BELAIR NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

Neighborhood Communicator

November 2001

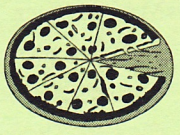
BEL AIR's SENTIMENTAL JOURNEY

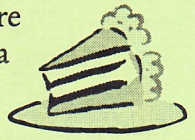
G.A.I.N. October 20, 2001

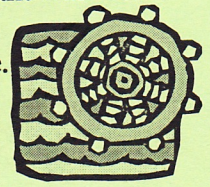
An evening of fun was had by our neighborhood at the annual G.A.I.N event held at the Lutheran Church on Saturday, October 20th. The evening started with a walk thru an arch of balloons down memory lane with displays of Bel Air through the years. Afterwards, George Leech gave an excellent talk on how the fire department has progressed thru the years. Did you know paramedics are now part of every fire crew. Did you also know that they will help families find shelter after a fire. Many thanks to Carol Gross and Donna for setting up the presentation by the fire department. Also send a special thanks to the fire fighters from our local station who were on hand and let the kids play on the fire truck.

Representatives from the lead control/poison department were on hand with brochures on the how and what we need to look for lead in our older homes.

After a short business meeting we progressed to the important part of the evening and that was the food. enjoying the goodies, there were several give-a-aways, a cake walk, and a hula hoop contest. The big give away, a lunch/dinner cruise on Lake Pleasant was won by Marilyn Rosko and her mom Corine. It was neat to see many of the neighbors get into the theme and dress like the 50's era.







We awarded this year's **"Good Neighbor Award"** to Jeannie Garcia. Jeannie has been involved in the neighborhood for many years working on the board, meeting new neighbors, working on any committee that she needed help. Jeannie is definitely a shining star for this neighborhood. She truly represents what a "Good Neighbor" is. Congratulations Jeannie and many, many thanks again from your neighbors for a job well done!

A special thanks goes out to Mike Lopez, one of our neighbors, for providing us with a CD of music from the early 50's to present day.

For those who were not able to join us this time we cordially invite you to our next big celebration in February, the Bel Air Birthday event! Watch your monthly newsletter for all the details.

And last but not least, a big thank you goes out to the planning committee for all the time they devoted to getting the program on its way and for those extra folks who came early in the morning and stayed until to the end for setup and cleanup! The evening was a complete success and enjoyed by all.

Until our birthday bash in February we sign off for now...

GOD BLESS AMERICA!

While we are all taking the time to heal from the tragic event on September 11, we should all take pride in our neighborhood with all the flags that have been shown throughout our neighborhood. It is truly uplifing, each and every day to drive through our neighborhood and see such patriotism.

DISASTER RELIEF OFFERINGS

The children from the American Lutheran Preschool and Day Care Center, together with the children from Martin Luther School, and the congration at American received offerings for disaster relief work following the terrorist bombings in our land. A total of $1,029.22 was received. Lutheran Brotherhood Insurance company will add another $1573.00 given a total of over $2,500.00 for the work.

Minute by Minute

The October 13th Bel Air Neighborhood Association Board Member Meeting was called to order at 9:08 am in the Fireside Room at Martin Luther School, at 1830 West Glenrosa. All members were present except Maureen, Debbie, Todd, Faye, Marjorie and Georgia.

The minutes from the September 8th meeting were approved as amended.

The Treasurer's Report was approved as presented.

The new 2002 301 Blockwatch Grant Committee has been formed. The new members are Jim Mathew, Carol Adamson, Faye Robbins, Marjorie Paez and Tim Blevins. Please call the Bel Air Neighborhood Hotline if you are interested in helping this committee.

The Fire Department Grant Committee, chaired by Sharon Barger, reported that items for the Bedside Safety Kit have arrived. The kits will be ready for distribution to every Bel Air Neighborhood household after the first of the year. This is a really big undertaking, so please call the Bel Air Neighborhood Hotline if you are interested in helping this committee.

The GAIN Committee will have a report in November's Newsletter.

Pastor Wilfong gave a community update including the prosecution of hate crimes and how to determine if a crime is a hate crime.

KI's Street Park begins each Saturday at the new park in the Westwood Neighborhood. There is no cost for the kids, however, the cost each Saturday for the 9:00 am to noon event is about $200.00. Funding is an on-going concern. The 99 Cent Store at Christown Plaza has been a contributor.

Anti-Drug Marches are still being held on Saturday nights in different neighborhoods in the area. They march six weeks in one neighborhood and then move to another. This worthy effort is headed up by Donna Neils of the Westwood Community. Please call Hotline if you want to get involved.

The Bel Air Neighborhood Fall Perimeter trash clean up is being held November 17th. Everyone is meeting at 7:00 am at Indian School and 17th Avenue. The meeting was adjourned at 11:05 am. The next Bel Air Neighborhood Association Board Member meeting will be on November 10, 2001. It will be held at Martin Luther School, 1830 West Glenrosa at 9:00 am.

Alley Lighting

If you drive through or near the alleys of Bel Air, you will notice how much brighter they are. Residents who live near where alley light have been installed are very pleased to have them. Neighbors report less graffiti and cleaner alleys. This year through the 301 Blockwatch Grant, we will be able to install 10 more alley lights. The alley lighting committee is waiting for your input. To date we have only received 3 requests for more alley lights. The final daye for turning in your requests will be November 30, 2001.

Please call Carol Adamson (277-4904) or the Bel Air Hotline if you feel that you have the need for additional lighting in your alley. The guidelines and procedures are easy. Remember, November 30th is the deadline!

BelAir Neighborhood Association

Financial Status

Balance as of 9/31/01

General Fund: $918.46
301 Blockwatch Fund: $8,832.63
301/Fire Department Fund: $4,405.08

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 BelAir, who make this project possible.

Association Board Members

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Jim Mathew (2002)
1642 W. Monterosa
263-0548

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Sharon Barger (2001)
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274-0230

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266-6340

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Faye Robbins	(2002)	285-1902
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Georgia Thomas	(2003)	264-3096
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MOMENTS IN TIME
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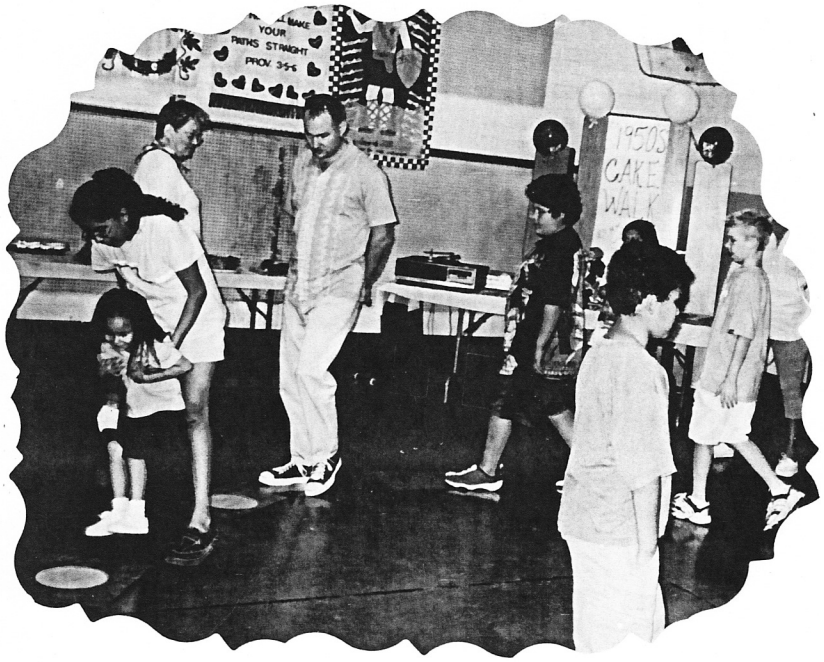

Ring around the Rosy……Follow the leader……
Musical Chairs……Step on a Crack……
You mean all this is for the CAKE WALK???

We'll be here again next time!
We won the dinner cruise and the 50/50 raffle!

***LISTEN UP*, I'm from the Phoenix Fire Department:**
Test your smoke alarm monthly
Drop and Roll
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and DON'T PLAY WITH FIRE

Next year how about letting us use our *Skateboards* for the *cakewalk*?

THANK YOU

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The Bel Air Neighborhood wishes to thank the following merchants for their support of our G.A.I.N. event held on Saturday, October 20, 2001. Without their continued support of our neighborhood we would not be able to put on such a successful event that we all enjoyed.

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CHILDREN REACH OUT WITH FLAGS

"Gods's Little Lights" is the name of a children's group at American Lutheran church, for children 4 years old through 2nd grade. At their last meeting they made paper flags and distributed them to several homes in the neighborhood, in a show of patriotism for their country.

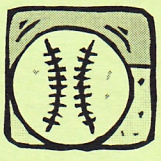
Security Doors Available for Bel Air Residents

Anyone interested in having a security door installed on your front door, please call the Hotline at **392-8338** and leave your name, phone number and the best time to reach you by phone. We will have a drawing at the January 2002 General Meeting for the 5 security doors available through the 301 Blockwatch Grant Program. Absolute deadline for calling the hotline is December 31, 2001

Medical Alert Units Available For BelAir Residents

Four Medical Alert units are now available through the 301 Blockwatch Grant. These units connect you immediately with Rural Metro in case of an emergency. If you are in need of one, call the Bel Air Hotline, **392-8338**, and leave your name, phone number and the best time to reach you.

CONGRATULATIONS ARE IN ORDER!



Congratulations to the Arizona Diamondbacks For a winning season! Being the National League Champions & for bringing the World Series to Arizona!

HAPPENINGS AROUND TOWN...

Candyland Concert
Friday, Nov 23, 4-8PM at Heritage and Science Park, 115 N. 6th St., Phoenix, Information call: 602-261-8604

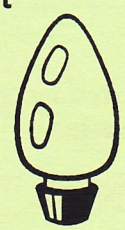
Glendale Glitters
Spectacular - Friday and Saturday, Nov. 23 and 24, 5-10 PM. Call 623-930-2299 for more information.

Tempe APS Fantasy of Lights - Opening Night - Saturday, Nov. 24. Parade 6PM, tree lighting, 7PM.. To learn more call 480-894-8158.

APS Fiesta of Light Holiday Concert - Sunday, Nov 25 3-5 PM Symphony Hall, 225 E Adams St, Phoenix, For information call 602-262-4627.

Holiday Harmony - Celebrate the World - Saturday, Dec 1, 3:30-7:30 PM , Civic Center Mall in downtown Scottsdale. For more information call 480-312-7957.

APS Electric Light Parade



Saturday, December 1, 7PM, Central Ave, from Missouri Ave, to Thomas Road. For more information Call 602-261-8604.

BOARD MEMBER BIO

Hello! I'm Tim Blevins. My wife, Anna, and I moved into the neighborhood in October 1980. I've been a board member for four years and this is my second year as Treasurer.

After moving here from Ohio we suffered a severe case of sticker shock when shopping for a house to buy. We finally decided that our best option was to find a fix up in a nice neighborhood. Our patience paid off when we found our house. Bel Air was the nice neighborhood and our house definitely fit the fix up criteria. After sitting vacant for over a year, the house and yard were in need of lots of work. Every bush, tree and blade of grass on the property was dead.

Lots of people have asked why we put so much effort into remodeling our house and our answer to them has always been because we like the neighborhood. We feel our neighborhood association has made it even better. Together our neighbors and board members have completed many worthwhile projects and activities.

Time has flown by these past 21 years in Bel Air and we hope we continue to meet interesting people here and make more great friends. Hope to see you at the next General Meeting!

Lost: 6 yr old Yorkie, named Gizmo. Call Jeannie at 602-686-7676

Perimeter Trash Pick Up

We need volunteers for our annual perimeter trash pick up November 17th. If you want to help out, please meet us at Indian School and 17th Ave., 7:00 am. We usually split up into two groups to cover more ground. It only takes us about 2 hours. So bring your gloves, shovels and rakes, we supply the garbage bags.

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