

# 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.*

## FROM THE ABEVA OFFICE Highlights from the August Board of Directors Meeting

The August 20th, 2012 meeting of the ABEVA Board was relatively brief.

- Executive Director Roberta Peterson reported that financials are on budget. ABEVA has commissioned a Reserve Study that will be ready September 5th.
- Jay Swart reported that Steve Anderson, lawyer for the retail center at 32nd St. and Lincoln, called him to ask how to proceed to get ABEVA approval for a proposed change to that property. The owners are now thinking of transforming the old Loehmann's building into office space and would like ABEVA's approval for the requisite zoning change. Mr. Anderson will bring this issue before the Board at a future meeting.
- From his work as chair of CEVPC, Jay reported on the controversy regarding the David Wright home in Arcadia. The home has been sold, and the new owners want to demolish it. But many neighbors feel it has historical importance and want to keep it standing.
- Jay reported that three new apartment buildings are going up off of 16th Street.
- Jay reported a Mr. Kramney wanted a modification of a monopole on 56th Street and Thomas. CEVPC did not pass this request.
- Roberta Peterson received an email from Bill Mee about a section of sidewalk in front of 29 BED that has been replaced without the pink color. He suggested ABEVA should at least stain if not replace the section. The board agreed this is not ABEVA's responsibility.
- The next ABEVA Board of Directors meeting will be held on Monday, September 10th at 5:30 p.m. at the ABEVA office. Homeowners who want to attend may realize that this is a departure from our usual schedule of the third Monday of the month. This change was made to facilitate the budgeting process. ■

## Working to Protect Your Money

One of the most important responsibilities of the board is to manage the association's funds—your money. We take this responsibility seriously; these are the procedures we insist on to protect your money:

- Association financial records are reviewed annually by a certified public accountant.
- Bank statements are reconciled promptly each month.
- The balance sheet and profit and loss statement are reviewed each month, and expenses are compared to

the budget each month.

- Association reserve accounts are analyzed annually to ensure they are adequate for future needs. An updated Reserve Study is in the process of being performed.
- The association has an investment policy that safeguards the principle of invested funds, a signature policy that safeguards operating funds, and a collections policy that safeguards cash flow.
- All association volunteers and personnel who have access to association funds are bonded.
- Checks and balances are in place to ensure the safety of association funds—such as requiring two signatures on all checks. ■

## 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.

Our security guard, Marty Skinner, was honored on August 10th. He had seen a man and his dog get hit by a car, and the car drove away without stopping. Marty called 911, he followed the car, and the man was arrested. We at ABEVA are very proud of our security guards. ■

## 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? They are changing it up a bit, with a meeting at a different location each month. The first Wednesday of each month at various roving areas, you have that opportunity between 8:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m. or 9:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. The September Coffee with a Cop will be from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. on September 15th at Zoes Kitchen, 521 W. McDowell Rd. ■



## Biltmore Ladies Lunch Club

The first meeting of the season will be Thursday,





September 20th at Frank and Albert's at 11:45 a.m. Marge Monaghan will be the Coordinating Hostess. BYOM (Bring Your Own Money), order off the menu, and come and enjoy lunch with ladies who live or work in the Biltmore area. On Friday, October 5th and Friday, November 2nd Sherry Hauser will be the Coordinating Hostess. In December the BLLC will NOT be meeting due to holiday activities.

If you have any questions, you may contact La Rita Mason at 602-667-0002 or [Irmason@arn.net](mailto:Irmason@arn.net). ■

### **From ABEVA's Landscaper 5 landscape tips for September**

If you'll be planting annual flowers this winter, September is the perfect time to begin preparing! Follow these five tips to prepare your flower beds:

1. Plan ahead for new color; don't wait until it's time to plant!
2. Remove spring and summer annuals from flower beds.
3. Turn off irrigation to allow beds to rest and dry out.
4. Apply fungicide to help prevent disease and post-emergent herbicide to get rid of weeds (you may need to apply herbicide more than once).
5. Cultivate and amend your soil in preparation for new flowers in late October.

If you have questions about your landscape or would like to find more tips throughout the month, you can visit their Facebook page at [www.Facebook.com/ValleyCrestArizona](http://www.Facebook.com/ValleyCrestArizona). ■

### **ABEVA Board of Directors Meeting**

As mentioned on the previous page, the next meeting of the Board of Directors is scheduled for one week earlier than normal on September 10th, 2012 at 5:30 p.m. in the ABEVA office. The change is to allow for budget review and approval, as the annual invoices must be mailed out by September 28th. ■

## **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 meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 4th at 6:00 p.m. at the Devonshire Senior Center, located at 2802 E. Devonshire (one block north of Indian School Road.) The 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](http://www.phoenix.gov/PUBMEETC/indxhtml.html). ■

### **Biltmore Networking Group**

The Biltmore Networking Group monthly happy hour provides an excellent opportunity to meet and network with others in the Biltmore community. There is usually a group of about 60-80 professionals, including finance, fine arts, government, hospitality, law, marketing, medicine, real estate, technology and many more. The upcoming happy hours

are planned for September 6th, October 4th, and November 1st from 5:30-7:30 p.m. at the Omaha Steakhouse Garden Lounge inside the Embassy Suites Phoenix Biltmore, located at 2630 East Camelback Road in Phoenix. There is no need to RSVP, and there is never a charge to attend these events. If you have any questions or would like to be added to the email list for monthly announcements, please contact Shahpar Shahpar at Tiffany & Bosco, P.A. at [ss@tblaw.com](mailto:ss@tblaw.com) or 602-255-6020. ■

### **Biltmore Area Partnership Luncheon**



The Biltmore Area Partnership was founded in 1994 to help unify and maintain the unique identity of the Biltmore Area through business and community affiliation. The physical boundaries include the area between the Squaw Peak Preserve and Campbell Road and 16th Street and 44th Street in Phoenix. The ABEVA Executive Director serves as one of the Partnerships Officers.

The Biltmore Area Partnership networking luncheon will be held on Tuesday, September 25th at Ruth's Chris Steak House. The guest speaker will be John Chan, Director of the City of Phoenix Community and Economic Development Department.

Mr. Chan joined the City of Phoenix in 1992 and has led a number of city initiatives including community development programs, economic development, downtown redevelopment and tourism promotion. He will discuss attracting, retaining and growing businesses in order to enhance the economic vitality and quality of life for the city of Phoenix.

Ruth's Chris Steak House is located at 2201 East Camelback Road in Phoenix, and reservations will be required by Friday, September 21st. Networking takes place from 11:30 a.m. to 12 noon, when lunch will be served. The speakers will address the attendees from 12:30 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. The cost is \$30 for members and non-members. For additional information, please call Ed Rossi at (602) 957-6483. 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](http://www.abeva.com), on left click on BAP Newsletter to look at the Biltmore Area Partnerships monthly newsletter, which has many additional special offers. ■

## **NEWS FROM ABEVA NEIGHBORS**

### **AZ Biltmore Resort**

David Kirken has been appointed General Manager for the Arizona Biltmore Resort. He comes to the position with intimate knowledge and insight into the resort's day-to-day operations, previously having served for three years as Resort Manager at La Quinta Resort & Club® and



PGA WEST®, a Waldorf Astoria resort property located in La Quinta, California.

"David Kirken is uniquely qualified to take the reins of the Arizona Biltmore," stated Ben Fusco, Hilton Worldwide Area Vice President of Operations Southwest U.S. "His intimate knowledge of luxury properties and his dedication to the staff and guests will ensure the Biltmore continues its reputation as one of the world's premiere destination resorts."

Kirken began his career in luxury hospitality in 1997 as the Assistant Front Office Manager of The Manele Bay Hotel in Lana'i, Hawaii. Since that time, he has held management positions with luxury hotel and resort brands including Loews Hotels and The Ritz-Carlton Hotels. ■

### **Arizona Biltmore Wine & Spirits Festival – Labor Day Weekend - August 31st through September 3rd**

Sponsored by *The Tasting Panel Magazine*, the Wine & Spirits Festival runs all Labor Day weekend and showcases celebrity chefs, guest mixologists, seminars and a grand tasting. Special highlights include Double Gold winning products from the San Francisco International Wine Competition and the San Francisco World Spirits Competition. Don't miss this sommelier-style send-off to summer! For tickets and more information, visit [www.arizonabiltmorehollywoodandwine.com](http://www.arizonabiltmorehollywoodandwine.com).

#### **Rewards Card**

Did you know the Arizona Biltmore Resort offers ABEVA members a Rewards card? With this card you are entitled to a 15% discount at restaurants, gift shops, spa services and guestrooms. To obtain an application you may call our office and we can email or mail you one, then you fill it out and fax it to the resort. They will mail your card within seven days of application. ■

### **ADOBE Golf Club**

The Arizona Biltmore Golf Club is set to unveil its extensive renovation on September 29th! These property-wide upgrades will allow guests and golfers to relax, connect and enjoy the experience of the Arizona Biltmore Golf Club. Upgrades include laser-leveled tee boxes on the Links course, wall-to-wall overseeding on the Adobe course and newly refurbished bunkers on both courses. In addition, a members-only driving range has been added directly off the clubhouse as well as new lockers and upgraded bathrooms.



Valley residents will be invited to experience the enhancements at Arizona Biltmore Golf Club's grand re-opening event on Saturday, September 29th. The interactive event will tee off with a golf tournament in partnership with KTAR's Bunker to Bunker Golf Radio Show and will include a lunch at the Adobe restaurant, in addition to prizes, raffles and more. Membership specials include no initiation fees for the first 100 junior memberships sold. For additional information regarding the renovations and the grand re-opening event, contact the Arizona Biltmore Golf Club at 602-955-9655 or online at <http://www.azbiltmoregc.com>.

September happy hour daily at The Adobe features \$3 hamburgers from 3:30 to 4:30 and \$1 Bud Light drafts from 3:30 until close. ■

### **Ritz-Carlton**

Special Discount Rate for ABEVA! The Ritz-Carlton, Phoenix will have the special ABEVA rate of \$219.00 for a Deluxe room through the month of December. 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 Level Access. ■



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## **ABEVA Board of Directors**

**Mark Monserez, President**  
**David Damron, Vice President**  
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### **ABEVA Office Information**

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### **Website Information**

Sign on to visit the website by going to [www.abeva.com](http://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. ■

## Geordie's Restaurant at The Wrigley Mansion Club

The historic Wrigley Mansion is delighted to announce the re-opening of Geordie's Restaurant located inside its historic property! Please come and indulge in one of Phoenix's most popular historic landmarks. Geordie's at The Wrigley Mansion will reopen for tours, lunch and dinner on Wednesday, September 12th, 2012. Their Award-Winning Champagne Brunch will resume on Sunday, October 7th, 2012. Whether you are fresh off the golf course and need a cold cocktail or ready for a romantic night out on the town, the Wrigley invites you to come and experience a great piece of Arizona history. With a new lunch menu that includes salads and sandwiches, and a

dinner menu that is out of the ordinary, you are guaranteed a spectacular time. Menus were created by their Executive Chef, Stephan Germanaud.

Come eat, explore and enjoy! Please be sure to inquire about their membership tiers: trial, social, wine or corporate membership to see which one is best suited for you. Join the club!

The tours are offered Wednesday through Saturday at 10:00 a.m., 1:00 p.m., and 3:00 p.m., and Sunday at 2:15 p.m. The cost is \$15.00 per person.

Geordie's hours of operation are as follows:

LUNCH:	Wed – Sat. – 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
DINNER:	Wed – Sat – 5:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
HAPPY HOUR:	Wed – Sat – 4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
BRUNCH:	Sun from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. ■

## ABEVA MEMBER DISCOUNTS FOR SEPTEMBER 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](http://www.abeva.com) and click onto Hot Links.

### Restaurants

- **Omaha Steak House** - 2630 E. Camelback - Embassy Suites - 10% off food only - not valid holidays - 602-553-8970. 
- **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. 

### Partners & Businesses

- **\$100 Gift to You! Mane Attraction Salon** at 3156 E. Camelback Road has been the salon of choice for Biltmore residents for over 14 years. Pairing expert stylists with a modern, luxurious atmosphere, salon owners Kendall and Beate Ong have been recognized for their excellence in styling from national publications such as *People Magazine* and *InStyle*. - 602-956-2996 - [www.maneattractionssalon.com](http://www.maneattractionssalon.com).

Receive up to \$100 off these services

- o \$20 off first haircut
- o \$20 off first color
- o \$20 off first treatment and blow dry
- o \$20 off first retexturizing
- o \$20 off first make up application

(Offer expires October 31st, 2012)

- **ABEVA Residents Special!!! State of the Art Designers in Hair.** Complimentary haircut with any color service. - 2398 E Camelback Rd., Northern Trust Building. Stylist Jill Moore - 602-435-8488.
- **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](http://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. 
- **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 Summer Special for ABEVA Members only - Relax and renew yourself with an in-home one-hour massage for \$60. Contact Natalie Lawson LMT at 602-451-5436. 