



NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

COMMUNICATOR

**We are a
Fight Back
Neighborhood!**

Neighborhood Web Site
[http://www.neighborhoodlink.com/
phoenix/belair/](http://www.neighborhoodlink.com/phoenix/belair/)

CALENDAR

Board Meeting re: 1/26
Block Watch Grant Application

Placement Begins for 1/31
Bulk Trash Pickup

Cardinals' Super Bowl Sunday! 2/1

Board Meeting 2/2

Squaw Peak 2/7
Block Watch Training

*Block Watch Leadership
Training. 7:30am-11:00am
at the FOP Lodge #2, 12851
N. 19th Avenue, Phoenix. To
RSVP call Mary Roestenber
g at 602-495-6896. Any
neighbor is welcome.*

Bulk Trash Collection Begins 2/9

General Meeting 2/12
6:30 pm—8:00 pm

Board Meeting 3/2

Neighborhood Yard Sale April

Board Meeting 4/6

Household Hazardous Waste 4/23
Collection Event at North Phoe- 4/24
nix Baptist Church, 5757 N. &
Central Ave. (SE corner Cen- 4/25
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You are invited to the

BEL AIR NEIGHBORHOOD

GENERAL MEETING

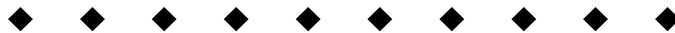
Thursday, February 12, 2009

6:30pm—8:00pm

American Evangelical Lutheran Church Gym
(18th Avenue & Glenrosa)

FREE Giveaways for All Households Who Bring a
Completed Phone Tree

*Request Bel Air Residents Who Own a Business to Bring
Brochures/Business Cards for a Bel Air Vendor Table*



Start cleaning out your closets
and get ready for the upcoming...

BEL AIR NEIGHBORHOOD YARD SALE

The Bel Air Community Enhancement Committee
plans to coordinate this event to occur during the
month of April. The exact date of this event will be
announced in the March/April newsletter.

Do You Need A Large Print Copy? Call 602-647-2832

Bel Air Board Meeting Minutes (cont.)

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another Block Watch member. Crime prevention notebooks are being created with the new Bel Air logo. Playing card size prototype will be printed with our logo. Two Friday nights for the Walkaround dates are available.

Crime Prevention - Marney

Marney attended a Block Watch meeting and met the New commander for the Squaw Peak precinct. The Indian School/32nd Street area is being targeted. Budget cuts may affect the amount of services. A workshop on Building Financial Capacity will be Nov 1, 9-11:30am at the Burton Barr Library. To reserve your seat, call 602-495-0873.

Traffic Committee – Roshelle

One of the Speed Hump Petitions has been received and will be submitted.

Community Preservation – Roshelle

Please continue to report blight issues.

Westwood – Wilfong

A community van was donated to the Westwood Neighborhood. Various companies have offered to help with the maintenance of the van. They are working on a route to assist residents to/from malls, doctor's offices, etc.

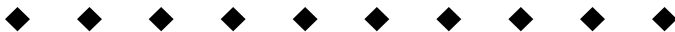
Breakfast with Tom Simplot – Light rail, Dec 27 & 28 will be free rides on the Light Rail. Budget no longer has room for the labor involved with spray painting over graffiti.

The next BelAir Board Meeting will be on:

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 3rd at 8 P.M. at the Fireside Room at Martin Luther School.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:20 p.m.



Date: November 3rd, 2008

Location: Martin Luther School, Fireside Room

The meeting began at 8:03 pm.

In Attendance: Carolyn McBane, Jeannie Garcia, Roshelle Johnson, Donald Hilton, Wayne Harmon, Marney Redmond, Charles Wilfong, and Carrie Fra-

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FIGHT BACK CRIME COMMITTEE UPDATE

• The Phone Tree

One of the Crime Prevention Committee's goals is to establish a phone tree for each block in the BelAir neighborhood. To accomplish this goal, a blank phone tree form was sent to each of the households in our neighborhood. We need volunteers (in addition to our Bel Air board members) to fill out their forms with as much of their nearby neighbors' contact information as reasonably possible. Volunteers are only being asked to fill in the information on the phone tree form about neighbors whom they are already comfortable approaching. The volunteers are to keep this information for their own personal use in case of an activation of our Bel Air Phone Tree.

- To become a branch of the Bel Air Phone Tree, just sign up during the next Bel Air Neighborhood Association General Meeting on February 12th. The sign up form has a place for your name and contact information that the Bel Air Neighborhood Association Board Members can use to contact you in case of an activation of our Bel Air Phone Tree. In such a case, they will ask you to call the neighbors on your phone tree form with any relevant information.
- Bring your filled out phone tree form to the meeting (just to show that it has some "leaves" on it) and you may pick out a prize from the Phone Tree Prize Table. There will even be a few pairs of Phoenix Zoo guest passes (while they last)!
- If a neighbor comes by to ask for this information, you can contact me, Virginia Clifford Anders, at 602.265.8498, to verify that this person is your contact for your block.



Bel Air Board Meeting Minutes (cont.)

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Roshelle Johnson presided over the meeting. Wayne Harmon's appointment to the Bel Air Neighborhood Association Board passed.

Meeting Minutes

Reviewing and approval of the October Board Meeting Minutes was tabled.

Treasurer's Report

Don Hilton reported the following:

General Fund Account - Beginning Balance on 09/30/08 of \$1,277.20. GAIN raffle proceeds of \$61.00. GAIN expense of \$89.54. Ending Balance on 10/31/08 of \$1,248.66. **Block Watch Grant Account** - Beginning Balance on 9/30/08 of \$2,378.18. October expenditures of \$168.62 for Sept/Oct. Newsletter, and \$15 for Oct. Board Mtg. Rental. Ending Balance on 10/31/08 of \$2,194.56.

Don Hilton received a quote from State Farm for insurance for the neighborhood association of \$325.00 a year. When compared to the current insurance policy that costs \$877.20 a year, it may be to the benefit of the association to change insurance carriers. Don Hilton and Charles Wilfong will follow up to verify the coverage would be identical in all aspects.

The November General Meeting will be on Nov. 13th from 6:30-8:00 p.m. A flyer will be mailed out 11/4/08 along with a phone tree form. Community Action Officer Aaron Stephens will speak about safety during the holidays. Phone tree giveaways will be given to participants that can show they filled out their phone tree. Food for the meeting will be from My Mother's Restaurant. The registration table will be manned by Jeannie Garcia.

The Neighborhood WalkAbout will be on Nov. 14th at 7:00 p.m. Everyone is to meet at the church parking lot. Officer Stephens will be accompanying our group on the WalkAbout. He was recently certified for lighting public safety issues.

Mark Day is coordinating the Neighborhood Semi-Annual Cleanup.

Fight Back

There have been 67 survey replies received so far by the Fight Back Committee.

Community Enhancement - Theresa

GAIN Oct 18th - The pancake breakfast was a successful event.

Crime Prevention - Marney

The Neighborhood Lighting/WalkAbout event is scheduled for Nov. 14th. Customized crime prevention notebooks for recording details is going to the printer. On December 6th, Marney will be attending the Block Watch certification meeting. Mobile vehicle magnets are due to arrive soon. Virginia went on patrol with St. Gregory's Neighborhood Association Block Watch members.

Traffic Committee - Roshelle

The cost of speed humps has increased to \$1700 from \$900. Sign toppers may be in place by Christmas. The new yield sign and speed humps appear to be working to increase traffic safety.

Community Preservation - no report available at this time.

Community Reports

Building Financial Capacity Mtg.- Carolyn McBane

Carolyn attended this meeting on Nov. 1st. She relayed info she received from the AZ Community Foundation, United Way, and the City of Phoenix Neighborhood Services Department. The info covered included grants, requests for donations and programs available.

Westwood - Wilfong

There was a homicide near 21st Ave/Turney last Tuesday. The victim was a teenager. The Westwood Neighborhood Association is making a schedule for their community van. Free light rail rides will be offered for the first 4 days.

APS Light Parade - Dec. 6th

A gathering place may be selected for Bel Air Residents to watch the parade from on this date.

The next BelAir Board Meeting will be on:

MONDAY, DECEMBER 1st at 8 P.M. at the Fireside Room at Martin Luther School.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

Bel Air Neighborhood Association Adopted a Family During The Holidays

During the December Bel Air Board Meeting, the Board decided to participate in the City of Phoenix 2008 Adopt-A-Family program. After first requesting a family that lives in Bel Air and being told none currently matching that description were available, we asked for a family located closest to our neighborhood.

As it turns out, our Adopted Family had only been in Arizona for less than a year. They came from Myanmar (formerly Burma) in SE Asia. Due to Civil War, they escaped and spent 10 years in a refugee camp in Thailand. Their wish list included many very basic necessities along with a few simple wishes. Thanks to many of our neighbors' generous donations of time and gifts (new, gently used, and monetary) we were able to brighten their holidays considerably.

On the day we personally delivered their gifts, we were quite honored by the father of this family presenting his wife, his niece, and their children to us one-at-a-time.

This Adopt-A-Family program also gave us and many of our neighbors a very personally rewarding experience during the holidays!



Looking To Purchase A Bel Air Style Metal Chair?

Check the following web-sites:

www.retrometallawnfurniture.com

www.torransmfgco.com

www.target.com

www.backyardcity.com

www.stacksandstacks.com

www.adirondack.net

www.patiostore.com

www.4seasongreenhouse.com

Help our neighborhood establish a unique identity
by placing the Bel Air style metal lawn chair
on your front porch!

Resources Are Available to Help With Blight Due To Foreclosures and Vacancies

There is a new City of Phoenix Web site that homeowners, residents and prospective home buyers now can turn to for help finding answers to many of their foreclosure questions and concerns. It is:

phoenix.gov/nsd

Included on this Web site is information that can help neighborhoods deal with the blight that often follows foreclosed properties, including homes in disrepair and yards with overgrown weeds.

"As a realtor, I know that it is extremely URGENT for neighbors to keep an eye on all properties current for sale or vacated due to foreclosure. This is lowering their own property values and if they see an unkempt house, they need to notify the realtor, lender/owner, and Neighborhood Services." - Beverly Brown

Important Phone Numbers

Emergency	911
Crime Stop	602-262-6151
Community Action Officer, Aaron Stephens	602-361-0043
Abandoned Vehicles <i>Private Property</i> <i>Streets, Alleys</i>	262-7844 262-6151
Child Safety Seat Info.	602-495-5007
Gang Hotline	602-534-4264
Graffiti Busters	602-495-7014
Graffiti Reward Hotline	602-262-7327
Impounded Property	602-261-8371
Silent Witness	602-948-6377
Traffic Complaint Hotline	602-534-7733
Water Safety Hotline	602-534-7665
Zoning Enforcement	602-262-7344

SRP Shareholder Compensation Program Applications Are Expected To Be Available For Request Beginning March 1st

Salt River Valley Water Users' Association (Association) Shareholders may be entitled to compensation for a portion of the amount paid to Arizona Public Service Company (APS) for electricity each year.

The compensation obligation was established in a 1928 Association shareholder election. The election approved a lien on shareholder lands to secure a bond issue whose proceeds were used to construct a dam that included power generation facilities. The compensation obligation was included to ensure that all shareholders, including those served electricity for residential use by a public service corporation, benefitted from the dam.

Qualifications for Compensation

- Both OWNED eligible land within the SRP area and LIVED in a residence on the eligible land for some period of time during the compensation year; AND
- Received electric service from APS at the eligible residence under a nonexperimental APS residential electric rate schedule; AND
- File an Application for Compensation by the annual deadline date; AND
- Paid APS at least 15 percent more than you would have paid to SRP for the same amount of residential electricity used at the eligible residence during the compensation year.

SRP Shareholder Compensation can be reached at:
P.O. Box 29077
Phoenix, AZ 85038-9077
(602) 236-8888

Applying for Compensation

The District conducts annual compensation programs if rate differentials make them appropriate. Each year, normally in March, SRP mails applications to every APS customer in the SRP area, who annually pays at least 15 percent more to APS than they would have paid to SRP for the same amount of electricity. Each compensation program has a 90-day application period. Applications must be submitted within the 90 day period. No late applications accepted.

The compensation program is not automatic. Applications are verified to determine i) if an APS customer is a shareholder (owns land in the SRP area) and ii) if the shareholder was a resident at the address. Shareholders are also eligible if their immediate relatives occupy the property. SRP does not know that a shareholder is eligible for calculation of his billing differential until we have processed his application.

Properties owned by churches or religious institutions are eligible if the person occupying the property is a full time employee of the church or religious institution and they live in the property free of charge.

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