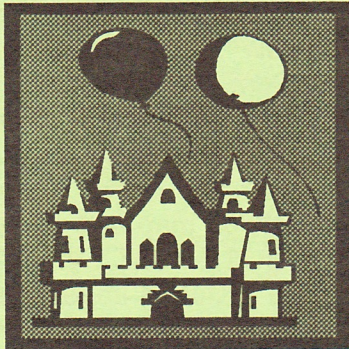




Neighborhood Communicator



Block Watch Grant Approved

Our President, Betty Dales, and Treasurer, Clara Wolf attended a gala reception held at Phoenix City Hall on June 21st for the recipients of 1997 301 Block Watch Grants. Various City Council members were in attendance as well as the Assistant Chief of Police. Checks were presented to the neighborhoods that were awarded grants for 1997. Congratulations to our neighborhood and a **BIG** thanks to the 1997

Block Watch Grant Committee, Tim Blevins, Clara Wolf, Bill Heedy, Nancy Chambers, Marie Chapple-Camacho and Lori Boukatch. Bel Air Neighborhood Association was awarded a \$4,419 grant for the 1997-1998 budget year. The \$4,419 was requested to continue our efforts at keeping the neighborhood informed and involved, and contributing to the quality of life for our residents. The grant will pay for our newsletter, meeting notices, meeting room charges for General Meetings, event flyers, event insurance, cell phone charges for Block Watchers on Patrol, and Hotline phone charges.

Also this year we will purchase our own equipment for Block Watchers on Patrol including; a cell phone, police scanner, and flashlights. In addition to the other items, we budgeted for one hundred more dusk to dawn photo-electric cells – ***we are going to shine a light on crime.***



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The Bel Air Neighborhood Association publishes Bel Air Neighborhood Communicator monthly. Many thanks to all of the volunteers in Bel Air that make this project possible.

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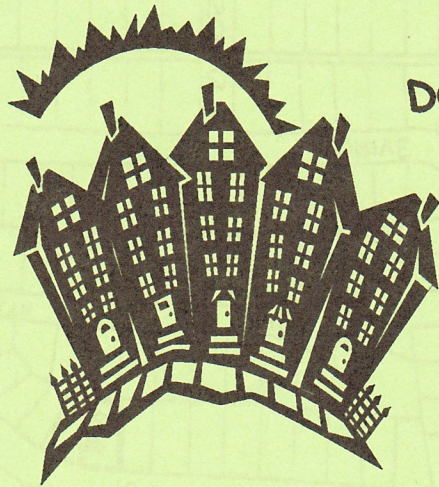
National Night Out

Bel Air Neighborhood will be celebrating National Night Out on Tuesday August 5, 1997. National night out is a nationwide event designed to: (1) Heighten crime and drug prevention awareness; (2) Generate support for and participation in local anticrime programs; (3) Strengthen neighborhood spirit and police-community partnerships; and (4) Send a message to criminals letting them know that neighborhoods are organized and fighting back. Please show your support by turning on your front porch light. The Bel Air Neighborhood Association will be sponsoring a progressive picnic from 6:00pm to 8:30pm. This progressive picnic is to encourage you to get out and WALK OUR NEIGHBORHOOD. There will be various locations in our neighborhood that will be providing food and drink. These locations will be marked on a neighborhood map that will be delivered to you the week before August 5, 1997. We will have at least three different stops -one featuring appetizers, one grilled hot dogs, and one-serving homemade ice cream cones. You will be free to eat at any location, but we encourage you to make the rounds and visit them all. For safety reasons, **ALL CHILDREN MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT TO PARTICIPATE.** We will provide transportation to the ice cream stop for those of you who would otherwise miss the picnic. This transportation will be at approximately 6:30pm and you will be returned home within an hour. Call Anna Blevins at 266-6340 or leave a message on the hotline at 392-8338 if you would like to join us for ice cream, but can't or shouldn't be driving that late at night. Please call on or before August 4, 1997. We really hope you will join us, when is the last time you had **HOMEMADE ICE CREAM?** Join in the fun, meet your neighbors, and help your neighborhood fight back against crime. Wear your Bel Air T-shirt or buy one for only \$10 at our hot dog stop. **FREE Door Prizes** are being given – win August 9th or August 10th Phoenix Firebird tickets. One Door Prize ticket will be given out to each neighbor at each stop. Watch for your **NATIONAL NIGHT OUT FLYER** and call the hotline for updates. See you there.

Bel Air Neighborhood Association Financial Status

General Fund Balance as of 6/22/97	\$1,278.82
301 Grant Balance as of 6/22/97	\$4,419.00

National Night Out



Don't Miss It

Free Food

Ice Cream

Door Prizes

Tuesday, August 5, 1997

6:00pm to 8:30pm

HANDOUTS

Bel Air T-Shirt Sales

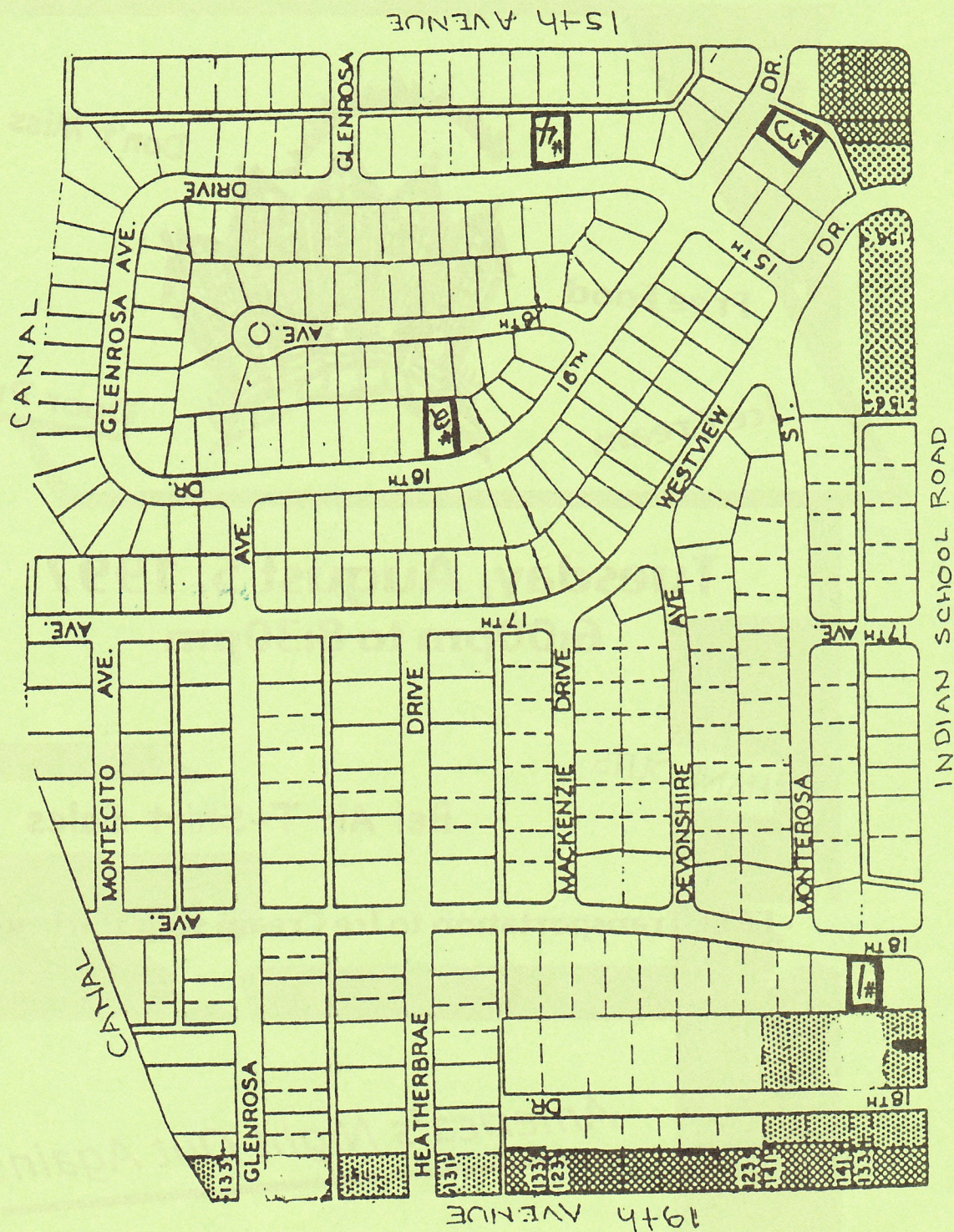
• **FREE Transportation to Ice Cream stop starting at 6:30**

America's Night Out Against Crime

Children must be accompanied by an adult

Call HOTLINE at 392-8338 for more details

- Stop # 1--4112 North 18th Avenue--Appetizers and soda
 2--4235 North 16th Drive----Hot dogs and soda
 3--4110 North 16th Drive----Handouts-glow in dark necklaces for kids, sodas, etc.
 4--4225 North 15th Drive----Ice cream cones



New Hotline Number

In an effort to save money we will be changing the carrier that provides our hotline telephone number. Thanks to the research of Nancy Chambers we will soon be saving approximately half of the money we were previously paying. Unfortunately, this change of carrier also means a change of our HOTLINE NUMBER. The new number is 392-8338. We will soon be distributing refrigerator magnets that have this new number printed on them. The magnets and printing were paid for with our 301 Funds.

Please Note

At the June 14th board meeting it was decided that all advertising in the Bel Air Communicator must be paid in advance. Collection of payment difficulties and bookkeeping complications necessitate this new policy. We are sorry for any inconvenience, especially to our regular customers.

Get Your T-shirt

Green Bel Air T-shirts with white lettering are now available in all sizes. They cost \$10 and can be purchased from our Treasurer, Clara Wolf at 265-1444. You can show your neighborhood spirit and wear your new T-shirt on National Night Out and to the Fall Festival.

Minute to Minute

The June 14, 1997 Board Meeting was called to order at 9:08 a.m. at the home of Susie Folz. The minutes and the treasurer's reports were approved as written.

Old Business

1996 Block Watch Grant – Due to a time constraint, we were not able to reallocate money from the grant. We were able to purchase the following: 10 metal signs with Bel Air printed in Green for our 10 A-frames, three rolls of stamps, business cards printed with the Hotline number, 500 business card size magnets (The Hotline cards will be attached to the magnets and will be given to residents.), poster board, foam-core boards, markers, paper and toner for the copier.

Hotline Phone Number – We will be changing the Hotline number in July. We have found a carrier who will provide service for approximately half the amount we currently pay. We'll let you know the number as soon as possible.

Advertising in the Newsletter – We are currently working on a form for Newsletter ads. The form will include the following information: how the ad will read, when it will run, and how much it will cost. Ads will be paid for in advance, so the form will also be the customer's receipt.

New Business

1997 Block Watch Grant – We have been awarded a 1997 Block Watch Grant. We will receive \$4,419.00, which is the full amount we asked for. Betty Dales and Clara Wolf will pick up the check June 21, 1997.

National Night Out – A Progressive Picnic is being planned for National Night Out. There will be stations set up around the neighborhood for you to visit. Starting with the Appetizer Station, you will proceed through the neighborhood until you reach the Ice Cream Station.

Fall Festival – The first weekend in November is a busy weekend in Phoenix, so we are changing the date of the Fall Festival. We're changing the theme, too. Look for more information in future Newsletters.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:20

Zoning Questions

Where are those zoning questions? We are still waiting to hear from you. Deliver your question in writing to 4225 North 15th Drive, or call the hotline and leave your question there. For those of you who are concerned about tall grass in the neighborhood, the city requires that grass be kept less than 6 inches high and weeds less than 12 inches high.

Activities Column

We're still waiting for responses. Since this column was specifically requested we should have at least one response!! Where are those racquetball players from the survey? Let us know if there is a need for this column. Place your free ad by contacting Michael Alyn at 4217 North 15th Drive or calling 279-1265.

The Information Corner

Just a reminder that uncontained trash pickup will take place next month. You can begin putting things out for pick-up after August 9th and no later than August 24th.

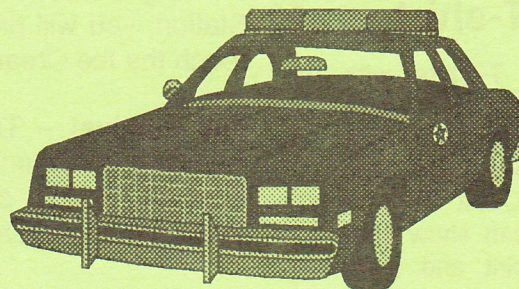
Neighborhood Crime Stats

Correction: The crime stats given in the May newsletter, identified as April stats, were actually 1997 crimes through the month of April. We apologize for our error.

We will continue providing this information on a regular basis. This information is given not to scare you, but to alert you to the problems facing our neighborhood and the neighborhoods nearby. These are the crime stats for the month of May 1997. Our area is 19th Avenue to 15th Avenue between Indian School Road and Campbell Avenue. During May we had 0 homicides, 0 sexual assaults, 0 gang related crimes, 0 robberies, 0 aggravated assaults, 5 burglaries, 5 thefts, 4 auto thefts, 0 drug crime and 1 domestic violence crime. All total we had 160 calls for service in the month of May. This number represents the number of telephone calls to the police department, not the number of incidents.

How do we compare to our adjacent neighborhoods? In the ranking of crime in this report #1 is worst and #185 is the best. This month we ranked 105th. To the North, 19th Avenue to 15th Avenue, Campbell to Camelback ranks 14th. To the South, 19th Avenue to 15th Avenue, Indian School Road to Osborn ranks 106th. To the East, 15th Avenue to 7th Avenue, Indian School Road to Campbell Avenue ranks 59th. To the West, 19th Avenue to 23rd Avenue, Indian School Road to Campbell Avenue ranks 3rd.

Remember to report any suspicious activity. Call 911 for emergencies; call Crime Stop at 262-6151.



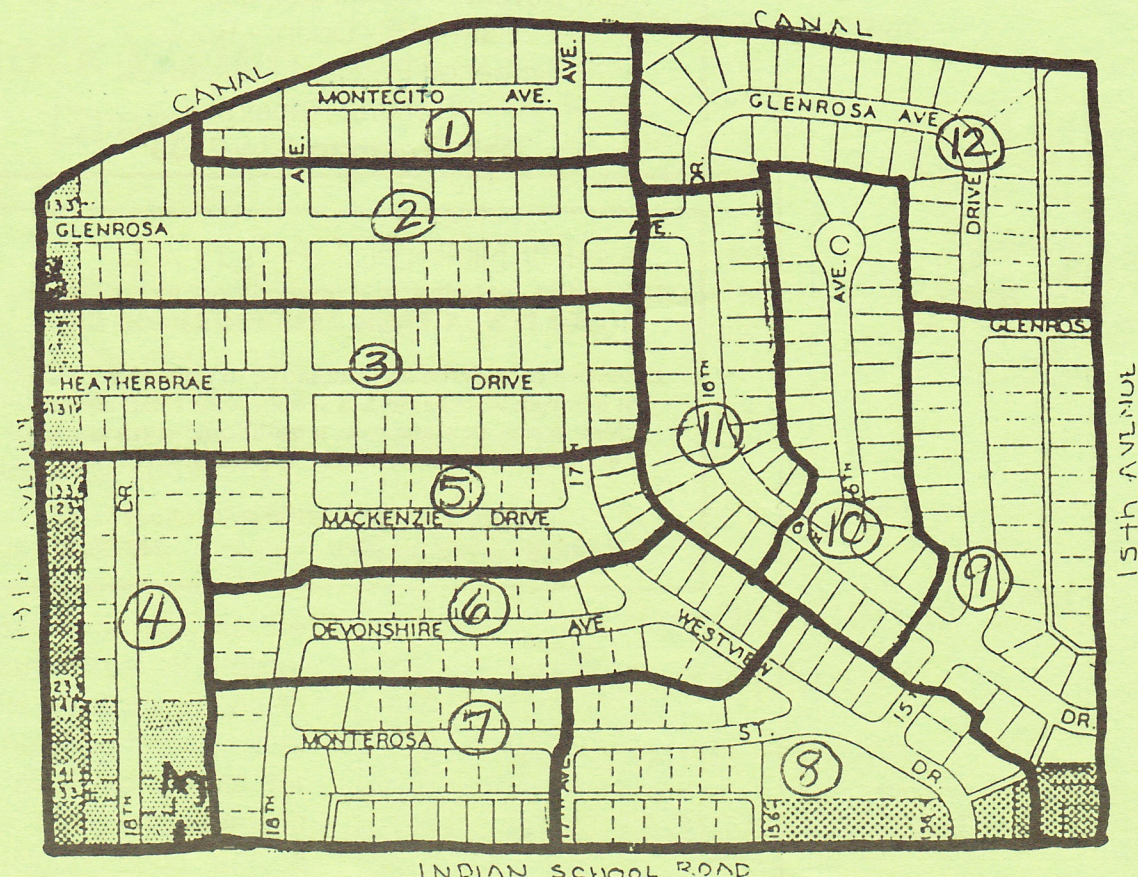
Block Watch Captains Needed

Heard about the City's Block Watch Program? We are not referring to our Block Watchers on Patrol. We are referring to the original program started by the city of Phoenix, to help deter crime in neighborhoods like ours. This program encourages neighbors to watch out for neighbors in their immediate area. The concept of the program is very simple. People need to become familiar with the houses that they can see from their own property and be able to recognize when something is out of the ordinary.

To date we have not had enough success in initiating this program in our neighborhood. The Association Board Members have divided the neighborhood into 12 zones. These zones were presented to the neighborhood at our general meetings and at our Fall Festival information booth. We need a volunteer to be a Block Watch Captain for each of these zones. The map below shows the 12 zones.

The Block Watch Captain must be willing to contact the people in their zone, communicate the problems we are dealing with, and explain how to watch for and report crimes. They would be responsible for setting up the initial orientation meeting with the Phoenix Police Department and being a liaison between their neighbors and the Association Board.

If you are interested in helping the neighborhood and are willing to help get our program off the ground please call Jeannie Garcia at 264-6413. You will receive support from the Phoenix Police Department and your Neighborhood Association.



Bel Air Advertisements

Call 266-6340, for more about our ad rates.

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