



## THE DISTRICT 3 DIGEST

### A NOTE FROM SUPERVISOR BRONSON...

Welcome to 2008 and Happy New Year! Thank you for your continued interest in the District 3 Digest. We will continue our on-line newsletter in 2008 but will publish a new edition every other month. I hope to keep it chocked full of important information and events and don't forget that if you have an idea for a story or would like to see your neighborhood featured you can send me an email at [district3@pima.gov](mailto:district3@pima.gov).

Many things are already happening at the county and state level in 2008. I will be watching the state budget process very closely and will keep you informed on the impacts to Pima County. I will post additional information, as it becomes available, on the website regarding this year's budget so don't forget to check for updates.

The State of the County luncheon is just a few months away. Read the article below for important information about how to reserve a table.

### Why gets two new Ambulances!

The town of Why, AZ certainly ended 2007 with a flourish...the dedication of two new ambulances.

In 2006 the Tohono O'odham Nation awarded grant money for the purchase of two new ambulances and they have finally arrived.

A dedication ceremony was held December 27th in Why at the Golden Has:an Casino. Mr. Isidro Lopez, Vice Chairman for the Tohono O'odham Nation, Dan Morales, Administrative Liaison with the Ajo Ambulance, Al Kulwin with Pima County Community Development and Neighborhood Conservation along with several other employees attended the ceremony.

Both new ambulances will be used exclusively for the Tohono O'odham Nation and are a much needed addition to the existing fleet.



### Identity Theft—Are you protected?

Be Pro-Active And Stop ID Theft Before it Starts!

Here are a few steps you can take to protect yourself and your family from identity theft in '08:



- ◆ Arizona residents can run a yearly credit report on themselves, **free of charge**, at [www.annualcreditreport.com](http://www.annualcreditreport.com) or by calling 1-877-322-8228.
- ◆ Never throw away anything with personal information without shredding it first!
- ◆ Don't be afraid to ask questions when someone asks for any personal information.
- ◆ Update anti-virus software on your computer.
- ◆ Do **not** carry your social security card with you. It should be kept in a secure place—not your wallet!
- ◆ Password protect your bank accounts, debit cards etc.
- ◆ Review bank and credit card statements as soon as you receive them.
- ◆ Send your mail through a post office collection box.
- ◆ Report all incidents to police immediately!

Questions or Concerns about ID theft? Contact:

Pima County Sheriff's Office:  
[www.pimasheriff.org](http://www.pimasheriff.org) - 520-351-4810

State of Arizona:  
[www.azvictims.com](http://www.azvictims.com) - 602-542-5025 (AZ Attorney General)

### State of the County 2008—Reserve Your Tickets Today!

#### People, Programs, Progress

Tickets for this year's State of the County are already on sale! Visit [www.tucsonleadership.org](http://www.tucsonleadership.org) to reserve your tickets today! Individual tickets are \$40.00 each and a table of 10 can be reserved for \$375.

The State of the County will be held Friday, April 18th at the Tucson Convention Center. Registration begins at 11:00 and the event starts at 11:30 AM. This year's theme is People, Programs, Progress and will focus on the recipients of the services provided by Pima County.

We are looking forward to another great event this year and hope to see you there!



## Spotlight On...



# AMPHI Neighborhood Association

There's been a lot of progress and change in AMPHI in the last few years. In the not too distant past, every residential street in the one square mile neighborhood was repaved, something that had not been done for over 30 years.



New Sidewalks on 1st Ave

With \$500,000 awarded from the Pima County Neighborhood Reinvestment Program and \$150,000 of Back-to-Basics money from the City of Tucson several projects have been in progress and all should be completed during the coming months.

As you drive down 1st Avenue between Prince Road and Roger Road you can't miss the new sidewalks that were recently completed. With all the pedestrian traffic on 1st Ave. this project has been more than a welcome addition to the community.

In the near future you will see approximately 21 new street lights on Navajo, Mohave, and Yavapai Roads between Stone Ave and N. 1st Avenue. Twelve new speed tables have just been installed on various streets throughout the neighborhood and three traffic circles are due to be completed within the next few weeks.

Since 2001 AMPHI has been working with the Salvation Army during "Operation Deep Freeze" and Sacred Heart Church's "Hospitality Night" to feed about 10 - 15 homeless men. On February 5th they will be serving a meatloaf dinner and distributing donated clothing. They will also provide these men an opportunity to spend the night.

Congratulations to the residents of the AMPHI Neighborhood! And thank you for your hard work and dedication to improving your community!



Speed Tables under construction

## District 3 Commissions

Thanks to all who responded to our notice in last months newsletter regarding vacancies on commissions within District 3.

Two appointments have been made, but we are still looking for someone to sit on the Parks and Recreation Commission.

If interested please contact Kiki Navarro, Chief of Staff at 520-740-8051 or email her at [district3@pima.gov](mailto:district3@pima.gov).

## Valley of the Moon...Help the Moon rise again!



Welcome to the Moon

The Valley of the Moon is in the process of trying to raise awareness about the effort to restore this local landmark. As many of you know the "moon" was created by George Phar more than 80 years ago and many of the original structures are in need of major repair and renovation.



Around the bend

The George Phar Legler Society and the Valley of the Moon board along with some residents from the Prince Tucson neighborhood teamed up and applied to PRO Neighborhoods for a Planning and Design Service Award. This award provides pro-bono professional services in the area of planning, architectural, engineering, and landscaping which will be used for a strategic outline for the future.

An open house was held January 19th for a chance to tour the moon before some of the areas and structures are roped off until they can be restored and repaired.

Remember and cherish the old memories of the moon and help create some new ones!

If you are interested in helping the "Moon" rise again please call 520-323-1331 and check out their website at [www.valleymoon.info/index](http://www.valleymoon.info/index).



Enchanted Garden

Valley of the Moon  
2544 E. Allen Road  
Tucson, AZ 85716



All pictures from the Valley of the Moon website at [www.valleymoon.info/index](http://www.valleymoon.info/index)

## Ajo Skate Park

Join Supervisor Bronson and the residents of Ajo on February 16th for the grand opening dedication ceremony of the Ajo Skate Park. The park is located at the Bud Walker Community Center at 290 5th St. in Ajo, AZ.

The skate park is currently undergoing the final stages of construction as everyone anxiously awaits for the finishing touches to be completed.

Local resident, Cliff Hunter was a major contributor to the project and without his determination and iron man perseverance the Skate Park may have been a dream instead of a reality. Thanks to Cliff, Paul Crawford and everyone else who worked on this project.



## Pima County—Department of the Month

### Pima County Regional Wastewater Reclamation Department (RWRD)

Two of the major issues/projects that Regional Wastewater Reclamation Department is currently involved in include:

- ◆ Regional Optimization Master Plan (ROMP): For an update visit their website at [www.co.pima.az.us/www](http://www.co.pima.az.us/www)
- ◆ Implementation of the Odor Control Plan

The Conveyance Division is waiting on three ISO certifications which were recommended by independent outside auditors. The specific areas include:

1. *Proactive in reducing pollution*
2. *Committed to continual improvement*
3. *Dedicated and effective at controlling risks and improving performance*

The audits which were held and conducted by outside auditors in the fall of 2007 recommended certification for all three areas. Once completed RWRD will join only a few private companies and public enterprises in the world to achieve all three certifications.



#### Numbers to Know:

**326-4333**—To report a sewer odor.

**295-4595**—To report an after hours sewer emergency.

## January Pet of the Month... Pima Animal Care Center

The holiday rush is over and what better way to start out the new year than with a new addition to your family... so let me introduce you to Faith; an attractive young female adult cat who loves to have her ears scratched and who happens to be very gentle and loving. She also has a beautiful coat of black fur that is just waiting to be brushed.



Faith has only been at the center since December 29th and she is ready to go home. She could be the perfect pet for your household.

So drop by PACC located at 4000 N. Silverbell Road for a visit and ask for kennel card # 64608.

You can always call first at 520-243-5900 or visit the center online at [www.pimaanimalcare.org](http://www.pimaanimalcare.org).

Oh, and in case you're looking to add two to your family Faith is currently sharing her space with a very sweet black kitten who is also looking for a place to call home.

## National Holidays

Pima County offices will be closed in observation of the following holidays:



**January 21st**  
Martin Luther King Jr. Day



**February 18th**  
Presidents Day



Don't forget to VOTE!  
This year, Arizona's Presidential Preference election will be held February 5th, 2008.

Remember that in the State of Arizona only registered Democrats and Republicans can vote in this election. So if you're registered with one of these parties head to the polls and cast your vote!

Feb. 5th—Polls will be open 6am-7pm.

## Tucson Estates Property Owners Association — Community Information Night



Mark your calendars for February 19, 2008.



The Tucson Estates Property Owners Association board and staff members will host their annual Community Information Night with Pima County on February 19th at 6:00 pm in the multi-purpose building .

Pima County will be in attendance to answer questions and update everyone on the various issues and projects taking place in and around the community.

Supervisor Sharon Bronson will be in attendance to address the residents and share her perspective on the future plans for the area. Last year's event was a huge success and everyone is looking forward to another great year.

