

Published for Arizona Biltmore Residents Only

#### 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.

## Annual ABEVA Meeting

The annual meeting will be held on Thursday, February 2nd, 2012 at 6:30 p.m. in the Grand Canyon Room at the Arizona Biltmore Resort. Notices and ballots will be mailed prior to the end of the year.

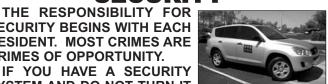
There are 6 Director positions to fill and 6 people running. Although it may seem like your ballot is not important, it is actually still very important. Unless we receive the required number of ballots to combine with those attending, there cannot be a meeting or election as the ballots also count for quorum. So we would appreciate if you will please fill your ballot out and mail as soon as you can after receiving it.

## Annual Assessments

The annual assessment in the amount of \$275.00 was due November 1st and was late if not received by November 30th. As of December 22nd, 2011 there are 112 delinguent owners, who have been mailed late notices. Those owing for more than one year are being addressed by the association attorney. Unfortunately, we are still seeing foreclosures taking place.

### SECURIT

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



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 or Phoenix Crime Stop at 602-262-6151. For your safety please program both of these numbers in your home and cell phones.

We have some disturbing news to report. In December there were two break-ins on the Loop Road/ Biltmore Estates Dr. The first was on December 13th. Two men, one with a gun, apparently entered through a doggie door, while the owners were home. Jewelry and a purse were taken. The 2nd was an alarm call to the police as the owners were not at home. Thieves entered by kicking in a back door. Both incidents occurred when it was dark, one early am and one early pm. Please light up the back of your homes wherever possible and be sure to turn your alarm on at night if you have one.

#### Tips to Discourage Burglars

The association does have a Roving Patrol, however they cannot be everywhere at one time and they basically only see your home from the front. Unfortunately, illegal entries into homes in our area—and others—happen from time to time. Residents can do more to protect themselves and their property than the association can do. Here are a few common-sense suggestions for reducing your chances of being the target of burglary.

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- Install double-cylinder, dead-bolt locks on your outside doors and include a reinforced strike plate to strengthen the doorframe.
- Every Lock all doors and windows no matter how briefly you'll be out of the house.
- a Install bars or lock pins on sliding doors and windows. These are available at local hardware or discount stores. Some mechanisms allow you to lock a sliding window or door in a partially-open position so you can enjoy fresh air securely while you're at home. However, if you go out, close the window and lock it
- That old trick of hiding a key somewhere outside your home is a bad idea. Burglars-or anyone who may have seen you hiding the key-will know where to find it. Instead, give a key to a neighbor or leave one with the association management office.
- " "John, I've gone to pick up your sister. I'll be home at 3:30.—Mom" This note also means, "Burglar, this house will be unoccupied for 45 minutes. Help yourself." Don't ever leave notes like this.
- If you're going to be out of the house for a short time, leave a television or radio on to create a sense of activity and presence.
- If you're going to be away for a longer time, such as a vacation, take a few simple precautions to keep your home from looking empty. Ask a neighbor to collect your mail and keep the door and porch clear of delivery notices, newspapers and fliers. Pick up several electric timers at the local discount store, and use them to turn lights, a television or radios on and off at various times during the day and evening. Let your neighbors and the manager know how to reach you in case there's an emergency.
- Arking your valuable personal property won't prevent it from being stolen, but it will help you get it back if it is. Engrave your driver's license number on items in a hidden area. Check with the local fire











department, police station or library to borrow an engraver. They're also available at large discount stores and are worth the investment if you have many items to mark. Photographing the item (and the engraved marking, if possible) will make it easier to retrieve your items from the police if they are recovered, and will aid in making an insurance claim if they aren't.

It doesn't take much to discourage a burglar. He succeeds on opportunity, and if your home doesn't offer a good opportunity, he'll likely move on to one that does.

## **FROM THE ABEVA OFFICE**

#### IT'S ANOTHER NEW YEAR ....But for What Reason?

"Happy New Year!" That greeting will be said and heard for at least the first couple weeks as the New Year gets under way. But the day celebrated as New Year's Day in modern America was not always January 1st. ANCIENT NEW YEARS -The celebration of the New Year is the oldest of all holidays. It was first observed in ancient Babylon about 4000 years ago. In the years around 2000 BC the Babylonian New Year began with the first New Moon (actually the first visible crescent) after the Vernal Equinox (first day of spring).

#### From ABEVA's Landscaper 5 tips for winter ryegrass by ValleyCrest:

- + Do not walk on ryegrass after a frost or freeze.
- + Do not mow wet ryegrass.
- + If you have common winter weeds like clover or dandelions, apply a selective pre-emergent herbicide this month.
- + A good mow height for ryegrass is 1.5 to 2 inches.
- Fertilize ryegrass with a balanced fertilizer such as 21-7-14 or 16-8-8.

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

The next meeting of the Board of Directors is scheduled for January 16th, 2012 at 5:30 p.m. in the ABEVA office. ■

## **MEETINGS & LUNCHEONS**

#### Camelback East Village Planning Committee

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 3rd 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 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 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) meets for lunch at Frank and Albert's each month at 11:45 a.m.

The ladies will be ordering off of the menu, with separate checks. Depending upon the size of the group each month, in exchange for the privilege of being able to order







off of the menu, have separate checks and use the ABEVA discount cards, the 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!

Frank and Albert's - Friday, January 8th at 11:45 a.m. -Main Restaurant - with Sherry Hauser as Coordinating Hostess.

You may RSVP by contacting La Rita Mason at Irmason@arn.net by Thursday, January 5th if you're planning on attending.

#### **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, medicine, 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 January 5th from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the Omaha Steak House Garden Lounge inside the Embassy Suites Phoenix Biltmore, located at 2630 East Camelback Road. 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 ShahparShahpar at Tiffany &Bosco, P.A. at ss@tblaw.com or call her at (602) 255-6020.

#### **Biltmore Area Partnership**



This organization was founded in 1994 to help unify and maintain the unique identity of the Biltmore Area in Phoenix, Arizona through business and community affiliation. The physical boundaries include the area between the

Squaw Peak Preserve and Campbell Road and 16th Street and 44th Street in Phoenix, Arizona. The ABEVA Executive Director serves as one of the Partnership's Officers.

The January Biltmore Area Partnership networking luncheon will be on Tuesday, January 24th at the Bluewater Grill, located at 1720 E. Camelback Road. The guest speaker will be Mr. Ian Swiergol who is a developing partner and architect of Alliance Residential. Mr. Swiergol will have a presentation on the Alliance project "Broadstone on Camelback & 26th Streets." (The old Hard Rock site).

Reservations are required by Friday, January 20th. Networking will be from 11:30 a.m. to 12 noon, when lunch will be served. The cost is \$25 for members and \$35 for non-members and guests. For additional information, please call Ed Rossi at (602) 957-6483. Guest reservations 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**

#### Adobe

Happy hour nightly at The Adobe Restaurant from 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. with \$3 drafts, \$5 glasses of wine plus, views from the patio are complimentary! Come to The Adobe for a FREE wine tasting January 21st from 1:00-3:00 p.m. and as always, retail pricing on wine is available.

Join them for Doggie Yoga & Yappy Hour on January 17th at The Adobe. For event details and to RSVP, please visit www.theadoberestaurant.com/upcoming-events.



Interested in becoming a member at the Arizona Biltmore Golf Club? Contact Erik Kotheimer at 602-955-9655 for membership details and offers. ■

#### **Ritz-Carlton**

Special Discount Rate for ABEVA! The discounted rate through April is only \$239.00 for a Deluxe room. 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, 602-468-0110. ABEVA guests will have the option of upgrading to Club Level Access on the 11th floor for only \$30 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.

#### Arizona Biltmore Resort

Did you know the Arizona Biltmore Resort offers ABEVA members a Rewards card? With this card you are entitled to a 15% discount at restaurants, gift shops, spa services and guestrooms. To obtain an application, you may call the ABEVA office and we can email or mail you one, then you fill it out and fax it to the resort. They will mail your card within 7 days of application.

Historic Photo Exhibit at the Arizona Biltmore Celebrates Frank Lloyd Wright & 75th Anniversary of Taliesin West

History comes to life in stark black and white at a special exhibit of images by Pedro E. Guerrero, the personal photographer of renowned architect Frank Lloyd Wright, at the Arizona Biltmore through April 29th, 2012.

Presented in collaboration with the Frank Lloyd Wright Foundation and held in honor of the 75th anniversary of Taliesin West, Wright's Arizona home that Guerrero began photographing in 1939; the exhibit features his favorite shots of the famous property that also became Wright's architectural school. The collection offers fresh historical insight into the period through commentary by Guerrero, because many of the photos have never been exhibited before.

The exhibit is complimentary, and the public is welcome. It will be installed in the History Hallway of the Arizona Biltmore Lobby.

For history and photography aficionados who would like to meet Pedro Guerrero, he will host a special reception at the Arizona Biltmore on Sunday, January 15th, 2012 in Wright's at the Biltmore, from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. The reception will include wine and hors d'oeuvres. Tickets are \$100 per person and are available for purchase on the Biltmore's website www.arizonabiltmore.com/activities.

#### Embassy Suites Biltmore Message to ABEVA Members

Best Holiday Wishes to all ABEVA Residents and their Families ~ Thank you for all your support in 2011 and we are looking forward to even better 2012!

From all of us at Embassy Suites Phoenix Biltmore www.phoenixbiltmore.embassysuites.com.







#### ABEVA Board of Directors

James Bell, President Mark Monserez, Vice President Steve Goldston, Treasurer Marcia Finberg, Secretary Richard Arroyo David Damron Camille Ercolano Steve Hoffman Judith Shafkind Harvey Shrednick Jay Swart

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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.



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Sub Association Management Companies		
<u>Name</u>	<u># of Homes</u>	Management Company
Courts I	72	Integrity First - 623-748-7595
Courts II/Vistas	96	Ogden & Co - 480-396-4567
Villas II	42	Associated Asset Mgmt 602-957-9191
Gates	41	Management Trust - 602-277-7070
Greens 3-6	170	Associated Asset Mgmt 602-957-9191
Shores	38	Morrison Group - 602-263-7772
Square	47	Choice Community - 602-843-1333
Terrace Condos	186	Ogden & Co 480-396-4567
Cloisters	224	Associated Asset Mgmt 602-957-9191
Colony B/ CB Greens	162	Management Trust - 602-277-7070
Colony B IV/Villas I	90	Parker Finch - 480-284-5551
Del Prado Apts.	112	Hillsboro Mgmt 602-957-3400
Heights	51	Management Trust - 602-277-7070
Meridian Condos	220	City Property Mgmt 602-437-4777
Taliverde	125	Elite Community Management - 623-322-8507
Village on the Lakes	67	Allison R.E 602-474-3554



## ABEVA MEMBER DISCOUNTS FOR JANUARY 2012

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

• L'Amore Restaurant - 32nd Street & Lincoln Drive - 10% -(bring your business card and enter a drawing to win a free dinner) - 602-381-3159.

City Market Deli - In the

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Camelback Road, #103 - Just

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chase 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.
- Omaha Steak House 2630 E. Camelback - Embassy Suites -10% food only - not valid holidays -602-553-8970.











#### Partners & Businesses

Bodies Massage Inspired Therapeutic Massage & Reflexology -Hot Winter Special for ABEVA Members only - Relax and renew yourself with in-home one-hour massages for \$60. Contact Natalie Lawson LMT at 602.451.5436 or visit www.inspiredbodiesmassage.com



Danny's Family Auto Wash - The 25th year celebration is being contin-

ued for 2012. Sign up for the discounted wash pro-

- Family Car Wash
- gram and save \$6.00 of each wash.
- 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.











