



# Neighborhood Communicator

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## A Time for Change

Dear Neighbors,

I am writing to you for the last time as president of the Bel Air Neighborhood Association. Due to obligations within my personal life and the growth of my business, I have found myself with a very limited amount of time to devote to other interests. In the best interest of the association, I submitted my resignation to the board on August 10th.

Since the inception of the association, I have not worked alone. I would like to thank all of the people who worked, volunteered, delivered, cooked, organized, and played. You are the ones who have made the organization successful.

News like this travels like wildfire. Since announcing my resignation, I have had numerous people ask, "What will happen now?" My reply has been, "If I have done my job correctly, the association will continue to function uninterrupted." As we move through time, individuals will come into and go out of the organization. It is important for this type of transition to occur. If one set of leaders remains in office for too long the organization becomes stale and does not move forward. It is for this very reason that our bylaws state that no one can serve more than two consecutive years on the board. This gives other individuals an opportunity to bring their issues to light and ensures that the organization will not become stagnate and ineffective.

Given this type of structure it is very important that other individuals come forward to volunteer. If the organization is to be successful there must be more participation. Ask yourself, "What kind of neighborhood do I want to live in? Will my involvement make the neighborhood a better place? How much time can I devote?" You can make a difference!

As I leave office, my challenge to each and every individual in the neighborhood is to stand up and make a difference. Attend the association meetings, volunteer your time, make your wishes known, get to know your neighbors, but most of all, get involved.

Best regards,

Bryan K. Vincent

## Call for Volunteers

As Bryan's letter indicates (see article at left), it is volunteers, or lack there of, that will make or break the success of our association.

The importance of volunteering cannot be stressed strongly enough. It is critical that we have increased participation at the leadership level. Please do not wait for someone to ask you. Call one of the officers listed on Page Two and ask what you can do to help.

More specifically, Bryan's resignation has not only left the president's position empty, but also an empty seat on the board. A volunteer to fill that empty seat is needed now.

In accordance with the bylaws, a new president will be appointed from the board within the next 30 days.

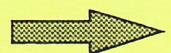
In addition, the board would like to maintain a list of potential members from which to make future board appointments.

If you are interested, please call me at 263-8255.

Thank you,

Glenn Baucom  
Acting President

In this issue...Yard Assistance help is here, Financial Report, Osborn School District Registration, Pet Pal, Block Watchers on Patrol, Drug Bust near Encanto School...



### Help Is Here!

Are you or someone you know in the neighborhood in need of assistance with a yard chore?

Does that tree or shrubbery need trimmed, but you can't or shouldn't get on a ladder?

Are you new to the neighborhood and really want to clean up your yard, but would love some help?

Have you recently become disabled and in need of some short-term yard assistance?

Or have you let your yard go unattended so long that it just overwhelms you?

Our neighborhood Yard Assistance Crew is ready and willing to help.

Call us with the detail's and we may be able to help you.

These persons are presently on our crew:

Lead person: John Depierro 266-9087

Anna Blevins

Tim Blevins

Jeannie Garcia

Bill Heedy

Robert James

Linda Morris

Claire Wolf

Jim Wright

### Association Financial Report

by Anna Blevins, Treasurer

	Disbursements	Receipts	Balance
7/8/96 Balance Last Report			\$ 304.83
Bank Service Chg	\$7.50		
8/6/96 Balance to date	\$7.50		<u>\$297.33</u>

## Bel Air Neighborhood Communicator

The Bel Air Neighborhood Communicator is published monthly by the Bel Air Neighborhood Association. If you have any suggestions on how to make this publication more effective please let us know. Please remember this publication is for the neighborhood. The only way it will succeed is with your help. Many thanks to all of the volunteers in the neighborhood that make this project possible.

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Neighborhood Hotline

266-9733

A phone message line has been established as a means of communicating important information to the neighborhood. If you would like to include any neighborhood updates or items, please call Barbara Vincent at 285-9049.

# Back to School

Osborn School District Students return to school Monday, August 26th.

K thru 3rd Grades	Encanto School, 15th Ave & Osborn Rd	234-2631
4th, 5th & 6th Grades	Clarendon School, 1225 W. Clarendon	234-2625
7th & 8th Grades	Osborn Middle School, 11th Ave & Highland	234-2635

To register, you will need to bring:

- 1 Birth Certificate
- 2 Immunization Dates
- 3 Proof of Residence (Rent agreement, Utility Bill, etc.)

Please register BEFORE the first day of school. Thank you.

Barbara Redmond, Clarendon Secretary



## Pet Pal

Our hot summer weather is here. Please be sure your pets have shade and plenty of fresh water each day.

I am your neighborhood Pet Pal volunteer. Pet Pal is a FREE pet registration service sponsored by the Arizona Humane Society.

I have FREE pet Identification Tags and will register your pet(s) with AHS's computer to aid in speedy recovery should your pet(s) go astray.

I also have FREE Emergency Stickers to put on your front windows to alert Fire Department Personnel that you have a pet(s) trapped in your home.

To protect your pet(s) should they get lost, call me at 264-6413.

Your AHS "Pet Pal" Volunteer

Jeannie Garcia  
4110 N. 16th Drive

P.S. My goal is to register every pet in the neighborhood.

## Block Watchers on Patrol

Needs Your Help!

Block Watchers on Patrol is a very successful program for preventing crime in a neighborhood. It allows citizens to patrol their neighborhood and alert the police to any suspicious activity. The program insists that participants NOT try to apprehend criminals. They simply call CrimeStop on the cellular phone provided.

Bel Air Neighborhood Association has purchased two sets of equipment, including a cell phone and police scanner. Magnetic signs for the side of the car are also available.

Unfortunately, there are barely enough participants to keep one set of equipment busy.

**WE NEED MORE PARTICIPANTS!**

For more information on how you can help prevent crime in our neighborhood, please contact:

Bill Heedy at 266-3197

## Drug Bust near Encanto School

One of our neighbors was instrumental in a drug bust that took place close to Encanto School. Our neighbor contacted police when she observed drug activity taking place. The police set up an undercover operation and caught the bad guys. Great job, neighbor! We can make a difference!

## Bel Air Classified Ads

(Ads sold here to help pay newsletter production costs.)

Call 263-8255, ask about our ad rates.

### Sonshine West Sunday School

at

Westminster Presbyterian  
Church

4735 N. 19th Ave

welcomes

all Pre-school through eighth grade  
children to its classes beginning

Sunday, September 8th,  
9:00AM to 10:30AM

Come see what's happening at our  
small, friendly church.

There are also classes for adults.  
Worship is at 10:30AM.

For more information,  
call the church at 274-2122.

### Quick Start Insurance Agency

4116 N. 15th Avenue

Car - Home

Call for quote 200-9355

### Your Neighborhood Carpenter

Licensed, Bonded, Insured

41 years Experience



Patio Covers -

Room Additions

Arizona Rooms -

Car Ports

Doors - Roofs

Screened Porches

Sheetrock

General Repairs

Dell Freeman 234-2439

Did you hear what's happening in the Neighborhood? Well, if you haven't then you need to call the Bel Air Neighborhood Association HOTLINE.



## Neighborhood HOTLINE

# 266-9733

This line is updated twice monthly to keep you informed of the latest neighborhood information.