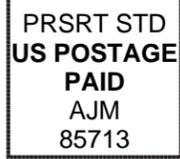




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Northwest Neighborhood News

April 2010



At the corner of 6th Ave and Linden St., Northwest 's new "pocket park" provides a place for neighbors to meet, rest and play.

The Northwest Neighborhood Association is a group of residents in the boundaries of Northwest Neighborhood who are joined together to build and maintain a healthy, vibrant, and sustainable community for all residents.

We aim to build community interaction among residents, improve public spaces and improve health and safety of residents. We do this through various means including implementing environmentally sustainable practices, the arts, education, and advocating better public services.

Elm St, 5th Ave Greenway Construction Starts Summer 2010

Next Nwana Meeting is:

Annual Meeting & Potluck!

Saturday, May 8, from 5pm to 7pm.

Northwest Neighborhood Pocket Park- SE corner of 6th Ave and Linden St.

Bring a dish to share and a plate and cup for yourself.

A May meeting agenda will be posted on the Nwana website prior to the meeting.

For information please call Armando Vargas, 628-9913.

Join the Nwana listserv!

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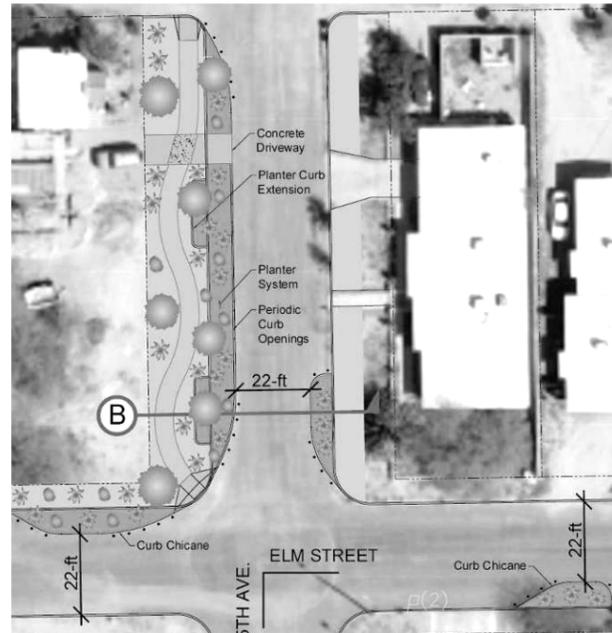
Web Site:

http://www.neighborhoodlink.com/Northwest_-_Tucson/

This summer, City construction crews will be removing asphalt and replacing it with walking paths, rocks, trees and shrubs.

The design plan, created by Kimley-Horn and Associates in collaboration with City of Tucson, Pima County, and Northwest Neighborhood residents, calls for curbed chicanes (roadside planters) along Elm St. between 1st and 6th Avenues, to slow traffic while adding greenery and shade to the streets.

Additionally, a 20 ft. wide pedestrian corridor will be constructed on the west side of 5th Ave. from Lee St. to Linden St., and will continue as a walking path through the 5th Ave easement to connect with the Mansfield Park walking path. Native mesquites, palo verdes, and desert willows will line the path.



*Help keep our neighborhood safe
 If you have a non-urgent concern about the safety of other neighbors, please call TPD at 791-4467, West Substation.*

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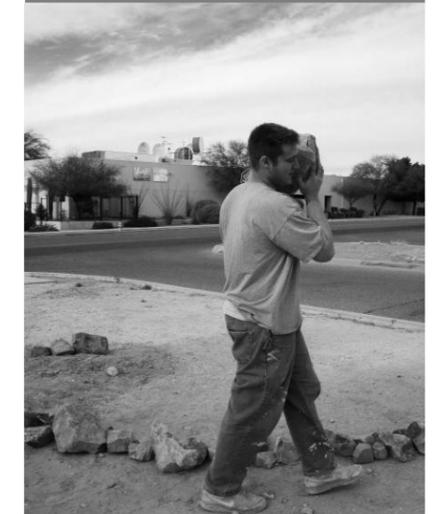
Northwest Neighbors Construct Pocket Park

On the southwest corner of 6th Avenue and Linden, where there was once bare dirt there are now walking paths, native trees, flowers and shrubs.

This public "pocket park" is a project funded by a PRO Neighborhoods grant which Northwest Neighborhood received to beautify the Bronx Wash area. The goal of projects detailed in this grant is to increase awareness, beauty and a sense of community ownership in our neighborhood.

Neighbors conducted several design charrettes to collaboratively design the park, which emphasizes passive water harvesting features, native plants, and designated paths and meeting areas.

Although the drought-tolerant trees will survive solely off passively harvested rainwater after establishment, neighbors are hose-watering once weekly for the initial establishment period. To volunteer, contact Dan at Dorsey@dakotacom.net.



Above, below: Neighbors place rocks to create a walking path

Left: Neighbors relax and enjoy the new outdoor meeting space after a morning of rock-moving



UA Mortar Board Partners with Northwest Neighborhood for Day of Service

On Saturday, March 27, you may have seen crews throughout the neighborhood, picking up trash and removing buffelgrass and Bermuda grass from the right of ways.

These crews were University of Arizona undergraduate seniors from the UA Mortar Board, a national honor society that recognizes college seniors for excellence in the areas of scholarship, leadership and service. For two years running, the UA Mortar Board has volunteered to spend a morning with Northwest Neighborhood residents beautifying the neighborhood.

Areas targeted for clean up this year were the Bronx Wash between 1st and 6th, 1st Avenue between Seneca and Lee, and tree pruning throughout the neighborhood. Thank you to committed neighbors Armando, James, Kathryn and Cece for leading these groups of students! Thanks also to the International School of Tucson for providing bathrooms for the event.

For more information about the UA Mortar Board, please see <http://www.mortarboardarizona.org/>



UA Mortar Board members pull weeds and pick up trash around University area neighborhoods.

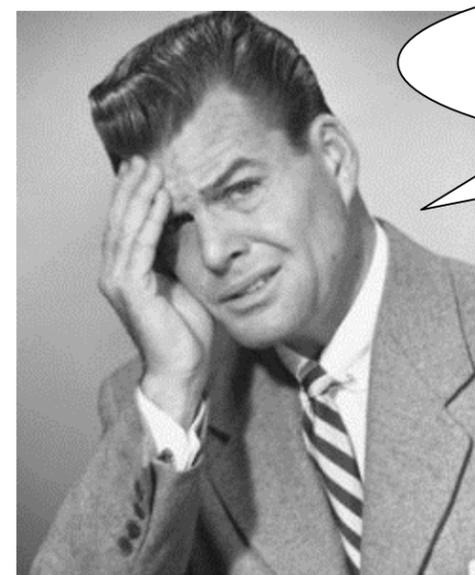
ANNUAL NEIGHBORHOOD MEETING & POTLUCK

Bring a dish, drink, or dessert to share, and enjoy the spring weather while getting to know your neighbors. See you there!

at the Northwest Neighborhood Pocket Park
SE corner of 6th Avenue and Linden St.
Saturday, May 8, 5-7pm

Spring Cleaning?

Our neighborhood is full of growth and color this spring! Please remember to prune overgrowth in the right of way near your property to provide safe, comfortable, and attractive pedestrian access through our neighborhood.



What is this newsletter anyway?
Why haven't I ever received one before?
And, where's the monthly postcard?

Due to budget cuts, City of Tucson Neighborhood Services is no longer able to print and distribute our monthly meeting announcement postcard.

For the remainder of this fiscal year, the city is able to distribute one mailing per neighborhood, which NWNA has produced in the form of this newsletter. It is anticipated that no distributed mailings will be funded for the 2010-2011 fiscal year.

For monthly meeting and event announcements, please sign up for the NWNA listserv by emailing nwna85705@gmail.com or avargas@u.arizona.edu.