

# HUDSON MANOR

## NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

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Visit our Web site: [www.hudsonmanor.org](http://www.hudsonmanor.org)

*Happy Valentine's Day*



### HUDSON HELPED TEMPE

The December neighborhood holiday food drive showed Hudson has a big heart when it comes to helping others. We were able to collect over 225 pounds of food and toiletries. They were donated to the Tempe Community Action Alliance at the Escalante Center.

Thank you all for donating. The association would especially like to thank the 3 volunteers who drove around and picked up the bags and boxes.

They are from left to right **Ron Gasowski, Kevin Brown and Linda Amorosi.**

### CITY CODE CHANGES FOR ALLEYS

The city council recently voted to make it illegal for people to use the alleys as thoroughfares. This gives the police a new tool to help stop the random people that we see wandering or driving through our alleys. They also made it illegal to lie or sit in a public right-of-way such as a sidewalk.

### NEIGHBORHOOD GRANT ROUNDABOUTS UPDATE

Since receiving the grant award last fall, neighbors **Maria Salenger** and **Dan Childers** have been working with Julian Dresang of the City of Tempe to submit plans for the landscaped roundabouts at the intersections of Hudson and Oak and Hudson and Elm. Following several coordination meetings, they were able to submit for site plan review on January 27. Julian expects we'll get comments back (if any) within a week or two, after which he will coordinate construction of the circles through Tempe's concrete subcontractor. Once they complete the work, Maria and Dan will coordinate installation of the landscaping and minor city mandated traffic signage.

If you'd like to help with landscaping please contact **Maria or Dan at 602-264-2941.**

### FOR WHAT IT'S WORTH

The *Arizona Republic* newspaper named your chair, **Phil Amorosi**, one of the Top 10 Tempe People of the Year for 2013 for advocating for our neighborhood.

*Amorosi has fought to protect his Tempe Hudson Manor neighborhood. Amorosi was on the losing end of a plea to limit high-density development nearby. "So, I lost again. So, I keep fighting," he said.*

You can read the whole list at:

[www.azcentral.com/community/tempe/articles/20131213YIR-tempe-people-year-2013-year-in-review-prog.html](http://www.azcentral.com/community/tempe/articles/20131213YIR-tempe-people-year-2013-year-in-review-prog.html)

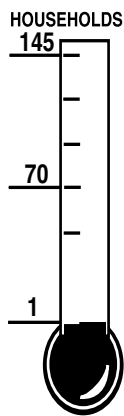
### TEMPE COMMUNITY MARKET

Growing a garden? Have a bumper crop? Too many eggs? Come sell at the farmers' market co-op table. All are welcome. Bring a little or bring a lot.

**The Tempe Community Market is at 620 N. Mill on Sunday mornings year round.**

**For more information contact Chip at 602-564-1162 or [chipsatt@cox.net](mailto:chipsatt@cox.net).**

## 2014 NEIGHBORHOOD DUES DUE



With the start of the new year we are asking neighbors to **contribute \$12** (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. If you like being kept informed throughout the year about what is going on in the neighborhood please give what you can.

**Please make checks out to our treasurer: Janet Demars. You can drop it off at 1508 E. Cedar St.**

## YOU DIRTY RAT

Roof rats are back. If you hear noises on your roof or see your citrus with small holes in it, there is a good chance you have roof rats. Learn how to combat them on **Wednesday, February 12 from 6 to 7:30 p.m. at the Tempe Public Library**, basement level. 3500 S. Rural Rd.

## BIKE THEFTS INCREASING

Police have seen a large increase in stolen bikes recently. Don't leave your bike unlocked even in your back yard. One way to help police find your bike if it is stolen is if you register it with them.

Go online and register your bike at: <http://www.tempe.gov/index.aspx?page=2877>

## POLICE CALLS FOR SERVICE IN HUDSON

By most accounts we are a quiet neighborhood compared to our surrounding areas. If you ever need any information on calls for service in Hudson Manor for the past three months, please feel free to utilize RaidsOnline. You can sign up for daily, weekly or monthly alerts by email or iphone.

Sign up for this great tool at: [www.raidsonline.com](http://www.raidsonline.com).

## DIVERSITY DIALOGUE

The City of Tempe is inviting community members to discuss diversity topics, cultural understanding, discrimination and share experiences. The program takes 6 Tuesday's in a row starting on Tuesday, February 4 from 6-8 p.m. at the Tempe Library. Pizza will be served before each meeting. Please RSVP by filing out the online application at: [www.tempe.gov/diversitydialogue](http://www.tempe.gov/diversitydialogue)

Call the Diversity Office if you have any questions at 480-350-8979.

## TEMPE NEIGHBORHOOD NOMINATIONS

If you know a neighbor that has really improved their house, or a neighbor that has a beautiful landscaped yard or even helps keep our alleys clean please nominate them for a Neighborhood Award. Tempe is also looking for people that strengthen and creatively build a better neighborhood. You can get a nomination form at [www.tempe.gov/neighborhoods](http://www.tempe.gov/neighborhoods) or call 480-350-8234.

**Nominations deadline is Friday, February 14.**

## FLOOD IRRIGATION PAYS

The city recently completed a study that showed if you only use potable water (tap water) for indoor and landscaping the average annual water bill cost would be \$938. A similar property using flood irrigation to water their property has an average annual cost of only \$573. If you are a self irrigator your bill is hundreds less than that.

Another way to look at it is by water conservation. The house that only uses tap water uses 298,000 gallons of water a year. The flood irrigated property only uses 58,000 gallons a year.

You would be foolish not to take advantage of flood irrigation if you live in this neighborhood and don't have desert landscaping.

## NEED A PLUMBER?

Neighbor **Jim Caton** recently had some plumbing work done at his place. He used *Collins Commercial Services*. He was happy with the quality of their work and the reasonable price. They gave Jim a numbered code for a neighborhood discount that any neighbor can use to get a **10% discount** on any service you might need. Call **Jim at 480-656-6192** to get the number.

Disclaimer: HMNA is not endorsing Collins Commercial Services.

## DO YOU HAVE NEWS YOU WANT TO SHARE?

Send any stories, announcements, photos to: **Phil Amorosi** at: [philamo@cox.net](mailto:philamo@cox.net).

## JOIN THE NEIGHBORHOOD EMAIL TREE

Get the latest information, alerts and participate in decisions that don't make it in the newsletter. E-mail **Phil Amorosi** at: [philamo@cox.net](mailto:philamo@cox.net).

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**Remember that our Neighborhood Association is not a homeowner's association, just interested and involved renters and owners, who care about making Hudson Manor the best it can be.**