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## NEXT COPP MEMBER MEETING

**Monday**

**April 10, 2006 at 7:00 pm**

**Legend Trail**

**Community Center**

(North on Pima Road past Lone Mountain 1.5 miles.

To Legend Trail Parkway on right – then 1.5 miles on right to Community Center.)

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## Wayne Ecton and Tony Nelssen Elected to City Council

It was a hectic campaign, but in a tight finish two of the candidates we endorsed, Ecton and Nelssen, succeeded. The other candidate we supported, Councilman Bob Littlefield was short of a majority as was Councilman Kevin Osterman. Both incumbents will be in a run-off election on May 16, 2006.

What made it an interesting and a kind of wild campaign was the emergence of seven write-in candidates who took advantage of a perceived opportunity to unseat three incumbents – a difficult task at best. Each was motivated for a variety of reasons and, as such, the candidate forums that followed made for great theater

as they parried for position and Scottsdale voters' favor. It was democracy at its best and one that stands as the envy of the world, particularly in these times when even the most basic democratic processes are denied to billions of people.

While we hoped that the campaign would be over by now, we have to wait a couple of more months to close the book on the 2006 Scottsdale City Council election.

We believe that Bob Littlefield should be returned to office. He is a bright individual who has learned a great deal about city governance during the past four years. While we have not agreed with all his

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## Calendar of Events

- April 8 Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day, 7:30 am-2:00 pm. Corporation Yard, 9191 East San Salvador, Phone (480) 312-5600 for details
- April 10 COPP Monthly Meeting, 7:00 pm, On the Agenda: COPP Annual Meeting, election of directors. Also, Scottsdale Police District 3 Commander William Wilton will address Pima Road Safety issues, the city's new Preserve Patrol, Police Department staffing and other public safety issues. Latest update on Conserving Arizona's Future, the citizen's initiative for Land Trust Reform will be provided.
- April 17, 18 Transportation Master Plan Workshops, Scottsdale Community College
- April 19 Turquoise Room, 6:00 pm. Refer to article on page 3.
- April 22 Volunteers@ScenicPimaRoad, cleanup begins at 8:00 am in conjunction with the annual city wide "Clean and Scenic" events. Report to the AJ's parking lot, Pima and Pinnacle Peak Roads. For more information, refer to <http://ScenicPimaRoad.com>
- April 22 Adopt-a-Road, April has been designated "Scottsdale Clean and Beautiful Month." Businesses and residents interested in cleaning an "orphaned" road can call (480) 312-3111.
- May 16 Runoff Election, Scottsdale City Council Candidate Election Calendar, refer to article on page 2.

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# City Council

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decisions, he speaks his mind clearly as an independent thinker, which is refreshing and welcome. He is for open government and demonstrated his support for this view on many occasions.

Within days after the results of the March 14th results were known, Bob recognized that the Nesvig affair was a significant issue for the voters and he took steps to apologize for his participation in the unfortunate and ill advised way in which the petition challenge was conducted. In his customary manner, Bob admitted his mistake clearly, and asked voters to evaluate his candidacy on his record of the past four years to decide if he should be returned to office.

We believe he has earned a "Yes" vote of confidence for the next four years.

**The Board of Directors**

# May 16, 2006 City Council Runoff Election Deadlines

- April 13, Early voting in person begins.
- April 17, Last day to register to vote.
- May 5, Last day to request an Early Ballot. If you requested an Early Ballot for the March 14 General Election, you will automatically be mailed one for the runoff election.
- May 10, Last day to vote early in person between 9:00 am and 4:00 pm. Election Central, Scottsdale City Hall, 3939 N. Drinkwater Blvd., or at the Via Linda Senior Center, 10440 E. Via Linda.
- May 16, Early Ballots must be received by Maricopa County Elections Department before 7:00 pm. You may also take your completed ballot to any designated polling place prior to 7:00 pm on Election Day.

Remember to check your polling place which varies for each election. Refer to the voting pamphlet mailed to all registered voters. You can also certify your polling place at Maricopa County's website: [www.maricopa.gov](http://www.maricopa.gov). Click on "Elections and Voting."

For further information, please refer to [www.maricopa.gov](http://www.maricopa.gov) or phone (602) 506-1511.

## Contact Information for Bob Littlefield, Endorsed City Council Candidate

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## Notice of Annual Meeting

The Annual Meeting of the Coalition of Pinnacle Peak, Inc. will be held on Monday, April 10 at the Legend Trail Community Center, 34575 Legend Trail Parkway. On the agenda of the Annual Meeting will be the election of three directors. Gil Lustig, Peter Fredriksen, and Michael Stephenson, who began their participation with board responsibilities over the past several months, have agreed to serve. Members of the Coalition are invited to volunteer for one of these director positions by calling Bob Vairo at (480) 585-4463 or Linda Whitehead at (480) 488-7093.

## Citizen Access to Neighborhood Concerns

To remain up to date with a comprehensive view of municipal activities, the city has put into place a website with timely information about construction activity, development requests, building permits, code enforcement notices, and crime activity.

City staff has combined efforts with residents and citizen focus groups in order that citizens can access their neighborhood concerns.

This new resource can be accessed by referring to the city website: <http://www.ci.scottsdale.az.us>. Click onto

*My Neighborhood* along the right hand column. You can also access: <http://www.scottsdaleaz.gov/projects/MyNeighborhood>

### *Scottsdale City Updates*

You can also view a video version of Scottsdale City Updates each day at 4:55 pm on Cox Channel 11, the City of Scottsdale municipal cable television channel.

# Development Updates

## *Safeway at the Summit Gas Station*

The Safeway Summit is in the process of gathering neighborhood input by conducting outreach and notification meetings. Conflicting hours of operation were reported at two meetings. At the Terravita residents' meeting, Safeway representative reported that their goal is to have the pumps available to consumers around the clock, seven days a week. This point differed from the conversation that members of the COPP Board had several weeks ago with Safeway representatives.

Continuing concerns are the increase in traffic, lighting, and noise at the Summit and the surrounding residential areas. This requested land use requires a Conditional Use Permit, and will need to be approved by the Planning Commission and the City Council. The applicant must prove that the health, safety, and welfare of the surrounding neighbors will not be adversely affected.

The residents of Winfield are largely unaware of the proposed station, contrary to the statement made by Safeway representatives that they are in favor of it. COPP requested another resident meeting for other areas residents. We will keep members updated with the results of meetings scheduled with Las Piedras and the Solstice homeowners. We anticipate that the Winfield community will participate in these notification meetings as well.

## *Church Announces Building Plans*

Desert Mission United Methodist Church plans to build a 5400 Square foot church on the 18 acres located at the southeast corner of Scottsdale and Dixileta Road. There is no request for a school. However, the property has a major wash and is situated in a floodplain. More as it develops.

## Message from SPD

### **Crime Suspects Impersonating City Water Employees**

The Scottsdale Police Departments is investigating a series of incidents where individuals are fraudulently identifying themselves as city water employees to gain entry into a residence and take items of value. Residents are being advised to take precautions when confronted with unknown persons at their door.

The Scottsdale Water Department will never ask for entry into a private home for any reason. Utility companies will normally schedule an appointment in advance, unless there is an emergency.

If a suspicious person requests entry into your home, or if you have information on these crimes, please call the Scottsdale Police Department.

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## Transportation Master Plan Review

The city is undertaking a comprehensive update on its transportation system, the first overhaul since 1989. The General Plan, approved by voters in 2001, recommends transportation planning to anticipate the city's needs for the next 20 to 25 years. Three core areas and how they interrelate will be studied: the Central/Downtown, the Airpark, and the North. Included will be coordination of streets, public transit, bicycles, and pedestrians.

Scottsdale Road and its future role in high capacity transit will be considered, along with the city's linkage to other valley transportation systems. Speed limits on streets and Loop 101 should be consistent with citizen expectations while promoting the public's health, safety, and welfare.

Matching planning to the character and land use of the area will be stressed. The maintenance of the scenic corridors

while balancing the expansion of streets is one of the numerous challenges the Transportation Master Plan will address. Sensitivity to the uniqueness of the environmentally sensitive lands, while planning for growth and expansion will add to the quality of our lives.

You can become part of the planning process by attending meetings and providing your input. The city is holding three informational workshops in April. These meetings will be held at Scottsdale Community College Turquoise Room, 9000 E. Chaparral Road on April 17, 18 and 19 at 6:00 pm.

For the latest information, please contact Teresa Huish, Principal Transportation Planner Phone: (480) 312-7829, or refer to the city website at [www.ScottsdaleAZ.gov](http://www.ScottsdaleAZ.gov). Check the Transportation Master Plan under Hot Topics.



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Comments/Suggestions \_\_\_\_\_  
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