

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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FROM THE ABEVA OFFICE

- The landscape renovation project at the entrance to Lincoln and Arizona Biltmore Circle and at the entrance island at Claremont and 32nd Street is complete except for some plants that are on back order. Valley Crest did a first class job and came in on budget and on time.
- This year ABEVA will be paving Arizona Biltmore Circle, Claremont and 24th Parkway. The bids came in under budget. We will be starting the street repair project the week of June 29th, and paving will begin the 2nd week of July. You will receive notice when we get closer and know exact dates and locations of the paving in your area.
- Please visit the website: WWW.ABEVA.COM. We are always adding information to the site, but please let us know if there is something you would like to see on the ABEVA website.
- The next Board meeting is on June 15th, 2015 in the ABEVA office at 5:30 p.m. ❖

The Loop Road aka Thunderbird Raceway OR Biltmore Estates Drive Street Walkers

An ABEVA homeowner driving Biltmore Estates Drive reports she and a BED street walker (pedestrian) had a near miss last week. Both were coming around the curve by Colter. Although they did see each other soon enough to avoid a tragedy, they were both shaken up badly. The driver was wondering why, on such a narrow and busy street, pedestrians walk in the street rather than the sidewalk. She has also experienced street walkers/pedestrians on BED treating the road as a personal walkway and refusing to move to the side for cars to pass. Perhaps you have had a similar experience as a pedestrian or a driver.

Safety is always a concern for our pedestrians. Please walk and drive with care and consideration for others using the roadway. For your own personal safety, walk on the sidewalk. ❖

Keep Your Home Safe While on Vacation

As the summer heats up, many of you will escape the daily grind and head out on a well-deserved vacation. But before you hit the road, take a few precautions so your home isn't enticing to thieves or susceptible to fire and other disasters. Not only is having your home vandalized or burnt to the ground a highly unpleasant way to return from a trip, but it also puts the rest of the association at risk, as these

problems have the potential to spread quickly throughout the neighborhood. So, before you take off, consider implementing these safety tips to keep your home and our community secure.

Call on friends for help. If you're going to be away a week or more, ask a trusted friend to check on your house every day or two — or better yet, house-sit while you're gone. Not only will that person make sure nothing happens to your home, but you might also ask him (or her) to bring in your mail and newspapers, water plants or even feed Fluffy. Of course, it's a good idea to let your neighbors know a friend is monitoring your property so they don't call the police to thwart a perceived "break-in."

Set your lights on a timer. Leaving your house unlit for days on end is a sure sign to burglars that it's empty, but so is keeping the lights on 24/7. A good way to handle the lights on or off dilemma is to set lights on a timer that's scheduled to simulate your regular routine. Of course, if the lights seem a bit too simulated, that can be another telltale sign, so it's a good idea to set the timers in individual rooms on staggered schedules to make the light coming from your home seem more natural.

Stop your mail and newspaper. Nothing screams "nobody's home!" like a pile of newspapers strewn about your doorstep or an overflowing mailbox. So, if you can't get a friend or neighbor to collect it for you, it's best to have your mail and paper stopped if you're going to be out of town for a while.

Don't leave the spare house key lying around. That fake rock where you keep the extra house key isn't as discrete as you think. Whether you keep a spare under your welcome mat, above the door frame or in a hide-a-key contraption, chances are it will take the nefarious types five minutes flat to find it and gain easy entry to your house. So take it with you, let a friend hold onto it or put it in a safe place inside your house, even if you're worried about losing your other keys. Calling a locksmith is less traumatic than calling the police.

Make a last-minute checklist. Are all the windows and doors locked? Stove and oven turned off? How about all the faucets? Are the electronics unplugged and valuables secured? Take five minutes before you leave to ensure your house is vacation-ready. Another run-through of the house may seem unnecessary if you did it earlier in the day, but knowing you've left your house as safe as possible will help you kick back and have a great vacation. ❖





MEETINGS & LUNCHEONS

Biltmore Area Partnership Luncheon



The June 23rd Biltmore Area Partnership networking luncheon will be at The Gladly Restaurant, and the speaker will be Xandon Keating, Village Planner for the City of Phoenix Planning and Development Department.

Keating will be giving an update as to what is happening and upcoming plans for the Biltmore Area.

The Gladly Restaurant is located at 2201 East Camelback Road in Phoenix. Reservations are required by Friday, June 19th. Networking will be from 11:30 a.m. to 12 noon, when lunch will be served. The guest will address the attendees from 12:30 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. The cost is \$30.00 for members and \$35.00 for nonmembers. For additional information, please call Ed Rossi at (602) 957-6483. Reservations and checks should be sent to Biltmore Area Partnership at 3104 East Camelback Road, #174, Phoenix, AZ 85016. ❖

Biltmore Lunch Bunch

The Biltmore Lunch Bunch (BLB) will meet on Friday, June 5th, 2015 at 11:45 a.m. at Frank and Albert's with La Rita Mason as 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. Dress is casual.

For advanced planning:

Friday, July 3rd, 2015-11:45 a.m.-Frank and Albert's with Jeni Allen, Coordinating Hostess

Friday, August 7th, 2015-11:45 a.m.-Frank and Albert's with Jeni Allen, Coordinating Hostess

Friday, September 11th, 2015-11:45 a.m.-Frank and Albert's with Nancy McKay, Coordinating Hostess

Friday, October 16th, 2015-11:45 a.m.-Frank and Albert's with Nancy McKay, Coordinating Hostess

Friday, November 6th, 2015-11:45 a.m.-Frank and Albert's with Nancy McKay, Coordinating Hostess

Friday, December 4th, 2015-11:45 a.m.-Frank and Albert's with Sylvia Prusakowski, Coordinating Hostess

Friday, January 8th, 2016-11:45 a.m.-Frank and Albert's with La Rita Mason, Coordinating Hostess

If you have any questions or to be added to the list or to receive reminders about the BLB, 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 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? Do you enjoy socializing with others living or working in the Biltmore area? The Biltmore Networking Group has been going strong since the summer of 2003. 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, mar-

keting, medicine, real estate, technology and many more. There is usually a group of about 60-80 people attending.

The upcoming happy hours are planned for June 4th and July 2nd, 2015 from 5:30 p.m. 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 can reach them by calling (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 at biltmorenetwork@gmail.com. ❖

SPECIAL OFFERS AND EVENTS

Arizona Biltmore Resort and Spa June Events at the Arizona Biltmore

This June, the Arizona Biltmore offers a delicious assortment of fine cuisine, live music and seasonal Spa Biltmore specials. Join them every weekend for live music at the Wright Bar and make sure to indulge in one of their specialty food events.

The month of June marks the next installment of the Arizona Biltmore Beer Dinners. Founders Brewing Company steps in the spotlight Monday, June 8th where acclaimed microbrews are paired with original culinary creations by Arizona Biltmore's Executive Chef Gordon Maybury. The four-course dinners will be held in the private Sunroom of Frank & Albert's restaurant. For reservations and more information, please visit ArizonaBiltmore.com or call 602-955-6600.

Don't miss out on their spectacular fireworks display, Saturday, July 4th. Celebrate with poolside dining, live entertainment and much more.

This summer, kids can participate in tennis camp while enjoying the resort-like atmosphere. From swimming in the Paradise Pool with its 92-foot waterslide to sport court with basketball, soccer, ping pong, and much more; kids will experience summer at its best. Tennis sessions and activities begin June 1st. For registration and more information, please visit ArizonaBiltmore.com or call 602-381-7684. ❖

Arizona Biltmore Golf Club

Summer deals are heating up this June at Arizona Biltmore Golf Club:

A Whole New Look at The Adobe

With the change of season comes a change in scenery! Gather friends and family and meet at the freshly redesigned Adobe restaurant at the Arizona Biltmore Golf Club. Take a seat and catch your favorite game at the bar, or lounge around the patio where you have an uninterrupted view of the greens. Plus, swing by soon and say hello to Pamela Vincent, the new General Manager!

Receive a Discount When You Walk or Ride

Don't forget happy hour begins after 2:30 p.m. Enjoy \$5 appetizers including the blue cheese haystack fries, frickles, onion rings, chips n' dip, pub pretzel bites or house cheese crisp. Plus, receive \$2 off all cocktails and wines by the glass and \$1 off all beers. Walk or ride your bike and receive 10% off your bill.





Bring Dad and the Whole Family in This Father's Day

Mark your calendars: Dad's golf free on Father's Day with a paying guest! Plus, make your reservation for Father's Day brunch on Sunday, June 21st at The Adobe. Brunch is available between 6:30 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. Call today, because reservations are limited.

Score a Summer Pass

For \$139, 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 use now through August 31st.

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

Embassy Suites ~ 2015 ABEVA Rates

6/1-9/12 -2015 \$109.00 + tax
9/13-12/31-2015 \$189.00 + tax



Above rates are based on availability and will apply to standard suites only.

Rate will include:

- All suite accommodations with choice of one king bed or two double beds and sofa bed in the living room.
- Full cooked to order breakfast each morning Monday - Friday 6:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and Saturday and Sunday 7:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.
- Evening reception each evening from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. each day.
- No resort fees.

For reservations, you can contact the hotel directly at 602-955-3992 and ask for the ABEVA rate or you can make your reservations by visiting their website at www.phoenixbiltmore.embassysuites.com go to reservations and use Corporate ID 2759628. ❖

The Wrigley Mansion

Taste Tuesdays

Taste the best of Geordie's with a seasonally-inspired four-course tasting menu for \$30pp plus tax/gratuity.

Live Music Calendar

Visit the Wrigley at Geordie's Lounge every Thursday and Friday evening from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. to experience their live music lineup featuring some of Phoenix's top local musicians. Come for happy hour from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., stay for the great music! You may view their live music calendar online.

Sunday Brunch

The Wrigley Mansion offers an award-winning brunch experience every Sunday, and it is better than ever! Book your table today and enjoy Sunday brunch overlooking the City every Sunday from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Call 602-955-4079 for reservations!

Tours

Go behind the scenes at Phoenix's most regal residence with a guided tour of The Wrigley Mansion Club, offered Wednesday through Saturday. Tours cost \$15 pp; Stay for lunch and the cost for tour and meal is \$25 - \$40pp, or \$64 for the tour plus Sunday brunch. ❖

News From the Ritz

The Re-Branding of the Ritz

The Ritz-Carlton Phoenix will close July 24th and undergo a makeover into another upscale hotel brand that appeals to business and vacation travelers. The 281-room hotel, which opened in 1988, will undergo an extensive renovation and reopen in December as part of Marriott's Autograph Collection of independent upscale and luxury hotels, said Carrie Mosner, spokeswoman for Destination Hotels & Resorts. The property is owned by Host Hotels & Resorts.



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Website Information

Please visit the NEW website at www.abeva.com. There is a link to Phoenix Metro Bank to pay your annual dues. You can download many ABEVA documents; CC&Rs, Parking Permission, Architectural Request Form, and more. You may also read board minutes and the *ABEVA Brief* online. ❖

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City of Phoenix Back-Washing
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 (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



"Destination and Host will be repositioning the hotel as a lifestyle hotel," Mosner said, adding that the companies want to capitalize on the site's location near the Biltmore Fashion Park.

Marriott's Autograph Collection includes domestic and international hotels including the Brown Palace Hotel in Denver, Boscolo Exedra Nice in France, St. Ermin's Hotel in London and Prince Sakura Tower in Tokyo.

Locally, Destination manages the Royal Palms Resort & Spa, Tempe Mission Palms and Scottsdale Resort & Conference Center.

"Scottsdale Resort & Conference Center will undergo a massive multi-phase renovation that will begin July 1st. The resort will reopen in September as The Scottsdale Resort at McCormick Ranch, A Destination Hotel," Mosner said.

Under the first phase, a \$9 million renovation, a new restaurant and bar will be added, the main pool will be redone and guest rooms will be enhanced, among other work. The property, at 7700 E. McCormick Parkway, is owned by Cornerstone Advisors.

A Fond Farewell To The Ritz-Carlton Afternoon Tea

Guests are invited to experience the final tea service on Sunday, July 19th in the comfortable setting of The Ritz-Carlton Ballroom before the Hotel closes its doors on July 24th.

The Afternoon Tea service at The Ritz-Carlton, Phoenix has become known across the country as a shining example of elegance, luxury, and a place where memories are made. A hosted champagne reception will kick the afternoon off at 3:00 p.m. followed by full tea served from 3:30 to 5:00 p.m. Attendees will enjoy a slideshow of photos taken by guests and locals alike who have enjoyed the afternoon tea over the years. Live entertainment will be provided by the talented Nicole Pesce trio.

Legendary Tea Sommelier Jeffrey Hattrick has prepared many special events for the coming weeks including Festival of Hats, Father/Daughter Tea and Teddy Bear Tea - all leading up to the grand final afternoon tea. To learn more about these events, visit www.ritzcarlton.com/phoenix.

The tea is \$43 per person (excluding tax and gratuity). Seating is limited, and reservations are strongly recommended. For reservations call 602-952-2424. ❖



ABEVA MEMBER DISCOUNTS FOR JUNE 2015

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

- **Foothills Pet Resort** - 3165 E. Lincoln Drive - 15% Boarding, Daycare, and Grooming Services - For more information call 602-956-2302 or visit www.foothillspetresort.com.
- **Aluxio Home Management** - 15% discount to ABEVA members - For more information call 480-818-2479 or visit www.Aluxio.com.
- **Mr. V's Fine Cigars and Events** - Rare, vintage, and aged every day cigars. 10% off entire purchase of cigars, cutters and ash trays when you mention this ad. Call 602-413-6544.
- **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.



- **Inspired Bodies Massage** - 602-451-5436 - Therapeutic massage and reflexology. New clients receive a 60 minute massage for \$60.
- **Wax Appeal** - 1202 E. Maryland, Suite 1C, Phoenix, AZ 85014. - www.waxappealbyjill.com - 602-684-8034 - Monday – Saturday, by appointment only. Mention this ad and receive 20% off your service.
- **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.
- **Groom Room Barbershop** - Receive \$5 off - Every haircut 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.
- **Urban Vine (kitchen|hops|grapes)** - 2201 N. 7th St. - 602-258-5149 - Check out their ever changing specials, everyday happy hour, and Sunday brunch. Bring this ad for 10% off your experience.
- **Seth's Healing Hands** - Traveling Medical Massage Specialist. Over 15 years experience. 20% off all medical massages for ABEVA members - 602-373-7553.
- **Holiday Cruises & Tours** - \$100 discount on any seven day or longer vacation. I will strive to find the best value for your vacation dollar. Call Claudia, your Biltmore neighbor and vacation expert - 602-228-9939.

