Letter from the President:

This month, I’d like to focus on what RAA accomplished in 2016 and what’s to come in 2017:

3rd and 5th Ave traffic determination: After an outside consultant study, three day charrette, and a few meetings, the RAA members voted unanimously at the December meeting to support the “Modified alternative 3” plan. In a nutshell, 3rd and 5th remain one way, but only one car lane from McDowell to Roosevelt, then become two way. There will be bike lanes on both and we gain much better (and safer) crossings at Kenilworth and the Puppet Theater. Check out 3rdand5thAve.com for more information. Moving forward the fine print/specifies in ‘17.

FAA flight path: We had some legal wins and are waiting for a date for oral arguments, which could also lead to mediation especially in light of this last month’s approval of the Nat’l Defense Authorization Act which includes a provision that the FAA have to review the Phoenix flight paths affecting our neighborhood (and others). Best place to see info is the Facebook page. Let’s Make Some Noise. Moving forward FUNDRAISER on FEBRUARY 23rd 5-8pm at the Great Puppet Theatre including a silent auction of great neighborhood stuff.

Circles/Stewart: RAA members voted overwhelmingly (3:1) to support GPLET for the development in the latest rendition which also included $3.1 mil in historic preservation funding with $25,000 per year allocated with the RAA boundaries. Moving forward: the process towards a Council vote.

Major developments: The Fillmore RFP recipient was announced which includes RAA member and neighbor, Matt Seaman, on the development team. The development includes rental AND owner-occupied housing. Soon to open the Wood Partners Fillmore Apt project adding 200 + households to the neighborhood at 7th Ave and Fillmore which will also get a HAWK to connect SoRo with the Triangle neighborhood and Grand. Steve Bruckal’s great new homes at 3rd and Culver are finished and for sale Portland on the Park will be opening in 2017 and is looking amazing. Check out the developer, Tim Sprague and I (Sherry Rampy) on Radio Phoenix for a feel good interview (Nov. 15th) The Foundre Hotel is now open on Portland along with it’s signature Match restaurant. Also newly opened this year, the Teapot on 5th Ave (a super kid friendly coffee shop) and Sosoba on Roosevelt.

Some personal neighbor notes: While our neighborhood will mourn the loss of Jim Trocki, a long term neighbor, board member and great guy, We welcomed new baby girl additions to both the Davis and Kaluzny families. We were also happy to congratulate neighbors, Quinn Whissen and Ryan Tempest (RAA VP) and Jennifer Vanlandingham and Mike Hauer on their engagements. We had three AZ Republic Cool Homes featured, a great Home Tour, a $9,000 + Block Watch grant awarded, and Lela Alston, won her election as our State Representative again.

Wishing you all a Happy and Healthy New Year!
The January, 2017 monthly meeting of the Roosevelt Action Association will be held at New City Church (North-west corner Central and Culver) on Tuesday, January 3rd, from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm with a “Meet and Mingle” with the actual meeting starting at 6:15 pm. All residents of the Historic Roosevelt District are welcome to attend these meetings.

Our newsletter is full of articles of interest to the community. If you or someone in the neighborhood would like to submit an article please contact Douglas Churchill, our Editor at: (602) 606-2914 or send an e-mail with your article or information to: Douglaschur@aol.com. If you are submitting an article please send in Jpeg, or .doc file formats. The cut-off deadline for submittals is the 15th of each month which will go in the following months issue.

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Officer Ben Harris
(602)361-4501

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Visit our website at:
www.Rooseveltneighborhood.org for information about the association and all its activities.

MONTHLY MEETINGS AND ARTICLE SUBMISSIONS

Calendar of Events — January, 2017

Jan. 1 - 23  Cinderella
Arizona Puppet Theater (3rd Ave & Latham)

Jan. 1 - 8  City Skate Holiday Ice Rink
CityScape (Central Washington & Jefferson)

Jan. 2 - 16  Alien Worlds and Androids
Arizona Science Center (4th St & Adams)

Jan. 4  Wednesday Movie “Inside Out”
Burton Barr Library (Central @ Hance Park)

Jan. 6  First Friday
(Roosevelt St between Central & 7th St)

Jan. 6 - 8  Carmen, Faila & Granados
Symphony Hall (2nd St. & Monroe)

Jan. 11  Wednesday Movie “High Noon”
Burton Barr Library (Central @ Hance Park)

Jan 13  Star Wars: The Music
Symphony Hall (2nd St. & Monroe)

Jan 14 - 15  Simply Sinatra—The Phoenix Symphony
Symphony Hall (2nd St. & Monroe)

Jan 18  Wednesday Movie “Rocky”
Burton Barr Library (Central @ Hance Park)

Jan. 19 - 22  Disney on Ice Worlds of Enchantment
Talking Stick Arena (3rd St & Jefferson)

Jan. 20 - 21  A Night of Leonard Bernstein
Symphony Hall (2nd St. & Monroe)

Jan. 25  Wednesday Movie “Fargo”
Burton Barr Library (Central @ Hance Park)

Jan. 25 - 29  Old MacDonald
Arizona Puppet Theater (3rd Ave & Latham)

For more events in and around downtown Phoenix please visit the following website: www.dtphx.org/calendar

Visit website: http://www.phoenixpubliclibrary.org for events and times presented by the Burton Barr Library.

Phoenix Public Market at the corner of Pierce Street and Central Avenue is once again open. Market is open Saturdays. Come and get fresh, homegrown vegetables and fruits as well as other items.

Come One! Come All
Roosevelt Action Association (RAA) Membership

Since 1981, the RAA’s mission has been to promote understanding of and appreciation for Phoenix’s historic past, to increase awareness of its architectural and cultural history, and to foster neighborhood pride for future generations. Its many projects include promoting rehabilitation and redevelopment efforts and acting as a community advocate for issues that maintain the communities quality of life. Dues act as seed-money to support the business and mission of the RAA.

Name / Business Name

Address

City/State/Zip

Phone

E-mail

2017 Annual Dues:  Individual: $10.00 per person X ___________ people = $ ______________

Business Membership: $40.00

Total Enclosed:  $ ______________

Check One:  (   ) Residential Owner Occupant  (   ) Commercial Property Owner  (   ) Residential Renter

(   ) Commercial Property Renter  (   ) Other ____________________________________________

Completed Membership Form can be mailed to RAA—P.O. Box 2788—Phoenix, AZ 85002, brought to monthly board meetings or dropped off at any Officer of the Board’s mailbox (See Board contact list below for addresses). Membership is on a calendar year basis and dues must be paid to vote at meetings. Board terms start with the March RAA Monthly Meeting with election at the February meeting.

Crime prevention and the Future

Hardware and Alarms

Having been a Police Officer for 11 years and a Community Action Officer for 5 years, I have had a unique opportunity to watch crime trends and apply a level of scrutiny that most citizens do not have access to. In that time, I have witnessed the rapid progression of prevention technology which can greatly enhance our security. And yet, we still live in houses with structural and security deficiencies: Windows and doors. While we should continually examine new technology and its integration into our lives, we should always scrutinize the facts of property crime, and what we can do to prevent it with the old tech of our homes.

The vulnerable points in any structure are the holes. In our houses, businesses, apartments and condos, we have doors and windows. Reinforced during construction to hold up the walls and roof, often these ports represent serious vulnerabilities to theft and burglarization, particularly when left unlocked. Sometimes overlooked because of the newest alarms, camera’s and such, are better doors, windows, and the locking mechanisms for both.

I have had the opportunity to work with a local locksmith on a limited basis, which has greatly expanded my own understanding of hardware that makes a burglar’s job very difficult. Double keyed locks, pick resistant keys and tumblers, and stronger materials are excellent upgrades. Even better, is installing burglar resistant glass windows and security doors, and reinforcing the mating hardware such as door strike plates and window hinges and latches. Avoid doggie doors, but if you must, install them away from door handles and locks. These upgrades physically harden doors and windows from a breach.

The new generation of home alarms and surveillance systems that has come out in the past 5 years, is growing at a surprising pace. New companies offer user installed equipment, high reliability internet based systems, smart phone capabilities, and low cost monitoring. As a result, we have an ever growing percentage of residences equipped with alarms, and it is estimated that 30% of homes in the USA will be monitored by 2020. This is great for law enforcement, as it allows us to better predict where a crime trend may be occurring, and sometimes gather useful intelligence and suspect images. If you have not yet purchased a home alarm, I highly recommend installing a system in your home or place of business.

While weighing the economics of spending money on doors, windows, and alarms systems, I have asked myself the same questions you have. What’s the likelihood I’ll get broken into or victimized? Just remember this: The criminal only has to get lucky once
A note from Mountain View Precinct Commander:

As many of you know, I have the good fortune of teaching at Arizona State University in addition to my role as your precinct Commander. Recently, a graduate student working on his capstone project asked me to describe the “community programs” in my precinct. Having examined community policing from the academic and practical perspective, I shared with him my findings. You see, the Phoenix Police Department does not treat community policing as a “program,” but rather as a culture and a relationship. Community inclusion and engagement is the historical practice of this organization and of our precinct. We use it as a verb and not a noun. Although the national conversation may suggest that law enforcement does not understand community needs, and may propose that the relationship between community and police is broken, I would argue that all relationships, public and private, require mutual effort to remain healthy; mutual effort necessitates shared sacrifice and shared respect from each member of the alliance. I also think my professional situation is unique. I am honored to serve in a precinct where my community acts as partners with the police. You have assumed ownership of your neighborhoods and have actively engaged in efforts to help us make the Mountain View Precinct a safe place to live, worship, work, and go to school. And, it’s more than this. It has not been an easy year for policing. Yet, I have witnessed your great support in moments when we needed it, as police officers. You remembered that we are human first and you stood with us when things were tough.

So, I offer this letter as a momentum of the great work we have collectively completed this year. These are the highlights of some of the major accomplishments of the Mountain View Precinct for the 2016 calendar year. The precinct strives toward integrating crime suppression through community inclusion and engagement. Our intent is to touch every faction of our citizenry through positive contact with police. I hope we have met you and that our work together continues. Thank you for being who you are as a community.

Happy Holidays,
Paula Veach
Commander
Mountain View Precinct

Alta Fillmore now open:

The newest addition to our neighborhood is the Alta Fillmore Apartments located at 601 West Fillmore between 6th and 7th Avenues on the South side of Fillmore Street is now open for residents to move in. These high end dwellings feature the latest ideas in style and design. One must see these outstanding homes to appreciate what Roosevelt District will look like and provide to new residences in our neighborhood, and what it has instore for the future. Stop by these homes and take a peak to is offered.