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New to Encanto Palmccroft?

We are so glad to have you join our slice of paradise here in Downtown Phoenix. Let us welcome you into the neighborhood with a few tips, resources, and goodies to get you started. For more information reach out to our Welcome Committee Chairperson, Carlo Sanchez.

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If you would like to opt out of receiving the newsletter in print, Contact Carlo!

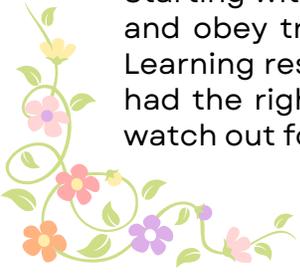
PRESIDENT'S NOTE

APRIL 2024



Your Encanto Palmdraft Historic Preservation Association (EPHPA) board does many things, one is to provide forums for neighborhood issues. A most recent one was held at the March 12 Board on the topic of traffic issues. EPHPA board is always ready to provide a discussion that is fair, respectful, and informative on topics impacting the Encanto Palmdraft Community.

I want to thank the many neighbors who attended the meeting and lent their voices of concern. Out of the March dialogue, there were many ideas that our neighbors are going to need to explore. In the meantime, the board has offered the Encanto Palmdraft Magazine to address some of the speeding and ignoring signage by our community. Starting with this issue, the Association will put forth reminders to go slow, be courteous, and obey traffic signs. Remember the teen years when we were getting our licenses? Learning residential speed limits were 25, at an unmarked intersection those to the right had the right-of-way and a stop sign meant stop! Let's try to remember these rules and watch out for children, pets, and even adults in and around our streets.



Joyce Grossman
EPHPA President



KEEPING OUR ROADS SAFE



WHAT CAN YOU DO TO ENSURE OUR NEIGHBORHOOD IS AS SAFE AS POSSIBLE?



1. **CHECK YOUR SPEED!** The speed limit in EP is 25 mph. Due to the twists of our roads, going 15-20 mph is a great way to ensure you are being safe.
2. **BE ATTENTIVE!** Our neighborhood has high foot traffic and wildlife. Keep your eye out for any pedestrians, children at play, animals, etc.
3. **BE COURTEOUS!** Allow pedestrians to cross at intersections, stop even if there is no stop sign, and give those who are waiting the right-of way.

20 April SAVE THE DATE

neighborhood block party

Potluck

Activities

Games

BYOB

Fun

Date: 4/20/24
Time: 4pm-7pm
Location: Coming Soon!

RSVP & Potluck Sign-up here



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Our Newsletter Needs You!

The Encanto Palmcroft Magazine is looking to hear about what YOU want to see put in the newsletter. Have a particular interest or a message to get out to the masses? Let's chat about it. Here are some ideas:

- *Architecture
- *Cooking Recipes
- *Gardening
- *Household Hacks
- *What's Trending Near EP
- *Meet the Neighbors
- *DIY/Fix-It
- *Youth Authors

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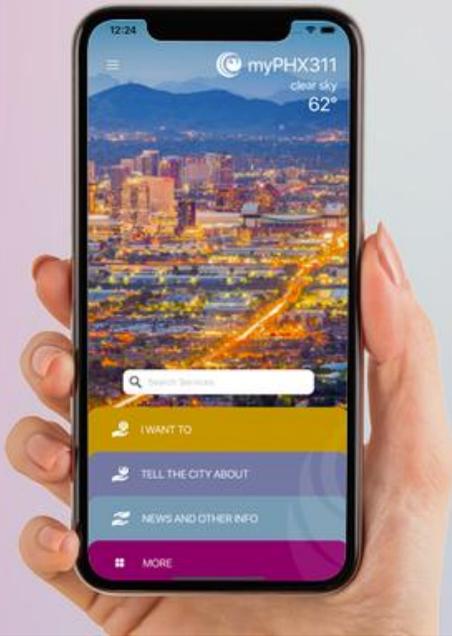


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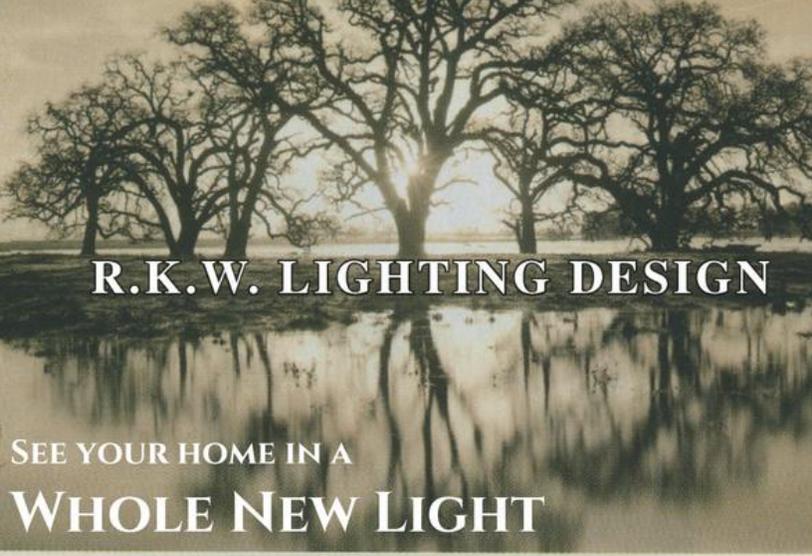
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Short-Term Rentals: Permits Required



Recently the City of Phoenix revised its requirements for Short-Term Rentals went into effect. Permits are now required, adjacent neighbors and neighborhood associations must be notified, owner/representative contact info posted 10 feet from the main entrance, fines for non-compliance, etc.

Here is an excerpt from the City of Phoenix webpage with a link for full details:

In 2022, the Arizona Legislature passed Senate Bill 1168 which authorized cities and towns to create a limited permit/license process to further regulate Short-Term Rentals (STRs). In September 2023, Phoenix City Council approved a text amendment to the Short-Term Rental Ordinance, which altered the existing ordinance from a registration requirement to a permitting requirement. The new ordinance will go into effect on November 6, 2023.

For detailed information on the new ordinance and how to obtain an operating permit, go to the City of Phoenix website:

<https://www.phoenix.gov/pddsite/Pages/short-termrentals.aspx>

You're invited to the
Phoenix Rose Society...

DAY IN THE
GARDEN



Date: April 13th, 2024

Time: 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Where: North of the
Valley Garden Center
(1809 N 15th Ave, Phoenix, AZ
85007, intersection of West Palm
Lane and N 15th Avenue)

Bring your pruners & learn to "deadhead".

7 Find out how to earn a Dead Header T-Shirt

Since 1979, the WHEAT organization has been working to end hunger and poverty at the root. The mission of WHEAT is to educate, advocate, engage and empower individuals in the fight against hunger and poverty.

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For more info or to donate online, please visit HungerHurts.org

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Meet the Editor

Hi, I'm Maddie

Hello!

I'm Maddie, your EP Newsletter editor, designer, & board committee chair. Since I moved into the neighborhood, I have been interested in getting involved with this newsletter and am so happy with the ways it has grown in just a few short months. Getting to meet my neighbors and learn about their passions, families, and homes has been such a joy. This newsletter would not be possible without the amazing neighbors that contribute with their individual stories. When I am not working on the newsletter, I am most likely hanging out with my fiancé, Nate, finding new local food joints to support, or talking about my job as a Courtroom Clerk for the Maricopa County Superior Courts. If we haven't met yet, reach out and let's grab a cup of coffee to see how you can become involved in our neighborhood magazine.



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Your Neighbor's Hacks

CLEANING THOSE DIRTY TENNIS SHOES!

By: Susan Fleming

I have a friend who had really dirty tennis shoes and asked for my help. I first used a Mr Clean sponge to get all the marks off the edges of the shoes. With a little bit of water and some elbow grease they were like new again.



Before



After



Then onto the hard part, the shoes themselves. I got out my CLOROX 2 FOR COLORS MAX and poured some over the shoes and brushed them with a toothbrush. I then let them stand for 20 minutes before putting them in the washing machine on Normal setting. I had to repeat this process a second time to get the best results.

Happy Hiking

Voaz Loop

Difficulty Level: Moderate

Distance: 3.8 miles

Average Time: 2 hours

As we cling desperately to the nice weather this spring, take a few hours to spend some time in nature. Neighbor, Kelsey Hughes, recommends Vaz Loop as a great nearby trail to enjoy the beauty of the desert mountains.

Voaz Loop is located in Phoenix Mountain Preserve, but is not as well marked as some of the other trails (a hidden gem, you might say). Many recommend bringing a map or using a mobile app to find your way through the hike.

If you have a hike you would like to share, reach out to our editor at ephpanewsletter@gmail.com



Sunday Schmooze Schedule 2023-2024

3PM-5PM

BYOB!

OCT 8 **THE MCCANSE RESIDENCE**
2220 N 9TH AVE

NOV 19 **THE DWYER RESIDENCE**
733 ENCANTO DR SE

JAN 21 **RAINED OUT!**

MAR 17 **THE HODEL RESIDENCE**
1615 N 9TH AVE

MAY 19 **THE DAY RESIDENCE**
W/ LIBERTY WILDLIFE
2225 N 9TH AVE



*A Schmooze is an informal, BYOB, neighborhood get-together that is fun for all ages and is a great opportunity to connect with your wonderful neighbors.
See you there!*

Meet the Neighbors:

The Campbells

**Paul, Erica,
Frances, & Lucille**

Meet the Campbells!

Paul, Erica, and their two daughters, Frances and Lucille (Luce), have lived in Encanto Palmcroft for just a few months now, having moved in July of 2023. As some of our newest EP neighbors, the Campbells are continuously having experiences living here that makes them fall more in love with our incredible community. They were especially blown away by how welcoming their Block Captain Elissa was when they moved in. The family enjoys the neighborhood events that make them feel like they are a part of this community.

Paul and Erica met in Los Angeles and when they were pregnant with their first child, they moved to San Antonio. Erica grew up in Ahwatukee and the couple ultimately decided to move closer to her family and are really excited to be a part of the Phoenix area. The current two youngest members of the Campbell family attend Khalsa Montessori School and they are expecting a baby boy this coming July.

In his free time, Paul enjoys birdwatching and talking about/looking at watches. Erica has a knack for decorating their EP home and is finding new ways to enjoy her individuality outside of being a wonderful mom to her two (nearly three) children. Frances likes riding her scooter and using her imagination to make playing even more fun. Luce loves to play babies, pet dogs, and watch everyone's favorite: Elmo!

Please help in welcoming these new(er) neighbors to our incredible community!



MARKET DATA

compiled from ARMLS and current as of March 15th, 2024

Encanto Palmcroft Real Estate



CLOSED 2044 N 11th AVE
\$599,000
Listing by Realty Executives



UCB 901 W Encanto BLVD
\$2,000,000
Listing by Russ Lyon Sotheby's



CLOSED 946 W Palm Lane
\$935,000
Listing by Russ Lyon Sotheby's



UCB 1609 Palmcroft Way SW
\$1,275,000
Listing by Equities Real Estate



CLOSED 1826 PALMCROFT WAY
NW, \$1,845,000
Listing by Launch by Compass



PENDING 1635 Palmcroft DR SW
\$1,590,000
Listing by Retsy

CLOSED REAL ESTATE



CLOSED 1812 N 11th AVE
\$1,320,000

Listing by Sell Your Home Services



CLOSED 2207 N 9TH AVE
\$1,150,000

Listing by Russ Lyon Sotheby's



CLOSED 1806 PALMCROFT DR
NW, \$1,800,000

Listing by HomeSmart



CLOSED 1228 W Coronado
\$781,900

Listing by ExP Realty



CLOSED 736 ENCANTO DR SE
\$990,000

Listing by ABI MULTIFAMILY



CLOSED, 1604 PALMCROFT WAY
SE, \$1,150,000

Listing by HomeSmart


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7th Avenue & McDowell Road

Today’s column covers the largest intersection in proximity to Encanto Palmcroft, 7th Avenue and McDowell Road and the original commercial activity in the area.

Had you lived in Encanto Palmcroft in the 1940’s-60’s, your family might have bought cold medicine at the Ryan-Evans Drug Store or Rexall. You might have shopped Sprouse-Reitz’s five-and-dime store, all located in buildings at the southeast intersection. In 2009, the Corner on 7th, with retail components, was added to this corner. The historic elements were razed to make way for Five Guys, Wing-Stop, Ahipoki, Zoyo, Mad Greens, and Vovomeena.

The northeast corner in the 1940’s, you would have found a Safeway and a New England Bakery. In 1947, My Florist was built east of the bakery. This side of the intersection retains historical architectural elements with



The former Emerald Lounge building on the SW corner of 7th Avenue and McDowell Road looking north on 7th.

The Habit, Potbelly, The Joint Chiropractic, Rubio’s, Rudy’s Cuts & Color, Pop ‘N Tea Bar, NY Pizza Dept., T-Mobile, Underbelly Meat Co., Liberty Tax, ACEC Arizona as tenants.

A Mobil gas station was on the northwest corner in the late 1940’s, run by the Taylor brothers. Neighbors believe it was there until Circle K appeared in the late 1970’s early 1980’s.

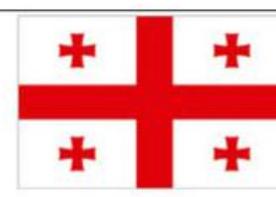
The southwest corner like the northeast retained architectural elements. A neighbor recalled Val DeSpain’s Chevron station on this corner. From 1949 – 2005, the Emerald Lounge resided at the corner lot. It was a dive bar, pool hall, and a local music venue. Today Highball (upstairs), Pei Wei, and Noble Grounds are there. The parking lot to the west was formally a building of many uses.

Future columns on the intersections of 15th Avenue & McDowell, and 15th Avenue & Thomas are “under construction”. If neighbors have old photos or remembrances of businesses at these intersections, send them to joycecgrossman@gmail.com.



The northwest corner of McDowell and 7th Avenue in the 1940’s. Safeway and New England Bakery were just east of the corner. (McCulloch Bros. Collection/ASU Archives)

By: Joyce Grossman

	<p>Emil– 17 from Sweden, is friendly and outgoing with many interests and a love of trying new things. His favorite sport is swimming; he hopes to continue practicing his 100-meter butterfly. Emil is also musically gifted; he plays the trumpet in his school band, takes guitar lessons, and sings in the school choir. He attends a Natural Sciences high school. He loves hiking, camping, and other outdoor activities. In the future, he is considering studying law.</p>
	<p>Casey– 17 from Indonesia, is a member of her school’s dance and cheerleading teams, where she has made amazing friends and works to keep herself strong and healthy. She would love to participate in the sportsmanship atmosphere at her US high school. She enjoys cooking with her mother and helping younger brothers with schoolwork. She looks forward to building a lifelong relationship with her host family, experiencing American culture, and volunteering.</p>
	<p>Guilhermae- 17 from Portugal, describes himself as funny, friendly, and polite. He is a young man who enjoys many sports but focuses on soccer with practice three times a week. It’s important for him to stay in good physical condition. His teachers say Guilherme is cooperative, ambitious, and positive. In his free time, he watches soccer and plays video games. Family time includes walks and playing board games. He’s excited to share Portuguese customs and food with you.</p>
	<p>Oriana– 16, from Italy, comes from a small town and has been dreaming of going on exchange since she was young. She has excellent grades, has mastered advanced French, and speaks English almost perfectly. With a positive attitude, she is described as collaborative, respectful, and friendly with her classmates and teachers. She is an only child in a large family and is incredibly close to her grandmother and cousins. Reading, photography, and traveling with her family are her passions.</p>
	<p>Moritz– 16, from Southern Germany, comes from a close-knit family. His sister was an AFS exchange student in 2022-23, which inspired his decision to study abroad. He is open to trying American football, which is not offered in Germany. He also enjoys skiing, snowboarding, guitar playing, reading, fixing things, and taekwondo (he is a red belt). Moritz is a low-key guy described by his family as funny, curious, caring, polite, and a dreamer. He enjoys science and is currently part of a junior firefighters group.</p>
	<p>Ana– 16 from Georgia, has been awarded a full scholarship for her exchange. She is artistic and loves drawing, painting, and, recently, ceramics. Her teachers describe her as outgoing, flexible, and determined to do her best. She volunteers for the American Corner and has been recognized for outstanding work with the “Microscholarship Access Program.” She enjoys watching movies and US TV shows with her two sisters and friends in her free time. Her future goal is to become a freelance or graphic artist.</p>

These students and others like them, will be arriving in August 2024 and they cannot wait to get the news of their American host family! This family voluntarily provides their student with food, lodging, an open heart, and the opportunity to learn firsthand about American culture. AFS students have their own personal spending money, full health benefits, and the continual support of local volunteers in the community.

For more information call or text your local volunteer

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Updated guidelines for use of neighborhood “Everyone” email, including how to be added to user list...

Neighborhood Email List Guidelines

Purpose of Email:

- To inform our neighbors/members of community and area events, opportunities, concerns, activities, and meetings.
- To promote our historic Encanto Palmcroft neighborhood.

Responsible Persons:

- **Webmaster and/or Email Administrator:** maintains email addresses of all neighbors/members that request to be included on ‘ thelist@encantopalmcroft.org ’
- **Email Administrator:** gathers information, checks for accuracy and readability, proofreads, and sends to all interested parties.
- **Committee Chairpersons:** sends committee info to the Administrator for distribution. Standing Committees would include, but not be limited to; Social, Safety & Security, Outreach, and Welcome.
- **Newsletter Editor:** sends an electronic copy of any “time-sensitive” information to the Administrator for distribution.
- **President of Board:** sends updates explaining actions and activities of the Board of Directors to the Administrator for distribution.
- **Current EPHPA Board Officers:** available to perform the duties of the Administrator in his/her absence.
- **Current EPHPA Board of Directors:** oversees content of all sent messages and directs any corrections or apologies to be written.

How to Join List:

- Those wishing to join the “everyone” list should send an email to thelist@encantopalmcroft.org stating your name and address.
- Once the request is received, the email administrator will approve the request, if you are a resident in Encanto-Palmcroft, and you will be added to the list shortly thereafter.

How to Send Everyone Emails:

- To send an email to the “everyone” list, please send an email you wish to distribute to everyone@encantopalmcroft.org.
- The Email Administrator does not draft emails for lost pets, keys, etc. Individuals shall draft their own **providing an email and/or phone number for readers to reply.**
- The Email administrator is a volunteer and will aim to approve submissions within 24 hours.

Schedule of Publication:

- Email notices can be sent anytime that a need is determined by the Email Administrator.

Content of Email Notices:

The Email Administrator will adhere to the following guidelines in approving or disapproving an email for circulation. Please note, you will not be notified as to whether your email is approved or not approved. If it is not approved, it will be pursuant to one of the reasons outlined below.

Appropriate content for email approval:

- Content that is factual, kind, necessary, and helpful
- Information promoting neighborhood events, opportunities, concerns, activities, and meetings.
- Information promoting events in the general area and other historic districts.
- Information and updates about the activities of the Board of Directors (meeting minutes, committee reports, etc.)
- Promote neighborhood children's activities/involvements
- Board approved promoted philanthropies
- Lost and found cats, dogs, and other animals.
- Animals threatening Encanto Palmcroft neighbors
- **ALL** sent email notices shall include the author's full name and personal email return address.
- *Style* may be casual or formal, but *Tone* shall be friendly, professional, and respectful at all times.

Content that will not be approved:

- Information that is not relevant to the neighborhood
- Partisan political endorsements or promotions of individual candidates.
- Information is more appropriately addressed to an individual.
- Explicit or vitriolic content
- Personally, identifiable information of others without their consent
- Inaccurate information.

From time to time, neighbors might want to have a discourse about a controversial or political topic or proposition that impacts the neighborhood. If an issue arises, the moderator will alert the board officers, and the officers will either approve or reject the conversation. Emails along that topic will be approved, as long as they are factual, kind, necessary, and helpful and relate to a considerable number of residents.

Statements, opinions, beliefs, and points of view expressed in sent email messages are those of the individual writers and do not necessarily represent those of the Email Administrator or the Encanto Palmcroft Historic Preservation Association Board of Directors. The current elected Board shall maintain complete and total control of the "everyone list" and will be solely responsible for all messages sent to our neighbors/members. Any attempt to use the list for the sender's personal profit or financial gain may not be permitted at the Board's discretion.

/EP Email Administrator Guidelines - 2024

SECURITY SIGNS POLICY STATEMENT

One of the many benefits of membership in the Encanto Palmcroft Security Corporation (EPSC) is the ability to have a security sign placed in front of the member's home. The sign not only indicates that the homeowner is a member of EPSC, but it also indicates that that homeowner is an active member of the Encanto Palmcroft community contributing to the neighborhood's overall security.

The purpose of this statement is to clarify the policies that surround the issuance and return of the EPSC security signs, as follows:

- *Signs are issued to members of the EPSC when dues are paid and will remain with the property until membership is terminated due to lack of payment and/or sale of the property.*
- *Residents of the Encanto-Palmcroft neighborhood that are not members should not have a sign.*
- *Members who are more than 3 months behind in paying their dues, will be notified that their sign will be removed if dues are not brought current within 90 days of notification.*
- *Upon sale of a member's home, signs are to be returned to EPSC on or before the sale closing date.*
- *If the sign is not voluntarily returned, a member of the EPSC board of directors will retrieve it, but not before the closing date of the sale.*



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2 oz Blanco tequila
1 oz Fresh lemon juice
0.5 oz Honey water
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with ice, shake and strain
into a rocks glass over ice,
rose petal garnish

The New Normal
Inventory
Down 3% vs Feb '23
314 Less Units
Purchasing Activity
Down 5% vs Feb '23
283 Less Units

*Data based upon Single Family Detached Homes
as per Arizona Regional MLS Maricopa County

CURRENT MATTERS

We're currently in an even market with 37.5% of homes for sale under contract. Market times depend on seller prep, price and location. Sellers will win with gratitude and preparation. Hopeful for continued appreciation of 7% by year's end.

Encanto Palmcroft Historic Preservation Association

Monthly Meeting Agenda

April 9, 2024 – 7:00 pm

Valley Garden Center, 1809 N. 15th Avenue
& via Zoom <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85008083463>

Call to order – President Joyce Grossman

E/P Mission Statement/ Welcome Guests – VP Lauren Armour

“The mission of the Encanto-Palmcroft Historic Preservation Association is to promote the preservation of the historic Encanto-Palmcroft neighborhood and enhance the quality of life within and around the neighborhood.”

Approval of minutes from March meeting – Nina Loughman

Presentation of Treasurer’s Report – Tamera Zivic

Committee Updates

- A. Social Committee – Stacey Hodel
 - Block Party
- B. Block Captains – Carlo Sanchez
- C. Directory Committee – Nina Loughman
 - Approval of Items for Inclusion in the Directory
- D. Website Committee – Stuart Early

Old Business

- Replacement of Historic Street Lights

New Business

- Future Agenda Items for May Agenda
 - Committee Updates – Social (ribbon replacement)

Adjournment

Encanto Palmcroft Historic Preservation Association

Proposed Meeting Minutes

"The mission of the Encanto-Palmcroft Historic Preservation Association is to promote the preservation of the historic Encanto-Palmcroft neighborhood and enhance the quality of life within and around the neighborhood."

March 12, 2024

Valley Garden Center/Zoom

Called to Order: 7:10PM

Board Members Present	Attendees (In-Person)	Attendees (Zoom)
Nina Loughman Joyce Grossman Tamera Zivic Carlo Sanchez Stacey Hodel Anne Durning Kelsey Hughes Alison Tamboer Stuart Early Sheryl Haarman Maddie Cichon Lauren Armour (Zoom) Jenny Gendreau (Zoom) Mona Cridebring (Zoom) Mary Ellen Bradshaw-Weisbuch (Zoom) 15 of 18 Board members present, quorum	Carole Kauffman Greg & Cynthia Legris Kevin Norton Amy Curran Foreman James Culver Stephen Godsly Clyde Grandeerson Scott & Grace Carpenter Mary Giolitti C. Diane Bishop Derreck Foreman Susan Fleming Maura Finnerty <i>Guests:</i> Off. Ben Harris, Phx P.D. Carl Langford, Street Dept. Mike Vellotti, Street Dept. Brenda Munoz, City Council Yolanda Osorio, NSD	Brent Kleinman Jay G.

Secretary Nina Loughman read the mission statement.

Board Minutes from February 13, 2024 meeting - Nina Loughman requested feedback from the Board on the meeting minutes. Sheryl Haarman motioned to approve the February 13, 2024 Board meeting minutes as presented. Stuart Early seconded the motion. Board voted and passed unanimously at 7:05PM.

Presentation of Treasurer's Report - Tamera Zivic reviewed the Financial Report. Stuart Early motioned to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. Nina Loughman seconded the motion. Board voted and passed unanimously at 7:06PM.

Traffic Concerns and Potential Remedies

The Board first heard a brief presentation from Officer Ben Harris, Phoenix Police Department, and Carl Langford and Mike Vellotti from the City of Phoenix Street Transportation Department. Below is a brief summary of what they each shared::

Officer Ben Harris, Phoenix Police Department

- His role is as a Community Action Officer (CAO) and he is responsible for the area that includes our neighborhood. He is the only Community Action Officer for our zone and he is a radar certified officer. He periodically gets requests from neighborhoods to assess potential residential speeding issues.
- The absolute speed restriction for a residential area is 25 mph. However, there is less proactive speed enforcement in residential areas due to the decrease in the number of officers. He stated that residential speeding enforcement efforts are concentrated on extreme cases where an individual is going 40 mph or more.
- He conducted a 7-day study in the Willo neighborhood at the request of its residents because they believed there were more speeding cars in the neighborhood. His conclusion was that Willo did not have an issue with speeding like the residents perceived. He stated he believes that what the residents were perceiving is an increase in the volume of traffic rather than an increase in the relative speed of the traffic. During his study, he witnessed that many pedestrians and bicyclists in Willo were not following the traffic laws and putting themselves in dangerous traffic situations.
- He believes that traffic will adapt to physical changes, such as speed bumps or humps.

Carl Langford and Mike Vellotti, City of Phoenix Street Transportation Department

- The City's role in traffic situations such as the one that our residents are discussing is to be a neutral party, and to gather data and provide information on next steps for initiating City programs such as speed humps, speed cushions, and stop signs.
- Speed humps and speed cushions are resident-driven meaning residents have to petition to have these installed by the City. Speed humps are only used on local streets and speed cushions are only installed on collector streets. Speed bumps are primarily used in parking lots.

- Speed hump/cushion program cost - The cost for an individual speed hump varies but can be up to \$1,200/hump and is based on the average speed in the areas after being studied. Speed cushions can be up to \$2,800/cushion.
- Speed hump petition requirements - To install a speed hump requires a supermajority of 100% of residents within 100 feet of the speed hump and 70% of the residents in the impacted area. The petition boundary for a speed hump is 20-30 homes and the boundary for a speed cushion is 50-60 homes.
- Stop signs are traffic control devices and not traffic calming devices. Stop signs are only justified when a permanent obstruction to visibility is present, if there is a problem with vehicle crashes, and if the volume of traffic is equal. They warned that unwarranted installation of a stop sign can actually increase the chances of a crash at that intersection, especially with children who think someone will always stop at a stop sign.
- ****For more information about these programs, please visit <https://www.phoenix.gov/streets/neighborhood-traffic-programs-services>**

Joyce read into the record the comments of those residents that could not attend the meeting but that wished to share their thoughts:

- Mark Gunther - He was Vice President of the Association around 2000 when the neighborhood had a similar dialogue and noted the tension that this caused between residents. Concern about changes to streets routing traffic to others in the neighborhood.
- Lindsey Rivera - She lives on 11th and Palm Lane and is in the yard frequently. She stated that she regularly sees cars going over 40 mph and supports whatever measures the neighborhood takes to slow down the traffic like what was done in Willo.
- Greg Hawk - He stated that he has seen an increase in the number of children on Palm Lane and is in support of traffic calming measures along Palm Lane to protect the children.
- Brent Kleinman - He shared his thoughts recently on the "Everyone" email list and cautioned others to not proceed in haste with any resolutions that may change the character of the neighborhood.

Meeting attendees completed comment cards to be placed in a queue to share their thoughts/questions. Below is a summary of what they shared:

- Amy Foreman - Lives on Palm Lane and believes she has seen an increase in speeding. She also noted the increase in children in the neighborhood and the lack of stop signs or speed bumps. She shared her request that the neighborhood do something about the traffic and speed now before new commercial development increases the traffic in the future.
 - Carl Langford stated that two-way stop signs are most efficient and that four-way stop signs only work well when the roads have similar traffic volume. Installing a four-way stop sign generally needs a fairly high volume of traffic in line with national standards which is around 300 cars in one direction per hour and 200 cars in the other direction.
- Steve Godsly - He has lived here for 30 years and believes the traffic hasn't changed since he has been here. He is concerned about home value if speed bumps are added.
- Grace Carpenter - She has lived here for 6 years and believes there are a lot more kids and families. She recognized that volume and speed are two separate issues and believes there can be a way to preserve the character of the neighborhood and keep things safe. She stated that the neighborhood should think ahead about the future inflow of cars and noted that the population of Phoenix is very different now than thirty years ago. She stated that she sees people dart into the neighborhood, make a u-turn, and then go back. She asked the hypothetical question of whether or not Willo's historic nature has been devalued with the traffic measures they put in place.
 - Officer Harris - He believes that roundabouts, like Willo's, are "DUI magnets".
 - Carl Langford - The City does not have any programs that close off roads or install roundabouts like Willo anymore. He stated that roundabouts are "spot fixes" and they get a lot of complaints about them and they also cost around \$40,000.
 - Greg Legris - He is a pediatric pulmonologist and has seen child trauma from vehicle accidents and believes the number of children in the neighborhood has increased. He believes the neighborhood should take measures to protect them and offered the idea that the triangles should be combined to create a neighborhood park and to slow traffic on Monte Vista.
- Susan Fleming - She lives on the corner of Monte Vista and 12th across from the fields and asked if yield signs were an option. Carl Langford responded that yield signs are generally not used since people do not follow them.
- Greg Legris - He stated that we do not have sidewalks or accommodations for children or individuals with handicaps which encourages people to walk in the streets. He reiterated his suggestions to unify the two triangles to make a park. He also believes that the intersection at 11th Ave and Palm Lane needs to be a four-way stop.
- Kevin Norton - He lives on Palm and 9th and is often in the front yard. He believes we are trying to solve a problem we may not have and encouraged the neighborhood to gather data before making any decisions.
- Kelsey Hughes - She lives on Palm Lane and believes the places between intersections is the problem. She recommended the neighborhood gather data and asked the City if they provide recommendations on what would be most successful.
 - Carl Langford - He explained that the City can conduct a study for the neighborhood and that request needs 10 signatures. He stated that the neighborhood should indicate on a map all the areas they would like to be studied to save time with individual requests. The City then shares the data with the neighborhood.
- Clyde Granderson - He believes the neighborhood should think of alternative solutions to speed humps because he likes the integrity of the neighborhood and doesn't want to look at signs and painted roads.
 - Mike Vellotti - He stated that yellow advisory signs are installed when speed humps are installed and that speed humps need to be 500 feet apart from one another.
- Stacey Hodel - She lives just in from McDowell on 9th Avenue and stated that people take that corner very quickly. She asked that since she is near the school, if a crosswalk would help with traffic calming.
 - Carl Langford - He explained that the City can evaluate where to put marked crosswalks. If the school is interested in getting a crosswalk then they need to reach out to City and sign an agreement which states they will have a crossing guard present. He also stated that he believes that crosswalks do not really slow traffic down but that there are no studies for this.
- Nina Loughman asked what the next steps for the neighborhood would be.

- Carl Langford explained that the neighborhood should complete the study request form. Officer Ben Harris stated that the City would not look at where existing stop signs are in the study.
- Maddie Cichon - She stated that she sees parents by arts school blocking the alley and driveways. She recommended we bring this issue to the school itself and if we bring the school into the discussion, this may be more effective. She asked the question if there were statistics about speeding in the neighborhood delineated between those who live here and those that don't. Office Ben Harris stated there is no way currently to collect that data but that there have been less than five speeding tickets issued in the neighborhood over the last five years. Maddie stated that as editor of the Encanto Palmcroft Magazine, she plans to do PSA's on speeding, etc, so we aren't contributing to the traffic problems.
- Joyce Grossman - She believes traffic has increased in the neighborhood and believes our neighbors may be contributing to the speeding problem.

Email Administrator Guidelines

The Board discussed the proposed revisions to the Email Administrator Guidelines and the feedback that was provided via email from Brent Kleinman. Joyce Grossman motioned to approve the guidelines with the revisions as discussed. Nina Loughman seconded the motion. Board voted and approved the updated Email Administrator Guidelines at 9:04PM. The guidelines will be included in the April newsletter to make the neighborhood aware of how they should be engaging on the "Everyone" email group.

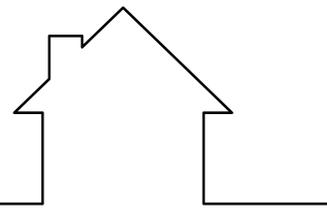
Committee Updates

- Social Committee (Stacey Hodel) - The annual Block Party will be held on Saturday, April 20th at 4:00PM. The planning committee met last week and they started the process of obtaining approval for the street closure. The street that the committee would like to close is Palmcroft Drive NE (Sheryl Haarman's street) and the Committee will begin gathering signatures from neighbors soon. Please see the recent email from Stephanie Madon about volunteering. The next Schmooze is March 17th at the Hodel residence and is Saint Patrick's Day themed. Amy Day was scheduled to host the Schmooze that was canceled due to rain and she will host the makeup Schmooze on May 19th and Liberty Wildlife is scheduled to join as well.
- Directory Committee (Nina Loughman) - Nina Loughman explained that the Committee has not yet reached a consensus on the data to collect on the Directory and intends to present the proposed form and process during the April Board meeting.

New Business - The following topics will be added to the April agenda: Website Committee, Directory Committee, Social Committee, and Block Captain Committee. Reminder - the newsletter is taking a hiatus for the months of July and August.

Nina Loughman moved to adjourn the meeting. Maddie Chichon seconded the motion. **Meeting adjourned at 9:14PM.**

BLOCK CAPTAINS

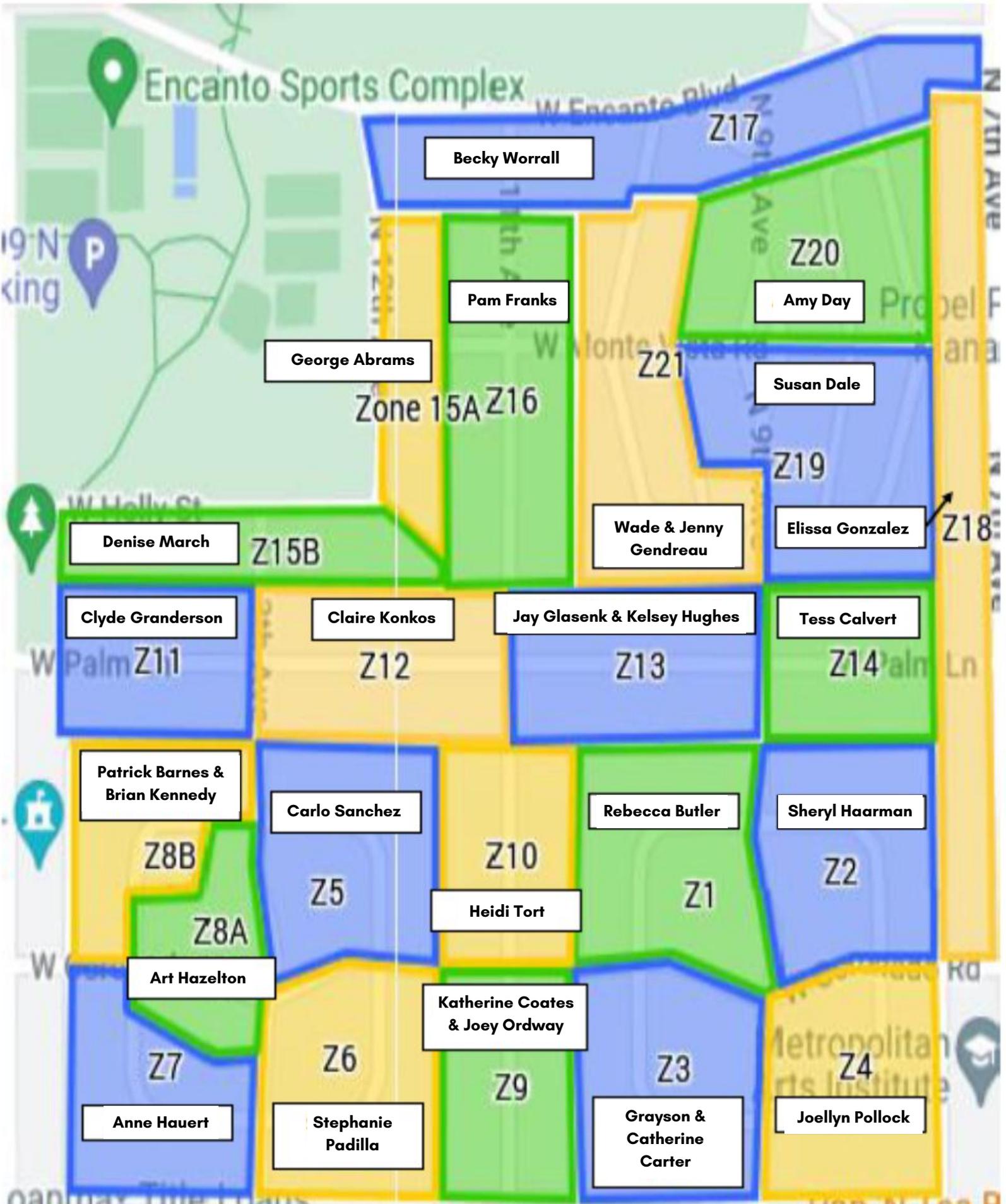


What is a Block Captain? Block Captains are Encanto Palmcroft residents (see Block Captain map) who deliver the monthly magazine, welcome new residents to the neighborhood, and serve as a point of contact to those in their designated zone area.

If you have any questions/comments, we encourage you to contact your Block Captain using the directory below:

ZONE	NAME	ADDRESS	PHONE	EMAIL
Z1	Rebecca Butler	914 W Coronado Rd	(602)697-5602	becksbutler2014@gmail.com
Z2	Sheryl Haarman	1809 Palmcroft Dr NE	(602)717-4898	slhaarman@aol.com
Z3	Grayson & Catherine Carter	1602 Palmcroft Dr SW	(602)252-5582	clcarter10@yahoo.com
Z4	Joellyn Pollock	1628 Palmcroft Dr SE	(602)254-4092	joellyn_pollock@yahoo.com
Z5	Carlo Sanchez	1827 Palmcroft Way NE	(602)327-0246	csanchez5018@outlook.com
Z6	Stephanie Padilla	1615 Palmcroft Way SE	(480)577-2232	steph_ee99@yahoo.com
Z7	Anne Hauert	1632 Palmcroft Way SW	(312)882-2994	aghauert@gmail.com
Z8A	Arthur Hazelton	1301 W Coronado Rd	(602)621-3934	ahaze@cox.net
Z8B	Patrick Barnes & Brian Kennedy	1811 Palmcroft Way NW	(602)703-1835	jpb123jpb@yahoo.com
Z9	Katherine Coates & Joey Ordway	1621 N 11th Ave	(303)517-4984	katie@paloocodesign.com
Z10	Heidi Tort	1802 N 11th Ave	(623)734-2642	heiditort@cox.net
Z11	Clyde Granderson	1319 W Palm Ln	(602)271-0905	clydehg@cox.net
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Z14	Tess and Christian Calvert	712 W Palm Ln	(602)318-3698	tesscalvert@gmail.com
Z15A	George Abrams	1115 W Monte Vista Rd	(602)319-4186	george@georgeabrams.com
Z15B	Denise March	1133 W Holly St	(602)340-1742	denise.march@gmail.com
Z16	Pam Franks	2206 N 11th Ave	(602)253-7234	deadlogclaim@gmail.com
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Z18	Elissa Gonzalez	2226 N 7th Ave	(602)476-4672	eagonza3@gmail.com
Z18	Sam Flatland	1832 N 7th Ave	(602)904-0730	samflatland@gmail.com
Z19	Susan Dale	727 Encanto Dr SE	(602)716-9644	susan@sbdale.com
Z20	Amy Day	2225 N 9th Ave	(602)307-5916	amday@cox.net
Z21	Wade & Jenny Gendreau	907 Encanto Dr SW	(602)795-6110	gendreau3cox.net

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