



BROADMOOR-BROADWAY VILLAGE NEWSLETTER

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BBVNA President's Message

By Tom Arnold

Neighbors:

The effectiveness of the Association depends not so much on the President, but on the Board as a whole and on how energetic you are. Currently, we have a great group of people on the Board and neighbors dedicated to making things happen.

What do I hope to accomplish. Well, more of the same. There are a number of initiatives out there that I would like to see move forward: The projects are:

- Improving the **Treat walkway**, specifically the street crossings and the bridge.
- Neighborhood signage and gateway markers.
- **Historic District designation** – this is a perennial that is starting move.
- **“Plazas”** at Malvern and Arroyo Chico

The neighborhood now has three “formal” social events each year:

- **Fourth of July Parade.**
- **Octoberfest** – last year was the first and Octoberfest will be held again this year.
- **Garden Tour** – this year is the first year and is on May 1st, from 2 p.m. - 5 p.m.

We have a web site. (www.bbvna.com)

We also have a very controversial issue – the **Davis Monthan AFB noise** issue. Many in our neighborhood are fully engaged on this issue. There are now at least 3 groups involved in this issue and most of our immediate neighborhoods are also actively involved.

The three I know of are Tucsonans for Sound Solutions, DM Roar and Tucsonans for Quality of Life. (tucsound.com, dmroar.com, tucsonqualityoflife.com.) To date BBVNA's formal role has been to provide opportunities to share information regarding this issue at meetings and via the newsletter. I would like to know if the neighborhood would like the Board to take a more active role in supporting these efforts and what that might be.

So we have it all! I look forward to helping the neighborhood achieve its goals.

**Next BBVNA Neighborhood Meeting:
7:00 PM May 18, 2005 at Hardesty Center**

BBV Neighborhood Blessed by Goodwill

One of the neighborhood morning walkers has been spotted with a treasure. In the dusky morning hours of March 30th, she discovered one of Ben's Bells.

Ben's Bells are ceramic bells created in memory of a child who died shortly before his third birthday. They are hand painted and hung by volunteers with notes asking the finders to take the bell home and spread kindness and awareness of one another's pain.

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Notes from the BBVNA meeting of March. 16, 2005

By Ann Pattison

The neighborhood meeting was held at the **Hardesty Building** on the corner of 22nd and Alvernon (meetings with the **Drachman Institute** for the **Treat Walkway Design** had been held there during the past year). Seasonal shamrocks decorated the tables and outgoing President **John Thomas** served mint ice cream and brownies cooked by other board members. John called the meeting to order as we munched on the goodies.

Ann Pattison gave a brief review of the MC3 (**Military Community Compatibility Committee**) mediation process. Ann and **Gail Cordy** are both representing the Broadmoor neighborhood. The process started with the recognition that residents of neighborhoods northwest Davis Monthan were unhappy with the way the **JLUS** (Joint Land Use Study) was produced without their input and passed into law with such total disregard of the residents' concerns and objections. The committee's objective is to work toward solutions to **1)** minimize current noise impacts on residential neighborhoods to the maximum extent feasible consistent with the fulfillment of DM's mission, **2)** to minimize or eliminate, if feasible, additional noise impact that results from future mission changes on existing residential neighborhoods, and **3)** to maintain the long-term viability of DM.

It is a very slow process; ground rules are still being discussed. There is some informal reporting of concerns to decision makers at the base, and some small changes may already be taking place.

Tom Arnold presented a review of preliminary results (almost as many surveys were turned in at the meeting as had been received previously) of the survey passed out in the last newsletter. Due to its preliminary nature, Tom's summary will not be reviewed here except to report that BBVNA residents appear to be overwhelmingly in favor of installing a plaza at the intersection of Malvern and Arroyo Chico and emphatically against traffic calming measures such as roundabouts at intersections and narrowing the E-W streets to one lane at the Treat Walkway crossings.

Tom also gave the main presentation of the evening: a report on the **City of Tucson's Water Plan: 2000 – 2005**. The plan was drafted by **City staff**, without

making significant use of consultants. The goals were to meet projected demand, to utilize renewable resources, meet water quality targets, sustainable pumpage, to be cost effective, and to comply with the rules.

Over the past fifty years, Tucson has suffered a **200 foot decline in the level of the water table** near the city center, resulting in 2"-3" of subsidence (so far). The recent trend has been a reduction in agricultural use, but an increase in municipal use. The city projects an increase in the population of Pima County to greater than **1,800,000 by 2050**, with about 1,200,000 in the Tucson Water Service area. After year 2030, most of the population increase is expected to occur outside the Tucson Water service area.

Options for obtaining more water to serve the expected increase in consumption are very limited. Competition for CAP water (**Central Arizona Project**, which brings water from the Colorado River) from more powerful interests will make it difficult and/or expensive to increase our allotment. The groundwater we are now pumping is geologically 'old' water and is essentially **non-renewable**. Effluent and reclaimed water may be the most likely sources for extra water.

Another issue is the **quality of future water** and what price we are willing to pay to maintain a specific level of water quality. **Colorado River** water has about 650 ppm (parts per million) total dissolved salts (TDS). This water is currently blended with groundwater to achieve the 450 ppm **Clearwater** blend being delivered to customers. Eventually, we may need to directly treat the CAP water, or even effluent, by methods such as reverse osmosis or importing water with lower TDS to maintain the 450 ppm standard, or we will have to change the standard and accept a higher level of dissolved solids. The treatment is expensive.

A **water conservation plan** will help reduce demand. Tucson recently liberalized the rules regarding harvesting of 'gray' water for irrigation, and there are many booklets and workshops that teach techniques for harvesting rain water. (**Tohono Chul Park** held a workshop titled "Harvesting Rain Water" on April 16).

Rita Toland gave the **Treasurer's report**. BBVNA currently has about 120 dues-paying households and one merchant (**Tremendez Jewelers**) out of over 400 homes. That is a very good ratio when compared to other neighborhoods.

Annual elections were held, as is usual during the March meeting. The board offered a slate of nominees consisting of **Tom Arnold** for President, **Bryce Carey** for Vice President and newsletter editor, **Chris Avery** for Vice President (Chris stepped aside to allow nominations for the floor, but when none was offered, he was added back onto the slate), and **Gail Cordy** for Secretary, and **Rita Toland** for Treasurer. **Betty Alexander** moved to accept the slate, and **Susie Husband** seconded. The slate was then approved without dissent.

Finally, the first **Annual Broadmoor Garden Tour** was announced by organizers **Karen Martin** and **Mary Morse**. The tour will be held Sunday May 1st from 2 to 5 PM. After a short discussion, residents agreed that a small fee to offset organization costs would be acceptable to participants.

To end the meeting, a door prize drawing was held. Lucky attendees won the shamrocks and two boxes of beautiful **artisan chocolates** handmade by Rita's daughter, **Tracy**.

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Neighborhood Improvement Preference Survey Results:

Thanks to all who took the time to participate in this survey. The response was pretty good overall – 63 out of a potential 400 households.

Two items elicited a clear positive response:

- 60% of the respondents indicated that they would prefer speed-tables at the Treat crossings - 72% of those who had a preference said yes to the table crossings.
- 65% wanted a "plaza" or landscaping at intersections of Malvern and Arroyo Chico and Stratford and Arroyo Chico.

There were two changes which respondents clearly did not want:

- 63% said no to putting round-a-bouts at the end of streets – only 24% said yes.
- 57% said no to narrowing the Treat crossings to one lane – only 21% said yes.

For other questions, things weren't so clear cut. With regards to putting in "jogs" at the crossings:

- Most people either did not want them, did not respond or had no preference – only 37% said yes outright. Although, among those who expressed a preference, 56% said they would like to see jogs.

With regards to closing Treat at Broadway:

- 37% said yes and 36% said no, with another 33% simply deferring to the residents of Manchester.
- 42% of the 12 respondents from Manchester wanted to close Treat.

For the bridge style, most people either had no preference or did not respond. Beyond that it was evenly split between those who wanted an S curve and those who wanted it to be straight.

There also were 23 household which said they would be interested in volunteering in some way. Expect a call!

What is next? We have submitted a proposal for Transportation Enhancement monies for the entire Treat walkway. This is a pre-proposal to simply determine if the project would be eligible for TE funding. If it makes it through the first round and we can get the City to sponsor it, a more formal proposal would have to be developed and submitted in June. The application is daunting, 28 pages, and many people simply give up. This proposal did not include the plazas, but if it strengthens the proposal they may be added later. Let's keep our fingers crossed.

Visit the bbvna.com website for street-by-street survey results and neighborhood news updates.

BBVNA Neighborhood Meeting

7:00 PM

May 18, 2005

Hardesty Center

NW corner of Alvernon & 22nd

Agenda

Guest speaker:

Ann Phillips from the Audubon Society will discuss **Water Harvesting**.

- **DM AFB Noise Update**
- **Neighborhood Improvement Update and Discussion**
- **Historic Preservation ***
- **July 4th Parade plans**
- **Other Business**

* *There will be a **Historic Preservation Workshop May 21st** For reservations and info please contact **John Thomas at 327-7225**)*

DUES 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 2005, you may pay at the next neighborhood meeting or you may write a check for \$10, payable to "BBVNA", and mail it to Rita Toland, 2818 E. Devon St.

Arroyo Chico

Dave Zavala & Karen Martin
Richard Velde
Bryce Carey & Gail Cordy
Mark Swanson & Pamela Hopkins
Cynthia Elliott
Richard Roati & Susan Silverman
Diane Correll & Judy Holt
Mike & Rhonda Verbout

Country Club

Sharon Pepler & Joan Hansman
Bill Freeman & Anne Coburn

Croydon

Paul Rosado & Mia Hansen
Joel & Jean White
John Heefner & Bill Burgess
Norma Galindo & Jean Cripps
Jan Logan
Chancey Pelletier
Leon & Bobby Smith & Cassie Smith
Cindy Bruwer
Bruce & Nancy Capsuto
Oscar Beita & Madeline Kiser
Virginia Davies
John & Patricia Stanley

Devon

Linda Hellman
Henry Hill & Susan Whiting
Daniel Martin
Bob Gary & Patricia Caldwell
Annie Kuberek
Richard & Dawn Bell
Jeffrey Mitton
Brad & Rita Toland
Patrick Webster & Nancy Tepper

Eastbourne

Greg & Margaret Calcaterra
Ann Pattison
Michael & Kathleen Allen

Exeter

Frank Obregon & Deborah Bernini
John Swiss & Irene Ogata
Fay Unangst
Dell Willmon
Bill & Kim Hustad
Edith Lowery
Kathryn Hammond
Stacy Butler

Malvern

Alix Maher
Susan Husband
Shanker Karunanithi & Suneetha Carter
Joseph Watkins & Jean DeJong
Anita Scales
Kris & Noreen Ringlee
David & Nancy Murray

Manchester

Anna Norvelle
Merle Joy Turchik
Russell Coon & Charlotte Weller
Mildred Walen & Blanche Wereley
Patrick & Junko Olander
Matthew & Connie Sterner
Stan Gordon & Linda Abrams
Scott & Terri Hamstra

Stratford

Thomas & Rosemary Smith
John & Barbara Eckart
Richard & Yolanda Moreno
Ian & Eleanor Marr
Edmund and Ruth Mary Sutterley
Debra Summers
Judith Nostrant
Richard & Sandra Graham
Marian Crane
Gary & Lupita Rodriguez
Arthur & Diane Abbott

Tucson Blvd

Marcelino & Christine Acevedo-Medina
Phil & Clementina Soto
Patricia Connelly



We want **you** to help us with the 2005

Broadmoor Fourth of July Parade!

Please call Rita at 323-8737