

# BROADMOOR-BROADWAY VILLAGE NEWSLETTER

## October 2009

### Letter from the BBVNA President

In our survey, many neighbors have asked the board to focus on crime prevention. As we learned from TPD at our last association meeting, Neighborhood Watch is the foundation for any meaningful efforts, so this is where we will begin.

A Neighborhood Watch group consists of about 20 houses. That means a neighborhood of our size will have about 18 groups! The number or asterisk (\*) shown on our neighborhood map gives you an idea of how we might divide our streets so that every interested resident can participate. The watch groups divide streets east and west along the Treat Walkway, with a separate group for the north side of Arroyo Chico, south side of Arroyo Chico, Eastbourne, N. Stratford, Country Club and Tucson Blvd. Residents who live near the boundaries of a group (like me) might consider joining two.

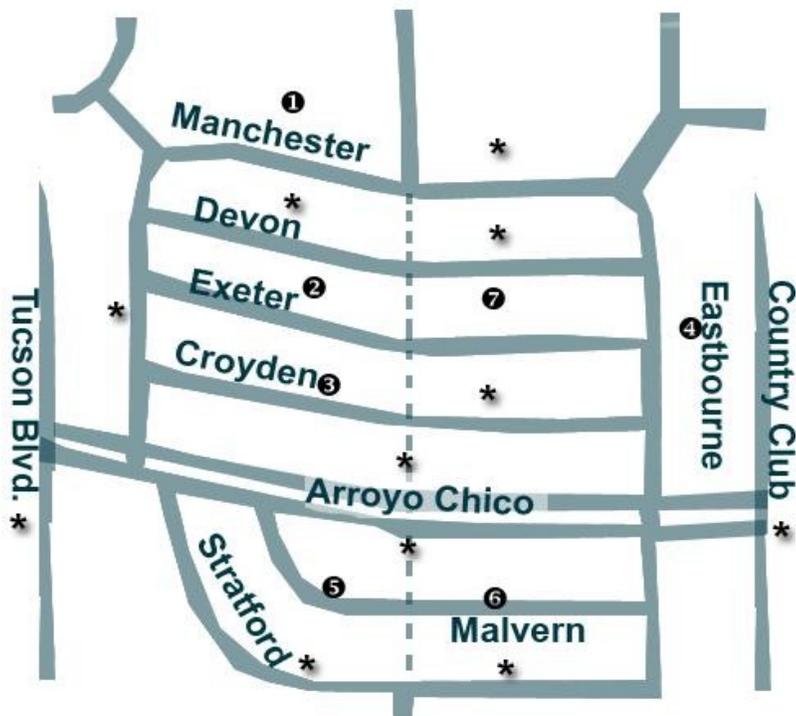
Each group needs a leader. I am pleased to see that seven outstanding residents have already stepped forward to do their part to prevent crime! If you live in their area, please expect to be contacted and show your support by adjusting your schedule so you can participate at the initial meeting.

Does your area need a leader? Consider volunteering your talents. The initial effort is small compared to the benefit of a safer neighborhood. Leader responsibilities are spelled out in TPD's leader's guide (included in this month's newsletter). Please let one of the board members know if you would like to lead the Neighborhood Watch in your area.

Look forward to meeting you at the OctoberFest at Broadway Village.

Regards,

Karen Martin  
2702 E. Arroyo Chico



### Neighborhood Watch Volunteer Leaders

( Leaders near map numbers )

1. Bob Tracy
2. John Swiss
3. Chancey Pelletier  
(Volunteers meeting Nov. 16, 6:30)
4. Michael Allen
5. Mary Mieler
6. Ash Black
7. Barbara O'Brien

# MEETING MINUTES

## BROADMOOR-BROADWAY VILLAGE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

September 9, 2009

7:05 p.m. **Karen Martin**, President called the meeting to order and introduced the guest speaker, Officer **Becky Noel**. Officer Noel specializes in crime prevention and the establishment of Neighborhood Watch Programs. She has more than 15 years experience with TPD and is currently assigned to the mid-town sub station on 22<sup>nd</sup> Street and Alvernon.

### CRIME PREVENTION With Officer Noel

Officer Noel indicated that burglaries have tripled in the past three years in the mid-town area. Most burglaries happen during the day time. And the number of burglaries using bicycles has increased in the past few years.

#### **What you can do to reduce crime:**

Officer Noel encourages each of you to do the following:

**Call 911 if you see or sense any suspicious activity.** Go with your instincts. If something seems suspicious or weird, it probably is! When calling, provide as many details as possible such as suspect's appearance, race, sex, approximate weight and height, whether the suspect is on foot or on a bicycle, what direction the suspect was headed when last seen.

**"Harden the Target"**. In other words, don't make it easy for a burglar to break into your home. Officer Noel offered some suggestions for "Hardening the Target", some of which are as follows:

Don't let people that you don't know inside your house for any reason and don't give money to strangers. And avoid using glass in an entrance/exit door that provide burglars with the ability to look inside your house.

Keep gates, windows and doors locked (even if you have the swamp cooler running).

Use deadbolt locks that have at least 3" screws securing them.

Lock bicycles, tools and other possessions.

Keep landscaping trimmed so people cannot hide in bushes.

Use outdoor lighting. Subtle lighting helps to reduce crime.

**Form a neighborhood watch on your street.** A watch will introduce you to your neighbors and provide meaningful ways for you to reduce crime. A "street" consists of approximately 20 houses maximum (so some streets may require two Neighborhood Watch organizers). Establishing a Neighborhood Watch for your street is easy. Collect a minimum of 50 percent participation on your street and set-up an initial meeting.

**Eliminate corridors for crime:** Our alleys, Treat Walkway and the Arroyo Chico are used as corridors for crime. To reduce their use by vandals and criminals:

Remove graffiti immediately. If graffiti is not cleaned up promptly, it indicates to the criminal that that neighborhood doesn't care. If you think the graffiti is gang-related, take pictures and show to the police.

Keep alleys and walkway cleared of brush and debris and cut up the oleanders along Arroyo Chico a couple feet above the ground for improved visibility. Criminals love overgrown landscaping in the alleyways and washes. In addition to providing a place for burglars to hide, brush and debris are a fire hazard.

Provide lighting along with Walkway (that complies with Dark Skies guidelines)

#### **For additional information:**

See inserts and check out "Neighborhood Watch a Leader's Guide to Getting Started" at ([http://tpdinternet.tucsonaz.gov/PDFs/nhw\\_getting\\_started.pdf](http://tpdinternet.tucsonaz.gov/PDFs/nhw_getting_started.pdf))

"What's Suspicious? Tips for Calling 911"

"Things Your Burglar Won't Tell You" a brief compilation of information gathered from interviews with 105 convicted burglars

Attend a Pro Neighborhoods workshop on crime prevention during the months of September and October. Visit [www.pronighborhoods.org](http://www.pronighborhoods.org) for more.

#### **Get involved:**

In our recent neighborhood survey, many of you indicated willingness to participate in neighborhood activities. We will be calling on you to help clear the alleys and establish a neighborhood watch.

**John Swiss** has volunteered to head up the effort on his part of the street. If you want to follow John's example, contact **Officer Becky Noel at 837-7428** or give a board member a call. Each street will need at least two volunteers.

### Results of Neighborhood Survey

Since the last BBVNA meeting, surveys were hand delivered and mailed to all of the residences in the neighborhood. Additionally they were distributed by email. The purpose of the survey is to determine how the neighborhood would like to prioritize spending the money that is available.

From those who responded to the survey, 57 percent were in favor of using our money for historic designation for the neighborhood, and 7 people volunteered to work on this project. Of those who responded, 17 percent stated crime prevention as their choice, while 10 percent wanted the money used for weed and mosquito abatement and 10 percent wanted to focus on Treat Walkway improvements.

Karen Martin moved to accept the results of the survey and

release the funds for purposes of historic designation. Her motion was seconded, and the motions passed with a unanimous vote of those in attendance.

There was a call for additional volunteers for the historic designation project and a sign-up sheet was passed around for that purpose. Anyone who wishes to participate can email or call one of the board members and your name will be added to the list.

### Good of the Order

**Connie Anzalone**, a long-time resident, encouraged residents to participate in maintaining the quality of life that we all enjoy. Volunteerism in our neighborhood has decreased over the years, and we need people to help with the various projects that will maintain and improve the neighborhood. We need some people who have expertise in researching available grants for funding and we need some people who have a legal background.



Fun Stuff



**The Annual BBVNA Oktoberfest is scheduled on October 24, 2009 at 2:00 p.m. The Oktoberfest will be held at Broadway Village.** The owners of Broadway Village have offered to let us have our gathering there. (See the back page for more info.)

Please support the Friday morning Farmer's Market at Broadway Village!!

Respectfully submitted by:

Mary Mieler, Secretary BBVNA

## **Broadmoor 2009 Fourth of July Parade – A Fun Time Was Had By All**

by **Barbara Morehouse**  
First Vice President and enthusiastic July 4<sup>th</sup>  
neighborhood volunteer

Never mind that it was a three-day weekend and it had rained the night before! I can happily report that we pulled off a fine Fourth of July Parade complete with prizes, food, and neighborly camaraderie. With Arroyo Chico running too full of water to parade on the north side of the neighborhood, a quick decision was made to route everyone around the south side. It worked out just fine, helped by cloudy skies that kept temperatures relatively cool. As usual, awards were handed out at the end of the parade. The volunteer judges were **Del Willmon, Betty Alexander**, and myself. A big thank-you to Del and Betty for pitching in!

Here is the list of this year's prize categories and the winners:

- **Most fantasy-inspired: Julie Webster and Mom**
- **Most "star spangled banner": the Pinwheel Paraders**
- **Best decorated wagon and scooter duo: Chase and Kylie Tackett Pierce**
- **Most well-dressed dog: Kestrel Weyant's pooch**
- **Got a flag: Stella and Liam Monroe, Clementine and Patrick, Nick Anzalone**
- **Enthusiastic participation: Ruby Nostrant, Chloe and Aubrey Scott, Jackson and Dillon Wu, Ella Pupack, Aidan Hallen, Esra Partain, and Abbie Down**

If I missed anyone, my sincere apologies! Yours truly was having a difficult time keeping the lists in order. Thanks to everyone who showed up, brought food, and shared their holiday spirit. BBV neighborhood is tops!

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# Oktoberfest

Broadway Village

Saturday, Oct 24 at 2 P.M.

Stop by this well-attended gathering. Get to know your neighbors and catch up on future plans at Broadway Village.

- Beer brats
- German beer on the Elle patio for a \$1
- Pumpkin decorating for the kids
- Broadway Village proposed plans and a representative from the property will be on hand to answer your questions

Please RSVP with Rita at 323.8737, [ritatoland@earthlink.net](mailto:ritatoland@earthlink.net) if you plan to attend - and if you can manage it, bring a dessert! See you there!

Sponsored by Broadmoor Broadway Village  
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