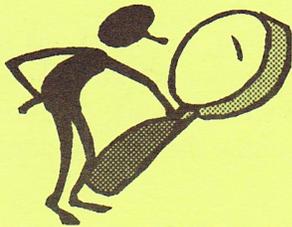




Neighborhood Communicator



Joe was here!

Sheriff Joe Arpaio arrived early and stayed late at our February 5th General Meeting. His humor and wit entertained all present. In addition to listing his accomplishments, Sheriff Arpaio spoke about how we (law abiding hard working citizens) have become prisoners in our own neighborhoods and the criminals are the ones who can go out at night carefree and unconcerned. He wants this situation changed. So do we as a neighborhood association. We appreciate the support of all the neighbors who attended this meeting and are sorry that some of you were unable to attend due to schedule conflicts. Together we can make a difference in our neighborhood and drive out crime.

Bel Air Board Election

The following neighbors were elected to the Bel Air Neighborhood Association Board at the General Meeting held Wednesday, February 5, 1997:

Stacey Ayers, Nancy Chambers, Susie Folz, Bill Heedy, Bob McBane and Jack Redmond.



The board also selected new officers for the new year.

President

Betty Dales

Vice President

Marie Chapple Camacho

Secretary

Nancy Chambers

Treasurer

Clara Wolf

Remember that participation is the key to your association's success. If you have any questions, comments or concerns regarding Bel Air Neighborhood contact a Board member or call the Hotline at 266-9733.

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

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 4235 N. 16th Drive
 265-4856

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Marie Chapple Camacho (1997)
 4228 N. 16th Drive
 279-4640

Treasurer

Clara Wolf (1997)
 4232 N. 16th Drive
 265-1444

Secretary

Nancy Chambers (1999)
 4112 N. 18th Ave.
 265-0466

Members

Stacey Ayers (1999)
 Anna Blevins (1997)
 Tim Blevins (1997)
 Susie Folz (1999)
 Jeannie Garcia (1997)
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 Bob McBane (1999)
 Jack Redmond (1999)

Neighborhood Hotline

266-9733

Neighborhood Yard Sale

Don't forget the neighborhood yard sale, Saturday, April 5th. The neighborhood association provides all advertising and posting of signs. A donation of \$5 per house participating in our sale will be greatly appreciated. If you would like to help the association raise money by donating items to be sold at a group sale, please drop off these items at 4225 North 15th Drive. If you would like to help man this sale, please call Anna Blevins at 266-6340.

The group sale will be open all day long, so if you still have items left at your sale when you close up for the day and want to donate them to us please bring them on over. All items at the group sale remaining at the end of the day will be donated to charity.

Buyer Beware

Buyer Beware also applies when "buying" the services of a repairman, contractor, tree trimmer, lawn or landscaping service. Several neighbors here in Bel Air have reportedly been victims of unethical businesses. Remember to use caution in hiring services. Call the Better Business Bureau at 264-1721 when in doubt.

A Big Thanks

To those neighbors who have reported criminal activity and/or problems/situations in Bel Air to our Hotline – Thanks.....

With your continued help we can keep the neighborhood safer and informed.

Bel Air Neighborhood Association

Financial Status

General Fund Balance as of 2/28/97 \$ 646.34

301 Grant Balance as of 3/1/97 \$2,796.31

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



General Meeting

7:00pm to 8:30pm

Tuesday, March 18, 1997



American Evangelical Lutheran Church
1830 W. Glenrosa



Bring your neighbor!



General Meeting to address CRIME in our neighborhood

Our next General Meeting to be held Tuesday, March 18, 1997, from 7:00pm until 8:30pm will focus on neighborhood crime. Neighborhood Activist, Donna Neill from Westwood Neighborhood (19th Avenue to I-17, Indian School Road to Camelback Road) will begin our meeting with a brief speech on neighborhood crime and what Westwood is doing about it. Her speech will be followed by a short question and answer session. At approximately 7:30pm we will have an open microphone available for any neighbor who would like to address how crime is or has effected him or her. We realized many neighbors did not get the opportunity to speak at our last meeting because of time restraints. This is the time to get to know your neighbors and find out what is really happening here in Bel Air CRIMEWISE.

Proposed Bylaw Amendments

A committee was formed to review and, if needed, update our bylaws. Below you will find a copy of our bylaws. The committee recommended the changes found in this copy. The words to be added are in bold print and **look like this**; the words to be taken out are lined through and ~~look like this~~. We will be voting on the proposed changes at our May 1997 General Meeting.

BYLAWS OF THE BEL AIR NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

Preamble The purpose of the Bel Air Neighborhood Association is to achieve and preserve a safe, attractive and valued neighborhood with a sense of community and a spirit of pride, responsibility and cooperative involvement.

Article I **Name**

The name of the organization shall be the Bel Air Neighborhood Association (BANA).

Article II **Boundaries**

BANA is bounded by 15th Avenue on the east, 19th Avenue on the west, the Grand Canal on the north, and Indian School Road on the south, in the City of Phoenix, County of Maricopa.

Article III **Membership**

Section 1 **Membership qualifications:** Membership in BANA shall be open to all residents, property owners, business owners, business licensees and nonprofit organizations located within the boundaries as defined in Article II.

Section 2 **Membership voting:** All residents, property owners, business owners, and nonprofit organization located within the boundaries as defined in Article II, 18 years of age or older, shall have one vote each to be cast during attendance at any general or special meeting. One representative from each business or nonprofit organization will cast one vote. Persons who own rental property within the boundaries as defined in Article II are

considered business owners for purposes of this subsection.

Section 3 Registration for voting: All persons who qualify as voters within the meaning of Article III, Section 2 must register if they wish to vote. Registration may be accomplished either (1) by returning the registration form at least 30 days prior to voting at any general or special meeting or (2) by attending at least one general meeting **in the six months** prior to the meeting in which the member wishes to vote and signing the attendance log at that meeting. Registration forms initially will be delivered once to each residence or business located within the boundaries as defined in Article II. Additional registration forms may be requested by contacting the Association.

Section 4 Absentee voting: All persons who are registered to vote, are unable to attend the meeting, and who wish to vote in the elections for Board members may request an absentee ballot by writing a member of the board or calling the Association and requesting an absentee ballot. No absentee ballot procedure will be made available for other issues which may arise and on which votes may be taken at any general or special meeting as defined in Article IV.

Article IV Meetings

Section 1 General meetings: there shall be at least 3 general meetings per calendar year. A seven day written notice to members is required.

Section 2 Special **General** meetings: Special meetings may be called by a simple majority of the Board. A seven day written notice to members is required.

Section 3 Board meetings: There shall be at least 6 Board meetings per calendar year. In cases where a decision must be made quickly, the President or a simple majority of the Board can call a Board meeting consisting of the 12 Board members. ~~In such cases, a summary of the action taken must be made at the next regularly scheduled general meeting.~~ Actions taken that require follow-up must be voted on at the next regularly scheduled **general** meeting.

Section 4 Quorum: A quorum for any general or special meeting shall be the number of members in attendance. A quorum for any Board meetings shall be 8 Board members. Unless otherwise specified in these Bylaws, decisions at these meetings will be made by a simple majority vote of those members present.

Section 5 Rules: *Robert's Rules of Order* shall be used at all meetings unless otherwise stipulated.

Article V Board Members and Officers

- Section 1 Board Members: There shall be 12 Board members. Six Board members will be elected every year for a term of two years. No Board member may serve more than two successive terms. Initially, 12 Board members will be elected, 6 to serve a one year term and 6 to serve a two year term. Thereafter, 6 Board members will be elected annually, each to serve a 2 year term.
- Section 2 Officers: The Board members shall elect a President, a Vice-President, a Treasurer and a Secretary from members of the current Board. Officers shall serve a 1 year term.
- Section 3 President: The President shall prepare the agenda and preside at all meetings of the board and membership; shall appoint members of committees ~~not elected, with a majority approval of the board, except for members of any Grievance Committee.~~ The President also acts as the official spokesperson of the association unless the members choose to elect one.
- Section 4 Vice-President: The Vice-President shall assist the President; in the President's absence shall function as "Acting" President. The Vice-President will also function as "Acting" chairperson of any committee that is lacking a chairperson.
- Section 5 Treasurer: The treasurer shall be held accountable for all **general** funds and shall give an accounting at each general meeting; shall receive, safekeep and disburse funds, but such disbursement shall require the signature of one other ~~board member officer.~~ **In the absence of the treasurer, the president and one other officer may sign.**
- Section 6 Secretary: The secretary shall keep minutes and written records of majority and minority opinions of motions made at all meetings; shall be responsible for all correspondence; shall make records available for inspection for any proper purpose at any reasonable time.
- Section 7 Elections: the Board Members shall be elected annually at the **first second** general meeting of each calendar year. The Board Members shall elect officers at the next regularly scheduled Board meeting which shall occur no later than one month after the general election.
- Section 8 Termination for Non-attendance: Board members failing to attend 3 consecutive board meetings shall be automatically deemed to have resigned from the board. If a total of 4 meetings are missed **in one calendar year** (including both **general regular** and special), then automatic resignation will be assumed.

Section 9 Vacancies: In the event that a vacancy occurs on the Board, a simple majority of the quorum of the Board will appoint a Board member to serve the remainder of the term.

Section 10 Declaring the conflict of interest: Whenever a member of the Board determines that he/she has a conflict of interest relating to an item under discussion, he/she must inform the body hearing the proposal that the conflict of interest exists and may not vote on that matter.

Section 11 Any officer may be removed from office by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the sitting Board.

Article VI Committees

Committees shall be created when necessary by the Board at the discretion of the Board. At least one Board member shall sit on each such committee.

Article VII Miscellaneous

Section 1 Checking account: A checking account will be held in the association's name at a local bank.

Section 2 Fiscal year: The fiscal year will be from January 1 to December 31.

Article VIII ~~Ratification and~~ Amendment of the Bylaws

~~Section 1 Ratification: Ratification of these bylaws shall be determined by a simple majority vote of a quorum at the first general meeting in 1996.~~

Section 2 1 Amendments: The Bylaws may be amended at any regular general meeting providing that the proposed items have been circulated to all members at least 30 days prior to the meeting at which they are to be considered and that two-thirds (2/3) of those members in attendance approve the amendment.

Neighborhood Welcome Packet

Just a reminder to let you know that the association has a welcome packet available to any new neighbors.

We do have a couple of requests. If you see a new neighbor move in please contact us so we can give you the packet and you can personally welcome them. If not, contact us and we will be happy to give them a packet. Also, if you see a home for sale, let us know the realtor's name and phone number and we'll be happy to give them a packet so they are aware we have a neighborhood association. This might be a nice selling point. Please call Fred and Fran Godwin at 266-0493 or Susie Folz at 274-7750.

The Information Corner

Looking for a fast and easy way to get information about the city? Try Phone Phoenix, the 24-hour service that provides callers with recorded messages about everything from home repair services to abandoned vehicles and paying fines and zoning enforcement. The service is available in English at 262-6262 and in Spanish at 534-6262.

Minute to Minute

Betty Dales, Outgoing Secretary

February 8, 1997, the Board Meeting was called to order at 9:00am. Following the reading and approval of the minutes from the last Board meeting the Treasurer's report was read and approved.

Updates The Block Watch Grant committee has completed and delivered our application for funding in 1997. They spent many hours on this project and their efforts are greatly appreciated. Now we wait.....

We also submitted an application to Neighbors At Work. We could possibly receive a \$100 award and will have our association appear in the Neighborhoods That Work Directory.

Many people did not get an opportunity at the last General Meeting to discuss or express their concerns about crime in our area. Therefore, the General Meeting scheduled for March will be an open microphone on crime. Let's hear from you!

Start clearing out the closets. The neighborhood-wide yard sale will be on Saturday, April 5th. More details later.

We are waiting to hear from the City on our request to re-allocate 1996 Block Watch Grant funds for bulletin boards, photo electric cells, heavy duty hedge trimmer, and postage for a neighborhood survey. Speaking of the survey, our committee has been at work reviewing other neighborhood association surveys and drafting questions. The survey will be distributed in April and we will report on the results at the May General Meeting. We need your feedback, please take a few minutes to fill out the survey.

A copy of the By-laws, with revisions, will be in the March newsletter. Please read them, the revisions need to be voted on at the May General Meeting.

New Business Our association has been accumulating equipment and supplies through donations and we are now making an inventory of those items for future reference.

The Board elected officers as follows: Secretary; Nancy Chambers, Treasurer: Clara Wolf, Vice President; Marie Chapple Camacho, and President; Betty Dales.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:00am.

On a personal note I would like to thank outgoing Board members Fred Godwin, Glenn Baucom and Lori Boukatch.

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