# 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

#### **ABEVA Board of Directors Meeting**

The Board of Directors did not meet in August. The next meeting of the Board of Directors is scheduled for September 12th at 5:30 pm in the ABEVA office.

#### Annual ABEVA Assessment

The annual assessments will be due November 1st. The budget proposed by the Finance Committee is to be approved at the September 12th meeting. Invoices will be mailed by October 1st. A mass email will also be sent.

#### E-Mail

Are you receiving the ABEVA Brief and important HOA bulletins via e-mail? Whether you are home or abroad, you can easily keep up if you have a computer and an e-mail address. Our website is www.abeva.com.

#### **Roof Rats**



Due to the roof rat population in the valley, if you still have citrus on your trees please be a good neighbor and remove the citrus.

#### Reconnaissance

Observe the following for roof rat presence:

- · hollowed out citrus (still on the tree)
- · gnaw marks around roof eaves
- unsettled pets
- droppings (elongated ¼ inch long)
- · sounds in the attic or walls
- damage to plastic of electrical wires

#### Recommendation

- · seal any access into the house
- thin and manicure lush landscape
- · eliminate food & water sources
- set out & maintain snap traps
- · install poison in bait stations
- inform your immediate neighbors

#### Reference

- Maricopa Country Complaint Line 602-506-6616
- For more information about controlling & eliminating roof rats, visit www.roofrat.net

## From ABEVA's Landscaper 5 Landscape Tips: Preparing for Winter Annuals By ValleyCrest Landscape Maintenance

If you'll be planting annual flowers this winter,







September is the perfect time to begin preparing! Follow our 5 tips to prepare your flower beds:

- 1.) Plan ahead for new color; don't wait until it's time to plant!
- Remove spring and summer annuals from flower beds.
- **3.)** Turn off irrigation to allow beds to rest and dry out.
- **4.)** Apply post-emergent herbicide (may need to apply more than once).
- **5.)** Cultivate and amend your soil in preparation for new flowers in late October.

#### SAFETY & SECURITY

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



#### **Security Systems**

If you have a security system, please be sure to use it. We have been rather surprised over the years at the number of residents that say they have an alarm system but do not use it.

IF YOU HAVE A SECURITY SYSTEM AND DO NOT TURN IT ON, THEN YOU DO NOT HAVE A SECURITY SYSTEM.



Should you see anything suspicious, call Roving Patrol at 602-369-4776, Phoenix Crime Stop at 602-262-6151 or 911. For your safety, please program both of these numbers in your home and cell 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?

Come to Mountain View Precinct Coffee with a Cop on Wednesday, September 7th from 9 am to 10 am at Dunkin Donuts located at 2322 E. Thomas Road.

#### Vehicle Burglaries:

Calling the police precinct will only delay your response to have an officer respond to you. If you need the police you need to be calling CRIME STOP 602-262-6151 for non emergencies and 911 for emergencies. The police precinct as in other states and towns does NOT dispatch calls.

When it comes to vehicle burglaries we find so often these crimes can be prevented if we as citizens can take









extra steps to account for and secure our personal and valuable items such as; wallets, ipads, ipods, GPS, cell phones, purses, gym bags, luggage, id's, mail, laptops, check books and money etc. It is essential for you to secure these items in a safe place rather than leaving them in the passenger compartment of your vehicle in plain view for all to see. Do not rely on tint, an alarm, locked car or other devices to protect your valuables. For example your vehicle has tint the bad guy places a small flashlight up to the vehicles window it minimizes the light helping to conceal him and reveal all the contents within your vehicle, they observe your valuables, but you have a locked door. The window punch the bad guy has is going to break the window, the tint that protects you from the sun and in your minds conceals your valuables will likely hold most of the window together and benefit the bad guy from the shattering sound a window produces when its broken. The vehicle alarm will likely go off but before anyone notices or pays attention to "another car alarm" the bad guy will be long gone with your belongings, leaving you with hours of clean up and reporting to police and insurance companies.

If possible do not leave articles of clothing on the seats, burglars are known for breaking into cars in search of what may be hidden under the sport coat or jacket we've covered our valuables with.

The moral of this story is if you do not want to be victimized take your valuables with you or secure them in a safe place such as a trunk then disable or lock the internal trunk latch so it cannot be accessed from within your car.

These crimes are easy to blame on one type of person but in fact we see all walks of life committing vehicle burglaries. Burglary is a crime of opportunity; if the opportunity presents itself for anyone who feels they need what you have and they think they can get away with it, they will likely attempt to take it. It's not just meth heads rummaging for change, many other types of people including juveniles are committing these crimes often times looking to obtain identities, bank cards, mail, etc. It may surprise you, but it is very easy to become a victim of identity theft or fraud with the original crime being a vehicle burglary. It all depends what items the bad guy is able to steal. It's even easier for the bad guys to pawn your items or sell them on the street for pennies on the dollar leaving you with a headache and them with a few bucks in their pockets.

The point here is report all suspicious people/vehicles to the police via a phone call to crime stop 602-262-6151 or 911 if it is an emergency. Be cautious not to stereotype certain groups of people while ignoring others. It may be the other guy or both you need to be reporting. Be a good witness, obtain good descriptions and directions of travel and know your location.

### Ben Carro, Community Action Officer Mountain View Precinct, 602-320-0394

We have several events and meetings coming up in the next couple of months and wanted to share the dates with you in case you are interested in attending.

Aug. 30 Metal Theft presentation
Mountain View Precinct

2075 E. Maryland Ave. - 9:00 am - 10:00 am







Sept. 17 Phoenix Neighborhood Patrol Training Mountain View Precinct

2075 E. Maryland - 8:00 am-3:00pm

Sept. 24 Community Event "Family Fun" Mountain View Precinct

2075 E. Maryland Ave. - 8:00 am-12:00 pm

Sept. 27 Block Watch Advisory Board Meeting (open to public)

Mountain View Precinct

2075 E. Maryland Ave. 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm

Oct. 15 Getting Arizona Involved in Neighborhood (GAIN),

In your neighborhoods

#### **MEETINGS & LUNCHEONS**

#### **Camelback East Village Planning Committee**

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 6th at 6:00 pm at the Devonshire Senior Center, 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 http://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) plans to meet for lunch at Frank and Albert's each month at 11:45 am.

The ladies will be ordering off of the menu, with separate checks. Depending upon the size of our group each month, in exchange for the privilege of being able to order off of the menu and have separate checks and use our ABEVA discount cards, our 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!

Each month you will be asked to RSVP by the night before if you're planning to attend. If you've said you were coming and something comes up that you can't, please let us know so that we won't be reserving needed restaurant seating. The days for lunch will vary to try and prevent someone from not being able to attend because they have other, regularly scheduled lunch meetings on a certain day of the month.

To RSVP, contact La Rita Mason at Irmason@ arn.net by Tuesday, September 13th if you're planning on attending the September 14th luncheon. It will be at Frank and Albert's at the Arizona Biltmore Hotel at 11:45 am on the patio with Renata Grieco as Coordinating Hostess.

#### To do advanced planning:

Frank and Albert's - Arizona Biltmore Hotel-Wednesday, October 12th - 11:45 am - On the Patio-Renata Grieco as Coordinator Hostess

Frank and Albert's - Arizona Biltmore Hotel-Thursday, November 10th - 11:45 am - Main Restaurant - Sherry Hauser as Coordinator Hostess

Frank and Albert's - Arizona Biltmore Hotel - Thursday, December 8th - 11:45 am - Main Restaurant - Sherry Hauser as Coordinator Hostess















#### **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, medi-



cine, 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 September 1st from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the Omaha Steak House Garden Lounge inside the Embassy Suites Phoenix Biltmore at 2630 East Camelback Road. You may 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 Shahpar at Tiffany & Bosco, P.A. at ss@tblaw.com or call her at (602) 255-6020. Shahpar is an attorney with the law firm of Tiffany & Bosco, and she founded the Biltmore Networking Group in 2003.

#### **Biltmore Area Partnership Networking Luncheon**



The September 27th Biltmore Area Partnership luncheon will be held at Seasons52 located at Biltmore Fashion Park. The guest speaker will be Stephen Grubbs, who works with the City of Phoenix Aviation Department. He is currently the Projects Administrator over-

seeing the operational readiness for the PHX Sky Train responsible for the safe, secure and efficient operation for all passengers riding the PHX Sky Train. He has also held previous positions in Operations as well as in the Planning and Environmental Division. Stephen began his career in aviation as a young air traffic controller in the United States Marine Corps and earned his Bachelor of Science degree in Aviation Management from Southern Illinois University. Stephen's presentation is, "All Aboard! PHX Sky Train Coming in Early 2013."

Reservations are required by Friday, September 23, 2011. Networking will be from 11:30 am to 12:00 noon, when lunch will be served. The guest will address the attendees from 12:30 to 1:00 pm. The cost is \$25.00 for members and \$35 for non-members. For additional information, please call Ed Rossi at (602) 957-6483. Reservations and checks should be sent to Biltmore Area Partnership, 3104 East Camelback Road, #174, Phoenix, Arizona 85016.

#### Fifth Annual Taste of Biltmore

National Bank of Arizona's Fifth Annual Taste of Biltmore event will be on Thursday, October 6th from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm. The \$10.00 admission fee includes valet parking and will benefit the AZ Centennial Commissions Nonprofit Foundation.

#### **NEWS FROM ABEVA NEIGHBORS**

#### **Wrigley Mansion**

The Wrigley Mansion is open for tours, lunch, happy hour, and dinner on September 1st.

- Tours Wednesday-Saturday 10:00 am, 1:00 pm, and 3:00 pm
- Lunch Wednesday-Saturday 11:00 am-3:00 pm
- Dinner Friday and Saturday 5:00 pm-9:00 pm
- Happy Hour Friday and Saturday 4:00 pm-7:00 pm
- Sunday Brunch and Fireside will not open until October 2nd.



### ABEVA Board of Directors

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#### **ABEVA Office Information**

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Resort Truck Parking on ABC Hotline 602-954-2573



#### **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.















THE ADOBE PRESENTS:

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#### ADOBE

Join us for Doggie Yoga & Yappy Hour on September 20th at 6:00 pm. For event details & to RSVP please visit www.theadoberestaurant.com/upcoming-events.

The Adobe now offers retail pricing on wine. We would love to be your one-stopshop for all your beverage needs.

The Arizona Biltmore Golf Club – 20% off our posted greens fees through September for ABEVA members. Due to positive response, the Arizona Biltmore Golf Club is extending its limited \$5,000 individual initiation fee (\$7,500 for families) for new members through December 31st, 2011! For a complete overview of these membership programs, their entitlements and the associated costs, contact Dick Bates at 602-722-2964.

The Adobe offers BBQs Saturday afternoons on the patio from 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm. This is a unique opportunity to enjoy comfort food at an incredible price. Only \$19.95 for an authentic three course meal, that includes a variety of BBQ styles ranging from Texas classics to Memphis style, as well as la



Special Discount Rate for ABEVA! The discounted rate from September 4th through year end is only \$219! 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 at 602-468-0110. ABEVA guests will have the option of upgrading to Club Level Access on the 11th floor for only \$30.00 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.



#### ABEVA MEMBER DISCOUNTS FOR SEPTEMBER 20

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 CITY M. 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.
- Maui Dog 3538 E. Indian School Road - 15% - 602-464-3063.
- Spasso 4743 North 20th Street Town & Country Shopping Center - 15% - 602-441-HEARTLAND QUALIF 0030.
- OMAHA STEAKS Omaha Steak House - 2630 E. Camelback - Embassy Suites -10% food only - not valid holidays - 602-553-8970.
- The Adobe Restaurant 2400 E. Missouri Avenue -10% off for ABEVA members - through September 2011 - 602-468-9160.
- 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 Summer Special for ABEVA Members only - Now through December 31st, relax and renew yourself with in-home one-hour massages for \$60, as well as a special package, buy 4 one-hour massages get the 5th FREE. Contact Natalie Lawson LMT at 602.451.5436 or visit http://www.inspiredbodiesmassage.com
- Danny's Family Auto Wash Danny's Family Auto Wash To sign up for the 25 year celebration special group program of 50% off Basic Washes and you will not need a card.



- 1. Visit the website at www.Dannys25th.com
- 2. 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)
- 3. Begin visiting Danny's 7 days after your 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.













