



# PIPELINE

2009

Central City Precinct

August 2009

## Block Watch & Phoenix Neighborhood Patrol



## August is Drowning Impact Awareness Month

### Mark Your Calendar!

#### Upcoming Block Watch Leader and Phoenix Neighborhood Patrol Basic Training

Part 1: Tuesday, Sept. 15<sup>th</sup>, 6:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.  
Part 2: Wednesday, Sept. 16<sup>th</sup>, 6:00 p.m.9:00p.m.  
Metro Center Mall, Community Room (upstairs behind food court –signs will direct).

Saturday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 7:30 a.m.- 3:00 p.m.  
Fraternal Order of Police, Lodge #2  
12851 N. 19<sup>th</sup> Avenue

**\*\*Pre-registration is mandatory due to limited seating  
To pre-register please email [jill.fowler@phoenix.gov](mailto:jill.fowler@phoenix.gov)  
with your name and phone number.\*\***

For More information about Phoenix Neighborhood Patrol please check out our website at:  
<http://www.cityofphoenix.org/POLICE/bwonpa1.html>

### Pool Safety:

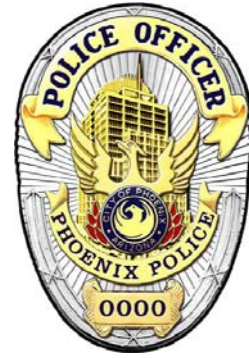
Too often, firefighters hear people say, “it was just a few seconds.” Unfortunately, just a few seconds is all it takes for a child to drown. Drowning is the leading cause of death in Arizona for children under the age of five.

Most of these children drown in their own backyard swimming pool, but others drown in buckets, bathtubs, toilets, dog water bowls, canals and ponds. Small children are top-heavy, and they don't have the upper body strength to lift themselves out of one of these dangerous situations. Even if the child survives the incident, they are often left with permanent brain damage.

Drowning and near drowning can be prevented, and you can help! Anyone involved with the supervision of children needs to be aware of the dangers associated with any body of water. Below are some useful tips to prevent these needless tragedies.

- Know where your children are at all times
- Use an approved barrier to separate the pool from the house
- Never allow children to be alone near a pool or any water source
- Have life-saving devices near the pool, such as a pole/hook, or flotation device
- Keep large objects such as tables, chairs, toys, and ladders away from pool fences
- Post the 9-1-1 number on the phone

- Do not allow children to play around the pool and store all toys outside the pool area
- If you leave the pool area, take the children with you
- Always have a “designated child watcher”
- Learn to swim
- Never swim alone, or while under the influence of alcohol or medications
- Never swim when thunder or lightning is present
- Never dive into unfamiliar or shallow bodies of water



## Central City Precinct Spotlight

### SWIM LESSONS

S3 Swim Program - St. Joseph’s Hospital & United Phoenix Fire Fighters Association are offering Beginner & Intermediate Water Safety Lessons at St. Joseph’s Pool, 3033 N. 7th Ave. For Information/Registration: 1-877-602-4111 [Click here for information flyer \(PDF\)](#)

[City of Phoenix Aquatics](#): 602-262-6541

YMCA: Check phone book for telephone number of center closes to you.

### POOL FENCE ISSUES

- Interior barrier issues (when there is no barrier between house and pool, OR there is damage to a pool fence) - City of Phoenix Neighborhood Services Department: 602-262-7844.
- Hole in Exterior Fence (unsecured fencing) - Phoenix Fire Prevention: 602-262-6771.
- New fence construction (code issues) - City of Phoenix Development Services: 602-262-7811.

### GREEN POOLS

- To report a hazardous green pool or to see how you can have your problem pool drained - [City of Phoenix Neighborhood Services](#): 602-262-7844 / TTY: 602-495-0685.



***Please, Watch Children around Water!***

We would like to take this opportunity to introduce the newest member of the Community Resource Squad. She is no stranger to Central City Precinct as she began her career working in patrol safeguarding the citizens of Central City. She has also worked numerous details throughout the city to include Police Headquarters, Maryvale and Desert Horizon Precincts and most recently the South Mountain Precinct. Please welcome:

Officer Armida Gonzales



*“Hello, my name is Officer Armida Gonzales #6190. I recently became a part of the 58X squad for Central City Precinct. As a Community Action Officer, I am the liaison for liquor licenses and various permit requests in our precinct. I conduct background checks on applicants and monitor calls for service on locations requesting new and existing liquor licenses. I also research calls for service and security plans for special events requests where liquor will be served. It is also important that I maintain communication between the community, beat officers and the Drug Enforcement Bureau Liquor Detail Detectives regarding businesses that have liquor licenses and are negatively impacting the surrounding area. If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact me at 602-534-6805. Thank you.”*

## Vehicle Identification Number (VIN ) Etching Clinics Resume



In 2008 and through June 2009, the Central City Precinct, in cooperation with the Arizona Auto Theft Authority, conducted numerous “Watch Your Car” Auto Theft Prevention events to include free Vehicle Identification Number(V.I.N.) etching clinics.

Overall, Eleven V.I.N. Etch clinics were held at various locations throughout our precinct. Last year 474 citizens took advantage of this free service to add an additional layer of security to their personal property. 148 of those citizens took security a step further and enrolled their vehicle into the “Watch Your Car” program. By doing so they have identified their vehicles to law enforcement and have given permission for us stop their vehicle between the hours of 1:00 a.m and 5:00 a.m.to verify the authority of the driver to be in possession of the car. Good for them. Because of this program we are successfully stopping vehicles that have been stolen not yet known to the owners all over State of Arizona.

The VIN Etching clinics are suspended during the summer months due to the intense heat, but plans to resume the clinics in October 2009 are in the works. More information will be provided as Clinic details are finalized.

For more information please contact your Community Action Officer; Al Knecht, Manny Valenzuela or Larry Naranjo at 602-495-5005 or Officer Doreena Wiegert 602-534-6313.



Registrations are now being accepted for Getting Arizona Involved in Neighborhoods, **G.A.I.N. 2009**. See next page for registration form and instructions.

### *F.Y.I. Corner:*

- ◆ **All City of Phoenix phone numbers have a 602 prefix**
- ◆ **Central City Precinct** address is 1902 S. 16<sup>th</sup> Street, Phoenix AZ 85034. The precinct phone number is 602-495-5005; FAX 602-534-0766.
- ◆ **Community Action Officers** can be reached at 602-495-5005

**Your Community Action Officers are:**

<b>51 Area</b>	<b>Al Knecht</b>
<b>52 Area</b>	<b>Manuel Valenzuela</b>
<b>53 Area</b>	<b>Larry Naranjo</b>

Police personnel can be reached by email in this fashion:

**first name.last name@phoenix.gov**

- ◆ **Crime Free Multi-Housing:** Contact Officer Jason Tyre at 602-534-1394 or email [jason.tyre@phoenix.gov](mailto:jason.tyre@phoenix.gov) for information on the next Crime Free Multi-Housing Seminar.  
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- ◆ **Phoenix Neighborhood Patrol, Block Watch, G.A.I.N. and Crime Prevention Education Inquiries:** For information, call Central City Community Programs Officer, Doreena Wiegert at 534-6313.  
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- ◆ The **Block Watch Advisory Board** meets the fourth Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. Contact Officer Deb Iodice at 602-495-0597 for locations.

### **Phoenix Police Directory:**

[http://www.cityofphoenix.org/POLICE/pd\\_phones.html](http://www.cityofphoenix.org/POLICE/pd_phones.html)



# G.A.I.N. 2009

Getting Arizona Involved in Neighborhoods  
Saturday, October 17<sup>th</sup>, 2009



Return this form to register your G.A.I.N. event. Don't wait!! Send in your registration now! Deadline for registration form is **October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2009**. If you have any questions, please call Officer Doreena Wiegert at 602-534-6313 or e-mail [doreena.wiegert@phoenix.gov](mailto:doreena.wiegert@phoenix.gov)

Please mail the completed form to:  
Central City Precinct  
Attn: Officer Doreena Wiegert  
1902 S. 16<sup>th</sup> Street  
Phoenix, AZ 85034

You can also FAX it to  
(602) 534-0766  
ATTN: Officer D. Wiegert /GAIN

**The Phoenix Police Department would love to come and visit your GAIN event...**

**Please let us know where and when your event is taking place.**

**Form must be filled out completely in order to have your event registered.**

**Please Print Clearly**

We are (check one):

- Block Watch/Neighborhood Association
- Apartment Complex/ Mobile Home Community
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

Property Name *(for apartments/mobile home communities only)* \_\_\_\_\_

Name/s of participating Block Watch or Association: \_\_\_\_\_

Event contact person: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Alt phone: \_\_\_\_\_ e-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

**EXACT** location of event: \_\_\_\_\_

Cross streets: \_\_\_\_\_

Approx time of your event: \_\_\_\_\_ Approx number of people: \_\_\_\_\_

Brief description of activities planned: \_\_\_\_\_

Please check this box if you would like to be contacted by the BWAB (Block Watch Advisory Board) for additional support for your GAIN event. For information about the BWAB, please visit [www.phxblockwatch.org](http://www.phxblockwatch.org)