

NEIGHBORHOOD COMMUNICATOR



February 1998

BEL AIR HISTORY - FUTURE, PRESENT AND PAST

Our February 10th general meeting will focus on our future by giving you an opportunity to nominate yourself or someone you know for our association board. Board members serve a two year term. The Association Board meets once a month, presently the second Saturday morning of each month.

After the board nominations we will be discussing what is going on in our neighborhood now. A brief update will be given. If you have any information to contribute, please leave the information on our hotline at 392-8338 before Monday, February 9, 1998.

Our meeting will conclude with a celebration of the past. Neighbors are encouraged to bring any photos and documents relating to our past history. We would like to have original owners and longtime residents attend and share the recollections of the development of our neighborhood. This should be the perfect opportunity to meet our neighbors and learn more about our community.

BEL AIR TRIVIA

Here are some of the questions we hope to answer at the February 10th General Meeting and Anniversary Celebration.

What was located in this area before our houses were built?

Who was the major developer of this neighborhood?

Why was that developer's brother so famous?

What were the city boundaries in 1948?

Who was the Governor in February 1948?

Who was the mayor?

What was the population of Phoenix in 1948?

When was the bridge built over the canal on 15th Avenue?

Which Bel Air neighbor has lived here the longest?

How many original home owners still live in Bel Air?

If you know the answers to any of these questions, please come and share your answers and memories with us. If you don't know the answers, come discover them and meet our neighborhood's longtime residents. Please call for transportation if you need it. Call any board member or leave a message on the Hotline before Monday, February 9, 1998.

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Minute To Minute

By
Nancy Chambers

The January 10th Board Meeting was called to order at 9:03 a.m. at the home of Nancy Chambers. The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as submitted. The treasurer's report was approved as submitted.

OLD BUSINESS

1998 Block Watch Grant - We have the application. No specific projects were suggested. The committee will meet soon.

February General Meeting - Our 50th Anniversary will be February 10, 1998, 7:00 p.m. at the American EV Lutheran Church. Phil Gordon and Ken Chevront will attend. We will have Board nomination ballots available at the meeting. A committee (Marie, Jeannie and Anna) was formed to organize the meeting. We will distribute dusk-to-dawn light sensors and Hotline magnets.

NEW BUSINESS

1998 Block Watch Grant - The Block Watch Grant report and the 2nd quarter report was distributed. We went over what was planned for the 3rd quarter which includes neighborhood cleanup and a neighborhood survey. A committee (Tim, Jeannie, and Anna) was formed to determine what kind of neighborhood cleanup we want to have. The survey was tabled until the February meeting to give each of the Board members a chance to think about the necessity of the survey and get input from the people who tabulated last year's survey. The Block Watch Grant was approved as submitted.

The February Newsletter deadline is January 23. Our treasurer, Clara Wolf has advertising forms.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:30.

Bel Air Neighborhood Association Financial Status Balance as of 1/10/98

General Fund	\$1,425.86
301 Grant	\$2,780.90

Please remember that 301 Grant Fund money can only be used for items specified in contract written at time of Grant.

NEIGHBORHOOD CRIME STATS

These are the crime stats for the month of December 1997. Our area is 19th Avenue to 15th Avenue between Indian School Road and Campbell Avenue. During December we had 0 homicides, 0 sexual assaults, 0 gang related crimes, 0 robberies, 1 aggravated assault, 1 burglary, 5 thefts, 2 auto thefts, 2 drug crimes and 0 domestic violence crime. All total we had 149 calls for service the month of December. This number represents the number of phone 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 #325 is best. This month we ranked #160.

To the North, 19th Avenue to 15th Avenue, Campbell Avenue to Camelback Road ranked #19. To the South, 19th Avenue to 15th Avenue, Indian School Road to Osborn ranked #94. To the East, 15th Avenue to 7th Avenue, Indian School Road to Campbell Avenue ranked #68. To the West, 19th Avenue to 23rd Avenue, Indian School Road to Campbell Avenue ranked #3.

DON'T FORGET!

The next bulk trash pickup
for Bel Air Neighborhood is
February 7 - February 22.

BUSINESS AS USUAL

By Anna Blevins

Circle K has been a mainstay in our neighborhood for years. Many of you remember when it was located at 1330 West Indian School Road. In the early 1980's a new store was built and Circle K moved to its present location. Mike, the present store manager, joined the store in January 1991. he presently has 12 employees.

Mike and the Circle K Corporation have been a big supporter of Bel Air Neighborhood Association. They have contributed consistently to our Annual Fall Festival and are very generous. Mike and his employees have been the eyes and ears of our neighborhood passing on important information to Association Board Members. Our neighborhood is fortunate to have a store manager who actually lives near our neighborhood and has children in nearby schools. The fact that our Circle K has restrooms that are open to the public, neighborhood kids, and customers who live nearby demonstrates this manager's community spirit. With the continued support of businesses such as this, your neighborhood association will strive to make our neighborhood a safe pleasant and friendly place to live.

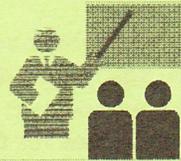
Since the corporate changeover, prices at Circle K are more competitive than ever. Next time you don't feel like making that long trip to the grocery store, check out the merchandise and

prices at our neighborhood Circle K.

Mike welcomes any suggestions or complaints you have regarding store business. He is usually available at the store from 6:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. daily.

INFORMATION CORNER

See Your Government At Work



City government meetings are open to the public.

City Council: Policy meetings are conducted at 2:30 p.m. every Tuesday in the Council Chambers, 200 W. Jefferson St. Formal meetings are conducted at 3:00 p.m. each Wednesday, also in the Council Chambers. Policy and formal meetings scheduled for the last week of each month are often canceled.

Planning Commission: Regularly meets at 7:00 p.m. on the second Wednesday of each month in the Council Chambers, 200 W. Washington Street. Occasional meetings are conducted at 7:00 p.m. on the fourth Wednesday of each month, also in the Council Chambers.

Parks & Recreation Board: Regular meetings are conducted at 5:00 p.m. on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month at the At Risk Youth Office, 2705 North 15th Avenue.

Aviation Advisory Board: Meets at 3:00 p.m. on the third Thursday of each month in the Board Room, Terminal 3, Sky Harbor International Airport.



Yard Assistance Crew Available

In an effort to fight crime, your yard assistance crew is available to trim any shrubbery that is obstructing your view or providing hiding places for criminals. Overgrown shrubbery can encourage household burglaries. Criminals do not want to be seen. The yard assistance crew works the last Saturday morning of each month. If you would like to help, or need help yourself, call John DePierro at 266-9087 or leave a message on the Neighborhood Hotline 392-8338.

Flood Hazard Data

Do you need to find out if a property is located in a special flood hazard area? If so, the city can help.

Requests for assistance can be made by calling 262-4960 weekdays between 7:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. or sending a fax to 262-7322.

Remember to report all suspicious activity. Call 911 for emergencies. Call Crime Stop at 262-6152 for all non-emergency police matters.

Connie's Corner Quips, Quotes & Questions

You can usually tell how old a person is by asking them how much they paid to get in to their first movie.

Maturity is acting your age instead of your urge.

Is it nice to know that Las Vegas is now a "family place"?

Bel Air Advertisements

Newsletter display ads for businesses are priced according to size. The small ad which is never larger than a standard business card is \$7.00. A large ad is \$14.00 and sized according to space available each issue. Classified ads are \$3.00 for 25 words or less. If you would like to place an ad please leave your name and number on our hotline 392-8338 and someone will return your call.

**Support your neighborhood businesses
Be sure to tell them you saw their ad in the Communicator**

Notice - The deadline for submitting articles for the March Newsletter is February 21.

You are invited to attend

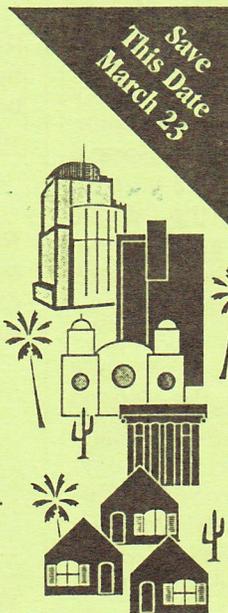
**Mayor Skip Rimsza's
"State of the Neighborhoods
Report" and Town Hall**

6 p.m. - reception and refreshments
7 p.m. - Mayor Rimsza's remarks and
open forum

Monday, March 23, 1998
Orpheum Theatre
203 W. Adams St.

The Mayor will ask for citizen input on
critical issues that face our neighborhoods.
For more information, call Jennifer at 262-7111.

**PLEASE POST IN YOUR
NEIGHBORHOOD NEWSLETTER!**



Clip here and return to:

Mayor's Office, City of Phoenix,
200 W. Washington St., Phoenix, AZ 85003

Mayor, the top three priorities for my neighborhood are:

- 1. _____
- 2. _____
- 3. _____



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