

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.

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ABEVA Board Meeting

The next ABEVA Board Meeting is scheduled for Monday, May 19th, 2014 at 5:30 p.m. in the ABEVA office. ❖

Highlights From the April 21st, 2014 ABEVA Board of Directors Meeting

- Security Vehicle – A motion was made and was carried unanimously by the Board to lease a new vehicle through Securitas Security Services. A motion was made to lease a Ford Escape. The motion was carried by majority vote. Carol reminded the Board that the current vehicle, which is owned by ABEVA, will need to be sold.
- Architectural/Landscape Committee Report – George King explained to the Board that a plan needs to be created by a qualified landscape architect so that bid proposals for the improvement projects will be standardized based on a comprehensive design, to include new electric, irrigation and plant design. A motion was made to authorize up to \$2,000 for landscape architectural plans to be created for the entrances at Lincoln & Arizona Biltmore Circle and Claremont & 32nd Street. The motion was carried unanimously by the Board. Plans will be presented at next month's Board Meeting.

Reminder: You can read the complete report of Board Meeting Approved Minutes from previous months on the website at www.abeva.com. ❖

Spring Grass Transition by ValleyCrest Landscape Maintenance

The return of spring brings with it the return of Bermuda grass. As Bermuda grass begins to initiate new growth, you will notice changes in the appearance of your turf over the next several weeks. These changes can be unsightly since the return of Bermuda grass is lessened and sometimes a struggle due to the perennial ryegrass used for over seeding winter lawns. In order to compete with the ryegrass and maintain healthy growth, Bermuda grass requires adequate sunlight, nutrients and water.

ValleyCrest will be taking the following steps to facilitate a smooth spring transition for your turf throughout the Biltmore:

- Mowing heights will be lowered to allow more sunlight to contact the Bermuda.
- Turf areas will be aerated to open the soil, reduce compaction, improve water infiltration and rooting, and reduce thatch and stress.
- Irrigation schedules will be adjusted for Bermuda grass requirements.
- Fertilizer will be applied with 1 pound of Nitrogen per 1000 square feet of turf.

All turf areas should be primarily Bermuda grass by the beginning of June. ❖

SECURITY

Should you see anything suspicious, please call 911 or Phoenix Crime Stop at 602-262-6151 and then notify the ABEVA Roving Patrol of the incident at 602-369-4776. For your safety, please have these numbers programmed in your home and cell phones. ❖

ARE YOU ONLINE?

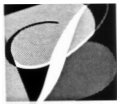
If you are online; could you share your email address with ABEVA? We promise to use it only to alert you when there is an important event occurring (e.g. a police emergency). If you have not shared your email address with ABEVA, please contact Community Manager Carol Jones at cjones@abeva.com. ❖





MEETINGS & LUNCHEONS

Biltmore Area Partnership Networking Luncheon



The May Biltmore Area Partnership networking luncheon will be on Tuesday, May 20th (note change of date due to Memorial Day) at the Embassy Suites Biltmore, and the guest speaker will be Ben Carro, Community Action Officer at Mountain View Precinct. He will be giving us an update as to what is happening in the area and safety tips for residents and businesses.

Embassy Suites Biltmore is located at 2630 East Camelback Road in Phoenix, and reservations will be required by Friday, May 16th. Networking will be from 11:30 a.m. to 12 noon when lunch will be served. The speaker will address the attendees from 12:30 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. The cost is \$30 for members and \$35 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 Biltmore Area Partnership, 3104 East Camelback Road, #174, Phoenix, AZ 85016. For more information about Biltmore Area Partnership, please visit www.biltmoreareapartnership.com. ❖

Biltmore Ladies Lunch Club

The Biltmore Ladies Lunch Club (BLLC) will meet Friday, May 2nd at 11:45 a.m. at Frank and Albert's with La Rita Mason as Coordinating Hostess. Please bring your own money, order off the menu and enjoy lunch with ladies who live or work in the Biltmore area. The dress is casual.

For advanced planning:

- ~ Friday, June 6th at 11:45 a.m. at Frank and Albert's with Jeni Allen, Coordinating Hostess
- ~ Friday, July 11th at 11:45 a.m. at Frank and Albert's with Jeni Allen, Coordinating Hostess
- ~ Friday, August 15th at 11:45 a.m. at Frank and Albert's with Jeni Allen, Coordinating Hostess
- ~ Friday, September 5th at 11:45 a.m. at Frank and Albert's with La Rita Mason, Coordinating Hostess
- ~ Friday, October 17th at 11:45 a.m. at Frank and Albert's with Nancy McKay, Coordinating Hostess
- ~ Friday, November 21st at 11:45 a.m. at Frank and Albert's with Nancy McKay, Coordinating Hostess. Chico's will present a Holiday Fashion Show.
- ~ Thursday, December 11th at 11:45 a.m. at Frank and Albert's with Nancy McKay, Coordinating Hostess
- ~ Friday, January 9th at 11:45 a.m. at Frank and Albert's with La Rita Mason, Coordinating Hostess

You will receive e-mail reminders of when the lunches are scheduled. If you have any questions, or to be added to the listserv to receive reminders about the BLLC, contact La Rita Mason at (602) 667-0002 or lrmason@arn.net. It helps in planning if you can let La Rita know in advance if you know that you plan to come. However, if you don't know until the time of the event, whether or not you can come, drop-ins are always welcome! ❖

Biltmore Networking Group

Would you like to network among Biltmore area professionals and businesspeople? The Biltmore Networking Group has been going strong since the summer of 2003. Check out this unique group of professionals, businesspeople and residents and get a feel for what makes the Biltmore area such a great community.

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 to 80 people attending. With the demographics of the Biltmore community, you are sure to make the contacts you desire.

The upcoming happy hours are planned for May 1st, June 5th and July 3rd from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the Omaha SteakHouse Garden Lounge inside the Embassy Suites Phoenix Biltmore, located at 2630 East Camelback Road in Phoenix. You may call them at 602-955-3992. There is no need to RSVP, and there is never a charge to attend these events, so please feel free to stop by.

If you have any questions or would like to be added to the email list for monthly announcements, please contact Shahpar Shahpar at biltmorenetwork@gmail.com. Shahpar founded the Biltmore Networking Group in 2003. ❖

SPECIAL OFFERS AND EVENTS

Arizona Biltmore Resort and Spa

Biltmore Beer Dinners

Arizona's finest microbrews are paired with original recipes by Executive Chef Gordon Maybury. The dinners will be held through July on the 2nd Monday of each month in the private Sunroom of Frank & Albert's restaurant. For reservations and additional information, call 602-381-7632.

- May 12th - San Tan Brewery
- June 9th - Four Peaks Brewery
- July 14th - Lagunitas Brewery



Winemaker Dinner Series

The Arizona Biltmore has prepared ten incredible epicurean evenings for the resort's 24th season of Winemaker Dinners, where guests will experience bold, inventive menus paired with specially selected wines. These chic lifestyle events will feature a unique, ingredient-centric menu of four-to-six courses created by Arizona Biltmore Executive Chef Gordon Maybury and Chef de Cuisine Bryan Gorton. Each course will be paired with an appropriate wine of the evening's featured winery.

- **May 1st, 2014:** St. Francis Winery, Sonoma Valley, California

A reception starts at 7:00 p.m., followed by dinner at 7:30 p.m. After the dinner, enjoy complimentary port and cigars. The cost is \$95 per person. Tax and 18% percent gratuity applies.

Reservations are required; please call 602-381-7632. ❖





Arizona Biltmore Golf Club

Enjoy the many seasonal specials at Arizona Biltmore Golf Club this May:

- **Play More, Save More with a Summer Pass**

For \$129, you can play all five of the celebrated courses between the Wigwam and Arizona Biltmore Golf Clubs, plus an extra round for FREE! Summer Passes are available for purchase and they may be used from May 15th through August 31st.

- **Couples Golf League**

Arizona Biltmore Golf Club is hosting an all-new couples golf league this summer. Every Wednesday, June through August, couples can play a twilight round as part of the league for just \$30. Purchase rounds in advance and receive four couples rounds for \$100.

- **9 & Dine**

Arizona Biltmore Golf Club and the Adobe Restaurant will continue to host “9 & Dine” specials Thursdays and Fridays after 3:00 p.m. For just \$35, guests enjoy 9 holes of golf, a choice of tasty food options from the “9 & Dine” menu and a Bud Light draft beer.

- **Beer Dinner at the Adobe**

Enjoy a four-course Stone Beer Dinner at the Adobe on Friday, May 16th at 6:00 p.m. Reservations required, \$35++ per person.

For additional details about May promotions, memberships or to book a golf tee time, please visit www.azbiltmoregc.com or www.theadoberestaurant.com. ❖

Wrigley Mansion News for ABEVA Residents

Tours

Go behind the scenes at Phoenix’s most regal residence with a guided tour of The Wrigley Mansion Club, offered Wednesday through Saturday (10 a.m., noon, 1 p.m. and 3 p.m.) and Sundays at 2:15 p.m. Tours cost \$15 per person; Stay for lunch and the cost for tour and meal is \$25 – \$40 per person, or \$64 for the tour plus Sunday Brunch.



Jazz

Geordie’s Lounge at the historic Wrigley Mansion is now serving up a side of live piano jazz – highlighted by local legend Tony Vacca – every Thursday and Friday from 7 to 10 p.m.; as well as at the Wrigley’s famed Sunday Brunch from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Brunch

The Wrigley’s famed Sunday Sparkling Brunch tempts with a delicious buffet of more than 50 food items, including a seafood station, an omelets-to-order station, salads, fruits, fresh rolls, and a carved-to-order meat station serving prime beef and lamb, and complimentary sparkling wine and mimosas. ❖

Biltmore Resort Membership Information

Several residents have inquired about the discounts available at the Biltmore Resort for members of ABEVA. The Biltmore Resort does extend discounts to ABEVA members. With a Biltmore membership card, you are entitled to receive a 15% discount at the Resort’s restaurants and gift shops, as well as 15% off of spa services and guest rooms. Applications are available in the ABEVA office. Please contact us at either 602-955-1003 or cjones@abeva.com to receive a copy.

ABEVA Board of Directors

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602-262-6151**

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. ❖

In addition to the Biltmore membership card, the Biltmore Resort also offers Spa Memberships, which will give you access to all of the resort amenities – including 8 sparkling pools, 6 tennis courts, a sport court, their state-of-the-art fitness center, etc. There is a one-time initiation fee, as well as monthly dues for this membership. **If you are interested in more information, please contact Angela Battaglia, the Spa Operations/Sales Manager at the Resort at 602-955-6600 x2984 for more information.** ❖





Historical Tours at The Biltmore

The Arizona Biltmore Resort conducts historical walking tours Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday from 10-11:30 a.m. The cost is \$10 per person. Call 602-955-6600, Ext. 7000, to make reservations. Meet at the concierge desk. A tour followed by lunch is a great way to entertain out of town guests. ❖



The Ritz-Carlton, Phoenix

The Ritz-Carlton, Phoenix is delighted to partner with ABEVA residents and offer a 30% to 40% discount on their standard rack rates. For assistance with reservations or special requests, please contact Randy Ichiuji, Executive Reservations Supervisor, via email at randy.ichiuji@ritzcarlton.com or via phone at (602) 468-0110 and reference the "ABEVA" rate. They look forward to a successful partnership in 2014. ❖

Handy Contacts

City of Phoenix Back-Washing Department
(Pools)

602.256.3190

Dead Animal Pick-up
602.262.6791

Dog Catcher
602.506.7387

Snake Control
480.894.1625

Fish & Game
602.942.3000

SRP Outages
602.236.8811

Water Department
602.262.6251

Water Department (after hours)
602.261.8000



ABEVA MEMBER DISCOUNTS FOR MAY 2014

The following businesses and ABEVA partners have graciously offered to provide discounts to **ABEVA MEMBERS ONLY**. THERE IS NO ABEVA-ISSUED CARD. TO SHOW YOU ARE A MEMBER OF ABEVA, BRING THIS SECTION OF *THE BRIEF* WITH YOU.

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% - 602-381-3159.
- **Caffé Daniel** - 32nd Street & Lincoln Drive - 10% off - Please bring ad for discount to be applied.



Partners & Businesses

- **Aluxio Home Management** - 15% discount to ABEVA members - For more information call 480-818-2479 or visit www.Aluxio.com.
- **Blow Dry Bar** - 3141 E. Lincoln Drive - 602-956-2049. 10% off blow outs - Monday - Wednesdays through April.
- **Mr. V's Fine Cigars and Events** - Rare, vintage, and aged every day cigars. 5% off entire purchase of cigars, cutters and ash trays - mention this ad. www.mrvcigar-sevents.com. Call 602-327-2063.
- **Salon Vanity'z** - 10% off to ABEVA residents on all nail and skin care services. - 602-553-0399. - 2633 E. Indian School Rd., Suite 150 - Visit www.salonvanityz.com.
- **Classy-Jazzy Boutique** - Clothing, accessories-Jewelry. Located at 3147 E. Lincoln Drive next to L'Amore Restaurant. \$20 off your first purchase!

- **Salon Estique** - 40 E. Camelback - ABEVA Residents get a FREE Haircut/Style and makeup application. First time guests only. Weekend and holiday restrictions may apply. Salon Estique is voted top 200 salons in the country. Visit them at Salonestique.com - 602-248-0077.
- **Marc Stephen Salon** - 4515 N. 16th Street, Suite #103, Phoenix, AZ 85016 - 602-277-0111 - Free cut with color or free gel mani with spa pedi - must mention ABEVA to receive offers - expires March31, 2014 - valid for new clients only - cannot be combined with other offers - appointment necessary.
- **State of the Art Designers in Hair** - Complimentary haircut with any color service. - 2398 E. Camelback Rd. - Stylist Jill Moore - 602-435-8488.
- **UPS Store** - 3219 E. Camelback Road (next to Tomaso's) - 10% - 602-952-8830.
- **Window Cleaning ABEVA Special \$99** - Special includes interior and exterior windows and tracks, up to 2,500 square foot home. - 602-421-2568.
- **Dr. Bendy K. So, MD, FACS** - 10% discount for all medical skin care rejuvenation and all non-invasive injectable fillers - 602-381-0318.
- **Groom Room Barbershop** - Receive \$5 off - Every haircut cut comes with a shoe shine! - 602-252-2552 - at Biltmore Fashion Park.
- **Wrigley Mansion** - 20% off lunch, dinner or brunch. For your reservation call 602-955-4079.

