

HUDSON MANOR

NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

MAY 2018 NEWSLETTER

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Memorial Day-Remember those who gave all

**SAVE THE DATE!
HUDSON MANOR
TURNS 70!
AND WE ARE GOING
TOP-A-R-T-Y!!
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 13TH
IN HUDSON PARK
AT THE EAST RAMADA**

HELP HUDSON MANOR CELEBRATE 70 YEARS!

Happy Birthday to us! Help us celebrate Hudson Manor Neighborhood's 70th anniversary! We are thinking of some ideas as to how we can celebrate this amazing milestone. One way is to split the festivities into two nights. This is not an inclusive list, we want to incorporate as many of your ideas as possible. Although we may be escaping the summer heat now, if you would like to help out with planning for the following, our vice-chair **Marilyn Murphy**: email: marilyn.j.murphy@gmail.com phone: **480-459-8385**, will be heading up the planning committee. You can also let Chair **Phil Amorosi** email: info@hudsonmanor.org, phone: **480-968-5530**, know as a back-up.

The neighborhood completed the buildout in 1953, and each year we can help celebrate a different aspect of the neighborhood, leading up to the 75th anniversary.

For the Saturday, October 13th Celebration:

- Games: Would you like to lead the games this year?
- Food ideas: What sounds good to you?
- Raffle: Help collect raffle items from local businesses
- Music: something acoustic?
- Ceremonial Tree planting
- Bouncy house
- A Proclamation from the City

For the Saturday, November 10th Celebration:

- Hudson Manor Storytelling Night
- Photo slideshow (Help contribute photos from over the years)
- Ted Talk/Moth style Storytelling hour. Bring a 5-minute story to share. It can be funny or heartwarming, but must be about life in Hudson Manor.
- Help organize old newsletters and mine those for stories and/or help scan them for a photo slideshow.

BRIEF HUDSON MANOR HISTORY

C. A. Hudson began planning a new development east of Tempe in 1948. With financing from an insurance company, he planned to build 40 two- and three-bedroom houses that would sell for \$6,000 to \$7,000. Hudson would also pave streets in the subdivision. After Hudson Manor was annexed in February 1950, Realtor Conrad Carlson became the primary developer of Hudson Manor. He began with 28 two- and three-bedroom pumice block houses built by LaMar Homes. The office of his Carlson Realty Company was located at 1601 E. Apache Blvd. By 1954, when the third and fourth units of Hudson Manor were opened for sale, Darrow-Lofffield Construction Company was building all new homes in the subdivision. These houses were of masonry construction with 1-3/4 bathrooms. No down payment was required for veterans, and FHA financing was available. There were two model homes in the 1400 block of Hudson Drive. The westernmost portion of the subdivision included a site for a future park (Hudson Park). Old photos are on our website, click the About Us tab: www.hudsonmanor.org

Support our 2017 GAIN Night Sponsors:

Liquor Express - 1605 E. Apache Blvd.

Sal's Pizza - 922 E. Apache Blvd.

El Hefe Bar & Dierks Bentley Whiskey Row Bar & Grill both at 640 Mill Ave

Infusion Tea and Coffee - 1300 E 8th St.

Cortez Coffee Co. - 1030 E. Vista Del Cerro

NEIGHBOR CLARKE RIGSBY INDUCTED INTO THE AZ MUSIC AND ENTERTAINMENT HALL OF FAME



This past April long-time Williams Street neighbor **Clarke Rigsby** was voted into the *AZ Music and Entertainment Hall of Fame*. Since 1983, this Emmy winning, Grammy nominated, recording engineer, producer, teacher and musician has been making beautiful music right in his (and our) backyard at his Tempest Recording Studio.

He has worked with the best in every style of music from Paul McCartney and Stevie Wonder to Glen Campbell and Blake Shelton. From Little Milton to Roy Rogers (his neighbor growing up). To find out more about Clarke and his amazing career visit his website: www.tempestrecording.com. Congratulations Clarke!!

YIKES! THOSE YELLOW BIKES

Tempe's official bike share vendor is **GRID**, www.grid-bikes.com. Their bikes are lime green. You take and return their bikes from docking stations. Since May 2017, users have taken over 20,000 rides on the 300 bicycles located at 32 docking stations in Tempe. GRID also has agreements with Phx., Mesa and Scottsdale. Payment options include weekly (\$10/wk plus 180 free minutes), monthly (\$15/wk plus 60 free minutes daily with a 3-mo. commitment), student (\$25/6 mo. plus 60 free minutes) and pay-as-you-go (.12/min plus \$7 deposit). To use them you download the Social Bicycles app on your smartphone. If a docking station isn't nearby you can park it at a public bike rack for an extra (\$2) fee. Questions or complaints: info@gridbikes.com or 602-753-4743.

In December 2017, 3 dockless bike share companies began operating in Tempe without any formal agreement with the city. Their model is station-free bike rentals, pick it up and drop it off wherever. You must have a smart phone. Cost is \$1/hr. The catch is they tell you to park it legally when you are done, but there is no penalty. The city is looking into new ordinances to address this. In Scottsdale it is a \$250 fine for blocking a sidewalk.

These dockless companies are:

ofo (yellow bikes) Complaints about illegally parked bikes email: support@ofobike.com. Bikes will be moved within 24-hours. Phone: 1-844-289-9747.

Limebike (green/yellow bikes) Complaints about illegally parked bikes email: support@limebike.com. Bikes will be moved within 24-hours. Phone: 1-888-546-3345.

Spin (orange bikes) Complaints about illegally parked bikes instant message 1-888-262-5189. Bikes will be

moved within 24-hours. Web: www.spin.pm

If all else fails you can call the **Tempe police** department non-emergency number **480-350-8311**.

2018 NEIGHBORHOOD DUES DUE

It is never too late to contribute. This year we are asking neighbors to **contribute \$15** (or more!) to the Hudson Manor Neighborhood Association. The dues is voluntary but does help defray costs for the newsletter, renting the meeting hall and having neighborhood events (like our 70th birthday party!). If you like being kept informed throughout the year about what is going on in the neighborhood please give what you can.

Make checks out to our treasurer: Janet Demars. Please drop it off at 1432 E. Cedar St by the back door.

HMNA ELECTION RESULTS

Neighbors and Tempe's fire fighters were having so much fun at the Italian Ice Social last month that we forgot to take pictures. Hard to imagine in this day of selfies, but we did manage to take care of business and hold our Association election.

All current officers were re-elected. Thank you.

Phil Amorosi-Chair, **Janet Demars**-Treasurer, **Dan Mayer**-Cedar vice chair, **Frank Farina**-Williams vice chair and **Marilyn Murphy**-Hudson vice chair.

HUDSON POLICE

These are the current police officers assigned to our area.

Mike Horn is our commander: mike_horn@tempe.gov

Kerby Rapp is our lieutenant: kerby_rapp@tempe.gov

Megan Erwin is our crime prevention officer:

Megan_Erwin@tempe.gov

Brian Ornelas strictly deals with park enforcement issues: Brian_Ornelas@tempe.gov

If you see anything suspicious please call the police non-emergency number **480-350-8311**.

Since most of the complaints your chair hears about are the homeless in our park and the police can't seem to get a handle on it after all these months I also suggest that you start emailing our **City Council** at: councilcommunicator@tempe.gov and the city's **Homeless Coordinator Kim Van nimwegen**: kim_vannimwegen@tempe.gov

JOIN THE NEIGHBORHOOD EMAIL TREE

This is the most important thing you can do. Don't miss the latest information and participate in decisions that don't make it in the newsletter. Your privacy is protected. E-mail **Phil Amorosi** at: philamo@cox.net.

HUDSON IS ON FACEBOOK AND THE WEB

If social media is your thing join your neighbors at the HudsonManorTempe facebook page.