

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.

Highlights from the September 20, 2010 Board of Directors Meeting

- Andrew Stegen, General Manager of the Arizona Biltmore Resort & Spa attended the meeting to bring the board up to date on some resort improvements. These include:

- Half of the Villas units will be updated.
- 90 main building rooms will be renovated with a possibility of 40 additional rooms to be upgraded
- The ballrooms have new carpeting, paint and room dividers, and the lobby area has been completely re-done.

Andrew added that through an agreement with BCIC (Biltmore Community Corporation comprised of several Biltmore Estates Drive homeowners), the resort will install cameras in the next few weeks at the guardhouses on Thunderbird Trail and Godown Drive. BCIC group will monitor the system.

- The ABEVA annual budget was approved by the board as submitted and recommended by the Budget Committee. Dues will remain at \$275 per member-household.
- Jay Swart reported that he, along with Roberta Peterson and Roger Rosdahl, the Securitas Patrol Officer in Charge, had a meeting with the new Neighborhood Action Officer, Loretta Trynosky. The purpose of the meeting was to continue the same excellent ongoing communication with Loretta as ABEVA had with Officer Jon McLaughlin. Jay also reported that the relationship with the Phoenix Police Department has improved. He attributes this positive change to the improvement in the quality of Securitas personnel and the increased communication with both Phoenix PD and the resort. One visible benefit has been that the ABEVA office has been sent written reports that are filled with data that is more pertinent. This has enabled the office to follow up on issues more accurately and more quickly. ABEVA has heard many positive comments from both the community and the Police Department on the overall security improvements.
- Roberta Peterson reported that two coppertop caps were stolen from the street sign monuments inside Taliverde gates. One belonged to Taliverde, and one to the Heights. Patrol had observed one tossed in the bushes and went into the community to investigate

and report to the Taliverde guard.

Roberta also reported that Arizona Biltmore Estates Village Association (ABEVA) has been nominated by Officer Jon McLaughlin for the Caring Community Award. The Phoenix Block Watch Advisory Board presents this award. Several board members along with the ABEVA staff will attend the meeting to share in the honor.

- The next meeting of the Board of Directors is scheduled for Monday, October 18th at 5:30 p.m. at the ABEVA office. ■

FROM THE ABEVA OFFICE

2010-2011 Annual Budget Approved Assessment to Remain at \$275 for the Seventh Year

With prudent planning and careful spending, ABEVA will be able to maintain current services. Invoices were mailed on September 29th, and payment is due November 1st. If you are an ABEVA owner and do not receive your invoice by October 10th, please call the office at 602-955-1003. All invoices are mailed to the address on file. ■

Fast Facts about ABEVA

ABEVA stands for Arizona Biltmore Estates Village Association. It was established in 1976. ABEVA area generally covers the area bounded by 24th Street to the west, 32nd Street to the east, Lincoln Drive to the north and Camelback to the south.

ABEVA encompasses 750 acres and is responsible for five miles of roads - 24th Parkway, Claremont Avenue, Arizona Biltmore Circle, Thunderbird Trail, Biltmore Estates Drive (Loop Road) and Colter Street.

ABEVA includes two City of Phoenix Points of Pride, The Wrigley Mansion and the Arizona Biltmore Resort. There are a total of 1,688 homes in ABEVA and 112 apartment units. In addition, there will be 113 condo units along Camino Acequia that, although will not be ABEVA members, they are required to pay dues.

Geneva Holdings Condominiums – Fairway Lodge has closed its 57th unit, and the 90-day transition from developer's to the homeowners' control has begun. Two Biltmore Estates has 14 out of 38 units sold and closed. ■

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 into your home and cell phones. ■



Driven to Distraction

When you are driving a vehicle, you need to give it 100% of your attention. It is amazing how many drivers don't. They find other activities to keep them entertained and challenged as they try to pilot a ton of steel down a busy thoroughfare. Sometimes the result is tragic. Serious traffic accidents happen because drivers are momentarily distracted and direct their attention away from the task at hand. Below are some typical distractions behind the wheel. Do any of them sound familiar?

- ▶▶ Trying to find a radio station or selections on the CD player
- ▶▶ Fishing around in the glove compartment for something
- ▶▶ Combing your hair, checking in a mirror or even shaving
- ▶▶ Drinking coffee, spilling coffee, or cleaning up the spill
- ▶▶ Trying to hold a hamburger together while you eat it and keep the ketchup off your shirt or blouse
- ▶▶ Lighting a cigarette, fumbling for a dropped lighter or ember
- ▶▶ Reading a map
- ▶▶ Looking for an address
- ▶▶ Dialing a cell phone or carrying on an engrossing conversation with someone in the vehicle
- ▶▶ Disciplining restless children in the car or feeding them snacks
- ▶▶ Dodging a bee in the vehicle
- ▶▶ Staring in amazement at other drivers doing these things

Certainly today we are all rushed, and many of us have become accomplished at doing other things while driving. However, driving and trying to do other tasks decreases the safety of the driver and passengers, because you do not have as much control of the vehicle, and you cannot drive defensively or anticipating other drivers' actions. If you have to do something that requires your attention, then pull over. Safe driving takes all your concentration.

These are things we all know. If publishing them saves just one accident, we will be very thankful. ■

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 different guards beginning with the first shift guards. We hope you enjoy getting to know them. All guards at sub-association posts com-

municate daily with the ABEVA Roving Patrol.

We have included two guards this month, a husband and wife team working opposite ends of Claremont. Richard Jouita has been the guard at the Biltmore Greens entrance off 32nd Street for 15 years, and Linda Jouita has been the guard at the Colony Biltmore IV entrance off Arizona Biltmore Circle for 14 years. Rich enjoys helping residents and making sure things run right. Linda delights in the fact that every day is a new day and she never knows what is going to happen. She also loves to help the residents work through any issues. Outside of work Rich and Linda enjoy mystery movies, playing cards, playing darts and having barbecues with friends. Linda also enjoys cooking, and Rich likes to camp. They enjoy the company of their two "girls" of the canine variety, Phoebe and Pru. ■



Richard Jouita



Linda Jouita

MEETINGS & LUNCHEONS

National Bank of Arizona's Taste of the Biltmore

National Bank of Arizona at 6001 North 24th Street is proud to host the 4th Annual Taste of the Biltmore on Thursday, October 7th from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. This year, NBAZ is making this exclusive event free for Biltmore community residents on the lawn. The event will be held under the stars on the front lawn of the National Bank of Arizona's Biltmore Corporate Center.



In addition to the social festivities, attendees will be gathering to support local charities. We Are The Valley – Banding Together for Arizona Charities, a combination of 10 area non-profits that are partnering to use their resources more effectively, will officially launch its program at Taste of the Biltmore 2010. For a donation of \$15, guests will receive a giving band and an exclusive dining booklet with over \$350 in valuable offers from participating local restaurants. Entrance to the event is free of charge. For additional information, call Erin Staniek at 602-212-5431. ■

Camelback East Village Planning Committee

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, October 5th at 6:00 p.m. at the Devonshire Senior Center, 2802 East Devonshire Avenue (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 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 to 80 professionals, from finance, fine arts, government, hospitality and many more.



This month's happy hour is planned for October 7th from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the Omaha SteakHouse Garden Lounge inside the Embassy Suites Biltmore located at 2630 East Camelback Road in Phoenix. There is no need to RSVP, and there is never a charge to attend this event. 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. ■

Biltmore Area Partnership Luncheon

The next Biltmore Area Partnership networking luncheon will be Tuesday, October 26th at The Capital Grille in the Biltmore Fashion Park. The guest speakers will be Karen Litton, SCMD, CSM, Senior Manager, Property Management at Biltmore Fashion Park and Kate Birchler Senior Manager, Marketing at Biltmore Fashion Park and Scottsdale Fashion Square. Both malls are Westcor properties and are subsidiaries of Macerich. Recently, great activity has been ongoing at the Biltmore Fashion Park.

They will provide a full update on, new restaurants, retailers, programs, events and activities at the Biltmore Fashion Park. Reservations for the luncheon are required by Friday, October 22nd. The cost is \$25 for members and \$35 for guests and non-members. Networking will be from 11:30 a.m. to 12 noon, at which time lunch will be served. The guest speaker will address the attendees from 12:30 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. For additional information, please call Ed Rossi at 602-957-6483. Non-members need a reservation, 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

Tennis Players Wanted

ABEVA homeowner Margie Ziff who is a 3.5 to 4.0-player is looking for players to join in matches. If you are interested in tennis, please call her before October 9th at 248-855-4028 or after October 9th at 602-957-2195. ■

Biltmore Fashion Park Returns Popular Event Series

Biltmore Fashion Park will bring back Movies in the Park for eleven weeks this fall. The movie series showcases classic American films on Center Lawn and is free of charge and open to the public. Movies in the Park is a great way to spend a Friday evening at 7:30 p.m. under the stars. Movies are shown in their original, unedited format on Center Lawn.

Movie schedule through December: November 5 - *Bye Bye Birdie*, November 12- *North by Northwest*, November 19 - *The Great Gatsby*, November 26 - no movie, December 3 - *American Graffiti*, December 10 - *Holiday Inn*, December 17- *Scrooged*

For more information on Movies in the Park, please visit westcor.com or call 602-955-1963. ■

The Wrigley Mansion Club

Fireside Sundays are back on the patio! The Wrigley Mansion features live music, wonderful food and drink specials every Sunday from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Close your weekend in style.

Thanksgiving - Reserve your table now, as every year is a sellout. The cost for adults will be \$65. Children over five years of age will be charged \$32.50. For reservations, please call 602-955-4079. ■

Arizona Biltmore Resort & Spa

The holiday rate for ABEVA members is \$99. This rate is available November 19th – 27th and December 17th – 29th. For reservations, please call 602-955-6600.

Don't miss High Five Happy Hour at Frank & Albert's Bar daily from 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. Enjoy select cocktails, beer, wine and appetizers for \$5. Bar Bites are half off.

Wright's Winemaker Dinner Series is back for its 21st season. The first

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Website Information

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dinner will be Thursday, October 7th: Mondovi Winery, Napa Valley. Dinners are always the first Thursday of the month at Wright's from October through May. This year they will feature international wines and special guest chefs! Dinners are \$95 per person (not including tax and gratuity). For reservations please call Wrights Service Reservations at 602-381-7632.

Thanksgiving at the Arizona Biltmore - Celebrate Thanksgiving your way in the historic setting of the Arizona Biltmore – with a gourmet feast at Wright's, a family-style dinner with all the trimmings at Frank & Albert's, or an extensive buffet in the Gold Room with all your favorite Thanksgiving foods. For more information & to view menus visit: www.arizonabiltmore.com/Holidays/Thanksgiving.aspx.

Arizona Biltmore Resort Rewards Card (Card is not applicable on holidays or special events.) The resort offers ABEVA members a 15% discount at restaurants, gift shops, spa services or guestrooms, when they have the resort-issued card. To obtain an application form, contact the concierge desk at the resort by calling 602-955-6600, visit www.arizonabiltmore.com/about/rewards.asp to download an application or come into the ABEVA office for a form to fill out which may then be faxed to the resort. If you only need a replacement card, you may contact Megan Johnson at the resort.

Donovan's Steak and Chop House

Donovan's is extending Restaurant Week pricing for their friends in the Arizona Biltmore Estates & Village

Association. Please enjoy their fantastic 3-course prix fixe menu for only \$39 featuring prime filet mignon and shrimp scampi, North Atlantic salmon and twin filet medallions with port wine demi glace and blue cheese. Please visit them at The Taste of The Biltmore on October 7th. Donovan's is located at 3101 East Camelback in the heart of the Camelback Corridor. Contact them at 602-955-3666 or www.donovanssteakhouse.com for reservations.

Ritz-Carlton

The ABEVA rate at Ritz-Carlton through December 31st is \$209 for a deluxe room per night and includes the normal \$27 parking fee. To make reservations, contact the hotel directly at 602-468-0110 or central reservations at 1-800-241-3333. Just tell them you are an ABEVA member and let them know if you are celebrating a special occasion. For more information, visit www.ritzcarlton.com.

Arizona Biltmore Country Club

As a neighboring partner to ABEVA, the golf rate through December 25th is \$76 plus tax and includes cart.

Changes Are Coming! According to Tom Shultz of JDM, within the next month or two, the Adobe will have a spruced up look. These changes include interior and exterior paint, new carpeting, flat screen TVs and a new Nike concept in the Golf Shop. Also, a new chef is onboard that will roll out a new "organic-type" menu in October. For further information about the Golf Club or to reserve your tee times, call 602-955-9655 or visit www.azbiltmoregc.com.



ABEVA MEMBER DISCOUNTS FOR OCTOBER 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

- **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.

