



LOMA LINDA

NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

2333 East Whitton Avenue — Phoenix, AZ 85016



SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

DECEMBER

- Dec 6 Creighton Governing Board Meeting, 6:00 PM
- Dec 13 **LLNA Meeting & Cookie Exchange, 6:30 PM & Board Elections**
- Dec 16 Student Dress Down Day
- Dec 21–Jan 3 **Winter Break**

JANUARY

- Jan 4 Students return to school
- Jan 10 LLNA Board Meeting
- Jan 10 Creighton Governing Board Meeting, 6 PM
- Jan 16 **MLK Day No School**
- Jan 19 Creighton Community Council Meeting, 6 PM
- Jan 24 Creighton Governing Board Meeting, 6 PM
- Jan 27 Student Dress Down Day

FEBRUARY

- Feb 2 Groundhog Day
- Feb 7 Creighton Governing Board Meeting, 6:00 PM
- Feb 14 Happy Valentines Day
- Feb 20 **President's Day No School**
- Feb 21 Creighton Governing Board Meeting, 6 PM
- Feb. 24 Student Dress Down Day

MARCH

- Mar. 7 **LLNA General Meeting**
- Mar. 7 Creighton Governing Board Meeting, 6:00 PM
- Mar. 8-9 Parent Teacher Conferences, 1–6 PM
- Mar. 8,9,10 Early Dismissal, 1:05 PM
- Mar. 13-20 **Spring Break**
- Mar. 21 Students return to school
- Mar. 21 Creighton Governing Board Meeting, 6 PM
- Mar. 31 Spring Festival

LETTER FROM THE LAWN CHAIR

BY MAC Mc Donald

WOW! I am sitting here a couple days after the election and wondering how to tell my grandkids, especially the girls, what we have just done to their future. I don't know of a single parent who doesn't want things to be better for our kids, but this! This isn't a statement that looks like "Make America Great Again" I look around and see nothing but FEAR on the faces of my friends, family and our children. Our family is comprised of White, Black, Hispanic, Asian, Hawaiian, Oriental and mixtures of all.



We are straight and gay; young and old; some college educated and some not; doctors, educators, lawyers, nurses, pilots, members of the Army, Air Force and Marines, Police officers and Firefighters, engineers, social workers, trades people, laborers and retail service workers, Moms and Dads all working to make the world a better place. We are of differing religions, political persuasions and economic status; read different books, enjoy different movies, sports teams, foods and lifestyles. But in the end We are more concerned about "Doing Right" than "Being Right."

I see the same qualities in my neighbors here in Loma Linda. Some of us have lived here for 50 years or more while some are very recent arrivals. This is OUR Neighborhood. It can be whatever We choose it to be! We have before us the opportunity to build the strongest, safest, most beautiful area

of Phoenix. It will take a little effort on each our parts.

First, GET TO KNOW YOUR NEIGHBORS! We can't watch out after each other unless we know what is normal and who belongs here.

Second, COMMUNICATE with those around you. This may be on NEXTDOOR or just by phone — or like the old days — face to face. Know that Phoenix Police and Fire, along with all other city services, are there to ASSIST YOU!

Third, GET INVOLVED in YOUR Loma Linda Neighborhood Association. Serve as an Officer, deliver Newsletters, volunteer at the school, assist with Blanche's Garden, become involved in the Secret Santa project to assist a family in our neighborhood have a better holiday, form a team to clean up the alleys, report graffiti, assist your neighbors to tidy up your block, be aware of local zoning issues and attend hearings (that is how the Loma Linda Neighborhood Association was formed).

Forth, ATTEND the next LLNA meeting DEC 13th 6:30 PM in the Multipurpose Room on Fairmont between 20th and 21st Street Meet your neighbors, swap Christmas cookies, learn some new stuff and give your input on ways to improve where we all live.

As we move into the holidays remember to take good care of the children they are the future!

"Life's most persistent and urgent question is, 'What are you doing for others?'"

— Martin Luther King

Letter from the Principal

By Dr. Stephanie De Mar

First semester of the 2016/2017 school year is drawing to a close and as we get ready to embark on a new year, 2017 and second semester of learning at Loma Linda, I want to share with you some of the exciting things that have taken place during the first half of the school year at Loma Linda.

Our school year kicked off with some excitement as the Phoenix Suns Gorilla and representatives from the Phoenix Suns visited our 1st-3rd grade classrooms to present students with brand new backpacks filled with supplies.

In our middle school, our students began the school year by choosing two different elective classes to participate in for the semester. Ceramics, yoga, coding, Glee, advanced band, gardening, Leaders of Today, and of course, PE, are just some of the choices our students had for this semester and our students couldn't be happier with their options and classes.

Our partnership with the City of Phoenix and the Experience Corps Tutoring Program brings our 12 AARP volunteers to our campus two days a week, working with some of our 1st, 2nd and 3rd graders building their reading fluency, comprehension and most importantly, making connections and building relationships with individual students. One of our tutors said "I couldn't wait to get back to Loma Linda and these kiddos, they put a smile on my face and make my heart full."

Our middle school students participated in an essay writing contest sponsored by the City of Phoenix Police Department and one of our very own, Michael Moran's essay was selected as a winner. Michael got to travel downtown to the Police Department with our SRO, Officer Dalton to be recognized and he received a free laptop to support his education. Congratulations to Michael!

On September 27th, Ms. Naven, our middle school social studies teacher, hosted Senator Katie Hobbs as part of

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the Take Your Legislator to School Day. Senator Hobbs spent the morning visiting our middle school classrooms and then had lunch with a group of 15 students to talk more in depth about her role as a state senator and engage in questions and discussions with our students.

On Election Day, November 8th, every Loma Linda student had the opportunity to participate in the election with the Kids Voting initiative. Our middle school students ran the polls, in our multi-purpose room and throughout the day, students visited and cast their votes for president, senator, proposition 206 and retention of a judicial judge. Votes were tallied by our middle school students and winners were announced to students at the end of the day, with a reminder to watch election coverage to see if our Loma Linda results matched the state and national outcome.

These are just a few of the exciting things that brought our community together, enriching the learning opportunities for our students and illustrating the reasons why Loma Linda was selected as an A+ School of Excellence. Our Lancer students and staff are looking forward to second semester as we continue to learn and grow together as a community with many other exciting events and opportunities to enrich our students' learning experiences.

Help a Neighbor This Holiday Season

By Eileen Wells

Let's celebrate the holiday season by supporting one of our own families in the Loma Linda Neighborhood. We have been supporting our own neighbors in this way for years. We uphold each other! As we enjoy the holidays with good friends, great food and cheer, we can rest assured that we have taken care of one of our own brother/sisters in the neighborhood. This is a great way to spread the holiday spirit and make a difference in the lives of your own neighbors.

This year we are helping a young mother and her three children. There is a wishlist below — we need all of us to participate. Please message me, Eileen Wells (details below), if you would like to donate to the family with any items from their wish list below or if you have any questions. Once purchased, please wrap the presents and label the gift with the recipient's information (3rd grade boy, etc.). Message me when you are ready to drop off the gift or need to coordinate a pickup time.

GIFT DROP-OFF INFORMATION:

Eileen Wells | 2207 E. Earl Drive | Phone Number 480-205-1660

Items are needed by **December 19, 2016.**

DONATION WISHLIST:

Recipient	Grade	Age	Pant size	Shirt size	Shoe size	Gift
Child, girl	1 st	6	12	12	1	Kitchen playset
Child, boy	3 rd	9	10	10	3.5	Scooter
Child, boy	7 th	13	34A	M	7.5	Art set/drawing kit
Woman	—	28	13	L	8.5	Red purse
Food basket	Ham or Turkey, nonperishable items such as canned vegetables, stuffing, cranberry sauce, gravy, etc.					

If you have any questions, please call Loma Linda Association President Mac McDonald at 602-309-4207.

Thank you for your support and generosity
in helping one of our own!



LOMA LINDA NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION: MISSION

The Loma Linda Neighborhood Association is dedicated to providing communication, beautification, social activity, coordination and education. We hope these efforts will promote cooperation among residents and foster good will in our neighborhood.



Post A Message on Loma Linda's Marquee

**Want to wish your child a
Happy Birthday publicly and help
our school at the same time?**

Purchase a message to run on the school marquee. Each message costs \$10.00 and posts for one week. All proceeds go to Loma Linda PTO. Forms to purchase a message are located in the school office.

Dec. 13th | 6:30 PM Quarterly LLNA Meeting

Please attend the LLNA Quarterly Meeting on Tuesday, December 13th at 6:30 PM. The meeting is held at the Loma Linda Elementary School Multi-purpose room.

The agenda includes:

- Annual Cookie Exchange
- Assistant City Prosecutors Noel Rascon, Mihia Samartinean and Maria Nilmeier will inform us on DUI offenses and what the City is doing on this issue that affects our city more everyday.
- LLNA Board Elections: This is your chance to become involved in OUR NEIGHBORHOOD

DON'T FORGET!
City of Phoenix
BULK TRASH PICKUP
ZONE 7

Placement begins	Collections begins
Dec. 31, 2016	Jan. 9, 2017
Apr. 1, 2017	Apr. 10, 2017

City ordinance allows NINE days prior to the scheduled collection week to place bulk trash out for collection. It is a violation of city ordinance to put trash out early.

Remember: City will NOT pick up more than 20 cubic yards per house.

Bulk Trash Crews Will NOT Pick UP:

- **Loose debris and litter:** grass, leaves, weeds, twigs, hedge clippings must be bagged
- **Hazardous Waste:** antifreeze, pool chemicals, oil, batteries, paint
- **Building Materials:** bricks, concrete, dirt, rocks, asphalt, roofing shingles or tiles
- **Construction materials** in excess of 25 pounds or over 4 feet long
- **Tires:** any type or size
- **Car Parts or metal:** over 20 pounds or over 4 feet long
- **Glass:** windows, shower doors, patio doors, mirrors, florescent tubes etc.
- **Appliances that contain refrigerant:** freezers, refrigerators, air conditioners.

Please be aware that the weeks of bulk trash placement and collection can invite possible **illegal dumping**. It is important to stay vigilant and report any kind of suspicious activity to the police or the Public Works Department.

If dumping is in progress, call:

- Police Department at 9-1-1 (emergencies)
- Crime Stop at 602-262-6151 (non-emergencies)

Otherwise, contact Public Works at 602-262-7251.

All Information is confidential.

Mark Your Calendar!
2016 APS Electric
Light Parade

2016 marks the 30th edition of this annual event and is themed "1986-2016: A Phoenix Family Tradition."

The APS Electric Light Parade has been an event where families, neighborhood groups and businesses from across the city come together and spread the joy of the holidays to over 100 thousand spectators. This free parade engenders a feeling of belonging through a shared experience, it improves the quality of life for residents, brings diverse people together, inspires a positive image of the city with a shared pride in the community, brings vitality to the community, and promotes economic impact and tourism.

Come out and enjoy the parade with your family this December!

Event Date:

Dec. 3, 2016

Event Time:

7:00 PM–9:00 PM

Location:

Central Phoenix: Central Ave. & Montebello Ave. to 7th St. & Indian School Rd.

For more information, visit <https://www.phoenix.gov/parks/special-events/electric-light-parade>

GOT LOTS OF PLANT WASTE?

Consider joining the Curbside Green Organics program offered to eligible residents. This program provides a new large, tan container for yard waste only, such as grass clippings, twigs, branches and shrubs. It's perfect for households that have weekly landscaping maintenance and/or own large properties. There is an additional monthly fee is \$5 per tan container requested. Green waste will be collected weekly, along with trash and recycling. Materials that **should not** be placed in the green organics container are: oleanders, palm fronds, treated wood, trash and food waste, and recyclables.

To find out if your neighborhood is eligible for this program visit phoenix.gov/publicworks and click on "**Solid Waste Programs**" where you will find information about this program and other waste diversion programs offered by the city. You also can call **602-262-7251** to find out if your household is eligible.

Inspire Kids to Love Science, Technology, Engineering & Math (STEM) This March!

What:

Connect2STEM

Event date:

January 28, 2017

Location:

The University of
Arizona College
of Medicine — Phoenix
550 E. Van Buren St.
Phoenix, AZ

Event time:

10:00 AM – 3:00 PM

Price:

Free

The University of Arizona in partnership with Cox Communications, presents Connect2STEM 2017 — a free event that is focused on inspiring kids about science, technology, engineering, math — and medicine with over 100+ hands-on STEM activities where guests can touch synthetic cadavers, explore real space equipment, and network with STEM professionals.

Connect2STEM will feature five hands-on activity zones: Bioscience Zone, Nature Zone, Outer Space/Technology Zone, Cox Gig Zone and the Wildcat Zone.

- **Bioscience Zone:** Touch, feel and discover the human body like never before. See the biomechanics of a life-sized synthetic cadaver that can talk, breathe, bleed and sweat.
- **Nature Zone:** Get down and dirty with UA master gardeners and splash around in the Wildcat Water Lab.
- **Outer Space/Technology Zone:** Calling all amateur astronomers! Learn about OSRIS-Rex, a mission to bring pieces of the asteroid “Bennu” back to earth.
- **Cox Gig Zone:** Enjoy gaming stations, coloring contests and giveaways. Learn about the science of GIGABLAST services getting to your home. Be on the lookout for a special appearance by Digeez, the COX mascot.
- **Wildcat Spirit Zone:** Bear Down! Meet Wilbur and Wilma Wildcat, mingle with fellow alumni and bounce around on the UA Inflatable.

Register for free here: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/connect2stem-2017-tickets-25216996716>

Think You Might Have a Leak? Find & Fix Household Leaks Workshop

Event Date:

March 14, 2017

Location

Burton Barr Central Library,
1221 N Central Ave,
Phoenix, AZ 85004

Event Time:

12:00 PM–1:00 PM

Phoenix residents, learn how to find and fix household leaks that could be draining your budget. To register for this free workshop, visit: phoenix.gov/waterservices/resourcesconservation/workshops or call (602) 261-8367. See this site for additional upcoming events related to water conservation.

Support Your Neighborhood Association

We are a non-profit organization run entirely by volunteers. However, we need your contributions to support this newsletter and other necessary expenses throughout the year. Your contribution is tax deductible and will benefit your neighborhood directly. Please use the form at the back of the newsletter for your donation. A thank you card will be sent to acknowledge receipt.

Get Involved in the Neighborhood!

Vote for the Next Loma Linda Neighborhood Association Board

VOTE
December 13th

It's time to start thinking about and planning to run for one of our GREAT positions on the Loma Linda Neighborhood Association Board. Joining the Neighborhood Association Board is the best way to bring effective change to our community. If you don't have the time for one of the major positions, please consider volunteering your time to stuff newsletters or write articles on topics that are important to our community. Whatever you would like to get involved in to support this neighborhood would be appreciated by EVERYONE! It only takes a few hours a month, and we are always looking for new faces and new ideas.

Available Positions:

CHAIRMAN — The chairperson does carry the most responsibility; however, it is up to the individual to decide how much time and effort they want to put into this. Main duties include: facilitate and schedule speakers for monthly board meetings, oversee / delegate special projects, work with committees and volunteers regarding ongoing functions, taking phone calls from various residents and city officials, writing articles for the newsletter, assists neighbors as needed.

VICE CHAIRMAN — In the absence of the Chairman they shall act as the Chairperson. Will assist the Chairman on special projects and other tasks as needed.

SECRETARY — The secretary shall keep minutes and written records of majority and minority opinions expressed at all meetings. Meeting minutes will be read from previous months meeting if necessary. The secretary will also create a sign-in sheet for each meeting to record attendance. LLNA records shall be available for inspection for any purpose at any reasonable time. Attendance of the secretary at each meeting is very important.

TREASURER — Being responsible for the Association's bank account, keeping the check register, writing checks when needed for Association functions. Keeping financial records current and giving the Treasurer's report at each meeting.

AREA REPRESENTATIVES — For the association's purposes, the neighborhood has been divided into three (3) areas. Each Area has its own representative (A, B, and C). Main Duties: Divide and deliver newsletters to all of the "Newsletter Deliverers" in your area once a quarter. Taking occasional phone calls from residents in need of information or having problems and directing them to the appropriate city phone number or to the Chairman or Vice Chairman for further assistance. Choosing a home of the month!

Attendance at the monthly Board meetings is strongly encouraged for ALL Board Members. The meetings are usually held at the Loma Linda School on the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. If you are interested in running for a board position or nominating a particular person, please contact MAC McDonald at 602-390-4207.

All meetings are open to all residents and residents of surrounding neighborhood associations. We encourage all interested persons to attend.

The vote will be held on December 13th at the regular LLNA Meeting 6:30 p.m. in the multi-purpose room at Loma Linda Elementary School. This meeting will also include a cookie sale, so come hungry!

Not ready to join in a position but eager to get involved?

Attend our next meeting!

All residents and surrounding neighbors are welcome to attend the LLNA meetings. We have two types of meetings:

- The quarterly general meetings
- The monthly governing board meetings.

Residents are welcome to attend both but may find the monthly general meetings more beneficial.

Stay Alert & Report Suspicious Activity to Prevent Neighborhood Crime

In the last few months there have been many burglary incidents in our neighborhood. It is important to be the eyes of your neighborhood. You know your part of the neighborhood the best, and you undoubtedly notice when something is different or there is suspicious activity. If you see something suspicious, don't hesitate to call the Phoenix Police Crime Stop number. It's important for each of us to be alert and watch each other's backs (and homes).

Each year in the U.S. there are more than five million home burglaries. Nine out of ten of these crimes are preventable. The risk of being burglarized can be greatly reduced by taking simple steps to make your home more difficult to enter and less enticing to would-be burglars. Make your home look occupied, and make it difficult to break in.

CRIME PREVENTION TIPS — BURGLARY

The Basics:

- Lock all outside doors and windows before you leave the house or go to bed. Even if it is for a short time, lock your doors.
- Leave lights on when you go out. If you are going to be away for a length of time, connect some lamps to automatic timers to turn them on in the evening and off during the day.
- Keep your garage door closed and locked.
- Don't allow daily deliveries of mail, newspapers or flyers build up while you are away. Arrange with the Post Office to hold your mail, or arrange for a friend or neighbor to take them regularly.
- Arrange for your lawn to be mowed if you are going away for an extended time.
- Check your locks on doors and windows and replace them with secure devices as necessary.
- Sliding glass doors are vulnerable. Special locks are available for better security.

Don't Tempt a Thief:

- Lawn mowers, barbecues and bicycles are best stored out of sight
- Always lock your garden sheds and garages.
- Use curtains on garage and basement windows.
- Never leave notes on your door such as "Gone shopping."

Locks ... Get the Best:

- No lock, regardless of its quality, can be truly effective. Key-in dead bolt locks provide minimum security. Ask a locksmith for advice on your situation.
- Change locks immediately if your keys are lost or stolen.
- When moving into a new home, have all locks changed.

Targeting the Outside:

- Have adequate exterior lighting. A motion-sensitive light is recommended for backyards.
- Trim trees and shrubs so that they cannot be used as hiding places for intruders.
- Make sure your door hinges are on the inside.

Windows:

- Most windows can be pinned for security.
- Drill a 3/16" hole on a slight downward slant through the inside window frame and halfway into the outside frame - place a nail in the hole to secure the window.

Alarms:

- An alarm system is excellent for home security. It provides peace of mind to homeowners, especially while on vacation. There is a wide variety of alarm systems on the market.

- If you have a home alarm system, use it!

If Your Home Is Broken Into:

If you come home to find an unexplained open/broken window or door:

- Do not enter — the perpetrator may still be inside.
- Use your cell phone or a neighbor's phone to call police.
- Do not touch anything or clean up until the police have inspected for evidence.
- Write down the license plate numbers of any suspicious vehicles. Note the descriptions of any suspicious persons.

Other precautions you should take:

- Never leave keys under doormats, flowerpots, mailboxes or other "secret" hiding places — burglars know where to look for hidden keys.
- Keep a detailed inventory of your valuable possessions, including a description of the items, date of purchase and original value, and serial numbers, and keep a copy in a safe place away from home — this is a good precaution in case of fires or other disasters. Make a photographic or video record of valuable objects, heirlooms and antiques. Your insurance company can provide assistance in making and keeping your inventory.

The MOST important thing you can do is to **call the police to report a crime or any suspicious activity**. Always report anything that seems off or suspicious. Our neighborhood officers are happy to investigate anything that may cause concern. Just **call Crime Stop at 602-262-6151**.

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Blight on Properties 602-262-7844

Illegal Dumping 602-262-7251

Abandoned Vehicles
Private Property 602-262-7844
Alleys/Streets 602-262-6151

Dial a Ride 602-716-2100

LOMA LINDA NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

We are a non-profit organization run entirely by volunteers. However, we need your contributions to support this newsletter and other necessary expenses throughout the year. Donations primarily support existing neighborhood alley lights, production of the newsletter, and occasional small sympathy gifts of flowers or plants.

Your contribution is tax deductible and will benefit your neighborhood directly. Please use the form below for your donation. A thank you card will be sent to acknowledge receipt.

LLNA Donation Form Gracias por su cooperacion

Send to: 2333 E. Whitton, Phoenix AZ 85016

Name / Nombre: _____

Address / Direccion: _____

Donation Amt. / Cantidad: \$ _____

Date of Donation / Dia de Donacion: _____

Home of the Quarter

A 3818 N. 20th Street

B 2101 E. Whitton Avenue

C 2219 E. Flower Avenue

Congrats!



Connect with Your Neighbors!

For copies of the newsletter and the latest news, visit www.lomalindaneighborhoodassociation.com

Nextdoor is the private social network for you, your neighbors and your community. It's the easiest way for you and your neighbors to talk online and make all of your lives better in the real world. And it's free. **lomalinda.nextdoor.com**