeds, as well as Dana Mule, owner of Hula's Modern Tiki, spoke about the need to boost our economy through supporting local, independently owned businesses. Paul Katsenes from the City of Phoenix Economic Development Office spoke about economic trends in Phoenix. We also heard very useful information from Barbara Stocklin at the city's Historic Preservation Office as well as from members of the City of Phoenix Police Department. The whole event was a great success thanks to Suzanne Dohrer, Ken Furtado and many others from the surrounding neighborhoods.

I hope everyone was able to stop by the neighborhood's annual G.A.I.N./Block Party on Oct. 17 at the "football" park on Medlock. The turnout was great and the food was

amazing. We have some very talented cooks among us! I had a wonderful time catching up with old neighbors as well as meeting new ones. Once again, Leigh DeVoto and Tricia Parker did a spectacular job planning this event.

Susan Myers and the Home Tour Committee have been diligently planning the 2010 Home Tour. There is always room for more volunteers and I encourage you to get involved in this fun event either by joining the committee or by listing your home to be on the tour. Even if you can only contribute a few days here or there, all participation is welcome. Thanks to Susan and her team, as well as the neighbors who are opening their homes for the event, the next Home Tour promises to be a great success.

As briefly discussed in the last newsletter, the historic strip mall located at Central and Oregon avenues was sold to new owners and is in the process of being renovated. One issue raised by the City of Phoenix regarding this renovation was the need for street widening along Oregon Avenue where it exits onto Central. Based on our long history of efforts to reduce cut-through traffic, the Board vigorously opposed this request and supported the property owner's position to retain the street's current width. In a letter dated Oct. 29, 2009, from the City of Phoenix Street Transportation Department, I'm happy report that the City has decided additional widening of the street will not be required at this time.

I would like to thank those of you who have sent in your annual dues. For such a small donation, we all receive so many benefits that make this neighborhood such a great place to live. If you have not already done so, I encourage you to send in your contribution.

While the Board tries to address all issues concerning our neighborhood, we may not be aware of certain circumstances that arise. If you believe there are issues that need to be addressed, please feel free to contact me at [jrd@delgadolawgroup.com](mailto:jrd@delgadolawgroup.com). Have a wonderful holiday season!

Jennifer Delgado



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## Windsor Square Residents,

As you may have heard, the 1940s retail center at the southeast corner of Central & Oregon avenues was sold in July. This charming, but tired, property was purchased by a group of friends and entrepreneurs who share a passion for Central Phoenix neighborhood preservation and vintage buildings. As new stewards of this great site, we are excited to become long-term stakeholders in this community, contributing to continued revitalization and preservation of neighborhood heritage.

Our purchase was motivated by the opportunity to preserve and renovate this unique building. It's our intention to sensitively improve and enhance the structure into a quaint, casual neighborhood retail/dining place where neighbors gather to shop, eat and visit in an inviting, indoor-outdoor environment. We're excited and grateful for the opportunity and would like to introduce ourselves and share some information as we begin the improvements.

Changes have already taken place. We removed the turquoise awning along Central Avenue and McDonald Florists moved out, vacating half of the 4200 square foot building. We are in process of familiarizing ourselves with the buildings, working with the city and planning for future improvements that will include cleaning up the exterior, upgrading the electrical service, improving the vintage awning, lighting and signage and installing new landscape, hardscape and paving. Another task under way is working to change the zoning from R3 (Multifamily Residential) to the more appropriate C1 (Light Commercial Zoning). The property currently and historically has operated as a retail center since its construction in the early 1940s.

Because the property has existing tenants with leases in place, our plans encompass a few years. Our ownership group, Central Market, LLC, includes myself, Jon Kitchell, Nils Wang, and Craig & Kris DeMarco. The DeMarcos are owners of Postino Arcadia and co-owners of Chelsea's Kitchen, Radio Milano and Le Grande Orange in the Arcadia District of Phoenix. In addition, they recently opened Postino Central with co-owners Lauren & Wyatt Bailey. The DeMarcos and the Baileys intend to open and operate a family-friendly restaurant in our building in early 2010. Concrete plans for the remaining retail spaces aren't known at this time, but will evolve as the project progresses, with tenants and concepts that complement the property's goal of becoming a neighborhood gathering place.

We hope this helps you begin to understand who we are and what we hope to create. We look forward to working with you and getting to know our new neighbors. We welcome suggestions and realize you may have questions or comments throughout the process. Please feel free to contact me at [lorenzo@venueprojects.com](mailto:lorenzo@venueprojects.com) or (602) 689-0194.

Lorenzo G. Perez

## What Kind of Moon?

Blue Moons are the stuff of folklore, romance and legend, though the meaning of "blue moon" has changed over time. The expression dates back to Shakespeare's time and, Ella Fitzgerald and The Marcells notwithstanding, the concept deals more with astronomy than with amor.

Full moons occur every 29.6 days, so sometimes there will be a month with two full moons. "Sometimes" means 41 times every 100 years. By the most common definition, the second full moon in any given month is a "Blue Moon."

No, the moon is not really blue at those times. There *are* times when the moon, whether full or not, actually does appear to be blue, but that's a phenomenon caused by atmospheric particles of smoke or dust of a particular size and density that can scatter blue light but allow light in other wavelengths to pass through. Sort of the opposite of why sunsets appear red.

Because the full moon is an icon of lovers and werewolves, two full moons in a single month is something to howl about. The last was June 30, 2007. The next one will be this New Year's Eve: Dec. 31, 2009. Usher in the New Year with a bottle of bubbly and pass the silver bullets.

The Blue Moons that grab people's attention the most, however, are those that occur on Halloween. You've got plenty of time to plan a killer costume, because that won't happen again until the year 2020.



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# Staying Safe, Having Fun, Eating Brats

## WS Chalks Up Another Terrific Block party

Seems there's always been an annual Block Party here in Windsor Square. I moved here in 1989, and I can't recall a year without one. Back then, it was Medlock resident Tom Freyer grilling the brats, which he used to special-order at Schreiner's Sausage using his own recipe.

The party has changed over the years, adding more activities, cooking contests, "Flower Pot" awards, the children's parade and more. For the past several years, Tricia Parker and Leigh DeVoto have co-chaired the event, for which the neighborhood owes them a huge standing ovation.



Thanks so much Tricia and Leigh.

They have plenty of helpers, including the members of their immediate families and many neighbors. So, thanks

also to Tony Ashton, Liz & Jim Eells, Bob Falk, the Falk & Parker kids, Betsy Hagerty, Vicki Hersh, Jena, Mitra Khazai, Tony Parker, Ann Roseman, Tim Turner and Sally Watters, with apologies to anyone whose name is omitted.

The winners of this year's Flower Pot awards, which go to homes that always make the neighborhood look good, are 210 E. Medlock, 409 E. Colter, 35 E. Colter, 225 E. Orange and 225 E. Pasadena.

Burline Crites (Stan Watt's mother) made another fabulous Block Watch cake, which was so tantalizing to the eye that tasters got to it before the photographer did.

Thanks also to everyone who entered the cookie contest. The blue ribbon went to Bonnie Rivera of Oregon Avenue, for her Lemon Glazed Shortbread Cookies. Bonnie's recipe is included elsewhere in this issue.

Block Watch chair Suzanne Dohrer and her cohorts provided the biggest thrills of the afternoon. She invited Motorcycle Patrol Officer Dan Nochta, of the Squaw Peak Precinct, who flashed his lights, activated his siren and "pursued" children on bicycles around the park on his motorcycle. Afterwards, Officer Nochta allowed the kids to sit on his bike. You can read more about the G.A.I.N. component of the Block party elsewhere in this newsletter.

## Never Too Late to Pay your Dues

In September 2009, the annual Windsor Square resident information sheet and request for dues was hand-delivered to every home. Windsor Square is not a Homeowners Association; payment of dues is voluntary and the suggested amount is \$25 per household. This year, the Board added a request for an additional \$15 to be allocated to Block Watch activities and expenses.

It costs about \$7,000 per year to "run" Windsor Square. This includes printing and distributing the quarterly newsletter, expenses for the website and NewsBlasts, liability insurance, the Block Party, maintaining the park on Medlock and the traffic diverter on Oregon, and more. It's all detailed in the budget that is made available to residents at the Annual Meeting. Because dues alone have never been sufficient to meet annual expenses, the neighborhood depends also on income from the Home Tours.

Many in the neighborhood want to know how Home Tour funds are spent, or whether they can be used for special projects such as restoration of historic street lights. The answer is yes ... and no. Special projects must be considered after all other expenses are met, and to the extent that the annual dues collection fails to meet the threshold for annual expenses, special projects are less likely to happen.

Dues for 2009 are lagging behind last year's \$4,300 by more than \$1,000, with approximately 28 percent of residents contributing so far. The breakdown by street is:

- Missouri, 10%
- Georgia, 20%
- 2nd Street, 25%
- 6th Street, 25%
- Colter, 27%
- Oregon, 33%
- Pasadena, 40%
- Orange, 44%
- Medlock, 48%

It would be great if Windsor Square's Holiday Stocking were stuffed to overflowing with contributions from those neighbors who have not yet paid their dues. The Board works diligently to preserve the security, safety and history of Windsor Square. Those efforts result in strong property values, a low crime rate, blight and graffiti far below what you see in other neighborhoods, strong opposition to new businesses seen to be detrimental to a safe and healthy neighborhood, a renewed Block Watch group, and a good working relationship with police and elected officials. Please support Windsor Square by paying your dues.

# Afternoon in the Park with GAIN

Suzanne Dohrer

Our fabulous Windsor Square Annual Block Party included activities sponsored by Block Watch and Getting Arizona Involved in Neighborhoods (GAIN). GAIN is a day of celebration for the successes of crime prevention through community involvement. It also is a day when police show their appreciation for community efforts that support the day-to-day fight against crime.



This year, we had a great turnout of neighbors, Block Watch members and Police. In particular, special recognition is given to Commander Allen B. Smith, head of the Squaw Peak Precinct, and Officer Dan Nocht, of the Motorcycle Patrol, who arrived at the start of the Party, spoke with neighbors and built on our positive relationship with the police. Officer Nocht spent hours with Windsor Square children, showed them around his motorcycle, and led a tour of bikers and skaters around the Medlock Park. Community Action Officer Julie Smith also provided hands-on education, letting children tour her patrol vehicle. Gang Division Officers Mike and Jay and Officers Jackson and Kero, who are assigned to the Squaw Peak Precinct, also attended the Block Party and met neighbors, answered questions.

We greatly appreciate the presence of these officers at our Party and the hard work they do every day on our behalf to keep our city safe and protect us. Windsor Square's involvement with GAIN and neighborhood Block Watch helps to support the police role and alert Crime Stop or 9-1-1 when something suspicious may require police attention.

The Block Watch table provided some donated gifts and card stock Block Watch and No Solicitor signs for your window or door. If you would like a Block Watch or

No Solicitor sign, send a request with your name and address to Suzanne Dohrer at [dwlaw@prodigy.net](mailto:dwlaw@prodigy.net). Signs will be distributed in a few weeks. This is the same email address to sign up for the Windsor Square Block Watch emailings, if you have not done so already.

Thanks to all who attended and to wonderful volunteers who helped organize the GAIN event. Special thanks to Tricia Parker and Leigh DeVoto, who organize

the Block Party, and to Robin Spencer, Ken Furtado, Stan Watts, Sally and Jerry Stefferud and Bob Hoyt. Again this year, a decorated Block Watch cake was provided by Burline Crites. Let's continue our efforts to make Windsor Square Historic District safe in the fight against crime.

## Lemon Glazed Shortbread Cookies

Bonnie Rivera

Makes 48 cookies; takes 1 hour (chilling time included)

### Ingredients

- 3/4 cup (1 1/2 sticks) butter at room temp
- 3/4 cup granulated sugar
- 1 Tbsp. pure cane Mexican sugar
- 2 large egg yolks
- 1/2 tsp. pure vanilla extract
- 1/4 tsp. Kosher salt
- 2 cups all-purpose flour
- 1 cup confectioner's sugar
- 2 Tbsp. fresh lemon juice
- 1 tsp. lemon zest

### Method

Beat butter and sugars with electric mixer until fluffy. Add egg yolks, vanilla and salt and beat to combine. Gradually add flour, mixing until just incorporated. Divide dough in half and shape into 1 1/4-inch diameter logs. Wrap in wax paper and refrigerate until firm, 30 min.

Heat oven to 350. Slice logs into 3/8-inch rounds and space 1 1/2 inches apart on parchment-lined baking sheets. Bake until golden, 16-20 min. Cool 5 min. on baking sheets then transfer to racks to cool completely.

In small bowl, whisk confectioner's sugar, lemon juice and zest until it forms a thick but pourable glaze. Add more lemon juice if necessary. Dip the top of each cookie into the glaze and allow to set 15 min.

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## Shorter Shadows Predicted for 4-Corners Neighborhoods

The specter of shadows cast by a trio of 400-foot high-rise buildings at Central and Camelback has been dispelled. Reid Butler, who a year ago asked the City for the go-ahead to construct three vertical behemoths adjacent to the light rail station, has withdrawn his request.

The withdrawal followed a Sept. 11 letter to Butler from Dist. 6 City Councilman Sal DiCiccio. In his letter DiCiccio wrote, "I strongly encourage you to withdraw your request for your project at Central Avenue and Camelback Road, to go as high as 400 feet. ... I have thoroughly reviewed this case and project and believe you should build within currently authorized zoning parameters. I believe this project has no support from the nearby neighborhoods. I have personally polled many individuals in the neighborhoods surrounding this location asking for their sentiments. They are unanimously opposed."

Butler responded in a letter dated Sept. 29 that was sent to DiCiccio and to Vice Mayor Tom Simplot. While insisting he did have substantial support of area residents, Butler nevertheless agreed to withdraw his request for a variance. He went on to say, "We continue to believe a highly integrated project will create the best result for the adjacent neighborhoods, and make the Central and Camelback light rail station an exceptional live/work/play "gathering place" for our community. However, ... in light of the request from the two of you, we will withdraw our case and continue to work on a signature project that would be an extremely positive result for the City and the affected neighborhoods."

In related zoning news, representatives of Omninet of Los Angeles recently met with Vice Mayor Simplot to discuss the parcels the corporation owns on both sides of Central Avenue south of Camelback Road. Windsor Square residents will recall that Omninet sought to rezone a 2.3 acre lot on the east side of Central between Mariposa and Pierson streets (south of M&I bank) for a 25-story residential tower. The City Planning Department recommended approval without serious or principled analysis of

the vehicle circulation and congestion problems a project of that magnitude would generate.

Windsor Square and Medlock Place fought the application, and the project was defeated by a single vote at City Council in July 2007. Omninet re-filed the identical application with the Planning Department in October 2007, but took no further steps to start the approval process.



Tom Simplot advised the assembly at the Oct. 7 4-Corners meeting at Memorial Hall that he encouraged Omninet to spruce up the blighted, vacant storefronts on Central and put tenants in them. Simplot told *Windsor Square News* that Omninet "has not filed a rezoning application," but if one is submitted, the applicants must consider the concerns and input of adjacent neighborhoods.

Subsequent to the July 2007 Council vote, Simplot has gone on record as opposing any zoning variance requests for heights taller than Landmark Towers (176.5 feet) along Central Avenue north of the canal. The black arrow in the artist's conception of the Cornerstone triad shows the top of Landmark Towers to the south, for visual comparison.

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## Adopt a Family for the Holidays

Mitra Khazai

We know Windsor Square is a special place to live. But did you know Windsor Square is also incredibly generous? For the 2008 holiday season, the neighborhood women who attend WS Women's Night Out events adopted a family through Phoenix's Holiday Adopt-a-Family program. The family we assisted had been negatively affected by the economy: dad was working two part-time jobs and mom had lost her job. All eight members of the family received a new outfit and a special requested gift (ranging from a skateboard to an MP3 player). The family also received a crib, DVD player with movies and a food box with grocery store gift cards. They were truly touched and blown away when we delivered our gifts in mid-December.

This year, Windsor Square again wants to share the holiday spirit. As a neighborhood, we will adopt two families, ranging from 4 to 5 individuals. Families selected through the Adopt-a-Family program include parents involved in the Family Self-Sufficiency (residents of public housing), Family Services Centers, Head Start families and School-Based program (students in grades 4-12 and their parents).

Our goal this year is to provide a gift for each child and parent in the family, along with basic household needs (sheets, towels and so forth) and food. The more participants we have, the more we can help these families in need.

If you'd like to participate, please contact Mitra Khazai at [gswartz1@cox.net](mailto:gswartz1@cox.net) or 602-264-9495, or Susan Biegner at [susan@biegnermurff.com](mailto:susan@biegnermurff.com). We'll know more details about our families in early December.

## Original WS Resident Ida Lutfy

Ida C. Lutfy, 96, peacefully passed away surrounded by family on Oct. 12. Ida lived since 1926 in the home on the southwest corner of Medlock Drive and 2nd Street. For decades, she was one of the famous Lutfy sisters — Millie, Helen and Ida — who owned and operated Millie's Flowers and Gifts on Central near Fillmore. Millie's was



the go-to place for special gifts and flower arrangements for 60 years. When Ida was in her eighties, she opened Millie's Antiques on Central near Camelback. There, she and her beloved dog "E.T." would greet fellow.

Neighbor Robert Hagerty wrote in an email, "Ida's passing is sad news to me. Ida was a treasure to

## Update: WS 2010 Home Tour

Susan Myers

One thing so appealing about Windsor Square is the sense of community. Residents know their neighbors. We sit on our front porches; we talk to each other; we walk and bike in the neighborhood; our kids and dogs play together. We want to celebrate that special sense of community in the upcoming Home & Garden Tour and hope that everyone in our community — residents and nearby businesses — will be involved in making the Tour a success.

The Tour Committee would especially like to thank those who have agreed to open up their homes or gardens. Currently we have a commitment for eight homes, plus two more gardens only. It's a great selection, showcasing the unique styles representative of Windsor Square.

We hope everyone will attend the tour, to be held 11 A.M. to 4 P.M. Sunday, March 7. But whether you attend or not, there are ways to support this event. Residents can showcase their artistic and entrepreneurial talents in the vendor area. Vendor space is free to WS residents (advance reservations required). Neighbors can volunteer for the day of the Tour to help set up/tear down, staff the ticket booth, run errands, and especially to help out the homeowners. Children can provide beverage stands in their front yards, work the ticket booth or be bike messengers.

Businesses can advertise in the Tour Brochure that is distributed to all WS residents as well as to the 1,000+ visitors attending the tour. Ad space is available in varying sizes and prices; plus, advertisers also get free vendor space.

For more information, please contact me at 602-263-9669 or [wshometour@cox.net](mailto:wshometour@cox.net) or any of the committee members. These volunteers have done an amazing job. I personally want to thank each and every one for their hard work and dedication to making the Windsor Square Home & Garden Tour a great event. This year's committee is Leslie Baxter, Steph DePascal, Liz Eells, Andrea Evans, Bob Falk, Kathy Hansen, Becky Hughes, Lindsey Hunt, Kathy Sacks, Rebecca Shea and Michelle White.

our neighborhood and had a wealth of knowledge about the history of Windsor Square. She was a sweet lady and I enjoyed seeing her out for walks in years past with her dog E.T. When I served on the board, she shared with me photographs of the neighborhood when only the original few houses were in place. The photos clearly showed the historic street lights and were part of our proof that street lights existed in our neighborhood for Historic Preservation. Thanks to her, if we choose to explore historic street lights we will not be stopped by lack of historical evidence."

Donations may be made to the Ida C. Lutfy Arts Scholarship at Xavier College Preparatory Foundation, 4710 N. 5th St., Phoenix, AZ 85012.

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## PLEASE RECYCLE YOUR CHRISTMAS TREE

If December leaves you with a Christmas tree to get rid of, the City of Phoenix invites you to drop it off for recycling: any day or time, Saturday Dec. 26, 2009-Sunday, Jan. 3, 2010 only. Remove all lights, decorations, tinsel or miscellaneous metal. You may secure the branches with twine but do not bag the tree. Then drop it in the specially marked bins. The nearest location to Windsor Square is Madison Park, 16th Street and Glenrosa. For other locations, visit [www.phoenix.gov/publicworks](http://www.phoenix.gov/publicworks). To donate a live tree, call Phoenix Urban Forestry, 602-262-6386.

## OREGON AVENUE ICE CREAM SOCIAL

On a warm September afternoon, the ping pong ball was bouncing and the badminton butterfly was flying as about 25 Oregon Avenue neighbors gathered on a front lawn. Adults and children enjoyed meeting each other over tasty bowls of ice cream and toppings. Gatherings such as these help our neighborhood build relationships and increase our awareness for safety in Windsor Square.

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