November/December 2010

NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION COMMUNICATOR

Our neighborhood covers the area from Indian School Road north to the Grand Canal between 15th and 19th Avenues. This area is comprised of over 300 single family residences and a combination of approximately 150 rental units and business locations.

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You are invited to a **GENERAL MEETING** Saturday, December 11th 1:00pm – 3:00pm

American Evangelical Lutheran Church Gymnasium (NW corner of 18th Ave/Glenrosa)

☆ This General Meeting is sponsored by the City of Phoe-☆ nix's Neighborhood Block Watch Grant Program (NBWGP). ☆ ******

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Please bring gloves. Water & other supplies will be provided. Thanks for your help!!

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CALENDAR

Board Meeting 6:30 p.m. @ American Evangelical Lutheran Church Fireside Room, 1830 W. Glenrosa Ave.	11/1
Veteran's Day Holiday Collection Schedule Trash - Friday's collection Moves to Saturday 11/13/10	11/11
Block Watch Leaders & New Phx Neighborhood Patrol Training 7:30am at the FOP Lodge #2, 12851 N. 19th Avenue, Phoenix. RSVP to attend by emailing deborah.iodice@phoenix.gov or jill.fowler@phoenix.gov	11/13
Neighborhood Clean-up & Bulk Trash Placement Begins 8:00 am - 9:30 am - Meet @ Ameri- can Evangelical Lutheran Church Parking Lot, 1830 W. Glenrosa Ave.	11/20
Thanksgiving Day Holiday Collection Schedule Trash - Friday's collection Moves to Saturday 11/27/10	11/25
Bulk Trash Collection Begins	11/29
Board Meeting 6:30 p.m. @ American Evangelical Lutheran Church Fireside Room, 1830 W. Glenrosa Ave.	12/6
General Meeting 1:00 p.m 3:00 p.m. @ American Evangelical Lutheran Church Gym, 1830 W. Glenrosa Ave.	12/11
Board Meeting 6:30 p.m. @ American Evangelical Lutheran Church Fireside Room, 1830 W. Glenrosa Ave.	1/3

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Estas invitado a Reunion general Sabado, el 11 de Diciembre 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm Gymnasio de la Iglesia Evangelica Americana (esquina NW de avenida 18/Glenrosa). La Reunion es patrocinada por beca de vigilancia del vecindario.

Estas invitado a LIMPIEZA DEL VECINDARIO Sabado, 20 de Nov. 8:00 - 9:30 AM

Encontrandose en el estacionamento de la iglesia Evangelica Americana, 1830 Oeste Avenida Glenrosa. Limpiaremos los callejones y los perimetros de nuestro vecindario, por favor traigan guantes. Agua y otros suministros seran proporcionados. Gracias por su avuda!!

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General Fund Account:		Block Watch Grant Account:		
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End Balance 10/22/10	\$1,234.43	 GAIN postcard mailing e-Newsletter Service Sept./Oct. Newsletter 	- \$218.00 - \$222.96 - \$112.80	
		End Balance 10/15/10	\$6,955.44	

Board Meeting Minutes

Date: August 30, 2010

Location: Fireside Room @ American Evangelical Lutheran Church (AELC), 1830 W. Glenrosa

Attendance: Mike Radtke, Jeanne Greene, Katie Hamm, Juanita Soto-Ayers, Sharon Bushouse, Charles Wilfong, Carrie Frazer, Mike Orth, and Pam Wigley

Call to Order: Carrie Frazer called meeting to order at 6:33 pm

Minutes: July 26 Minutes were read by Pam. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Sharon, seconded by Jeanne, and approved by all with no corrections. A motion was made by Mike R that approved minutes will be posted on our website to expedite availability to everyone ASAP, seconded by Mike O, and approved by all.

Treasurer's Report: Mike O reported no changes made for General Acct fund. There were no changes for 301 Neighborhood Block Grant Acct.

Newsletter: Announcement for October 16, 2010, Neighborhood General Meeting, GAIN, Celebration Barbeque, from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm. Announcement of two vacancies to be filled on the neighborhood board. Announcement of most improved house of the quarter raffle for Bel Air Chairs and sign of honor.

Fight Back Plan: Carrie met with Lisa about report updating. Everything is all completed except the streetlight installation which is

pending. There is still \$13,000 for infrastructure improvements which will be researched and designed by the board with neighborhood approval. A motion was made by Mike R that a committee be formed for the infrastructure improvement, seconded by Katie, and approved by all. The volunteers are Carrie, Mike R, Jeanne, and Juanita.

Lisa also mentioned the Bel Air chairs she has available for the winner of the most improved home of the quarter. Discussion was given about the fairness of interpretation of the judges. A motion was made by Mike O that a raffle be held at the GAIN meeting for the winner, seconded by Sharon, approved by all.

Community Enhancement: Jeanne and Juanita report that the GAIN event and the general meeting be combined and held on October 16, 2010, from 5:00 pm to 7:00 at the gym at the American Evangelical Lutheran Church. We are having a barbeque, and Jeanne requested \$150.00 for food and supplies that may be needed. The request was approved. There will be information tables from APS about solar energy, etc. SRP about irrigation. Safety, block watch, etc. Gardens, chickens, etc. We are planning activities for children, also.

Approval was given by the owner of the property at the end of 18th Ave and the canal for clean up and beautification. He is very enthusiastic about the idea of having neighborhood volunteers.

The announcement for our neighborhood celebration barbeque will go out in the next news-

Bel Air Hosts Successful G.A.I.N. Event by Juanita Soto-Ayers

The Bel-Air Neighborhood Association teamed up with residents, local business merchants, and the City of Phoenix to host one of the city's most successful **G.A.I.N**. events on Saturday, October 16. (**G.A.I.N**. stands for Getting Arizona Involved in Neighborhoods and is held statewide in most Arizona cities and towns during the month of October.) Held on the grounds of the American Evangelical Lutheran Church at 1830 W. Glenrosa Avenue, the Bel-Air Association provided an evening of good food and fun to more than 75 residents, visitors, and City of Phoenix officials. Bel-Air's event was one of the largest and best attended neighborhood parties in the city. The success of this year's event was due to the strong partnerships that the Association has fostered over the years. The support and donations from local businesses are greatly appreciated because they add a special touch to our annual G.A.I.N. events. For this year's hamburger and hot dog grill event, we thank the following merchants for their generous support





and donations: Mr. Sean Phillips, Manager, Target Store, 16806 N. 7th Street, for the \$20.00 Target gift card that the Association used to purchase beverages for the evening and for the "goody" bags filled with colored chalk, an inflatable ball, and a "safety" whistle for the children in attendance; Mr. Richard M. Obrey, Assistant Manager, Circle K, 1502 W. Indian School Rd., for his donation of ice for the beverages, the Sara Lee Bakery Store, 4015 N. 16th Street, for contributing the hamburger and hotdog buns; Fry's Food Store, 1625 W. Camelback Rd., for providing the hotdogs; and, the Restaurant Depot, 3812 N. Black Canyon Highway, for the hamburger patties.

We would also like to thank the Bel Air residents that donated the 39 pounds of canned goods for St. Mary's Food Bank.



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Fellow Neighbors

There are 2 vacant positions on the board which may be filled by appointment. All that are interested in being on the board should attend the next board meeting. This will be Dec. 6th at 6:30pm at American Evangelical Church, Fireside room, 1830 W. Glenrosa Ave. Any questions, please call either Carrie Frazer at 602-265-4123 or Jeanne Greene at 602-265-5664. Hope to see you then.



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Crime Prevention: No report

Next General Meeting: December 11, is the next general meeting. Next Board meeting is October 4, 2010 at 6:30 pm at American Evangelical Lutheran Church, Fireside Room, 1830 W. Glenrosa Ave.. The following will be on November 1, 2010.

Community Report: Charles told us about the schools' closure. On September 11, there will be a sale for equipment and misc. There is still no Pastor for the church. The office will still be open for another week or two.

Value Options below Lisa's office is being replaced with Tumbleweeds, who work with young people.

Carrie had a man knock on her door at about 4:00 am one AM requesting police be called because he was beat up while riding his bike down the canal. As usual, please keep a watchful eye out for suspicious activity.

New Business: A motion was made by Jeanne that candidates interested in the 2 open Board vacancies will notify any current Board member, then will be chosen by a short speech, (about 2 minute long), to the Board, then the Board will choose the appointments. Juanita seconded, and all approved.

Charles Wilfong announced his resignation from the board.

Adjournment: Jeanne motioned that the meeting be adjourned, Juanita seconded, and all approved. Meeting adjourned at 8:20



Date: October 4, 2010

Location: Fireside Room @ American Evangelical Lutheran Church (AELC), 1830 W. Glenrosa

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July-September 2010 Yard of the Quarter Winner





The Bel Air Neighborhood Association is very pleased to announce our second Bel Air Yard of the Quarter recipients! Please join us in congratulating Bill and Susie Folz, 1752 W. Devonshire Avenue, as the Yard of the Quarter winner for the July - September 2010 quarter. The goal of the Yard of the Quarter Award is to recognize the efforts of Bel Air neighborhood residents who take pride in their home and landscape and inspire others to do the same. Bill and Susie are an excellent example of Bel Air residents doing exactly that! Thank you for your diligence!



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Attendance: Mike Radtke, Sharon Bushouse, Katie Hamm, Jeanne Greene, Gary Hall, Carrie Frazer, and T. Sebashtzen Rowan.

Call to Order: Carrie Frazer called meeting to order at 6:33 pm

Minutes: Mike R. made a motion that the August 30th Board Meeting Minutes be approved with changes to include the facts that the request for \$150 for GAIN Event expenses was approved and that Charles Wilfong had resigned from the board and for them to be published on the website. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: No report. Mike Orth's wife, Teresa, gave birth to a baby boy on Sept. 29th at 10:38am. He weighed 7 lbs 3 oz. His name is Wyatt Atticus Orth.

Fight Back Action Plan Committee: For board approval, Mike R. presented the board with a version of the Bel Air Fight Back Neighborhood Action Plan document on behalf of the committee. It is dated 09/28/10 @ 11:46. He made a motion to approve it as the amended neighborhood action plan and for it to supersede previous plans from this point forward. Jeanne seconded the motion. Gary Hall abstained. The motion passed with the remaining board members in attendance voting in favor of the amendment.

Mike R. indicated that the committee has brainstormed ideas for the infrastructure improvements. However, he is not ready to submit these ideas to the board at this time.

Community Enhancement: Jeanne reported on the plans for the GAIN event on October 16, 2010. Juanita was able to get donations of hamburgers, hot dogs, buns, water, soda, and condiments. Side dishes and mini cupcakes will be made (*Continued on page 6*)



Yard of the Quarter Award Rules

The goal of the Yard of the Quarter Award is to recognize the efforts of Bel Air neighborhood residents who take pride in their home & landscape and inspire others to do the same.

AWARD RULES:

- 1. Yard of the Quarter will be awarded for the quarters of July Sept., Oct. Dec., Jan. March & April June.
- 2. Each yard is limited to winning the award only once in any calendar year.
- 3. Only the portion of the yard viewed from the street, will be judged.
- 4. A Yard of the Quarter sign will be placed in the winning yard and is to remain for the first two weeks after the award is given.
- 5. In the event they are selected, a homeowner may elect to refrain from participation.
- 6. Members of the Preservation Committee and Bel Air Board are ineligible to receive the award.

PRIZE: All award winners will receive an official **"Bel Air Vard of the Quarter"** lawn sign, to be placed on their property for the first two weeks after awarded. In addition, the award recipient will receive one Bel Air style lawn chair.

NOMINATIONS:

1. Bel Air residents can nominate a Bel Air property during the quarterly general meeting or by submitting the name and address of the nominated party to a Bel Air Board member.

2. The preservation committee members can also nominate a property in the neighborhood.

JUDGING CRITERIA:

- 1. General upkeep of the yard
- 2. Unique landscaping or originality/creativity
- 3. Pleasant and overall appearance which makes the property an asset to the neighborhood.
- 4. Property can be maintained by the homeowner or a professional landscape company
- 5. Buildings, fences, porches, and patios on the property are required to be in good repair, i.e. minimal distraction from the landscape due to deterioration, damage or construction.
- 6. Extra consideration may given to properties that have invested extra effort through the use of attractive art pieces (eg. pottery, ironwork), potted plants, patio or lawn furniture, windsocks, etc.
- 7. All selected properties must be free of litter, junk and debris.
- 8. All selected properties must have no appliances or indoor furniture on porches or patios.
- 9. All selected properties must be free of junked or inoperable vehicles.
- 10. All selected properties must have no parking on the lawn.

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for the event. Juanita's husband has completed the flyer. It will be distributed during the week prior to the event as a reminder. The children's activity will be planting veggies in pots to take home. Sharon will provide seeds. Jeanne will provide wonder pellets and peat pots. A \$25 gift certificate was donated by Baker's Nursery to be used as a door prize.

Carrie reported that the Bel Air style metal lawn chair will be awarded to the July-September 2010 "Yard of the Quarter" Winner. Five yards have been nominated. The winner will be chosen by vote. The winner will be presented with a yard sign announcing the award. And, a news article will appear in the newsletter.

Crime Prevention: Virginia will distribute the Bel Air "Be Aware" notebooks and reference cards at the G.A.I.N. event.

Neighborhood Semi-Annual Cleanup: Funds are approved in our Block Watch grant for dumpsters & supplies for two semi-annual neighborhood cleanups. Carrie will contact the previous organizer of this event. November is being considered.

Next General Meeting: December 11th is the next general meeting. Next Board meeting is November 1, 2010 at 6:30 pm at American Evangelical Lutheran Church, Fireside Room, 1830 W. Glenrosa Ave.

Community Report: Carrie had a next-door neighbor report seeing a raccoon in Carrie's front yard. Mike R. saved a turtle/tortoise from his pool. Sharon's husband, Dick, is still feeding up to 100 ducks nightly at the Grand Canal and 18th Avenue.

New Business: A new resident, T. Sebashtzen Rowan, expressed interest in the Board vacancies. He introduced himself to the board and spoke about why he would like to serve on the board. A motion was made by Mike R. to appoint him to the board to fill one of the vacancies. It was seconded by Gary and passed unanimously. His term will run through May 2011.

Mike R. suggested that board members remove their email addresses from the board member contact list if they don't read their e-mail.

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 7:35

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New Additions To Bel Air



Wyatt Atticus Orth was born on September 29th at 10:38am to Mike and Teresa Orth. His birth weight was 7 lbs 3 oz. Abby Elise LeGendre was born on September 17th to Aaron & Melanie LeGendre.



Hail Damage By Marla Serbousek

The Bel Air neighborhood was hit by a severe hail storm earlier this month. Driving around the neighborhood, I see severe hail damage to many roofs, a/c units and skylights. After talking to many neighbors, I have come to realize that most people do not realize that they have severe hail damage to their homes. Only trained professionals and insurance adjusters can assess the damage. It is important as homeowners that we have our roofs checked and assessed for damage. Just because your roof didn't leak does not mean you don't have structural hail damage to your home.

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