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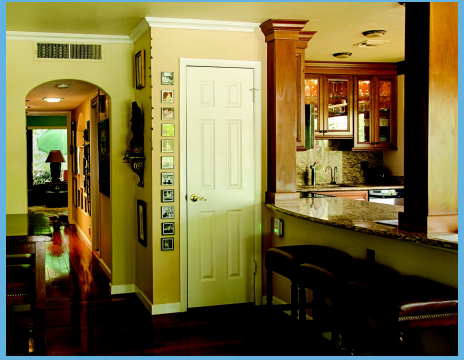
What is your Midtown Neighborhood Association Doing This Quarter?

Our **Midtown Urban Living Tour** is almost here: Saturday, November 5th. Seven communities will participate in the tour. Returning is One Lexington, Regency on Central, Tapestry on Central, Phoenix Towers, Artisan Lofts on Central and Villa del Coronado. New this year is Chateau de Ville on East Palm Lane. We will have two trolleys circulating the tour route and bike racks at each venue.

Thanks to our Gold Level sponsor, Edison Midtown; our Silver Level sponsor, Muse LMC, a Lennar Company and our two Bronze Level sponsors: Cruz Associates and AAM, LLC. With these sponsorships we are able to promote the tour to a wider audience.

Now it is your turn to get involved. Each building needs volunteers to welcome visitors and the MNA needs volunteers at the check in booths. Contact your building rep to help there or use the **Contact MNA** on the website to volunteer to help in other areas. You can even give us a call: 602-758-3129.

If you would like to meet us and your neighbors, please come to our quarterly meetings. Our September meeting was well attended. We had great speakers on subjects of interest to Midtowners. The next meeting will be our annual meeting Wednesday, December 7th. The location will be announced but is generally a more festive event as well as elections for our Board. There are three positions available. New members bring fresh ideas to tackle the varied happenings in our neighborhood. Save the Date!



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Noche en Blanco

HANCE PARK

Saturday October 22nd 5:30-9:00pm

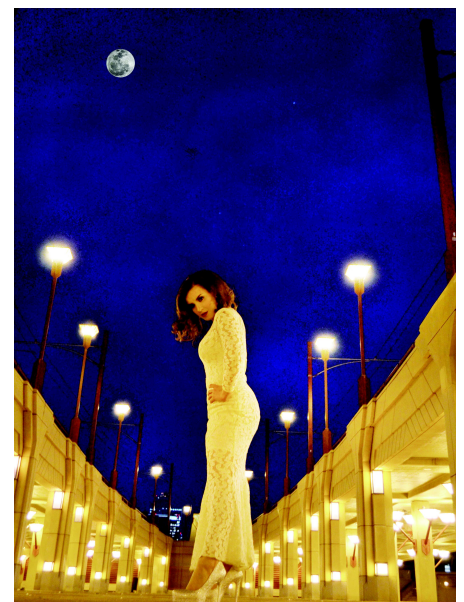
The Hance Park Conservancy is hosting the first annual "Noche en Blanco" at sunset on Hance Park. It will be similar to "Diner en Blanc," which got its start in Paris 30 years ago, but with a Phoenix twist.

This evening picnic will benefit the future Hance Park Skatepark. Guests arrive at 5:30pm dressed all in white, set up at their reserved table, and join everyone for a toast at 6:00pm. It will be a fun, elegant event with long rows of tables draped in white, strings of lights and stars overhead, featuring live music and a skateboarding demonstration.

Tickets for this all-ages event are \$10 per person, or \$75 a table (for up to 8 people). Guests purchase their tickets online and have the option to order from a selection of picnic dinners and nice bottles of wine, to be delivered to their table that night, or to bring their own picnic dinner.

We hope to see many neighbors, friends, and families from the community come out to join us for this memorable night.

For tickets and further details visit: www.hanceparkconservancy.org



Live - Work - Play on Indianola in Midtown

Macayo's Flagship Location is Crossing the Street

by Rhonda Verona, RSVP & Associates



On August 3, Sharisse Johnson, CEO of Macayo's Mexican Kitchen, announced that "Macayo's on Central will be moving into a building just across the street to the southeast corner of Central Avenue and Indianola Avenue." Macayo's will remain open at its current location through 2016 and plans to move across the street in 2017. "Rest assured," Sharisse adds, "no one will miss out on their favorite Macayo's dish!"

2016 marks Macayo's 70th anniversary as a local institution that proudly continues the same traditions that started as just a dream of two high school sweethearts, Woody and Victoria Johnson, to serve delicious Mexican food to people all across the state of Arizona. Johnson had a minimal culinary education when he first began, but was extremely proud of his food and passionate about serving his guests and team. That same foundation of pride and passion continues today through the Johnson children and the entire Macayo's family legacy.

"The project is underway at our flagship location, and it is truly in honor of Woody and his dream. The design is inspired by his original concept of our Central Macayo," shares Sharisse Johnson. "The goal is to create a space similar to the look and feel that Woody built in 1946 with a modern appeal." The outpouring of love from the community has been overwhelming and truly appreciated by Macayo's.

Macayo's has engaged Judith Testani & Riccardo Cattapan and their teams at Testani Design Troupe, Inc. & CMDA Design Bureau for this "adaptive reuse project. The Macayo's team is currently working with the City of Phoenix in hopes to preserve and move the iconic Macayo sign that residents have grown to love and recognize while driving down Central Avenue.

"The new Central Macayo's location will offer a fun, indoor-outdoor environment, including an outside patio, making an amazing contribution to the Central Avenue skyline, while still maintaining the same exciting Macayo's atmosphere guests have loved over the years," said Ashley Negron Director of Marketing and Brand Management.



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By Sharon Elisco



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Midtown Rising: Development Update

Alta Midtown

Location: 2943 N 2nd St (NW corner of Thomas and 3rd Street)

Alta Midtown, a 225 unit state-of-the-art apartment community, will offer easy walkable access to light rail, entertainment, dining, retail, arts, culture and festivals. Alta Midtown will offer residents highly refined and smartly appointed living space, combined with the cutting-edge amenities and functional and interactive common areas that facilitate a sense of place and community in Midtown Phoenix.

Status: Under construction – Leasing to begin Fall of 2016

Website: www.AltaMidtownPhoenix.com

Developer: Wood Partners – www.woodpartners.com



artHAUS

Location: 1717 N 1st Ave (just north of McDowell)

Sales Office: on site (W-F Noon-5pm, Sa-Su 11am-2pm or by appointment, site tour every Saturday 2-3pm)

A model transit-oriented urban infill residential development, artHAUS was created for those who desire to live, work, and play in the Midtown Phoenix arts and culture community. Dwellings consist of seven three-story townhomes, fifteen two-story lofts and three single-story flats ranging in size from 561-1,905 square feet.

Status: Under construction – Now selling – July 2016 delivery

Website: www.arthausphx.com Greg Kilroy 480-235-4312, Ellen Fankhanel 480-206-5127



Broadstone Arts District

Location: McDowell & Alvarado (2nd Street)

An urban infill redevelopment of 280 studio, one, and two bedroom residences located adjacent to major downtown employment and the light rail, within the Central Arts District of Downtown Phoenix. This unique residential property will offer residents the opportunity to live among some of central Phoenix's finest cultural amenities and destinations. Residents will enjoy a gourmet demonstration kitchen, mezzanine library, art gallery, resort style pool & spa, a two-story fitness center and yoga lawn.

Status: Under construction – First residences open for occupancy September 2016 with final completion in May 2017 For information please call Alliance Residential 602-778-2800



Edison Midtown

Location: 3131 N Central Ave

Sales Center: 46 E Monterey Way - (open seven days a week from 10am-5:30pm)

The seven-story property will consist of 110 residences—one and two bedroom units with balconies showcasing urban views—ranging from 808-1,374 square feet. Each unit offers residents premier stainless steel appliances, real wood and tile flooring, European-style cabinetry, and quartz countertops. From technology and security to convenience and leisure, the amenities at Edison Midtown make the community as smart as it is stylish.



Status: Under Construction – Now selling – Spring 2017 delivery

Midtown Rising: Development Update

The Muse

Location: Central and McDowell

Lennar Multifamily Communities is building 367 apartments with approximately 11,000 SF of retail/commercial, with the first apartment homes available for move-in March 2017 and final completion October 2017. Retail leases have been confirmed with Salon D'Shawn (*see ad*) and Press Coffee.

Status: Under Construction



At The Cutler-Plotkin Jewish Heritage Center: “Tikkun Olam: Repairing the World” by Beth Ames Swartz

Starting in October the Cutler-Plotkin Heritage Center of the Arizona Jewish Historical Society will host an exhibition of 30 paintings by local artist Beth Ames Swartz, and a related series of public programs. The exhibition, “Tikkun Olam: Repairing the World,” explores how art and artists can repair our world, in the realms of society, human relationships, and the environment.



The exhibition opens on Sunday, October 16, 2016 at 1 pm. Also scheduled is a series of programs related to exhibit. At the opening reception on October 30th, Beth Ames Swartz will discuss her work, followed by a screening of her biographical film.

On November 30th at 7 pm, Dr. Neal Lester of Arizona State University will present a lecture entitled, “Are We Losing Our Humanity? (And if so, how do we get it back?).” On December 8th at 7 pm, Arizona Jewish Heritage Society Executive Director, Dr. Lawrence Bell, will lead a book discussion of “The Jew in the Lotus” by Roger Kamenetz, which discusses the connections between Buddhist and Jewish wisdom systems. In January 2017, there will be symposium for younger artists on the subject of “Repairing the World.”

Admission to the art exhibit is \$5.00 (call for opening times). The public programs are free. The Cutler-Plotkin Heritage Center is located at 122 E. Culver, Phoenix AZ 85004. Email: lbell@azjhs.org – phone: 602-241-7870. Reservations are required for the public programs.

SAB / Southwest Architectural Builders, Inc. 3826 North Third Street & Indianola Avenue

SAB is a full-service general contractor specializing in high-end commercial tenant improvements. They have been building projects in Arizona since 1986 and are located in midtown Phoenix at 3826 North Third Street in the former City of Phoenix Fire Station #9, which was completed in 1949. The firm still maintains the large role-up fire station door on the interior, which serves as a much talked about ceiling feature. The vision was to blend the history of the old Fire Station with a more modern, urban feel so much of the original brick was left exposed. The graffiti-inspired sign for the company, seen as you enter the building from Indianola, was done merely with spray paint on the original brick.



Several photographs of different incarnations of the fire station through the years are hung in the hallway, memorializing the original heritage of the building. As a single story fire station, there never was a real fire pole. As the most frequent question is about the station’s fire pole, a local artist has created an image with a fireman sliding down the pole that stands in the hallway as a reminder of the men who originally worked here. The garage, although currently used for storage, utilizes one of the old firehouse roll-up doors, also. Every once in awhile, a retired fire-fighter will stop in to share a story about when they worked here. They love to look at the photos and relive a part of their history with the Phoenix Fire Department.



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Arts & Culture

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Arizona Humanities Council

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602-256-6995 www.arizonatheatre.org
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11/17-12/4 An Act of God
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Hance Park - north of Roosevelt btwn 3rd St & 3rd Ave

www.hanceparkconsrvancy.org

Heard Museum - 2301 N Central Ave

602-252-8840 www.heard.org
Native + You on First Fridays - free
10/22 Moondance
11/12-13 Mercado de Las Artes

Irish Cultural Center - 1106 N Central Ave

602-258-0109 www.azirish.org
Classes, dances, special events
First Fridays in the Great Hall
10/13 Anam Cara Gala

Japanese Friendship Garden 1125 N 3rd Ave

602-256-3204 www.japanesefriendshipgarden.org
First Fridays 4:00 - 6:00 pm (Oct. 4 - 4:30 - 6:30) free
10/14-15 Moonviewing Festival (very popular)
Classes being offered this Fall. Check them out.

Mill Ave Chamber Players

www.millavechamberplayers.com
at Central Methodist Church
10/2 Mozart's Vienna 3:00
11/6 with Helios for Modern Renaissance 3:00 pm

Phoenix Art Museum - Central and MacDowell

602-257-1222 www.phxart.org
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Phoenix Center for the Arts - 1202 N 3rd St.

602-254-3100 www.phoenixcenterforthearts.org
Many forms of classes for children and adults
12/9-11 Fifth Annual Festival of the Arts

Phoenix Chorale

602-253-2224 www.phoenixchorale.org
11/12 Duke Ellington's Sacred Concert - Trinity Cathedral
12/16-20 A Chorale Christmas at various churches

Phoenix Symphony

602-495-1999 www.phoenixsymphony.org
Season is full of great performances. Check it out.

Phoenix Theatre - 100 E McDowell

602-254-2151 www.phoenixtheatre.com
until 10/9 Liberace
11/16-12/24 Billy Elliot

Phoenix Trolley Museum - 25 W Culver St.

Hance Park
www.phoenixtrolley.com

Rosie's House

602-252-8475 www.rosieshouse.org
Music classes for kids and events

The Nash - 110 E Roosevelt

602-795-0464 www.thenash.org
Jazz Jam Sessions on Sundays at 6:00, other jazz events

Valley Youth Theatre - 525 N 1st St

602-253-8188 www.vyt.com
10/7-23 Charlotte's Web, The Musical
12/2-23 Winnie-the-Pooh Christmas Tail

MNA Events

602-758-3129 www.midtownmuseumdistrict.org
Board Meetings - first Wednesdays 6pm at Guacamole's

11/5 4th Annual Urban Living Tour - info/tickets:
www.mitwonurbanlivingtour.com

12/7 Annual Meeting - 6 pm

COMMUNITYCALENDAR

Home Tours & Events in the Area

Arizona State Fair at 19th Avenue & McDowell
10/7-10/30 Wednesday - Sunday www.azstatefair.com

First Fridays and Third Fridays every month
www.artlinkphoenix.com

Natural Medicine & Detox - 301 W. Roosevelt
1st Fridays Health talk, free organic juice tasting & live music
www.naturalmedicineanddetox.com

10/8 Cruise on Central Car Show - Park Central 1:00-8:00
www.cruisinarizona.com

10/15-16 Rainbow Festival & Street Fair
Heritage Square www.phoenixpride.org

11/5 4th Annual Midtown Urban Living Tour 11:00-5:00
information and tickets at
www.midtownurbanlivingtour.com

11/12 Grand Avenue Festival 11:00am - late

11/6 41th Annual 3TV Phoenix 10K & Half Marathon
www.phx10k.com start/end at City Scape Plaza

11/5 Certified Local Fall Festival 10:00-4:00
Hance Park - Roosevelt/McDowell Stations
www.localfirstaz.com

11/19 Roosevelt Row Pie Social 2:00-5:00

F.Q.Story Home Tour & Street Fair
12/3 6:00-9:00 12/4 11:00-5:00 www.fqstory.org

12/8 & 12/15 Phoestivus-Phoenix Public Market
5:00-10:00pm

12/9-11 Phoenix Festival of the Arts - Hance Park
www.phoenixfestivalofthearts.org

Cycling

Info about cycling in Phoenix
www.phoenix.gov/bicycling

AZ Bicycle Club www.azbikeclub.com

Phoenix Spokes People www.phoenixspokespeople.com
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The Velo & Bicycle Nomad Café
828 N 2nd St www.thevelo.com 602-759-8169
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Every Sunday morning ride up South Mountain for elites

Nightlife/Happy Hours

Alexi's Grill - Happy Hour M-F 3-7pm - 3550 N Central Ave
602-279-0982 www.alexisgrillphx.com

Clarendon Hotel Skydeck
401 W Clarendon Ave
602-252-7363 www.theclarendon.net/roof

Corduroy - Happy Hour Tues - Sun 4-6:30
2601 N Central Ave 602-374-7585
www.corduroyaz.com

Kobalt - Daily events - Park Central
602-264-5307 www.kobaltbarphoenix.com

Liberty Kitchen - 4-7 pm - Wyndham Garden
3200 N. 2nd Ave. 602-604-4900
www.wyndhamgarden.com

Macayo's - Happy Hour M-F 4-7 pm
4001 N Central Ave
602-264-6141 www.macayo.com

Ocotillo Happy Hour M-S 4-5:30pm - 3243 N 3rd St
602-687-9080 www.ocotillophx.com

Oven & Vine - Happy Hour M-F 11-6
14 W Vernon Ave
602-687-7632 www.ovenandvine.com

Pizza People Pub - Happy Hour Daily 3-6:30
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The Order sponsored the construction of Fellowship Towers with the assistance of a loan from FHA. Ground was broken on October 3, 1970 on this 17 story, 182 apartment home community, which is home to over 200 residents. The seventeenth floor offers 360 degree views of the valley and downtown. On the seventh floor is a large screen TV, fireplace and computers connected to the internet for tenants' convenience. This facility does not provide assisted living but is intended for those seeking independent living at an affordable price in a great environment.

The Independent Order of Odd-Fellows & Rebekahs were originally founded in 18th century England and first appeared in North America in 1819. The Odd-Fellows & Rebekahs represent a worldwide fraternity which strives to make the world a better place.

Fellowship Towers is the classic example of the Odd Fellows and Rebekahs of Arizona. The efforts of these dedicated men and women created, and continue to provide dignified, controlled access quality housing for retired people of moderate means. www.fellowshiptowers.org

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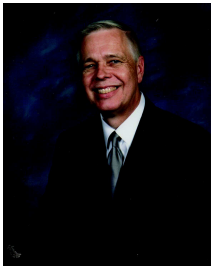
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Midtown History Moments—Indianola Ave and Indianola Place

By Derek D. Horn



There are cities named Indianola in Iowa, Illinois, Mississippi, and Texas, but none in Arizona. There is an Indianola Avenue in Midtown, but with no obvious Arizona ties; how, then, did it get its name? The answer lies in the early development of the central city.

Thomas M. (T. M.) Earnhart, a businessman from Kirkland near Prescott, engaged in land development in Phoenix after the turn of the century.

In July, 1908, Dwight B. Heard lent Earnhart \$4,000 for a parcel of land at the southeast corner of Indian School Road and Central Avenue. Bordered on the south by Clarendon and the east by 3rd Street, it occupied a prime location. The Phoenix Indian School provided commercial and mercantile opportunities. The Indian School street car line on 3rd could link residents to downtown Phoenix.



In December, 1908, T. M. recorded the T.M. Earnhart's Subdivision on the parcel.

Earnhart's had 11 large lots along Central and 3rd Street. In July, 1909, working with Southwestern Realty, T. M. further subdivided the south half of the subdivision and created 50 smaller lots for residential development. This many new lots required additional access so the new plat also created another street north of Clarendon between 3rd and Central.

To draw attention to the new subdivision, Southwestern held a contest with a prize of \$25 for the best name. Many ideas were submitted. On June 1, 2009, Southwestern announced the winning name, Indianola Place. The new street between Central and 3rd then became Indianola Avenue. Nine individuals split the \$25 prize money.

But why Indianola? Did all nine winners have ties to the cities with the same name back east? That is unknown, but the publications at the time mentioned that the name probably derived from the subdivision's proximity to the Phoenix Indian School.

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Fall & Winter Check-list for Your Car

By Roger Cahill



As we transition from the summer to the fall and winter season, it's time for family and friends to get together and share the Holiday Season. For those of you who are considering driving to events, the fall and winter season can present some of the worst driving conditions imaginable.

I've created a vehicle check list to help ensure your travels are fun hassle free and above all safe.

- 1- Wiper blades and washer fluid
- 2- Tires, check tire pressure, age and tread and side wall condition
- 3- Battery, replace it as needed, have cables and connections checked for clean tight connections
- 4- Belts and hoses replace as needed
- 5- All lighting equipment: visibility is greatly reduced during winter's harsh weather season
- 6- Heater/defroster operation
- 7- Engine cooling system: make sure system is adequate enough for sub-zero temperatures
- 8- Brakes: replace them as needed. Winter weather conditions require longer distances to stop.
- 9- Flash light, cell phone charger, flares, jumper-cables in the car!
- 10-Slow down. Plan your route. Be aware of Elk and Deer crossings; they are active at sunrise and sunset.

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Travel Tips: The Best Way Through Security Lines

By Gary Coleman



You are ready for vacation or that infrequent business trip. You don't think about security lines until you get to the airport. You have 45 minutes until your flight leaves and the security line seems a mile long. Should you join a "Trusted Traveler" program? Do you really need it? Which one is for you?

Yes, you really need it. If you travel only one time each year you should join one. Which one do you need? There is TSA PreCheck, Global Entry, Nexus and Senti. TSA preCheck is the most common and costs \$85.00. If you only travel infrequently within the United States, this one is for you. Global Entry costs \$100.00, requires a valid US Passport, and includes TSA PreCheck. If you travel internationally at all, this one is for you. Nexus, primarily for frequent travel between Canada and the US, costs \$50.00, and Senti, primarily for frequent travel between the US and southern border entry points, also includes Global Entry, Nexus and TSA PreCheck for \$122.25, all are good for 5 years.

The application process is easy. Complete your application online, schedule an in-person interview (fingerprint processing) at a convenient Enrollment Center and within 30 days, you will have your Trusted Traveler Number. Use this number with any airline program you belong to or enter it when making a reservation for travel.

Benefits of having a Trusted Traveler Number are the ability to bypass removal of belts, shoes, jackets, the removal of 3-1-1 compliant bags and laptops from carry-ons, and of course, the time saved by avoiding the long lines where everyone has to do all of those things listed. A wait of more than 5 minutes to clear security through a TSA PreCheck line is rare. Reentry after international travel is also expedited with the Global Entry Program.

The best sites for more information:
www.travelandleisure.com/article/how-to-get-global-entry-tsa-precheck
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Renovated Apartments Can Be a Great Opportunity

By Tom Simplot, President and CEO, Arizona Multihousing Association and licensed attorney



The place looks brand new, and it's in the right neighborhood for your lifestyle. You've probably passed this place a million times, and now it's undergone a major renovation and it's ready for residents.

Thousands of apartments across Arizona have been renovated to meet the growing demand for rental homes, especially those in downtown, midtown and business areas. Renters looking for something new and in an infill location are discovering that major development companies have poured millions of dollars into creating new communities from aging apartments. Some builders advanced the communities with major floorplan renovations, updated outdoor spaces and modernizing the kitchens and bath areas.

When you are visiting these communities, it's worth taking a closer look at the renovations to be sure they meet your needs. Do you need a washer and dryer in your home; and if this was updated, are they the right size? Is the upgraded bathroom what you are looking for in a home? Many developers will update the kitchens too. Check out the appliances and ensure that they have added what you will need.

Shared spaces and outdoor amenities are often upgraded in these renovation projects. When considering where you will live and what you want to pay for, think about how much you plan to use these amenities with your friends or family. Many times these additions, like a gym or a pool, can save you fees that you planned for other memberships.

A booming apartment market in Arizona is creating unique communities in some of the most desirable neighborhoods around. It's worth checking out these updated places.

About the Arizona Multihousing Association

The Arizona Multihousing Association is the statewide trade association for the apartment industry, representing more than 2,000 members in legislative, legal and regulatory matters. They provide services, products, educational programs and networking opportunities to promote ethical, quality rental housing throughout Arizona.



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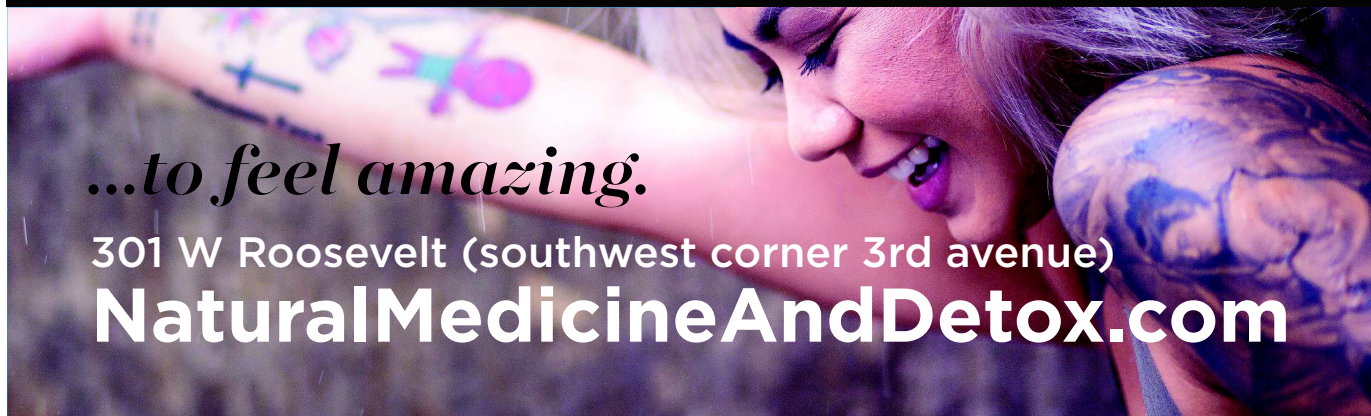
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