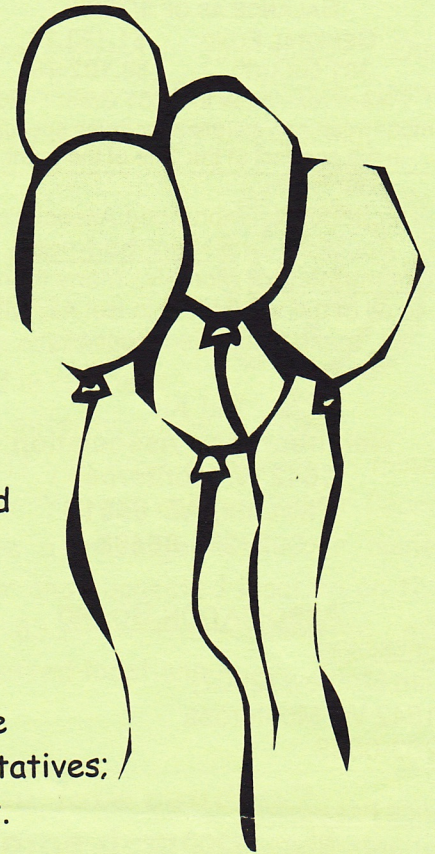


NEIGHBORHOOD COMMUNICATOR

NOVEMBER 2000

Fun Fair in Bel Air!



Our annual Fall Festival was a great success! In spite of the clouds & slight drizzle of rain, people's spirits were not dampened. The activities moved inside to the gymnasium and a great time was had by all. Altogether approximately 60 neighbors turned out for great potluck food, fun and activities. Donations, proceeds from the 50/50 raffle & cake walk, allowed us to add \$56.01 to the neighborhood general fund. The 50/50 raffle was won by Marlene Clinton's grandson, Jose.

We were able to visit with Assistant Police Chief Byers, Commander Kiyler & several officers from the Squaw Peak police precinct, as well as City Councilman Phil Gordon, State Representatives: Ken Chevront & Christine Weason, and Candidate Milton Wheat.

Firefighters from local fire station #18 arrived and let children get up close & personal with the fire truck before they had to rush off, with lights flashing & sirens blaring to answer a call.

The entire Fall Festival committee would like to thank everyone who helped pull the event together this year. Thank You to the volunteers that staffed the tables, made decorations, helped with set up and tear down, clean up and on and on... You are few, but without you events like the Fall Festival could not happen. With a special thanks to Joanie Williams for organizing the games and entertaining the children, as well as Virginia Anders for entertaining the adults by singing and playing the guitar. Also a big Thank You to the Lutheran Church and Pastor Wilfong for allowing us to use the facilities. A Thank You also to the US Airweld Company, at 2243 W. Indian School Rd., for donating the helium for the balloons.

Hope everyone had a great time & we will see you again next year!!

BelAir Neighborhood Association

FINANCIAL STATUS

BALANCE AS OF 9/30/00

GENERAL FUND: \$1,193.93

301 GRANT: \$8,102.46

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

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

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Minute to Minute

By Todd Brueshoff

The October 14, 2000 Board meeting was held in the Fireside Room at Martin Luther School, 1830 W. Glenrosa. The meeting was called to order at 9:10 a.m.

Six Board members were absent from the meeting: Tim Blevins, Susan Thompson-McHugh, Jeannie Garcia, Marjorie Paez, Georgia Thomas and Don Shortridge.

Minutes from the September meeting were approved as written. The financial reports for the General Fund and the 301 Grant were approved as submitted.

301 Grant - There was discussion to keep the Board on track for completing the projects we have been funded for. The alley light project needs to get ideas for the location of the next round of lights. The security doors will be awarded at the January general meeting. There is another medical alert that needs to be utilized. Community input for these projects will be solicited.

Fire Department Grant - Sharon Barger has met with the Fire Department again and they discussed the ideas to be used for our grant. They included bedside medical kits, grab bars, pet stickers, training and health fairs. They have another meeting scheduled to continue the planning.

G.A.I.N./Fall Festival - The committee reported that they are ready to go. Everything is on track to make this a great festival this year.

Traffic Committee Update - The minutes of the last committee meeting were given to the Board members. The Board did discuss having an ending date for the committee after they explore all the options.

Stepping Stones - There will be samples of the stones that have been made at the Fall Festival.

Newsletter Editor - Todd announced that Rick Jackal has volunteered to take over the editor duties of the monthly newsletter. Thank you, Rick!

Other - The Neighborhood Clean Up has been scheduled for November 18th, at 7:30a.m. We will be cleaning the perimeter of the neighborhood. Come out and help keep your neighborhood clean.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:20 a.m. The next Board Meeting will be held on November 11, 2000. Please check with any Board Member as to location.

BULK TRASH PICKUP

PUT OUT NOV 4TH - NOV 19TH

If you have alley collection, place trash in your alley. Otherwise, place trash at the front edge of your property, behind the sidewalk or behind the curb if there is no sidewalk. Do not place trash on the sidewalk or in the street. All vegetation should be less than 4 feet in length and 12 inches in diameter.

NEIGHBORHOOD PERIMETER CLEAN UP

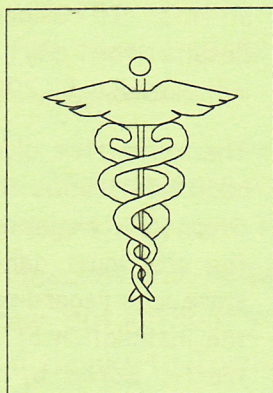
It's Perimeter Clean Up time!!! Bring your gloves & rakes and meet up with all your neighbors who are also interested in keeping BelAir a beautiful neighborhood. We'll be meeting at 7:30 a.m. on Saturday, November 18th, at 17th Ave. & Indian School. We'll divide into two groups, one going East on Indian School to 15th Ave., then North on 15th Ave. to the canal, where they'll turn West and work along the canal.



The other group will go West on Indian School to 19th Ave., then North on 19th Ave., to the canal, where they'll turn East and work along the canal, meeting the first group in the middle. The Board is providing the trash bags; all we need is neighborhood support. See you there!!!

MEDICAL ALERT SYSTEM

The Neighborhood Block Watch Grant includes money to pay for installation and monthly service fees for one year for a medical alert system. This is a system that includes a base unit, a two-way speaker and necklace or wrist band, which allows a person to communicate with Rural Metro Fire Department in case of an emergency. If you or someone you know could use this service please call the neighborhood hotline at 392-8338 and leave your name & phone number and one of the Board members will return your call.

MORE ALLEY LIGHTS TO BE INSTALLED

Do you need more lighting in your alley? Our 2000/2001 City of Phoenix Block Watch Grant enables us to install more lights this Spring.

The Grant also pays the electric bills for 3 years. The lighting committee will be assessing the neighborhood in the next couple months to determine new light locations. If you have a location in mind, please let us know. You can call any BelAir Board Member or leave a message with your name, telephone number and suggested location on the hotline at 392-8338. The committee will consider all suggested locations.



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YARDS OUT OF CONTROL?!?!?

Interested in controlling yards that need cleaning up? Come to the American Evangelical Lutheran Church, 1830 W. Glenrosa at 12:00 noon, November 16th and hear Lisa Hubbard speak on the subject in the Fireside Room, inside the gymnasium. This is a potluck luncheon.



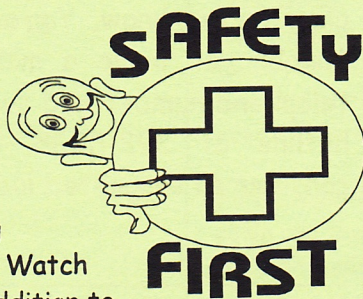
THE BEL AIR SINGERS

Plans are being made for a Holiday Caroling event again this year. The BelAir Singers will take part and we hope that others in the neighborhood will share their enthusiasm, as we carol through the neighborhood. There will be complete information in the December newsletter.



BELAIR AND PHOENIX FIRE DEPARTMENT PARTNERS

Some of the BelAir Board members have met with the Phoenix Fire Department to explore the feasibility of partnering and applying for a Neighborhood Block Watch Grant. This would be in addition to the regular Block Watch Grant we usually receive.



The Board would like to have input as to the type of training & educational programs residents would like to have in this neighborhood. Some of the possibilities are: CPR training, water safety, fire safety, including home escape plans, bicycle safety, kitchen safety and health fairs. We are also considering providing emergency kits for each household in the neighborhood.

Would you please call the hotline at 392-8338 and let us know your thoughts on this? We need to have your feedback in the next month or two so we can proceed with developing the grant project.

PROJECT 301

RAFFLE AT NEXT GENERAL MEETING

Attend the January 2001 General Meeting and have a chance to win a completely installed security door! These doors are available through the Project 301 grant. Look for more information in the December edition of the Neighborhood Communicator.

TRAFFIC COMMITTEE UPDATE



MEETING MINUTES

OCTOBER 14, 2000

Present: Ramon Lucero, Faye Robbins, Sharon Barger

Two traffic studies were conducted by the City of Phoenix to determine the feasibility of installing speed humps. The studies were conducted over a 48-hour period beginning on September 27, 2000. The results are as follows:

1. 15th Dr., between Glenrosa & Heatherbrae Dr.
Average # of vehicles / day: Northbound = 200
Average # of vehicles / day: Southbound = 136
Average traffic speed = 22 mph
2. 16th Dr., between Glenrosa & Heatherbrae Dr.
Average # of vehicles / day: Northbound = 125
Average # of vehicles / day: Southbound = 201
Average traffic speed = 25 mph

The city does not recommend speed humps on 15th Dr. because an average speed of 22 mph is very low for local streets and speed humps would offer little to no improvement over existing conditions. The average speed of 25 mph on 16th Dr. is still normal for local streets. If residents wish to pursue speed humps despite the city's recommendation, the cost of installation is \$1,200.00 per speed hump.

The committee also investigated the possibility of additional traffic signs, such as Speed Limit, Yield or Stop. City engineer, Branden Forrey, explained that the city must adhere to federal warrants, city & state laws regarding traffic signage. He stated that the installation of traffic signage could often make traffic worse by holding up the natural flow of traffic. The city will not install stop or any other traffic sign for the sole purpose of slowing traffic. He investigated the intersection of 15th Dr. & Glenrosa and reported that it did not meet the criteria for a stop sign.

Ray Lucero said that he and Teresa are still investigating the possibility of obtaining a radar gun from the city to see if that would help slow speeders. They will give a report at the next meeting on November 11, 2000.