



September 2016

## The Annual Fall 2016 Potluck Dinner

*Sunday, September 25<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 pm*

*San Pedro Chapel (Old Fort Lowell Neighborhood Center)  
5230 East Fort Lowell Road*



Every year the OFLNA, Inc. hosts a Fall Potluck dinner for the membership which is a great opportunity to get to know your neighbors in a friendly atmosphere. So please join us even if you are not yet a member, but simply curious to know who we are. We ask that you bring a favorite dish to share to serve 6-8 people. After dinner, the President will host a short program to review last year's accomplishments, and introduce the Association's activities and plans for the year ahead.

We would love the opportunity to share with you our love of this neighborhood.  
(Contact Bill Anderson at [bill@andersoncrew.org](mailto:bill@andersoncrew.org) or 520-488-7219 for further information.)



### *Antiques & Collectibles Sale Coming up A Neighborhood Tradition! November 3<sup>rd</sup> – November 6<sup>th</sup>*

**San Pedro Chapel, 5230 E. Fort Lowell Road**  
**Annual Fall fundraiser for both the Old Fort Lowell Live-At-Home Program and  
the Old Fort Lowell Neighborhood Association, Inc.**

#### **Why have we held this event every year for two decades?**

Because it generates funds for our two neighborhood organizations; because it provides a way to meet and work with your neighbors on a common project; because it acquaints Tucsonans with the possibility of renting the San Pedro Chapel for weddings and other events; and lastly, because it is fun, interesting, and educational for the participants.

#### **Merchandise to sell can be donated or consigned, and we need lots of each.**

We would love to have quality items of furniture, antiques, art work, silver, and rugs. Consigning can get you some extra cash (we pay 70% to the consignor), and for donated items we provide a tax receipt. If we can't use your donation for this sale, we can sell it at the Flea Market, so we'll accept most items offered.

#### **Please consider volunteering to help for a few hours between Oct 27<sup>th</sup> and Nov 6<sup>th</sup>.**

We need workers during preparation days as well as the actual days of sale. There are jobs for everyone! Maureen Pollack at [mpollacknm@aol.com](mailto:mpollacknm@aol.com) is our scheduler and will be happy to sign you up.

**For information on consigning or donating, contact co-chairs Dorothy Steele at [tndsteele@msn.com](mailto:tndsteele@msn.com); Julie Miller at [miller.julie28@yahoo.com](mailto:miller.julie28@yahoo.com); or Diana Warr at [dianawarr@hotmail.com](mailto:dianawarr@hotmail.com)**

**Preview night (OFLNA, Inc. members only): Thursday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>: 5-7pm.**

**Open to the public: Friday & Saturday, November 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup>, 8am-1pm.  
and Sunday, November 6<sup>th</sup>, 10am-1pm.**

## The Millions for Tucson Raffle

Once again, OFLLAH and OFLNA, Inc. have joined together to become part of the Ford Mustang Raffle sponsored by The Jim Click Automotive Team. What is unique about this raffle is that for just \$25 for one ticket or 5 tickets for \$100, you have the opportunity both to win a 2016 Ford Mustang Shelby GT350 and have the money for the ticket go in its entirety to the OFLLAH and OFLNA, Inc. So for every ticket we sell we get to keep the proceeds. Drawing for the raffle will be on Dec 15<sup>th</sup> 2016.

*Tickets will be on sale at the up-coming A&C Sale, OFLNA, Inc. Annual Potluck, and by contacting Kate or Frank Flasch by phone: 520-909-2107 or via e-mail: [frank.flasch@aol.com](mailto:frank.flasch@aol.com).*



## NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS



### Old Fort Lowell Live-at-Home Program

A training session was held in August and we have some new volunteers. Our coordinators plan to hold another session this year. The Ice Cream social will be held in San Pedro Chapel on Sun, Oct 9<sup>th</sup>, from 2-2:30 pm for clients and volunteers. Our financial support plans include: TMC for publishing our newsletter; The 'Community Connection' T-Shirt sale on Oct 4<sup>th</sup>; and the Annual Appeal in November.

### Wildlife Sightings

A Smith's Black-headed Snake (*Tantilla hobartsmithi*) was seen in the eastern part of the OFLN on July 28, 2016. This is only the second one that we are aware of that has been seen and identified in the neighborhood. These secretive, burrowing snakes live in ground litter or under rocks; they are non-venomous; they eat centipedes, millipedes, scorpions and insect larvae. Although this snake was only about seven inches long, these small snakes can be as long as twelve inches. They are typically translucent gray with a black head and a distinctive pink belly. Submitted by Barry Spicer and Colleen Sackheim. Photograph by Colleen Sackheim.



### City to install "HAWK" Crossing on Craycroft



"HAWK" is an acronym for High Intensity Activated Crosswalk and originated in Tucson in the 1990's. This style of pedestrian signal has since been safely and successfully used throughout the USA. In September, the City will be installing such a signal where Cottonwood Lane crosses from the east side of Craycroft towards the restored Fort Lowell Officer's Quarters on the west. It will be wonderful to have a safe way to get across Craycroft with its speeding traffic in this area.

### Fort Lowell Day 2017 (call for volunteers)

Our 36th annual Fort Lowell Day celebration will take place on Saturday, February 11<sup>th</sup>, 2017, and is our way of giving back to the City of Tucson and showing off the beauty, history, and character of the Historic Fort Lowell Neighborhood.

*Volunteers with a variety of talents, skills, and available time are needed to make this day a success from expertise in PR and writing to site-hosting and the labor of setting up. All ages and talents are welcome. Please contact Bill Anderson [bill@andersoncrew.org](mailto:bill@andersoncrew.org) to help with set-up, or Colleen Sackheim [colleensackheim@gmail.com](mailto:colleensackheim@gmail.com) to volunteer as a site host.*

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## A Call to Membership

*Old Fort Lowell Neighborhood Association, Inc.*



For more than 30 years the Old Fort Lowell Neighborhood Association, Inc. has been dedicated to preserving the historic character and personality of the Neighborhood and its unique treasure, the **San Pedro Chapel**.

To do this we need your membership **Dues and Donations**. Please consider joining, rejoining and/or renewing your **membership**. For \$25 per year per family you will be supporting a variety of activities for our neighborhood, including preserving the **San Pedro Chapel** for generations to come.

We have a host of activities that we offer during the year that make use of members as volunteers. And we always need volunteers. These include the A&C Sale, Flea Market Sale, Alamo Wash and trails cleanup and, of course, the annual (36<sup>th</sup> annual in 2017) Fort Lowell Day, and the "One- Can-a-Week/ Four-Cans-a- Month" food program for the Community Food Bank of Southern Arizona. Also, you will be enrolled automatically in our OFLNA, Inc. E-list, which is an email contact list that keeps you informed.

So for those who have not enrolled for the current calendar year (2016), please do so. If you are already a 2016 member, we would encourage you to renew your membership for 2017 before year-end. It will go a long way towards sustaining the unique character and history of our neighborhood.

### Bill Anderson

President, Old Fort Lowell Neighborhood Association, Inc. Council  
Home phone: 520-795-8662.; cell phone: 520-488-7219.

Don't forget that making a **Donation** to the Old Fort Lowell Neighborhood Association, Inc., (a 501(c)(3) non-profit corporation), is tax deductible.

## History Corner

### “A Bell for San Pedro”

“The beautiful brass bell which rang out before and after the mass at San Pedro Chapel at the February 12<sup>th</sup> [1983] celebration of *La Reunion* [first *La Reunión de El Fuerte*] was a gift to the Neighborhood from its longtime owner, Mrs. Stephen Claflin...who received the bell as a gift from a guest who got it on a Caribbean island. It had been a ship's bell originally; and then for some time had served a mission church on this now unknown island...



Mrs. Claflin's health deteriorated and she became a patient at TMC during the first *La Reunión de El Fuerte*. Her friend, Joann Zinn, described the activities of that exciting day to Mrs. Claflin and mentioned that a second *La Reunión de El Fuerte* was being planned and that another bell was needed to take the place of the one borrowed for use for the first *La Reunión*... Delighted with the thought that what had once served a chapel could be returned to its earlier use in an at least partially Spanish-speaking setting, Mrs. Claflin offered her bell to the neighborhood...”

Excerpt submitted by Colleen Sackheim from **Old Fort Lowell Gazette**, Vol 3, No. 2 February, 1983.

## The Alamo Wash Brush & Bulky Cleanup Fall 2016



*This event is scheduled for late October/early November 2016 on a Saturday 7am – 10am*

One of the great joys of our neighborhood is the opportunity to take leisurely walks on the footpaths of the Alamo Wash, Fort Lowell Road, and related trails. To ensure the safety and beauty of this resource, twice a year, in spring and fall, groups of volunteers trim the trees and bushes and pick up accumulated debris. The **FALL cleanup** is especially important after the monsoon rains have helped to bring so much new growth (and clutter) to the Alamo Wash.

For the last four cleanups the volunteers came from 3 groups: the Catalina Foothills High School National Honors Society, The Church of the Latter Day Saints (LDS Binghampton Ward), and members of OFLNA. Your help in this effort will not only be appreciated by your neighbors, but will continue to be part of an overall effort to maintain the neighborly look and feel of the Old Fort Lowell Area.

The date of the cleanup will be announced shortly. Please contact **Ralph Colwell** at [ric70237@aol.com](mailto:ric70237@aol.com) or by phone 520- 325-6488 if you plan on participating.

**OLD FORT LOWELL NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION, INC.**  
**Membership Form**  
**(January 1, 2016 – December 31, 2016)**

Dues received after December 1, 2016, will be applied to 2017 membership.

**Voting Membership (Annual dues \$25):** *Property owners or residents within neighborhood boundaries (Rillito River on the north, Glenn St. on the south, Swan Road on the west and the Pantano Wash on the east)*

**Associate (Includes Businesses) Membership (Annual dues \$25):** *Friends near and far who choose to be informed and/or participate in neighborhood events and activities.*

This is a  New membership  Renewal

Dues \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Donation \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_

(Donations are greatly appreciated and are tax-deductible as OFLNA, Inc. is a non-profit 501(c)(3) corporation. A written receipt will be provided for donations.)

Please make check(s) payable to **OFLNA, Inc.** Mail to:  
Treasurer, OFLNA, Inc.  
5230 E. Fort Lowell Rd.  
Tucson, AZ. 85712

Please print  
NAME(s) \_\_\_\_\_

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CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE # \_\_\_\_\_ CELL # \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL \_\_\_\_\_

Our correspondence is by e-mail or hand delivery. Thank you for your e-mail address.  
**[We do not share our membership information.]**

I (we) would like to participate or learn more about the following:  
 La Reunión/Fort Lowell Day (annual historic walking tour, 2<sup>nd</sup> Sat. in Feb.)  
 Antiques & Collectibles,  Flea Market, Other \_\_\_\_\_

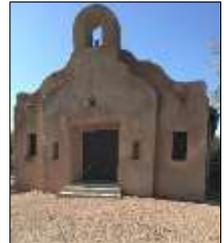
Help with:  Events at the Chapel,  Older Neighbors,  Trail Maintenance,  
 Newsletter, Other (Describe) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Membership Activities/Welcoming Newcomers  
 Delivering Newsletters & Notices in your Immediate Area  
Special talents, skills, expertise that you're willing to donate? \_\_\_\_\_

Visit us on the web at [OldFortLowellNeighborhood.org](http://OldFortLowellNeighborhood.org)

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*OFLNA, Inc. Council Members*

- Bill Anderson, *President*
- John Hermes, *Vice President*
- Charlie Boyd, *Treasurer*
- Jeanne Anderson, *Secretary*
- Frank Flasch, *President Emeritus*
- Aaron Botelho
- Ralph Colwell
- Kate Flasch
- David Morgan
- Michael O'Brien
- Dennis Olson
- Manuel Ramos
- Colleen Sackheim



**Note these dates for 2016**

- Sep 25<sup>th</sup> – **Fall Potluck**
- Late Oct/Early Nov – **Fall Cleanup of the Alamo Wash**
- Nov 3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> – **Antiques & Collectibles**
- Nov 5<sup>th</sup> – **Dia de Los Muertos Fort Lowell Cemetery**

**Note these dates for 2017**

- Feb 11<sup>th</sup> – **Fort Lowell Day**
- Mar 2<sup>nd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> – **Flea Market Sale**
- Late Apr/Early May – **Spring Cleanup of the Alamo Wash**
- May 21<sup>st</sup> – **Annual Meeting**

*Mailing address:*

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**We're on the Web:**

[OldFortLowellNeighborhood.org](http://OldFortLowellNeighborhood.org)

**How OFLNA, Inc. Keeps You Informed**

We hope you will join our E-list which sends out occasional notices of upcoming events and pertinent news. To join the E-list, send your email address to:

[info@oldfortlowellneighborhood.org](mailto:info@oldfortlowellneighborhood.org).

Information is also available on the websites of both OFLNA: [oldfortlowellneighborhood.org](http://oldfortlowellneighborhood.org)  
and the San Pedro Chapel: [sanpedrochapel.com](http://sanpedrochapel.com)

*These Websites are frequently updated and are your best source for the details of current events, names of people to contact in order to volunteer, and all the happenings in the neighborhood. We suggest you check them periodically to keep up to date.*