

LPGRA GENERAL MEETING
March 7, 2024

CALLED TO ORDER

9:32 a.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ATTENDANCE - 47 residents present

PRESIDENT	Peggy Marcone
1st VICE PRESIDENT	Sue Smith
2nd VICE PRESIDENT	Dennis Miller
TREASURER	Cheryl Jorban
SECRETARY	Diana Cline

GUEST SPEAKERS - Dawn Blake, Crime Prevention Officer from the Mesa Police Department for District 4, Superstition.

Ms Blake began by stating there are currently four districts in Mesa: District 1 the West District covering 16 square miles; District 2, the Central District covering 12 square miles; District 3, the Red Mountain District covering 36 square miles; and District 4, the Superstition Springs District covering 73 square miles, which is where LPG is located. In April of 2025, a fifth district will be opened on Power and Brown.

She continued by answering questions from the residents during an open discussion period.

The crime rate at LPG is low - we have walls and a security gate which act as a deterrent, but will not prevent a crime from happening.

Crime Tip Tuesday: light up your house. Turn on your porch light overnight. It is affordable and helps to deter criminal activity, provides a safer environment for people entering or leaving your premises after dark, and people passing by can see if there's a problem. A motion sensor light is better than solar because it has the added benefit of startling the would-be intruder when they enter onto your premises.

Arizona has a "watch your car program" where you can register your car with the DMV and indicate which hours your car will not be on the road. You will be given a sticker for your back window that will let officers know it is OK to pull you over within those "I don't drive times".

Mesa Police Department have steering wheel clubs available for free for the KIA/Hyundais that start with a key and not a push button. These cars are being targeted by young car thieves.

Be a good neighbor - if you haven't seen a neighbor in awhile and you think something might be wrong, call the non-emergency number given below and have a safety check done.

Do not drive your golf cart in the bike lane or on the sidewalks when off of the premises. Remember you need a license plate on your golf cart when on the public streets.

You cannot enter the crosswalk to make a left hand u-turn on a red light unless there is a "pushback"; that is space before the crosswalk but after the divider partition.

The website for Mesa Police Department is: mesaazpolice.gov. On it you will find the Citizen Police Academy which provides Mesa with an inside look at law enforcement. It is an eight week course that meets Thursdays and some Saturdays. The academy holds these courses two different times per year; a background clearance will be conducted prior to the class start date.

The West Mesa Police Department also has a "Real Time Crime Center (RTCC)" that has six stations with several screens displaying the output from cameras that are all around the Mesa area. The benefits of the RTCC include real time information sharing, quick id and apprehension of criminals, crime prevention/crime reduction, and increased public safety.

The use of cell phones while driving is one of the biggest causes of reported accidents in Mesa. Texting while driving is subject to a hefty fine and the use of a stand-alone phone is prohibited unless it is in hands-free mode.

The Mesa Police Department will have a presence at Celebrate Mesa Spring 2024 on April 13th and again in the fall during October.

Trunk or Treat will be at Desert Ridge H.S. on October 30 and will include several activities for children (or grandchildren). Again, this is sponsored in part by the Mesa Police Department.

Monday - Thursday between the hours of 8 and 4 there is a medicine drop at the police station around the corner where old prescription bottles with drugs in them can be dropped off. Liquids and needles are not accepted.

REMEMBER: Call 911 for an emergency - crime in progress; fire; or medical emergency. Call (480) 644-2211 for all non-emergency matters.

Ms. Blake left the meeting at approximately 10:30 a.m.

MINUTES - Peggy Marcone

The minutes of the February 1, 2024, General Meeting were discussed, approved and passed as presented with one question that was brought up and responded to.

TREASURER'S REPORT - Cheryl Jorban

Balance in Checking Account 1/31/24	\$ 1,273.88
Total cash received from recycling	\$ 174.30
Received from 50/50	<u>\$ 45.00</u>
January Total Deposits	+ \$ 220.30
January Total Expenses	- \$ 0.00
Balance in Checking Account 2/29/24	\$ 1,494.18

The Treasurer's Report for February, 2024 was approved and passed as presented.

A shout out was given to Jim Sadowski for collecting the money for raffle tickets and the 50/50 split that is done before the General Meeting.

A shout out was also given to Bob Williams for taking care of all of the recycling at LPG. Look at the LPG chat room and the open forum for a picture of some non-acceptable items found in the recycle bins.

COMMITTEE REPORTS - Sue Smith

LPG Observer - Sue Smith, Editor

The next LPG Observer will be sent out on May 15; it was asked that the residents submit a story of their meeting a celebrity or being on a television show. Sue told a story of meeting ShaNaNa at a concert where they were performing and being picked by one of the band members to dance with him at a band dance contest during the concert.

MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION

Trivia Contest - Sue reminded people that the next Trivia Contest will be held March 19; there will be six to a table and there will be a surprise. This will be the last one of the season.

LOGO Competition - Cheryl

There are three entries at this time. Please send in your original ideas using a picture or drawing and send to cjorban@yahoo.com. The winner will receive bragging rights and a free mug with their logo on it.

OPEN ITEMS

AAMHO Annual Meeting is Saturday, March 16, registration begins at 8:00.

Recycling

There was discussion about having a recycling barrel at each home. Sue stated that at an increase of \$8-\$9/month it was too costly, It would keep about 60% of garbage out of the dump. An option is to go to the Recycling Center on the Ellsworth Loop; moving boxes can be taken to American Furniture.

Trucks with a hitch. Please drive in rather than back in. When a large truck with a trailer hitch backs in, the hitch sometimes protrudes onto the sidewalk causing a potential tripping hazard.

A response to a comment regarding information sent out by AAHMO. A/C Units being used at LPG are whole house air conditioning units and not the free standing extra units or window units mentioned by AAHMO. If there is a problem with the A/C contact the Office - Split systems can be installed in the Arizona Room to create a year round usable space.

SRP has several rebates available on their website. They will also provide an energy assessment of your home for free.

Feral cats are an ongoing problem. **DO NOT FEED THE CATS.** They become prey for other predators like coyotes and are a nuisance to your neighbors. Neither cats nor dogs are allowed outside of your house without a leash. Call the City of Mesa Animal Control for assistance in becoming a part of the TNR (trap, neuter, release) program.

Follow-up by the Management Team is governed by protocols in place and the necessity to adhere to the privacy laws that start with sending out three warning letters to the offending resident. When reporting an incident it is important to provide information to Management as soon as possible after it takes place; identify the person by name or picture if available, if not, then by a detailed description of the person and place of occurrence. Give the "who, what, where, when and why" of the incident in as much detail as you can remember. Contact the office in person or by phone and leave your name, unit number, and contact number in case there are any questions that might come up later. If the office is closed, call the after-hours number and provide all of the information mentioned above about you and the incident.

REMEMBER: SEE SOMETHING, SAY SOMETHING.

Ms. Blake left the following handouts: Residential and Vehicle Burglaries; Watch Your Car Program; Be a Responsible Gun Owner; and Turn on Your Porch Light

The Board had the following handouts: Newspaper entry forms; Deter Pets; Bios of people running for AAMFO Office; and an information sheet on LPGRA.

They will all be available at the next General Meeting.

Potluck dinner will be held April 4, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. in the Ballroom.

There was a Motion made to not accept the blue barrels/recycling program available from Mesa. It was seconded and passed.

NEXT GENERAL MEETING WILL BE April 4, 2024 at 9:30 a.m..

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 10:45 a.m.

50/50 Drawing	\$93.00 collected - \$47.00 paid out.
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Door prize	\$20.00
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Submitted by Diana Cline, Secretary