

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 Assessment for ABEVA

ABEVA is the Master Association and has an ANNUAL assessment. The 2010/2011 Annual Assessment invoices were mailed out on September 29th, and they are due November 1st. A 30-day grace period is allowed to give all owners adequate time to make payments. All payments must be received in the ABEVA office (not postmarked) by November 30th. Any payment received after November 30th is considered late and will be charged a late fee of \$27.50. Late fees will not be waived, as it is the homeowner's responsibility to pay their assessments in a timely manner. If you have not received your invoice and would like another copy, please contact the ABEVA office at 602-955-1003. ■

Trustee Sales

There seems to be a misconception that because a home is in foreclosure or pending a trustee sale that the homeowner is released from the responsibility to pay the HOA dues. This is absolutely untrue. The homeowner is not only responsible until the foreclosure, but very possibly after, as banks are not recoding deeds immediately upon foreclosure. The law states a homeowner is responsible until the new deed is recorded. Residents who do not pay their assessments are cheating their neighbors and their community. Therefore, in order to be fair to those who do meet their responsibilities, we pursue all accounts. ■

Caring Community Award

Last month we told you that ABEVA was nominated by Officer Jon McLaughlin for the Caring Community Award. We are now happy to announce that Arizona Biltmore Estates Village Association and the Executive Director, Roberta Peterson, were in fact one of the winners and have been awarded a Certificate of Appreciation for being a Caring Community at the September 28th City of Phoenix Block Watch Advisory Board meeting. The certificate is framed and hanging in the ABEVA office.

At the meeting Commander Smith stated that Phoenix had the lowest rate in 20 years for violent crimes. With the realignment of precinct and beat boundaries, the areas have been shrunk to allow more police presence in each area. The new station is being built at 20th St. and Maryland. Unfortunately due to budget issues in total manpower allocation, Phoenix remains about 500 officers short at this time. ■

Turkey Facts – Just for Fun

Here turkey, turkey, turkey

- Turkeys are able to adapt to a wide variety of habitats. However, most turkeys are found in hardwood forests with grassy areas.
- The best time to see a turkey is on a warm clear day or in light rain.



They What?

- Turkeys have heart attacks. When the Air Force was conducting test runs and breaking the sound barrier, fields of turkeys would drop dead.
- Turkeys can drown if they look up when it is raining.

Eat, sleep, gobble

- Turkeys spend the night in trees. They fly to their roosts around sunset.
- Turkeys fly to the ground at first light and feed until mid-morning. Feeding resumes in mid afternoon.

Eyes in the back of their heads?

- A wild turkey has excellent vision and hearing. Their field of vision is about 270 degrees. This is the main reason they continue to elude some hunters.

And they're fast, too!

- A spooked turkey can run at speeds up to 20 miles per hour. They can also burst into flight approaching speeds between 50-55 mph in a matter of seconds.

So close, yet so far

- Benjamin Franklin wanted the national bird to be a turkey.

Thanksgiving Thoughts

Amidst the economic woes, there is still much to be thankful for. "If you woke up this morning with more health than illness, you are more blessed than the millions that will not survive the week. If you have food in your refrigerator, clothes on your back, a roof over your head and a place to sleep, you are richer than 75% of this world. If you have money in your bank or your wallet you are among the top 8% of the world's wealthy. If you hold up your head with a smile on your face and are truly thankful, you are blessed because the majority can, but most do not." ~Author Unknown ■

SAFETY & SECURITY

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





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 home and cell phones. ■



Attorney's Advise – No Charge

A corporate attorney sent the following out to the employees in his company. It has appeared in the Brief several years ago, however with all the checks we are currently processing it seems like a good time for reminders.

1. **The next time you order checks have only your initials (instead of first name and last name) put on them.** If someone takes your checkbook, they will not know if you sign your checks with just your initials or your first name, but your bank will know.
2. **Do not sign the back of your credit cards.** Instead put "PHOTO ID REQUIRED."
3. **When writing checks to pay on credit card accounts, DO NOT put the complete account number on the FOR or MEMO line.** Just put the last four numbers. The credit card company knows the rest, and anyone handling your check as it passes through all the check processing channels won't have access to it.
4. **Put your work phone number on your checks instead of your home number.** If you have a PO Box, use that instead of your home address. Never have your social security number printed on your checks.
5. **Place the contents of your wallet on a copy machine.** Copy both sides of each license, credit card etc. You will know what you had in your wallet and all the account numbers should you have to call and cancel. Keep the photo copy in a safe place.

Here is some critical information to limit the damage should you or someone you know have a purse or wallet stolen.

1. **File a police report immediately in the jurisdiction where your credit cards, etc. were stolen.** This proves to credit card providers that you were diligent, and it is the first step to an investigation (if there ever is one).
2. **Call the national credit reporting organizations (Equifax, Experian and Trans Union) immediately.** Place a fraud alert on your name and social security number. The alert means any company that checks your credit knows your information was stolen, and they have to contact you by phone to authorize new credit.

Here are the numbers you will need

- Social Security Administration: 1-800-269-0271
- Equifax: 1-800-525-6285
- Experian: 1-888-397-3742
- Trans Union: 1-800-680-7289 ■

Sub Association Guard Profile

Several of the sub-associations have guards who have served for many years. This continuity provides all of us

with a bonus of extra security. The ABEVA Board is pleased to acknowledge these long-time employees for the work they do and the length of time they have served. We want all homeowners to learn a bit about them personally. Each month will feature a different guard, beginning with the first shift guards. We hope you enjoy getting to know them. All guards at sub-association posts communicate many times daily with the ABEVA Roving Patrol.



Darrin Oliver

Darrin Oliver will celebrate his 10th year with the Cloisters on November 28th. Darin says he enjoys working at the Cloisters, as each day brings something new and exciting. He has met a lot of nice people through his job. Outside of work, Darin enjoys listening to short wave radio, photography of wild life and night blooming cactus and air shows. He has an online photo gallery on a major photography magazine website in the UK. If you would like to view his photo gallery visit www.dphotographer.co.uk/user/Lee1984 Darin also enjoys fishing, hiking, listening to rock n roll music from the 80s and playing a good game of chess. ■

MEETINGS & LUNCHEONS

National Bank of Arizona

Greetings from National Bank of Arizona - Women's Financial Group

Please join us on November 8th for our final 2010 Inside Cover Author Series event featuring Dr. Michelle May, M.D. Dr. May is author of *Eat What you Love, Love What You Eat*, and her passion, insight, and humor stem from her personal struggle and professional experience. She shares her compelling message and constructive approach with audiences around the country and has trained over 170 health professionals to facilitate Am I Hungry?® Workshops worldwide. She has been featured on the Discovery Health Channel, Oprah and Friends with Dr. Oz, and quoted in *Fitness, Health, Parents, Self, USA Weekend, US News & World Report, Woman's Day, WebMD* and many more. Her personal success story was published in *Chicken Soup for the Dieter's Soul*.

In this eye-opening keynote, Michelle will inspire us to eat mindfully and live more vibrantly! Another special feature of this evening will be an informative and delightful presentation from Judith Wolff of Judith Wolff Designs – Interior Designs.



Registration is required, as seating is limited. Please RSVP by emailing events@nbarizona.com or calling 602-212-5554. This complimentary event will be held at National Bank of Arizona, located at 6001 N. 24th Street. ■

National Bank of Arizona's Taste of the Biltmore

The bank and vendors estimate that about 650 people attended the wonderful event on the lawn on October 7th. Over \$4,500 was raised by selling over 300 of their giving bands. We are the Valley...Banding Together for Arizona Charities officially launched its program at Taste of the Biltmore. We are the Valley is a combination of ten local charities that banded together during these difficult economic times to use their resources more effectively for the people they serve. ■

Camelback East Village Planning Committee

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 2nd 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, please call Marc Thornton, Camelback East Village Planner at 602-261-8701 or visit the website at <http://www.phoenix.gov/PUB-MEETC/indxhtml.html>. ■

Biltmore Area Partnership November and December Luncheons

The November and December Luncheons are normally held on the 4th Tuesday of the month, however, this year, it was decided by the board, to combine the two luncheons on a new date, December 7th, and call it a Holiday Luncheon. It will be held at a new Biltmore Area Partnership member, the Blue Water Grill, located at 1720 East Camelback Road.

The past several years we have made it a practice of remembering charities that help the less fortunate. In keeping with tradition, this year we will recognize the Vanguard Program, which was developed to give individuals, companies and families the opportunity to partner with the Sojourner Center to create and develop innovative solutions for overcoming the impact of domestic violence. At the luncheon we will collect items like clothing, school supplies, personal care items and toys; please no items of violence. Be sure to look for the article for the December 7th Holiday Luncheon in the *Biltmore Lifestyles* and the invite that will be forthcoming from the Biltmore Area Partnership. For any further information, call Ed Rossi at (602) 957-6483. ■

The Biltmore Networking Group

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

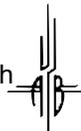
This month's happy hour is planned for November 4th from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the Omaha SteakHouse Garden Lounge inside the Embassy Suites, located at 2630 East Camelback Road in Phoenix. There is no need to RSVP, and there is never a charge to attend these events. If you have any questions or would like to be added to the email list for monthly announcements, please contact Shahpar Shahpar at Tiffany & Bosco, P.A. at ss@tblaw.com or (602) 255-6020. Shahpar is an attorney with the law firm of Tiffany & Bosco, and she founded the Biltmore Networking Group in 2003. ■

NEWS FROM ABEVA NEIGHBORS

Arizona Biltmore Golf Club

As a neighboring partner to ABEVA, the golf rate through December 25th is \$76 + tax including the cart fee.

The Adobe rejuvenation project is nearly finished! Exterior and interior paint, new furniture and carpeting, as well as a new Nike concept



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GOLF CLUB

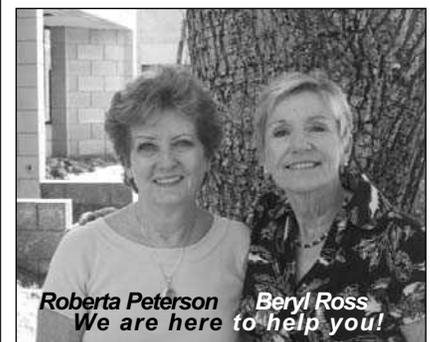
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Website Information

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. ■



in the golf shop are complete. The new menu is now being served and is based on sustainable, local and organically produced foods and products. The new Chef, Wade Moises, is serving up the familiar fare such as burgers, salads and sandwiches, but with most products coming directly from the producers, so there is no middleman – only the best for the best! Visit www.theadoberestaurant.com for more information. ■

AMC Esplanade Theatre

AMC will bring its newest entertainment concept to the AMC Esplanade. The theatre will be transformed into an enhanced entertainment and dining experience called Fork & Screen™ featuring Fork & Screen, a casual, in-theatre dining and entertainment experience; Cinema Suites™, a premium upscale in-theatre dining and entertainment option and MacGuffns, a bar and lounge area. In connection with the transformation, AMC Entertainment will be filing an application for a Series 12 (restaurant) liquor license.

Guests of Fork and Screen and Cinema Suites will be able to enjoy in-theatre dining combined with the most current movies and other types of entertainment, presented in the big screen viewing environment of an AMC theatre. Both Fork and Screen and Cinema Suites will feature in-theatre Seat Side Service, where moviegoers will have the opportunity to order from a diverse menu of appetizers, sandwiches, entrees, desserts, beer, wine and cocktails, as well as the traditional theatre concessions.

As you might imagine, this transformation will require the theatre to close during the anticipated four month ren-

ovations. The theatre will not close until sometime after the first of the year. If you'd like to see photos and learn more about this concept already in place in other cities, visit www.csa-compliance.com/Downloads/American_Multi_Cinemas/ITD_Overview_WEB.pdf. ■

Mah Jongg players

We are a group of five ladies who play a weekly game of Mah Jongg. Since some of us travel frequently, we are looking for additional players as "fourths" and "fifths." We normally play Wednesday evenings, starting with dinner out and rotate homes.



Two of us live in the Biltmore area, and the others live in Scottsdale/Paradise Valley. We sometimes also play on Friday afternoons, starting with lunch out, and are seeking "fourths" and "fifths" for those games as well. If interested, please call Shari Brooks at 602-206-4038. ■

The Ritz-Carlton

The Ritz-Carlton, Phoenix would like to extend a very special discount offer to ABEVA residents over holiday periods as follows:

We will offer an additional 20% off of the \$199 special ABEVA rate on the following dates, making the rate \$159!

November 19th-27th • December 16th-31st

Even on these special holiday dates, the ABEVA rate will include daily valet parking (a \$27 daily value). ■



ABEVA MEMBER DISCOUNTS FOR NOVEMBER 2010

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

- **NEW: The Adobe Restaurant at the Golf Club** - Enjoy an all new menu created by Chef Wade Moises as the membership welcomes ABEVA members with 10% off your bill in November and December - Just show your ABEVA Brief to receive the discount - Excludes alcohol beverages - www.theadoberestaurant.com.
- **Baby Kay's** - 2119 E. Camelback, Town & Country Shopping Center - 10% - 602-955-0011.
- **Omaha Steak House** - 2630 E. Camelback (Embassy Suites) - 10% food only - not valid holidays - 602-553-8970.
- **L'Amore Restaurant** - 32nd & Lincoln - 10% - (bring your business card and enter drawing to win free dinner) - 602-381-3159.
- **City Market Deli** - Camelback Esplanade - 602-242-2300. Please 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 though Dec. 31st.

Partners & Businesses

- **European Detail** - Indian School Road & 20th Street - Save 10% on your car detailing just for being an ABEVA member. We pick up and deliver in the central corridor at no extra charge. Visit their website at www.europeandetail.com or call Perry Dodd at 602-956-6464.
- **Camelback Fitness** - Biltmore Financial Center, 2394 E. Camelback #120 – One free personal training and EECP session or 10% off for new clients. Call Cory at 602-391-4702.
- **UPS Store** - 3219 E. Camelback Road (next to Tomaso's) - 10% - 602-952-8830.
- **Danny's Family Auto Wash** - The new 2010 – 2012 cards offering \$2.00 discounts have finally arrived in the ABEVA office. You may stop by and up one for each car.

