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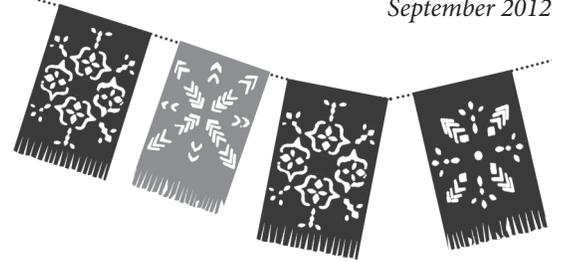
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Welcome to the Fall 2012 Potluck! *Sunday, September 16, 5:30 pm*

San Pedro Chapel (Old Fort Lowell Neighborhood Center)
5230 East Fort Lowell Road

Toss together a salad, show off your favorite main course, or treat us to your most decadent dessert! If you're pressed for time, pick up something at the store. Bring enough for 4-6 people. OFLNA will supply plates, napkins, utensils, and beverages.

Meet our new San Pedro Chapel rental coordinator, Holly Swangstu, who has experience in handling events in historic buildings. She and her husband live in the neighborhood.

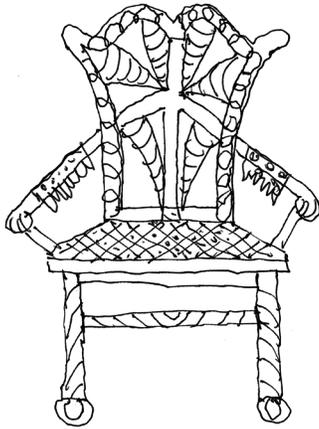
Learn what you can do for the upcoming Antiques and Collectibles Sale (A&C). Peggy Sackheim, who has been in charge of the sale for many years, will be unavailable to run it this year. Her excellent assistant last year, Dorothy Steele, has volunteered to run A&C, which benefits both the Old Fort Lowell Neighborhood and the Fort Lowell Live-at-Home Program. Julie Miller and Ann Hastings will serve as co-chairs. They are going to need some very responsible people to handle key elements of the sale plus lots of folks to do a variety of jobs.

Win a unique piece of OFLNA merchandise. When you arrive, write your name on a slip of paper and put it into the bowl at the membership table. If you haven't paid your dues, either fill in the form on the back of this newsletter and mail it, or bring a check to the potluck. Look forward to seeing you!

Frank Brueckner, *President of the OFLNA Council*

Join our e-list and get short notices of upcoming events with all the pertinent details; send your email address to moderator@OldFortLowellNeighborhood.org.

Plus, check out the website at www.OldFortLowellNeighborhood.org..



Antiques & Collectible Volunteers Needed!

We need volunteers to work before, during, and after the sale for a couple of hours. It's a lot of fun! Call or email Dorothy Steele 326-0056, tndsteele@msn.com; Ann Hastings, rnjanefw@yahoo.com; or Julie Miller, miller.julie28@yahoo.com



Special organizing meeting for the Antiques & Collectibles Sale

Thursday, September 20th at 10 am

Adobe House at San Pedro Chapel, 5230 East Fort Lowell Road

For the Thursday, November 1st – Sunday, November 4th A&C Sale to be successful, we'll need a lot of volunteers for big and small tasks. This meeting is designed to gather those with experience in fundraising sales because prior rules and procedures will be reviewed and some may be revised. Also, we need those who will take responsibility for significant tasks. Later we'll be recruiting people to receive goods and work the days of the sale.

It's going to be a lot of work, but it'll be fun, too! We look forward to hearing from you and expanding the number of co-chairs! Details will be posted via the neighborhood's e-list and website.

Dorothy Steele, Chairman; phone 326-0056; tndsteele@msn.com

Co-chairs : Ann Hastings, rnjanefw@yahoo.com;

Julie Miller, miller.julie28@yahoo.com

Fall 2012 Brush and Bulky Alamo Trail & Wash Clean-up

This year Old Fort Lowell Neighborhood's Brush and Bulky clean-up will take place on Saturday, September 22nd and begin at 6:45 am in order to get the job done before it's too hot; it will last no more than three hours. We'll meet at the entrance to the Garrison and Parade Grounds subdivisions, just north of Fort Lowell Road and Orlando.

After the Monsoon season, the trail becomes over grown, and shopping carts and trash accumulate in the wash. The debris collected will be hauled to a close-by street for the City's scheduled Brush and Bulky pick-up.

Lots of people use the Alamo wash and path, and with the City's lack of funds, we need your help to clean it up. Your efforts keep our neighborhood clean and beautiful. If you plan to participate or have any questions, please contact Frank Flasch at 909-2107 or Frank.Flasch@aol.com.

Reduce Your Energy Wasteline Workshop

Saturday, September 29th, 9:30 – 11:30am

Adobe House next to the San Pedro Chapel, 5230 East Fort Lowell Road

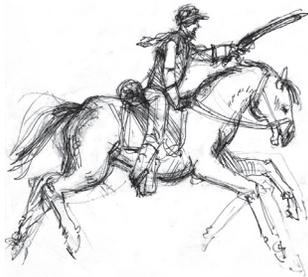
The Old Fort Lowell Neighborhood Association is offering you an opportunity to save money on your energy bills!! Join your neighbors and learn how to save \$ by saving energy at home. You'll see how to properly apply weatherstripping, how to install a low flow shower head, and much more. There are easy low cost steps every homeowner can take to conserve energy. Plus, you'll leave with a conservation tool bag filled with simple things that you can immediately do at home to be more energy efficient. As space is limited at the Adobe House, please RSVP to Bruce Plenk at bplenk@igc.org; 909-1389.

Helping Our Community: “One Can a Week = Four Cans a Month”

In the summer of 2011, OFLNA was introduced to the One Can a Week program developed by Peter Norback in the Miles Neighborhood. Peter has become the City’s champion, promoting the program to eliminate hunger in our area. The aim of the program is to get food contributions to the Tucson Community Food Bank. The Tucson area has been hit hard by the recession with about 25% of all children relying on the Food Bank for a portion of their nutritional needs.

Frank Flasch has been working diligently in our neighborhood to get the various home-owners associations (HOA’s) involved. He has modified the program to allow for the pick-up of four cans a month from households. Five out of fourteen HOA’s are participating so far. Each HOA has a champion to act as a collecting agent. Terri Contapay uses a red wagon to collect donations in the La Sonrisa Neighborhood. Frank Flasch has a canister in front of his house in the Fort Lowell Estates labeled One Can a Week=Four Cans a Month Drop off. At the end of the month Frank takes all the cans collected to the Community Food Bank. Other HOA champions are Susan Beesemeyer in The Garrison, Mary Stevens in Hill Farm, and Dee Lynn in Orchard River.

If your HOA is not yet participating, Frank encourages you to ask your HOA President to contact him and he’ll be glad to work with the President to set up a collection system that would work in your area. Frank can be reached at 909-2107 or Frank Flasch@aol.com.



32nd La Réunion de El Fuerte/
Fort Lowell Day Celebration
Saturday, February 9, 2013 10am – 4pm

The History of a Neighborhood and its Fort, with a 19th century baseball game, Cavalry, a Brass Band concert, re-enactors, free entrance to Fort Lowell Museum, children’s activities, historic sites tour of our neighborhood plus TMC, and much more.

The History Lecture Series

Many years ago we began having informative lectures in late January and early February on Sundays at 3pm at San Pedro Chapel. This year Mike Anderson, who is responsible for bringing us a 19th century-style baseball game, plans to talk about how baseball was played in the late 19th century and about the teams.

Homer Thiel from Desert Archeology, the company that participated recently in the clean-up of the contaminated soil on the northern portion of the former Adkins Steel Manufacturing property at Craycroft and Fort Lowell Roads, will talk about the Hohokam pit houses and the wonderful artifacts found, as well as military findings from the Fort Lowell Period uncovered during the soil removal. Homer is creating a special exhibit of selected artifacts that he’ll bring to the lecture and also to our Historic Walking Tour on Saturday, February 9th, when he’ll be available in the afternoon to answer visitors’ questions.

If you’d like to participate in the planning activities for La Reunion/Fort Lowell Day Celebration, contact Janet Marcus at 327-1339 or jmarcus21@cox.net.

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