

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

Annual ABEVA Meeting

For those who receive the *Brief* by email, we hope to see you all at the annual meeting on Thursday, February 2nd, 2012 at 6:30 p.m. in the Aztec Room (changed from the Grand Canyon Room) at the Arizona Biltmore Resort. To find the Aztec Room, enter the main hotel entrance. The Aztec Room will be to your left. Sign-in begins at 6:00 p.m. ■

Highlights of the January 16, 2012 Board of Directors Meeting

- **Thunderbird Trail** - The board was informed of a letter from a Fairway Lodge owner under the impression that the maintenance of Thunderbird Trail was ABEVA's responsibility. Thunderbird Trail is actually part of Parcel 20 held in Trust by Chicago Title and Trust with the resort and ABEVA as beneficiaries. Then, by separate agreement the resort is responsible for Thunderbird Trail and ABEVA for the remainder of Parcel 20 aka Biltmore Estates Drive. We have been advised that the resort is awaiting approval of its 2012 budget which includes these repairs.

- **Bylaws** - The Board voted to amend page 8, Section 6.2 Number and Qualifications of Directors by eliminating 2 sentences that require owners live in the property they own. In other words, all homeowners who are members in good standing of ABEVA are now eligible to serve on the Board, regardless of where their principal residence is.

The section now reads: The number of Directors of the Association shall not be less than three (3) or more than fifteen (15) as determined by the Board of Directors. If the number of Directors is reduced, all Directors whose terms have not yet expired and who are in good standing shall be allowed to serve the balance of their terms. All Directors must be members in good standing of the Association in accordance with the provisions of Section 4.3. If a Director shall fail to meet the qualifications of good standing or membership at any time during his terms, he will therefore cease to be a Director and his place on the board of Directors shall be deemed vacant.

- The board was informed that the car used for two years by the roving patrol had 130,000 miles on it. Subsequently, the board learned that the car needed over \$3,000 in repairs. Board members were polled, and the board approved the purchase of a new car.
- Treasurer Steve Goldston reported that Geneva Holdings owes ABEVA about \$5,000 in back dues for 13 units that are currently rented. Back dues will be

paid as units are sold. Steve continued that the rest of the budget is where it should be. In addition, tax returns have been prepared and filed. As usual, ABEVA is in good shape financially.

- Jay Swart has worked with the city to require that the Arizona Biltmore Resort honors their commitment to stage trucks delivering supplies to the hotel off Arizona Biltmore Circle (a safety hazard) and onto hotel property. Part of the plan included posting explicit signs directing truck drivers where to park. Jay reported that these signs have not all been posted. There have been four incidents in the last few weeks. Jay is once again talking to the city and also to the Director of Security at the hotel.
- Questions have been raised regarding the maintenance of the rear walls facing the golf course. Many need to be painted, some need major repairs. These are the property and therefore the responsibility of the individual homeowners.
- The Board voted not to contribute to CAI, a lobbying organization for homeowners associations. Several Board members felt that the lobbying efforts were anti-homeowner and therefore did not deserve our support. ■

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.

Your Personal Safety

Taliverde resident Nancy Landry wrote a letter to the ABEVA Board detailing a chilling incident where pedestrians strolling in the middle of Biltmore Estates Drive almost caused an accident. Nancy asked us to remind all homeowners that the safest place to walk is on the sidewalk. Regardless, walk towards traffic. If you are with a large group, please be conscious of your safety and the safety of others. Board members noted that there have been difficulties with passing bicyclists, both in large groups and also riding individually.

Please use common sense. Walk on the sidewalks. Ride close to the curb. You may, in fact, have the right of way, but you don't want to be dead, right? ■

Criminal Incidents

There have been two serious criminal incidents in recent months. In one, a homeowner on Biltmore Estates Drive was held at gunpoint by two individuals wearing





masks. A number of items were taken but the homeowner was not harmed.

In a second incident, an individual broke into a home on Biltmore Estates Drive, stole some personal property and then exited. In this case, the homeowner was not home and their alarm was activated. Police theorized that because of the alarm, the burglar spent less time in the house and took fewer items.

We live in a generally safe area, but homeowners must exercise vigilance. Lock doors. Set your burglar alarm. Light your yard, ideally with motion detector lights. Do not be lulled into a false sense of security if you live in a gated community. Criminals have jumped over walls. Many know gate codes.

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

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 first Wednesday, of each month, you have that opportunity between 8 and 9 a.m. at Maizie's Café and Bistro, 4750 N. Central Avenue. Everyone is welcome. The upcoming dates are February 1st, March 7th and April 4th. ■

From ABEVA's Landscaper

5 tips for treating frost damage

1. Non-indigenous plants and trees are highly susceptible to frost. When possible, choose native plants for your yard.
2. Frost is most likely to occur on calm, clear nights from November through February.
3. Water plants evenly in mid-morning (around 9:00 a.m. or 10:00 a.m.), if frost is predicted for overnight.
4. Before sunset, cover frost-sensitive plants with a porous cover such as burlap or a special frost covering fabric found at hardware stores.
5. If you end up with frost damage anyway, don't prune away the dead foliage until after the threat of frost is gone (usually after February 15th) or new growth starts in the spring. ■

Celebration of 100 Years of Age

We have been contacted for assistance in the effort to locate Arizona residents that have reached 100 years of age. There will be a big celebration at the capitol on February 14th, and the BNSF Railroad would like to honor these individuals. Please send contact information to name below, and if there is a caregiver or family member involved, their information would be most helpful. Any help you can provide will be greatly appreciated. If you know of someone that has reached 100, please contact Donna, the Executive Assistant to Representative Debbie McCune Davis, at 602-926-4485 or email her at dhomsher@azleg.gov. ■

ABEVA Board of Directors Meeting

The next meeting of the Board of Directors is scheduled for February 20th, 2012 at 5:30 p.m. in the ABEVA office. ■

MEETINGS & LUNCHEONS

Camelback East Village Planning Committee

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 7th 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 Marc Thornton, Camelback East Village Planner, at 602-261-8701 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 ladies will be ordering off of the menu, with separate checks. Depending upon the size of the group each month, in exchange for the privilege 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 an hour, depending upon how busy the restaurant is on that particular day. So, please, be patient if that happens!

Frank and Albert's - Thursday, February 2nd at 11:45 a.m. You must RSVP by contacting La Rita Mason at lrmaison@arn.net by Wednesday February 1st.

Future Lunch Dates - Friday, March 9th and Thursday April 5th. ■

Biltmore Networking Group

The Biltmore Networking Group organizes a monthly happy hour for professionals, businesspeople, residents and anyone who enjoys the Biltmore area to meet and network. Professionals from a wide variety of industries attend including finance, fine arts, government, hospitality, law, marketing, medicine, real estate, technology and many more. There is usually a group of about 60-80 people attending. With the demographics of the Biltmore community, you are sure to make the contacts you desire.

This month's happy hour is planned for February 2nd from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the Omaha Steak House Garden Lounge inside the Embassy Suites Phoenix Biltmore, located at 2630 East Camelback Road. 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 or call her at (602) 255-6020. ■

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 area between the Squaw Peak Preserve and Campbell Road and 16th Street and 44th Street. The ABEVA Executive Director serves as one of the partnership's officers.

The February Biltmore Area Partnership networking luncheon will be on Tuesday February 28th at Ruth's Chris Steak House, 2201 E. Camelback Road. The guest speaker will be a representative from the Camel Square project at 44th Street and Camelback Road.

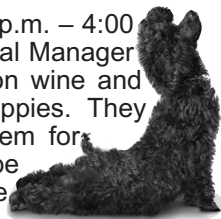
Reservations are required by Friday, February 24th. Networking will be from 11:30 a.m. to 12 noon, when lunch will be served. The cost is \$25. For additional information, please call Ed Rossi at (602) 957-6483. Guest reservations and checks must be sent prior to the luncheon. Send checks to the Biltmore Area Partnership, 3104 East Camelback Road, #174, Phoenix, AZ 85016. ■



NEWS FROM ABEVA NEIGHBORS

Adobe

Happy hour nightly at The Adobe Restaurant from 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. features \$3 drafts, \$5 glasses of wine. Adobe General Manager and Sommelier, Jim Gallen, always offers retail pricing on wine and ordering advice is free. Come sit on the patio with your puppies. They are dog-friendly, and views are complimentary! Join them for Doggie Yoga and Yappy Hour on February 21st at The Adobe starting at 5:00 p.m. For event details and to RSVP, please visit www.theadoberestaurant.com/upcoming-events.



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

Donovan's Steak House

Love is in the air at Donovan's Steak and Chop House this Valentine's Day. Reservations are now being accepted for dining on this special day with dinner service from 4:00 p.m. until 10:00 p.m. and may be made by calling 602-955-3666. Please consider Donovan's your one-stop shop for all of your Valentine's Day requests such as a dozen roses placed at your table for \$30 or a single Long Stem for \$7. For you wine and bubbles lovers Donovan's will offer personalized bottles that evening to commemorate the evening. Donovan's Executive Chef, Robert Nixon, will be featuring a three course sweetheart special of prime filet and lobster for all to enjoy along with many prime selections from the award winning menu featuring USDA prime beef, market seafood and classic steakhouse sides. Donovan's is located at 3101 East Camelback in the heart of the Camelback Corridor. For additional information, please visit us at donovanssteakhouse.com. ■

Ritz-Carlton

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

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 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. Please fill it out and fax it to the resort. They will mail your card within 7 days of application. ■

Wrigley Mansion

On Saturday, February 25, Southwest Shakespeare Company (SSC) will host its annual fundraiser at the Wrigley Mansion with a speakeasy theme. It will be a rip-roaring fun, glamorous night with jazz singer and recording artist Dennis Rowland and his jazz trio as the featured entertainment. The event, Speakeasy at the Wrigley Mansion is the first time SSC has presented its annual fundraiser at the historic mansion. Producing Artistic Director Jared Sakren says "We wanted to create an evening that was more like a party, with great food, wine, entertainment, and the best live and silent auctions of any event during the year." Live auction items from past fundraisers have included house seats to top Broadway shows as well as backstage visits or dinner out with Tony winners and Broadway stars.

The evening, which begins at 6:00 p.m., is hosted by former Valley actor and veteran of "Law and Order," Bob Sorenson, and includes a stellar array of food. Tickets are \$125 each and speakeasy attire is welcome. For reservations go online at www.swshakespeare.org or call Leslie at 480-650-5939. You can also inquire about purchasing for a group. Southwest Shakespeare Company, Arizona's classical theatre company, is a 501(c)3 not-for-profit organization and donations are tax-deductible. ■

ABEVA

Board of Directors

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Roberta Peterson Beryl Ross

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. ■



Sub Association Management Companies

Name	# of Homes	Management Company
Courts I	72	Integrity First - 623-748-7595
Courts II/Vistas	96	Ogden & Co - 480-396-4567
Villas II	42	Associated Asset Mgmt. - 602-957-9191
Gates	41	Management Trust - 602-277-7070
Greens 3-6	170	Associated Asset Mgmt. - 602-957-9191
Shores	38	Morrison Group - 602-263-7772
Square	47	Choice Community - 602-843-1333
Terrace Condos	186	Ogden & Co. - 480-396-4567
Cloisters	224	Associated Asset Mgmt. - 602-957-9191
Colony B/ CB Greens	162	Management Trust - 602-277-7070
Colony B IV/Villas I	90	Parker Finch - 480-284-5551
Del Prado Apts.	112	Hillsboro Mgmt. - 602-957-3400
Heights	51	Management Trust - 602-277-7070
Meridian Condos	220	City Property Mgmt. - 602-437-4777
Taliverde	125	Elite Community Management - 623-322-8507
Village on the Lakes	67	Allison R.E. - 602-474-3554





ABEVA MEMBER DISCOUNTS FOR FEBRUARY 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

- 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.
 
- L'Amore Restaurant** - 32nd Street & Lincoln Drive - 10% - (bring your business card and enter a drawing to win a free dinner) - 602-381-3159.
 

Partners & Businesses

- 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.
 
 - Visit the website at www.Dannys25th.com.
 - 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).
 - 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.
 