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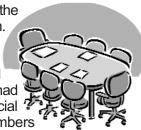
## ABEVA Mission Statement

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# FROM THE ABEVA OFFICE

#### May 17th Meeting Highlights

• President James Bell called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. The first order of business was the Open Homeowner Forum. A homeowner had questions about rumors she had heard regarding the financial responsibility ABEVA members



might have for the operation of the greeter house being constructed on Thunderbird Trail. The Board assured her that ABEVA has no financial obligations towards the operation of the new house.

- Treasurer Stephen Hoffman reviewed the April, 2010 financials and reported the budget remains on target for the year.
- The Board requested that the Executive Director immediately undertake repairs of the damage to the road caused by a minor bus accident on Camino Acequia.
- Jay Swart reported that this month's Camelback East Village Planning Committee meeting was cancelled. That being said, he noted that Goodwill is moving their drop-off center from the southwest corner of 40th Street and Camelback to the northwest corner. They will rent the space formerly occupied by a Chinese restaurant. Jay emphasized that this will be only a drop-off center. not a store.
- The Board reviewed the Incident Report from the month. Six incidents were reported. BED, Gates, Biltmore Terrace and Taliverde each had one incident. The Meridian had two. (Please see the discussion on page two under Security.)
- The next regular ABEVA board meeting will be held on June 15th, 2010 at 5:30 p.m. in the ABEVA office.

## YOU MAY SEE...In and Around the Neighborhood....

**Thunderbird Trail Gate/Guardhouse** Construction has begun on the greeter gate/guard-





house on Thunderbird Trail. Construction is currently scheduled to be completed by June 10.



**Colony Biltmore IV Special Assessment** 

The homeowners of Colony Biltmore IV have approved the Special Assessment needed to remove the badly deteriorating tennis courts. They estimate that the work can begin in mid-July, once enough funds have been collected from the Special Assessment.

# From the ABEVA Office

- As of May 10th. 37 owners remain delinguent in annual dues to the Master Association.
- Geneva Holdings Condominiums Fairway Lodge has 54 units sold and closed out of the 75, and Two Biltmore Estates has 12 out of 38 sold and closed.







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- A top warning bar light has been installed on the patrol vehicle.
- The missing plants at Lincoln Drive and Arizona Biltmore Circle have been replaced, and summer flowers have been installed at all locations that ABEVA is responsible for.
- Several sidewalk repairs have been made to sidewalks along Arizona Biltmore Circle and Claremont.
- For aesthetic purposes, 19 bougainvillea plants have been installed along the concrete wall over the Grand Paseo walkway along Lincoln Drive.

# SECURITY

Since we live in a generally safe area, it is easy to become complacent regarding personal and property safety. However, as noted on the previous page, there were six incidents from April



18th through May 14th. PLEASE PROTECT YOUR-SELF AND THE REST OF OUR COMMUNITY BY FOLLOWING SOME SIMPLE RULES.

- ALL VISIBLE ITEMS IN YOUR CAR ARE TAR-GETS. Last month, two bags were taken that were left visibly in cars. The cars were locked, so the thieves broke windows. DO NOT LEAVE VISIBLE ITEMS IN YOUR CAR. Anything from a duffel bag with clothes to a garage door remote can be a target for theft.
- 2. OPEN WINDOWS ARE TARGETS. Last month, thieves entered a house through an open window and stole several TVs. LOCK ALL DOORS AND WINDOWS.
- 3. SET YOUR ALARM. If you have an alarm system, be sure to set it every time you leave your home and when you go to sleep.
- 4. MONITOR ALL WORKERS while they are at or in your home. Last month, a Taliverde homeowner having work done returned home to find a car missing, along with electronics and jewelry. The Taliverde video confirmed that the worker drove out with the stolen car. If you are having work done on your house, make sure you know your contractor and all sub-contractors.
- 5. YOUR GATED COMMUNITY WILL NOT PRE-VENT ALL CRIMES. Of the six incidents last month, five were in gated communities.

Should you see anything suspicious, call Roving Patrol at 602-369-4776 or Phoenix Crime Stop at 602-262-6151. Program both of these numbers in your home and cell phones.



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#### Objectives

- Monitor planning and zoning issues in the area, recommend changes and actively oppose those, which conflict with ABEVA's Mission Statement.
- Maintain and improve roads and common areas at a level of excellence unsurpassed by other high quality residential areas.
- Administer CC&Rs with logic and reason, ensuring that standards established for architectural and landscaping control are observed, and encourage all community associations to adhere to these principles.
- Develop a sense of community by improving communications among ABEVA, its residents and the community associations.
- Practice responsible financial management by investing dues and assessments to enhance the Biltmore lifestyle, and to ensure the value, desirability and attractiveness of the property, while maintaining adequate reserves for short-term and long-term fiscal demands.

## **Outdoor Water Conservation Tips**

Even though we use water every day, it's easy to take it for granted. Just imagine how you would function without clean water. It's everyone's



responsibility to conserve and protect water resources. The decisions and actions you make today truly affect our water resources for the future. The following suggestions will help you

- get in the habit of saving water in the great outdoors: • Get a rain gauge to measure rainfall. One inch of
  - rain per week is generally sufficient for lawns and gardens. Supplement only when rainfall is inadequate.
  - Use mulch around landscape plantings. Mulch will help eliminate weeds and hold moisture in the soil.
  - Select hearty plants that don't need much water. Native plants that are well adapted to your climate and soils will survive well without supplemental watering.
  - Water during the cool part of the day to avoid rapid evaporation.
  - Raise the mowing heights on your lawn











mower. This promotes healthier grass that can better survive dry periods.

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- When watering is necessary, water slowly and thoroughly. If you notice puddles or runoff, turn water off and wait for water to soak in. Also be sure your sprinkler puts water where you need it—not on driveways or sidewalks.
- Wash cars efficiently. First give the car a quick rinse, and then turn the water off. Wash one section of the car at a time and rinse that section quickly. Turn the water off each time.
  Visit www.auduboninternational.org for more conservation tips.

# **MEETINGS & LUNCHEONS**

#### Camelback East Village Planning Committee

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 1st 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/PUBMEETC/indxhtml.html.

#### Biltmore Area Partnership Networking Luncheon



The next Biltmore Area Partnership Networking luncheon will be on Tuesday, June 22nd at Lon's at the Hermosa Inn.

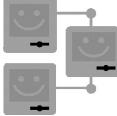
The guest speaker will be Deborah Ostreicher, Aviation Deputy Director for Public Relations, Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport.

Deborah oversees media, public relations and customer service for the airport.

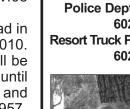
Lon's at the Hermosa Inn is located at 5532 North Palo Cristi Road in Paradise Valley. Reservations are required by Friday, June 18th, 2010. Networking will be from 11:30 a.m. until 12:00 p.m., when lunch will be served. The speaker will address the attendees from 12:30 p.m. until 1:00 p.m. The cost is \$25 for members and \$35 for non-members and guests. For additional information, please call Ed Rossi at (602) 957-6483. Reservations and checks must be sent prior to the luncheon. Send checks to the Biltmore Area Partnership at 3104 East Camelback Road, # 174, Phoenix, AZ 85016.

#### **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 60-80 professionals with diverse careers including finance, fine arts, government, hospitality, law, marketing, medicine, real estate, technology and many more.



This month's happy hour is planned for June 3rd 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. 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 call (602) 255-6020. Shahpar is an attorney with the law firm of Tiffany & Bosco and she founded the Biltmore Networking Group in 2003.





#### 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 preassigned login name and password back by email. You may read board minutes and the *ABEVA Brief* online.











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