

ABEVA BRIEF

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ABEVA Mission Statement

ABEVA pledges aggressive leadership to nourish and enhance our Biltmore Lifestyle by preserving and protecting the ambience and environment, and by maintaining standards which benefit all members of ABEVA.

Highlights of the March 19, 2012 Board of Directors Meeting

- Treasurer Steve Goldston reported that our financials continue to be sound. We will do a reserve study in the summer. The board will discuss the results of the study prior to preparing next year's budget.
- Our landscapers have told us that the vines on the wall at the Lincoln Drive and Arizona Biltmore Circle entrance are not growing. The Landscape Committee recommended that we stop planting vines on the wall. The committee will meet to discuss an overall landscaping strategy at this entrance to present to the board at a future meeting.
- Jay Swart discussed safety issues. Jay and Roberta met with representatives of Hillside Villas, the HOA north of Lincoln Drive. We are all facing similar security issues. Hillside Villas was granted permission to reprint our laminated Emergency Guide cards for their residents.
- Jay also suggested we sponsor meetings with the Phoenix Police Department in order to educate homeowners on safety issues. Board members agreed that this was an excellent idea.
- The board noted that the zoning variance request hearing scheduled regarding a change requested by the developer for 40 Biltmore Estates Drive was not held as the request was rescinded.
- The board voted to ask the Legal Committee and any other interested board members to meet to determine if we want to engage Scott Carpenter to review possible changes to several Articles in our bylaws. The committee will present a recommendation at the next ABEVA board meeting.
- Several homeowners, including board members Jay Swart and Mark Monserez, complained to the resort that two recent events at the resort exceeded the noise level allowed in the PUD (planned unit development). The board will send a letter of complaint to the resort's liaison, requesting that the resort honor the stipulations of the PUD at all times.
- A homeowner at Two Biltmore Estates asked that residents there be given full membership privileges to allow voting. Currently, the residents of Two Biltmore Estates are not members of ABEVA. However, they are required to pay annual assessments equal to the ABEVA assessment for the use of the road. The board voted to ask the homeowner to do the necessary legal work to determine the feasibility. ■

SECURITY

THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR SECURITY BEGINS WITH EACH RESIDENT. MOST CRIMES ARE CRIMES OF OPPORTUNITY.

IF YOU HAVE A SECURITY SYSTEM AND DO NOT TURN IT ON, THEN YOU DO NOT HAVE A SECURITY SYSTEM.



Should you see anything suspicious, call Roving Patrol at 602-369-4776 or Phoenix Crime Stop at 602-262-6151. For your safety, please program both of these numbers in your home and cell phones. ■

Online Police Reporting System

I am pleased to inform you that the Phoenix Police Department has streamlined an online police reporting system where you can file a police report online in minutes. Please visit www.phoenix.gov and click on E-Services. This will take you to the online police report page. In the initial steps, you will receive a tracking number (example T12000243). After you report the incident, an officer reviews the report. If more information is needed, the officer will contact you. When your police report has been approved, you will receive email confirmation and a police report number via email.

The types of reports accepted online are:

- Burglary from a vending machine
- Burglary from a vehicle
- Criminal damage
- Fraudulent use of a credit/debit card
- Lost property
- Identity theft
- Theft
- Theft from person
- Theft from a vehicle
- Theft of a bicycle
- Supplement property list (electronic online mail-in supplement)

The online reports must meet the following criteria:

- Crime occurred in the city of Phoenix
- Citizen has an email address
- The incident is not in progress.
- The incident is not a bias crime.
- The suspect is unknown, or cannot be identified.
- The incident does not involve the use or threat of a weapon or injury.
- The value is not over \$10,000.

What you cannot report online:





- No stolen or lost firearms
- No stolen vehicle or license plates
- No residential or commercial burglaries

Below is a link to YouTube where the Police Department has a tutorial video on how to file an online report.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ST04z2tYqAU>

If you do not require an officer or you are reporting one of the qualifying crimes, please utilize the new online reporting system. ■

Departure of the Snowbirds

Spring is here, and we are planning for the departure of the snowbirds, which will soon be leaving the desert for cooler climates. If you are a snowbird, please be sure to leave your summer contact information with both your association board and the ABEVA office.

You are also encouraged to leave a key with someone in the area in case your home needs to be entered during an emergency. Severe damage, such as a broken water pipe or broken water heater can occur when you are out of town, and no one has access to your property. ■

Coffee with a Cop



Would you like to feel more comfortable working with the local police? Would you like more information about crime stop or any of the other police activities? The meeting takes place at a different location each month.

You have that opportunity between 8:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m. on the first Wednesday of each month. The April 4th meeting will be held at Carmel's Coffee Shop located at 4225 E. Camelback Road. Everyone is welcome. ■

From ABEVA's Landscaper

5 Landscape Tips for April

1. April is a good month to adjust your irrigation system for warmer weather.
2. Monitor your turf condition, and if it starts to dry out, increase watering frequency.
3. Watch out for runoff! If water runs off of your landscape, it means the soil has reached its saturation point and cannot absorb any more water.
4. To kill weeds in your granite or flowerbeds, spray them with a post-emergent herbicide. (Do not spray in grass.)
5. Now that the threat of frost is over, it's safe to prune plants that received frost damage during the winter.

If you have questions about your landscape or would like to find more tips throughout the month, you can visit www.Facebook.com/ValleyCrestArizona. ■

ABEVA Board of Directors Meeting

The next meeting of the Board of Directors is scheduled for April 16 at 5:30 p.m. in the ABEVA office. ■

MEETINGS & LUNCHEONS

Camelback East Village Planning Committee

A developer presents the City Planning Department with plans. The plans are then given to the Camelback East Village Planning Committee for review and recommendations before they are passed on to the Planning Commission and then to the City Council. The next meet-

ing is scheduled for Tuesday, April 3rd at 6:00 p.m. at the Devonshire Senior Center, located at 2802 E. Devonshire Avenue (one block north of Indian School Road). Meetings are open to the general public. For additional information or to confirm the meeting has not been cancelled or changed, please call Jacob Zonn, Camelback East Village Planner at 602-534-5829 or visit the website at www.phoenix.gov/PUBMEETC/indxhtml.html. ■

Biltmore Ladies Lunch Club (BLLC)

For women who live or work in the Biltmore area, the BLLC (Biltmore Ladies' Lunch Club) meets for lunch at Frank and Albert's each month at 11:45 a.m. The next lunch is Thursday, April 5th. There is no need to RSVP. Just show up and join the fun.

The ladies will be ordering off of the menu, with separate checks. In exchange for the privileges of being able to order off of the menu, have separate checks and use the ABEVA discount cards, the meals may be delayed for up to one hour. The delay may be the result of the size of the group and/or busyness of the restaurant on that particular day. So please be patient if that happens! ■

Biltmore Area Partnership



This organization was founded in 1994 to help unify and maintain the unique identity of the Biltmore Area in Phoenix, Arizona through business and community affiliation.

The physical boundaries include the Squaw Peak Preserve to the north, Campbell Road to the south, 16th Street to the west and 44th Street to the east. The ABEVA Executive Director serves as one of the partnership's officers.

The April Biltmore Area Partnership networking luncheon will be on Tuesday, April 24th at Seasons 52 in Biltmore Fashion Park. The guest speaker will be Sherry Henry, the Director of the Arizona Office of Tourism. Prior to joining AOT, she had a long history of service in the tourism industry. Sherry was the General Manager of the Fiesta Inn for more than 20 years and Vice President of Interwestern Management, which developed and managed hotels in Arizona and Ohio. She began her Fiesta Bowl volunteerism of 30 years with the Parade Committee. Henry was the first woman to be elected to the board of directors and its first woman president as well as the first woman to be president of a major bowl. Sherry sits on the boards of many national travel and tourism-related organizations including: U.S. Travel Association, Western States Tourism Policy Council and National Council of State Tourism Directors. Sherry will have a PowerPoint presentation on "An Update on Tourism for Arizona 2012."

Networking will be from 11:30 a.m. to 12 noon, when lunch will be served. The cost is \$30. For additional information, please call Ed Rossi at 602-957-6483. Guest reservations and checks must be sent prior to the luncheon. Send checks to the Biltmore Area Partnership, 3104 East Camelback Road, #174, Phoenix, AZ 85016.

Don't forget to log onto the ABEVA website at www.abeva.com. Click on BAP Newsletter (it's on the left) to look at the Biltmore Area Partnership's monthly newsletter that contains many special offers. ■





NEWS FROM ABEVA NEIGHBORS

Embassy Suites

The Embassy Suites is offering an Easter Special for your out-of-town guests. From Thursday, April 5 through Monday, April 9, ABEVA members may take advantage of a special rate of \$129 plus tax of 13.27 %. The rate includes all-suite accommodations, full cooked-to-order breakfast, manager reception, complimentary parking and the best location in town. The Embassy Suites Phoenix-Biltmore is located at 2630 East Camelback Road, Phoenix, AZ 85016.

Please call them for reservations at 602-778-9484 or email Anna Kryzniec at anna.krzyniec@hilton.com. ■

Adobe

The Biltmore Golf Club is now serving 100% fresh squeezed orange juice. Try a glass today. Book your Easter brunch at the Adobe now at 602-468-9160. Space is limited. Happy hour is offered daily at the Adobe Restaurant from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Enjoy \$3 drafts and \$5 glasses of wine. Adobe General Manager and Sommelier, Jim, always offers retail pricing on wine and ordering advice is free.

Come sit on the patio with your puppies. The Adobe is dog friendly and views are complimentary. Join them for doggie yoga and Yappy Hour at 5:00 p.m. on April 17th. Now proudly serving Hungry Hill Sandwiches! You've had them at the ballpark; now try them at the Biltmore.

Stop by for Wine Down Wednesday on April 11th. Play 9 holes of golf followed by a wine and food tasting event in the Adobe. A Rewards tournament will be held on April 22nd: An 8:00 a.m. shotgun starts the tournament that features prizes plus a shirt and buffet special. Call the Golf Shop at 602-955-9655 to register for both events.

Interested in becoming a member at the Arizona Biltmore Golf Club? Contact Erik Kotheimer at 602-955-9655 for membership details and offers. ■

Book Signing

An ABEVA homeowner has asked us to let you know about another ABEVA homeowner, Patty Kogutek. Kogutek is the author of *A Change of Habit*, the story of her personal journey from Sister Mary Kateri to Sister Mary Vodka. She will be holding a book signing at the Adobe Restaurant patio on Monday, April 2nd from 9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. To read more about the book, go to www.prweb.com/releases/2012/1/prweb9128773.htm. ■

Biltmore Fashion Park

Diane's Beachwear is coming soon. The southern California-based company offers on-trend swimsuits, cover-ups, accessories and sportswear for women.

Pottery Barn will undergo a remodel and will reopen in the same location this July.

Biltmore Fashion Park's Movies in the Park will be presented for 9 weeks this spring. The movie series showcases classic American films shown under the stars on Center Lawn at 7:30 p.m. The event is free and open to the public. Movies are shown in their original, unedited formats. Participating restaurants provide dining deals to moviegoers every Friday night. The schedule is as follows:

April 6th - *Clueless*, April 13th - *The Sound of Music*, April 20th - *The Notebook*, April 27th - *Indiana Jones and the Temple of Doom*. ■

Ritz-Carlton

Special discount rate for ABEVA! A Deluxe room is available for the discounted rate of \$239 through April. The rate will include the \$27 daily valet parking fee. For reservations, you may call either central reservations at 800-542-8680 (available 24/7) or Randy Ichiuji at the hotel at 602-468-0110. ABEVA guests will have the option of upgrading to Club Level Access on the 11th floor (if available) for only \$30. This level of service comes with a personal concierge staff, exclusive access to the Ritz-Carlton Lounge along with its five daily food presentations and an elevator key for Club Lounge access. ■



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Website Information

Sign on to visit the website by going to www.abeva.com. If you do not yet have a login name and password, from the menu on the left choose e-forms, then choose login request, fill out the required information and click submit. We will send your pre-assigned login name and password back by email. You may read board minutes and the *ABEVA Brief* online. ■

Arizona Biltmore Resort

Did you know the Arizona Biltmore Resort offers ABEVA members a rewards card? With this card you are entitled to a 15% discount on restaurant meals, gift shop purchases, spa services and guestroom prices. To obtain an application, you may call our office A WALDORF ASTORIA RESORT and we can email or mail you one. Then fill it out and fax it to the resort. Resort personnel will mail your card within 7 days of application.



Easter Champagne Brunch

The warm and gracious Frank Lloyd Wright Ballroom will be the setting for the most extravagant Easter Champagne Brunch, served from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. (The last seating time is 3:00 p.m.)

Stations include Breakfast, Omelet & Frittata, Antipasti, Salad, Entrée, Seafood, From the Bakery, Carving and Dessert, plus the "Kid's Korral" offering the gamut of favorite children's foods. Prepared by Executive Chef Todd Sicolo, the brunch costs \$75 plus tax and gratuity for adults and \$36 plus tax and gratuity for children under the age of 12. There is no charge for infants. Each guest will

receive an Easter cookie as a take-home present. Reservations are required.

Annual Easter Egg Hunt

The Easter Bunny will be on Squaw Peak Lawn to welcome your children to the resort's annual Easter Egg Hunt, beginning at 9:30 a.m. It will be conducted in three age groups: 3-5 years old, 6-8 years old and 9-12 years old. Baskets will be provided. In addition to Easter eggs, there will be one golden egg for each age group, and the child who finds it will receive a large basket full of candy.

The hunt is open only to the children of guests who are either staying or dining at the resort on Easter. Easter Dining is also available in Wright's Restaurant and Frank & Albert's. All Easter holiday info is available online at <http://www.arizonabiltmore.com/Holidays/Easter.aspx>. For reservations, please call 602-381-7632. ■

Wrigley Mansion

Enjoy Easter Brunch at the Wrigley Mansion on Sunday, April 8th. Choose from three seatings - 10:00 a.m., 12:30 p.m. or 3:00 p.m. The brunch is priced at \$75 per adult and \$37.50 for children ages 6-12. Kids ages 5 and under may eat for free. Valet parking is available at top of hill for \$6. Please call 602-955-4079 for reservations. ■

ABEVA MEMBER DISCOUNTS FOR APRIL 2012

The following businesses and ABEVA partners have graciously offered to provide discounts to ABEVA members. **THERE IS NO ABEVA-ISSUED CARD. TO SHOW YOU ARE A MEMBER OF ABEVA, BRING THIS SECTION OF THE BRIEF WITH YOU.** If you forget, you can try showing your resort or Wrigley Mansion card. To view menus, log onto the ABEVA website at www.abeva.com and click onto Hot Links.

Restaurants

- **L'Amore Restaurant** - 32nd Street & Lincoln Drive - 10% - (bring your business card and enter a drawing to win a free dinner) - 602-381-3159. 
- **City Market Deli** - In the Esplanade - 2425 E. Camelback Road, #103 - Just mention this ad when you purchase any specialty sandwich/wrap combo or gourmet salad and receive a free homemade cookie of your choice or free drink upgrade! Open for breakfast and lunch Monday through Friday 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. - Phone: 602-242-2300, Fax: 602-242-2301. 
- **Baby Kay's** - 2119 E. Camelback - Town & Country Shopping Center - 10% - 602-955-0011. 
- **Omaha Steak House** - 2630 E. Camelback - Embassy Suites - 10% off food only - not valid holidays - 602-553-8970. 

Partners & Businesses

- ***NEW* Window Cleaning ABEVA Special \$99** - Recommended by a Biltmore homeowner - A professional cleaning company serving the community since 2008 that is fully insured - references available.

Special includes interior and exterior windows and tracks, up to 2500-square-foot home. We also have other cleaning services available. Please call Catherine Stewart at 602-421-2568.

- **Inspired Bodies Massage** - Therapeutic Massage & Reflexology - Hot Winter Special for ABEVA Members only - Relax and renew yourself with in-home one-hour massages for \$60. Contact Natalie Lawson LMT at 602-451-5436 or visit www.inspiredbodiesmassage.com. 
- **Danny's Family Auto Wash** - The 25th year celebration is being continued for 2012. Sign up for the discounted wash program and save \$6 on each wash.
 1. Visit the website at www.Dannys25th.com.
 2. Complete the Registration (click on Registration in the upper right corner) in full, then  input the ABEVA group number of 151062. (You must register each vehicle separately).
 3. Begin visiting Danny's 7 days after registration. You do not need to show anything as your group discount is linked to your license plate. Your discount will automatically be given at the checkout once your license plate is entered.
- **UPS Store** - 3219 E. Camelback Road (next to Tomaso's) - 10% - 602-952-8830. 