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2002 BBVNA MEETING SCHEDULE

January 16 (at Child and Family Resources)

March 20 (Elections)

May 15

July 4

September 18

November 20

Except for January 16th and the social after the 4th of July Parade, meetings are held on Wednesday evening at 7:00 PM at Howenstine School (555 S. Tucson Blvd.). A notice will be distributed if there is a change.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE from Ann Pattison

HAPPY NEW YEAR! It has been quite a year. This was the year of redistricting, following the ten-year census. Our neighborhood was split into two separate districts ten years ago, but with the testimony of several residents at the redistricting hearings, and particularly from Anne Murray's watchful dedication, we succeeded in reuniting the neighborhood for the next ten years. Thanks for taking so much time and keeping us updated Anne. (Look for Anne's report in this newsletter.)

One of the wonderful things about living in this neighborhood is watching the changing gardens and seasonal decorations. I'm sure I'm not the only one who makes a point of walking up and down all the streets to see the latest in spring and fall gardens, patriotic displays leading up to July 4th, amusing/scary Halloween decorations, and brilliant Holiday lights. We have some really creative residents here! (I'm also curious about where they keep the stuff the rest of the year: my fifties house is woefully deficient of closet, cupboard and general storage space. This would make an excellent topic for future meetings or newsletter articles. If you've successfully turned your mid-twentieth century house into a twenty-first century living space and would be willing to talk or write about it, let me know.

BBVNA was featured twice in the "Neighbors" section of the Arizona Daily Star. In June, Star reporter Megan Rutherford wrote about our annual Fourth of July Bicycle Parade. (After the article ran, I got a call from Cynthia Mackel, who started the parade back in 1985. It's been held ever since, so in 2002 we will hold our 18th annual parade!) More recently, Ms. Rutherford interviewed Sarah McGill and Tricia Stempel for an article about their Mom-and-Baby Group. Kudos to them for such a worthwhile effort. Another group meeting regularly for social and informative reasons is the Dames of Devon Street. Are there any other neighborhood groups out there? Give me a call -- or better yet, write a short article -- and we'll publish it in a future issue. We're always on the lookout for newsy articles about the neighborhood.

Our neighborhood was most active in the late spring/early summer months: we had an energetic turnout for the arroyo clean up in May, a very successful hazardous waste collection in June, and a boisterous crowd for the Fourth of July parade.

Longtime residents have grown accustomed to the sound of periodic flights overhead, from the rumble of commercial flights heading in and out of TIA to the roar of military jets practicing landings at DMAFB. So in the week after September 11, an

(President's message cont.)

erie disquietude settled over our neighborhood while flights were grounded, only to be followed by several months of near constant air traffic: a jarring reminder that our nation was heading into another war. But BBVNA residents stood strong. Defiant flags began to appear here shortly after the horrifying images were broadcast around the world, as residents joined the rest of the country in a national show of strength and unity by displaying their flags. Some flags in this neighborhood wave high enough that F-15 pilots flying over with their after-burners on can probably spot them!

Looking ahead, board elections are coming up in March. If you've been wanting to take a more active role in the neighborhood (or even if it never occurred to you), consider serving on the board. We have five standard positions (described below), and it's probably about time we added parade chairperson to the list. In the past the President has run the parade, but as it gets larger, it would be nice to have one person in charge of organizing permits, ribbons, and registration.

Thanks again to everyone who came to meetings and events throughout the year. Your participation helps make this area such a pleasant place to live. Here's hoping that all our neighbors spend year 2002 in prosperity, health, and peace.

ELECTIONS

Elections will be held in March. Officially, BBVNA has six board positions (President, 1st and 2nd Vice-Presidents, Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, and Treasurer). We also have a few committee heads and unofficial 'positions' (for example, Connie Anzalone has been spearheading the arroyo clean-up and Susie Husband has been organizing our annual hazardous waste pick-up). If you have a pet project or special skill that you think would be useful, please step up and volunteer. Someone who wants to be involved without taking on a board position could also handle newsletter editor and parade chairman. A list of committees and description of the official board positions will be distributed in a flyer or in the next newsletter before elections.

REDISTRICTING DECISION

By Anne Murray

Our request and testimony to the Legislative Redistricting Committee did hold up, and we are, all of us, in the central district. I think it now is numbered 28.

That was followed by precinct lines drawn by the county supervisors. The initial map from the supervisors had us still divided into those two strange looking precincts. Some of us may have contacted supervisors about that. I had a fortunate opportunity to sit next to Sharon Bronson at a lunch, and I told her our request. The final precinct map was drawn the following Monday, December 3.

The best part is that on Monday afternoon I went to the Board of Elections to check the precincts the supervisors would approve the next day. I spoke with Richard and he confirmed that we are one neighborhood, one precinct (83), and it crosses Country Club to include the Park and Hi Corbett. Colonia Solana is also one precinct including the neighborhood and the golf course.

I asked him how that happened, and he said, "we are considered a close knit neighborhood, that we work together, and it must be a nice place to live." Speaking up, being visible, does make a difference! Sam Hughes did not work on this, and they are divided over three precincts. We cared, we were vigilant, and we got what we wanted (this time). Thanks to all who helped. This districting will be in place until after the next census in ten years.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

NOTICE OF MEETING LOCATION CHANGE (JANUARY ONLY): Child and Family Resources has generously offered their meeting rooms for our January meeting. Their meeting rooms are smaller and may have better acoustics. Their building is a safe and easy walking distance, especially for residents on the north end of the neighborhood. Child and Family Resources is on Treat and Broadway (the old Barrows building). The meeting will be held in the Desert Puppy meeting room with an entrance off of Treat. Doors will open at about 6:45 PM. The meeting starts at 7:00 PM on Wednesday, January 16. Plenty of parking!

ANNOUNCEMENTS (Continued)**Christmas Trees**

PLEASE don't leave your CHRISTMAS TREE on the curb. Waste Management will NOT pick it up. Instead, remove the ornaments, tinsel, and stand and take it to the recycle lot on Alvernon north of 22nd and just south of the putting range. The site is open from December 26 to January 21 and the large pile of trees will be obvious. The trees are chipped and used to control erosion and dust at area landfills.

RECYCLING

On the subject of RECYCLING, the same lot is open all year and has large bins for many of the things accepted in the curbside recycling program (corrugated cardboard and paper products, certain kinds of containers), as well as telephone books and white paper.

2002 BRUSH AND BULKY PICK-UP DATES

FOR BBVNA: Week of May 27
 Week of Nov. 4

PET ALERT!

Hungry coyotes frequently wander through the neighborhood. Keep your cherished pets indoors at night, especially smaller, older (slower) pets with colors that are more visible at dusk or dark. We also have had several incidents of injuries that were clearly caused by humans. Animal mutilation is a serious and worrisome offense. Call 911 if you see evidence of animal mutilation.

STOP!

Complaints about reckless drivers, especially stop sign runners and speeders, are increasing. Walkers, joggers and bicyclists exercise on our streets from very early in the morning to late at night and children often play in the street. This is a residential area. Please drive with caution on our streets and obey all rules.

DOG CLEANUP!

Please clean up after your pet (dog, cat, pot bellied pig or whatever). The arroyo area is especially

littered with poop. There are many clever devices at the pet store for this job, but the easiest and least expensive is a used plastic bag. Insert hand into plastic bag (like a glove), pick up poop, pull hand out of bag leaving excrement in the bag. Tie bag and dispose of properly. Thanks!

DAMES OF DEVON STREET

Get to know your neighbors! The ladies on Devon Street get together every other month for a potluck. They take turns hosting the event. This has proven to be great fun and a good way to network and to develop new friendships. If anyone else does something to encourage the sense of neighborhood, let us hear about it.

DUES

Thank you to everyone who paid dues in 2001. Annual dues of \$10 (\$25 for merchants) are collected and applied to the calendar year in which they are paid. Payment of dues is voluntary, but we greatly appreciate your support. If you would like to pay dues for 2002, you may pay at the general meeting or you may write a check for \$10, payable to BBVNA, and mail to Rhonda Verbout at 2909 E. Arroyo Chico.

If your name has been omitted or listed incorrectly, contact Treasurer Rhonda Verbout.

If your name is followed by (02), you paid twice in 2001 and are credited through 2002.

Arroyo Chico

Paul & Fran Bessey
Michael & Rhonda Verbout
John & Linda Stapleton
Gail Cordy & Bryce Carey
Beth Jonquil
Susan Stockton
Joyce Gordon
Gloria Boyd

Croyden

Joel & Jean White
John Heetner & W. T. Burgess
Paul Rosado & Mia Hansen
Carlton Boulay
James Logan

Croyden (Continued)

Virginia Davies
 Norma Galindo & Jane Cripps
 Nancy Capsuto
 Oscar Beita & Madeline Kiser

Devon

Nancy Tepper & Patrick Webster
 Harold Mitton
 Ted & Rosemary Welchert
 Lillian DiDonato
 Wayne Anderson
 Brad & Rita Toland
 Annie Kuberek

Country Club

Max McConkey & Anne Maley
 Anne Coburn
 Sharon Pepler & Joan Hansman
 Emma Lou Collins

Eastbourne

Dana Lawson
 Ann Pattison
 Anne Kareiva & Patricia Simons

Exeter

Robert & Kathleen Schopp
 Jeffrey & Sheryl Harper
 Edith Lowery (02)
 Donna Moulton & Steven Slaff
 Ross & Suzanne Sheard
 Kathryn Hammond
 A. J. Romero & M. Ramirez
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Malvern

Richard Chagnon
 Michael Berard (02)
 Anita Scales
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 Vanda Gerhart
 Connie Anzalone
 Alice Cavaletto
 David & Nancy Murray

Manchester

David & Kate Johnson
 Landon & Margaret Lykins
 Catherine & Amos Sales
 James & Rosa Cameron
 Barbara Weaver
 McDuffie

Mildred Walen & Blanche Werely
 Maurice Gillette

Stratford

Michiko & Motomichi Inoue
 Maida & John Howell (02)
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 Martha Erickson
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