



BelAir Neighborhood Communicator

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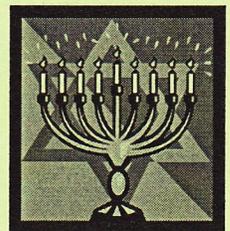
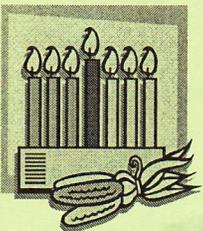
UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS

General Meeting/Block Watch Meeting

Thursday, February 8th, 2007 at 7:00pm

American Evangelical Lutheran Church

1830 W Glenrosa Avenue



HAPPY HOLIDAYS
FROM THE
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Account Balances
As of November 1, 2006:
BelAir General Account - \$1,201.49
BelAir 301 Block Grant Account - \$2,457.38

**Minute by Minute
BelAir Board Minutes**

November 2, 2006; Meeting began at 7:10pm.

In attendance: Susan Thompson-McHugh; Sherri Gallagher, Mark Day, Aaron Goldman, Jonathan Massey, Virginia Anders, Boyd Puffer

Treasure's Report: (See above). No quorum to approve meeting minutes.

Committee Reports:
Preservation Committee: A resident in Kearney Estates or Eugene Place is interested in a survey/report for that part of the BelAir neighborhood. Aaron will contact her and discuss contacting Barbara Stockton. Reminder to neighbors to call on blight issues at 602-262-7844. Also, contact Neighborhood Services at 602-534-5033 to report businesses that open along Indian School Road that are zoned residential. Jonathan is keeping up the BelAir website (refer to page 1 of newsletter for address). Homeless camps have been spotted around our neighborhood. We need

volunteers to help with clean-up.

Block Watch: A male on a white bike became aggressive toward and individual who was waiting for a ride outside of the church. A suspicious person in an older tan sedan with a white top has been spotted in our neighborhood license plate AZ 419 LPT. Please contact Crime Stop if you notice any suspicious or transient persons in the neighborhood.

Community Report: Parcel of land on 16th Avenue is owned by the City of Phoenix. The water department wants to turn off the water which waters the grass and trees. Aaron will contact Tom Simplot's office & Neighborhood Services to have them resolve the issue.

Newsletter: December issue will focus on holiday safety. Aaron, Jonathan, and Virginia will submit articles by November 20th to Sherri. December issue will be translated into Spanish.

By-Laws: will be discussed and voted on at the December meeting. Mark will email all board members a copy of the By-Laws and ask for additions, corrections and a vote if board members are unable to attend December meeting. The By-Laws will be voted by the board in December, published in the January 2007 Newsletter and discussed during the February 2007 General Meeting.
G.A.I.N.: 50 to 60 neighbors attended the Block Party. Pizza coupons from My Mother's will be used at the February General Meeting.
New Business: Next General Meeting/Block Watch Meeting will be Thursday, February 8th, 2007. We will have pizza!!! The neighborhood association has tables and tents which are not being utilized. Discussed donating them to Neighborhood Services. Vote on this next time if we have a quorum.

Next board meeting will be held on Thursday, December 8th at 7:00pm at the Fireside Room in the Church Gym.

**Graffiti Busters
602-495-7014**

**Blight
602-262-7844
blight@phoenix.gov**



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HOLIDAY SAFETY

by Mark Day

HOLIDAY SAFETY TIPS

Source: City of Phoenix Fire Department

As we look forward to the Holiday Season, here are a few safety tips to help keep your family safe this year:

Trees

Christmas trees that are not kept moist can present a very serious fire hazard. A dried out Christmas tree can be totally consumed by fire in less than 30 seconds. Most trees sold in the Valley have been cut out of the state and have been drying out since they were harvested, which could have been as late as mid-November. Take special precautions when buying your Christmas tree. Trees with brown shedding needles should be rejected. If the tree looks green and fresh, take a long needle and bend it between your thumb and forefinger. If it snaps, the tree is too dry. Look for trees with needles that bend. When the trunk of a tree is bounced on the ground, a shower of falling needles shows that tree is dry.

When you bring a tree home, cut about an inch off the end of the trunk. This will remove the dried end and allow the tree to absorb water. Make checkerboard cuts into the base at different angles to make a greater surface for water absorption.

Always turn off lights on trees and other decorations when you go to bed or leave your home. A short circuit in any of this equipment could cause a fire. Never use electric lights on a metallic tree. Damaged

insulation in lighting on a metallic tree could cause the entire tree to be charged with electricity. To avoid this danger, use colored spotlights above or beside a metal tree, never fastened onto it. Keep children away from light sets and electrical decorations. All lights present the problem of shock and casualty hazards for curious kids. When you are stringing the lights on your tree, be careful how you place them. Keep all bulbs turned away from gifts and paper ornaments. Lights in windows can cause curtains and drapes to ignite.

Christmas Gifts

One of the best Christmas gifts you can get someone is a smoke detector. A smoke detector is worth so much, possibly a loved one's life, yet so inexpensive. Over 90 percent of fire deaths occur in residential dwellings between 11 p.m. and 6 a.m. when occupants are asleep. Smoke detectors alert occupants when a fire is still small and there is still time to escape.

Holiday Plants

Holly and mistletoe can be fatal to a small child and the smaller the child, the smaller the dose that can cause serious medical problems. Poinsettia leaves are not fatal if swallowed, but can cause a skin rash and an upset stomach. Call 9-1-1 if your children ingest any of these holiday plants.

Trimming The Tree

When choosing the finishing touches for decorating your tree, purchase tinsel or artificial icicles of a non-leaded material. Leaded materials may be hazardous if eaten by children or pets.

Avoid any decorations that tend to break easily or have sharp edges. Keep tree trimmings that are small or have removable parts out of the reach of your child. These pieces may be swallowed.

Lights

Use only lights that have been tested for safety. Identify these by the UL label from Underwriters Laboratories or another reputable testing agency. Check each set of lights for broken or cracked sockets, frayed or bare wires or loose connections. Check labels of lights to be used outdoors to see that they are suitable for outdoor use. Never use indoor lights outside. Fasten outdoor lights securely to trees, walls or other firm support to protect them from wind damage. Use no more than three sets of lights per single extension. Read the manufacturer's instructions carefully and do not use more than the recommended number of lights in one circuit. For additional information, please visit the City of Phoenix Fire Department web-site at: <http://phoenix.gov/fire>.

History of Neighborhood Association

By Aaron Goldman

I was flipping through old Neighborhood information - - information of this neighborhood's past. I read an interesting article about how our Neighborhood Association was formed. It's actually a legend. A legend started by a mysterious man named Grayson Mont.

Now, I don't know a Grayson Mont and neither did anyone in the neighborhood at the time. It appears, however, that many of the same problems exist today as they did when Mr. Mont pleaded his neighbors to start the association. In 1995, Mr. Grayson Mont wrote a letter to many of the neighbors about blight and other such decline he saw in his or her neighborhood. He staged a meeting on May 20th 1995 at the Lutheran Church on Glenrosa. Dozens showed, they took seats waiting for Grayson to rise, walk to the podium and deliver a speech befitting a leader who could save their neighborhood. Instead there was silence and the sounds of crickets. After the awkward silence waned, people looked around at each other and began to speak. They talked about jobs, families, and

neighborhood trouble. They began chatting like many of the communities of old. They chatted about real life in a small community surrounded by a harsh reality that continues strong.

Real or Not, Grayson Mont got his wish that day. A newsletter was sent out in June 1995. Almost 50 people were in attendance that night. They all had an urge to change what they saw coming. The association has been intact since that night. Many of you reading this right now may have been there. The sad news, however, is that this neighborhood may be in need of another Grayson Mont. The attendance in the Neighborhood Association is now at an all time low. I am not sure whether people don't see the need or whether they are giving up. The problems with blight, crime, and the simple lack of community still exist here in BelAir. I hope this new plead, even without a Grayson Mont, will reach some of you out there that want to take our community back. Please come to our next meeting. advertised on this newsletter and let's meet. Let us, as neighbors, again reestablish the type of enthusiasm that existed over ten years ago.

Contact NSD

- Administrative Services Division 602-534-5033
- City of Phoenix general information 602-262-6011
- Community Development Division 602-534-2393
- Coordination Division 602-495-3738
- NSD Director's office 602-534-2825
- Fight Back Program 602-495-3738
- Graffiti Busters hotline 602-495-7014
- Graffiti cell phone hotline #4663
- Graffiti in progress 9-1-1
- Grants Administration 602-262-7158
- KEEP IT CLEAN! 602-534-4444
- Landlord/Tenant counseling 602-262-7210
- Neighborhood Association list 602-495-0113
- Neighborhood Economic Development 602-495-5249
- Preservation Division 602-262-7844
- Property maintenance violations 602-262-7844
- Property maintenance violations blight@phoenix.gov
- Revitalization Division 602-262-4808

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SEGURIDAD de VACACIONES by Mark Day

La SEGURIDAD de VACACIONES INCLINA la Fuente: La ciudad del Cuerpo de bomberos de Phoenix

Cuando esperamos las Vacaciones Sazonar, aquí están unas pocas puntas de la seguridad para ayudar a mantener su familia seguro este año:

Los árboles de Navidad

Los árboles de Navidad de árboles que no son mantenidos húmedo pueden presentar un peligro muy grave del fuego. Un seco árbol de Navidad puede ser consumido totalmente por el fuego en menos de 30 segundos. La mayoría de los árboles vendidos en el Valle han sido recortadas del estado y han estado secando desde que ellos fueron cosechados, que podría haber sido tan tarde como a mediados de noviembre. Tome las precauciones especiales al comprar su árbol de Navidad. Los árboles con agujas de muda de Brown deben ser rechazados. Si el árbol parece verde y fresco, toma una aguja larga y lo dobla entre su pulgar e índice. Si chasquéa, el árbol es demasiado seca. Busque árboles con las agujas que doblan. Cuando el tronco de un árbol es botado en el suelo, un chaparrón de caer las agujas muestran ese árbol es seco.

Cuando usted trae un árbol en casa, el corte acerca de una pulgada del fin del tronco. Esto quitará el fin secado y permite el árbol para absorber agua. Los cortes del tablero de damas de la marca en la base en ángulos diferentes hacer una superficie más grande para la absorción de agua. Siempre vuelta lejos luces en árboles y otras decoraciones cuando usted se acuesta o sale su hogar. Un cortocircuito en cualquiera de este equipo podría causar un fuego. Nunca utilice las luces eléctricas en un árbol metálico. El ais-

lamiento dañado en la iluminación en un árbol metálico podría causar que el árbol entero sea acusado de la electricidad. Para evitar este peligro, el uso coloró proyectores encima de o al lado de un árbol de metal, nunca abrochado en ello. Mantenga a niños lejos de conjuntos ligeros y decoraciones eléctricas. Todas luces presentan el problema de peligros de golpe y accidente para niños curiosos. Cuando usted ensarta las luces en su árbol, tienen cuidado cómo usted los coloca. Mantenga todas bombillas giradas lejos de ornamentos de regalos y papel. Las luces en ventanas pueden causar que cortinas y cortinas a encender.

Los Regalos de Navidad

Los Regalos de Navidad uno de los mejores regalos de Navidad que usted puede obtener alguien es un detector de humo. Un detector de humo vale tanto, posiblemente un adoro una vida, mas tan económico. Sobre el 90 por ciento de muertes de fuego ocurre en moradas residenciales entre 11 de la tarde y 6 de la mañana cuando ocupantes están durmiendo. Fume los detectores ocupantes alerta cuando un fuego es todavía pequeño y hay todavía tiempo de escapar.

Las vacaciones Plantan

El Acebo y el muérdago puede ser fatal a un pequeño niño y el más pequeño el niño, la más pequeña la dosis que puede causar los problemas médicos graves. Las hojas de la poinsetia no son fatales si tragadas, pero pueden causar un sarpullido de piel y un estómago disgustado. Llame 9-1-1 si sus niños ingieren cualquiera de estas vacaciones planta.

Recortar El Arbol

Recortar El Arbol al escoger los toques finales para decorar su árbol, oropel de compra o carámbanos artificiales de una materia no-emplomado. Las materias emplomadas pueden ser peligrosas si comidas por niños o animales favoritos. Evite cualquier decoración que tiende a romper fácilmente o para tener las orillas agudas. Mantenga adornos de árbol que son pequeños o tienen las partes movibles fuera del alcance de su niño. Estos pedazos pueden ser tragados.

Las luces

Las luces Utilizan sólo luces que han sido probadas para la seguridad. Identifique éstos por la etiqueta de UL de Laboratorios de Aseguradores u otra agencia acreditada que prueban. El cheque cada conjunto de luces para enchufes rotos o agrietados, deshilachó o descubre alambres o afloja las conexiones. Verifique etiquetas de luces para ser utilizadas para ver fuera que ellos son convenientes para uso al aire libre. Nunca utilice las luces interiores afuera. Abroche las luces al aire libre seguramente a árboles, las paredes u otro apoyo firme para protegerlos de daño de viento. Utilice no más de tres conjuntos de luces por sola extensión. Lea las instrucciones del fabricante con cuidado y no utilice más que el número recomendado de luces en un circuito. Para la información adicional, visita por favor la Ciudad de sitio web de Cuerpo de bomberos de Phoenix en: <http://phoenix.gov/fire>.

Hojeaba información vieja de Vecindario - - información de este pasado de vecindario. Leí un artículo interesante acerca de cómo nuestra Asociación de Vecindario fue formada. Es realmente una leyenda. Una leyenda empezada por un hombre misterioso denominado Grayson Mont. Ahora, yo no sé un Grayson Mont y ni hizo nadie en el vecindario en el tiempo. Aparece, sin embargo, que muchos de los mismos problemas existen hoy como ellos hicieron cuando Sr. Mont imploró que sus vecinos empezaran la asociación. En 1995, Sr. Grayson Mont escribió una carta a muchos de los vecinos acerca del desperfecto y otro tal disminuye él vio en su vecindario. El preparó una reunión en el 20 de mayo 1995 en la Iglesia lterana en Glenrosa. Las docenas mostraron, ellos tomaron los asientos que esperan Grayson para subir, andar al podio y pronunciar un discurso que conviene a un líder que podría salvar su vecindario. En lugar había el silencio y los sonidos de grillos. Después de que el silencio difícil disminuyera, las personas echaron una mirada alrededor en uno al otro y comenzaron a hablar. Ellos hablaron acerca detrabajos, acerca de las familias, y acerca del problema de vecindario.

Ellos empezaron charlar como muchas de las comunidades de viejo. Ellos charlaron acerca de la vida diaria en una pequeña comunidad rodeada por una realidad dura que continúa fuerte. Verdadero o no, Grayson Mont obtuvo su deseo ese día. Un boletín fue mandado en junio 1995. Casi 50 personas estuvieron en la asistencia esa noche. Todos tuvieron un impulso de cambiar lo que ellos vieron la venida. La asociación ha estado intacta desde que esa noche. Muchos de ustedes leyendo esto puede haber estado en este momento allí. Las noticias tristes, sin embargo, es que este vecindario puede necesitar otro Grayson Mont. La asistencia en la Asociación de Vecindario es ahora en un todo tiempo bajo. Yo no estoy seguro si personas no ven la necesidad ni si ellos renuncian. Los problemas con el desperfecto, con el crimen, y con la falta sencilla de la comunidad existe todavía aquí en BelAir. Espero que este nuevo implore, aún sin un Grayson Mont, alcanzará algunos de ustedes fuera allí que quiere tomar nuestra espalda de la comunidad. Venga por favor a nuestra próxima reunión. anunció en este boletín y permitenos encontrar.

Permítanos, como vecinos, otra vez restablecen el tipo del entusiasmo que existió sobre hace diez años.

Reporting Blight

Ha habido las preguntas recientemente acerca del papel de la tabla en la cobertura los asuntos del desperfecto en nuestro vecindario. Cuando la Marca detalló en este boletín que la asociación no es un cuerpo regulativo y tiene no informe de la autoridad ni impone el desperfecto, el código, ni las infracciones CC&R. La cobertura éstos están hasta el residente individual. Aquí está un resumen rápido del desperfecto que informa el proceso trabaja como aplica a nuestro vecindario:

1. El desperfecto es informado por residente llamando el Vecindario Atiende al Departamento (NSD) en 602-262-7844.
2. La queja es apuntada en a una computadora y es asignado un número del caso.
3. El caso es asignado a un inspector de NSD.
4. Una carta de la pre-notificación es mandada a la propiedad arruinada dentro de 48 Horas. Si la propiedad no es ocupada, el paso 5 son saltados y una inspección es realizada inmediatamente.
5. Una inspección es realizada dentro de 10 días.
6. Si una infracción es encontrada, una Nota de la Infracción es publicada.
7. En el vencimiento de la Nota de la Infracción, la propiedad es reinspected.
8. Si es encontrado que la infracción no ha sido corregida, civil ni la acción del juzgado de lo penal puede ser seguida y/o una disminución contractual puede ser completada.

El proceso de la cobertura del desperfecto es enteramente queja-manejado. Los inspectores no miran las propiedades que no tienen queja archivada contra ellos, a menos que ellos estén adyacentes a una propiedad que hace. Esto significa que si la propiedad que usted informa es al lado, un inspector tomará la oportunidad de mirar suyo y las propiedades circundantes para infracciones también.

Recomendamos eso, si es posible, usted habla con su vecino primero acerca de los asuntos de desperfecto antes de archivar una queja. Si la dificultad financiera es un obstáculo a los dueños de propiedades' puede al remedio el desperfecto, ayuda financiera está disponible en forma de préstamos y becas de la ciudad. Llame (602) 495-0700 para reglas de información y elegibilidad en estos.

Reporting Blight By Jonathan Massey

Reporting Blight

There have been questions lately about the role of the board in reporting blight issues in our neighborhood. As Mark detailed in this newsletter the association is not a regulatory body and has no authority report or enforce blight, code, or CC&R violations. Reporting these are up to the individual resident. Here is a quick outline of the blight reporting process works as it applies to our neighborhood:

1. Blight is reported by resident by calling the Neighborhood Services Department (NSD) at 602-262-7844
2. The complaint is logged in to a computer and is assigned a case number.
3. The case is assigned to an NSD inspector.

4. A pre-notification letter is sent to the blighted property within 48 hrs. If the property is not occupied, step 5 is skipped and an inspection is performed immediately.

5. An inspection is conducted within 10 days.

6. If a violation is found, a Notice of Violation is issued.

7. At the expiration of the Notice of Violation, the property is reinspected.

8. If it is found that the violation has not been corrected, civil or criminal court action may be pursued and/or a contractual abatement may be completed.

The blight reporting process is entirely complaint-driven. Inspectors do not look at properties that have no complaint filed against them,

unless they are adjacent to a property that does. This means that if the property you report is next door, an inspector will take the opportunity to look at yours and surrounding properties for violations as well.

We recommend that, if possible, you speak to your neighbor first about the blight issues before filing a complaint. If financial hardship is an obstacle to the property owners' being able to remedy the blight, financial assistance is available in the form of loans and grants from the city. Call (602) 495-0700 for information and eligibility rules on these programs.

Additional information on reporting blight is available by pointing your web browser to www.phoenix.gov/nsd

V e c t o r C o n t r o l

To Report Mosquitoes or Stagnant Water visit:
<http://www.maricopa.gov/ENVSVC/WATER/VECTOR.ASP>
OR
Call 602-506-6616

Maricopa County Environmental Services
Vector Control
3343 W. Durango, #3911
Phoenix, Arizona 85009
(602) 506-0700 (Office)

FOR SITUATIONS THAT DO NOT REQUIRE IMMEDIATE RESPONSE

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Lost near 18th Avenue and Osborn Roads on November 8th.
No ID TAG on him.

He is 16 years old diagnosed with a degenerative brain sickness
accompanied with seizures. He needs daily medication or he will
not live much longer.

CONTACT: Joe 602 695 - 5254 or 602 263 - 7409.

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2. Contact Sherri or Jonathan about how to submit your payment.

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