



# The Babbling Brook

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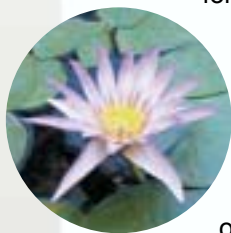
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## Announcing a Fresh New Look

The *New Brookstone*, a building that retains its charm and uniqueness, the qualities that have drawn tenants to it for years, is in the process of an incredible make over. We have a brand-new "LOOK" — starting with this *newsletter*.

The credit for the new format belongs to Morgan and Company, one of our very own tenants. Kathy Morgan and her staff worked tirelessly developing our fresh new graphic identity.

We can now enjoy new tenant-designed gardens, winding walkways through lush foliage opening up to the tranquil sounds of running water, birds chirping and water gardens full of lily pads and fish. So many of you have commented on how much these water gardens and the lilies symbolize our new look that they became the inspiration for our new logo.



Another change you might notice is the fresh new look of the restrooms — granite vanities, new faucets, fixtures, mirrors, wallpaper and paint. These amenities give the restrooms a warm new feel.

The buildings have a new access control system which includes thirteen cameras and new building access cards.

We are changing the lighting from high-energy usage incandescent lights to more energy-efficient fluorescent lights.



There is so much activity going on around us on a daily basis that we can become oblivious to the vision that is required to take an already beautiful building and transform it to an extraordinary place to work. While there is still much to do, it is amazing to look around and see our building owners' vision taking shape. Look for future editions of **The Babbling Brook** for updates on current and pending projects.

## Restroom Restoration!

Have you noticed the facelift that the restrooms are getting? Here's what's new: granite vanities, new faucets, fixtures, mirrors, wallpaper, paint and flush valves.

In addition, there are a number of plumbing changes. There were a number of pipes that were so blocked, it was almost impossible for water to pass through them. These pipes were all replaced and new flush valves were installed. In addition, the new fixtures are smaller than the originals, reducing the flush volume from five gallons down to two. This will save a tremendous amount of water. While the expense of ongoing maintenance is a proper expense of the property all of the capital improvements are at the owner's expense and for the benefit and enjoyment of every tenant.

The response that we have received to date has been favorable. One woman was heard to say, "Love the mirrors! They are very flattering." We look forward to getting your input on Friday, October 26th at the October Feast. Hope to see you there.



## Mary, Mary...How does your garden grow?

"Very well, Thank you!"

Wow! Have you seen some of the garden areas? Our building owner will be sending one very talented tenant to Victoria, British Columbia very soon. Three garden areas have completed their transformation and two more are nearing completion. The irrigation systems have been converted to drip lines to accommodate the new plantings, and they save water as well.

All of our contestants have been working diligently with our landscape personnel to ensure that their visions reach the desired effect.

Many of the contestants have selected a number of very unusual plant materials, hardscapes, and ground cover. The finished



products are just incredible. Come and judge for yourself — we will be taking tours of the gardens on

October 26, 2001 at our October Feast.

Remember, the final judging will be held in May

of 2002 — just a few months away. There is still so much to do. There have been a number of unusual sightings lately. Have you noticed them? We have observed a number of people having staff meetings in the gardens. Shocking! In addition, we have noticed on several occasions, people were having lunch on their patios, laughing, smiling and having a good time.

What in the world could be causing this to take place? It must be fall in Phoenix, there are people enjoying the outdoors more and more. This brings to mind the birds. If you notice that your patio has not been cleaned, give Diana a call. We love seeing you enjoying the new garden areas and your private patios.

## You're Invited



## October Feast Celebration

Who: Come one, come all

What: A feast for the senses

When: October 26, 2001 - From 11:30 A.M. to 1:30 P.M.

Where: Near the Babbling Brook

Why: We need your input and suggestions on the restrooms and gardens. We will be displaying the card access and visual monitoring systems. You and your fellow tenants will be able to view what is going on through the eyes of thirteen new cameras.

We also invite you to tour the completed garden areas and the newly refurbished restrooms. You will be provided a ballot so you can vote on which of the restroom projects you like the best. Even if you don't have to take the tour please stop by and join in the fun.

In light of recent events, we have invited a representative from the City of Phoenix Police Department to discuss personal safety.

In addition, everyone present will also have the opportunity to drop a business card at each of the various locations on the property where you will be visiting. At the end of the event, we will be drawing names to give away dinner for two and theater tickets to the Herberger Theater.

Bring your appetites, Arizona Taste will once again be catering our event and we know it will be delicious as usual. You can sample any one of the tasty items, german brats, barbequed chicken, hamburger or cheeseburgers and potato salad, chips, tea and sodas.

We look forward to seeing you there.

## Smile, you're on Brookstone Camera!

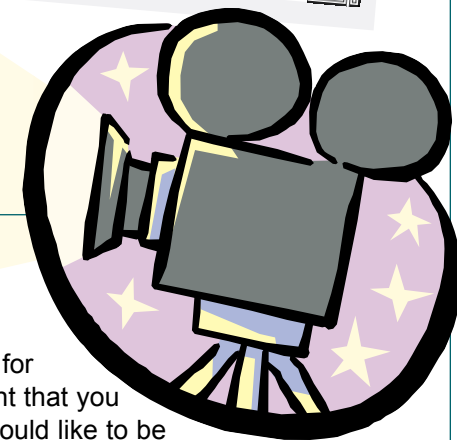
Our new access control system has been implemented. We have replaced the card access system with the new Pass Point access system. There will be no keys issued for the stairwell doors. This should reduce the likelihood of unidentified people entering the buildings.

In addition, we have installed thirteen cameras throughout the property. Each building has four interior cameras and 2 or 3 exterior cameras. These cameras are trained on the entries to the property and the buildings themselves. The cameras are monitored during the day. The system has thirty-one days of storage capacity and items can be recalled from any time. The camera system has the capability to print photos from any of the thirteen cameras, should this be necessary.

All of the doors in the building have been re-keyed. All of you have been issued new keys for your suites. In the event that you are working late and would like to be escorted to your vehicle, please feel free to contact our Patrol Service. Their 24-hour number is 602-999-3277.

**Security Patrol Service**  
602-999-3277

Since none of the precautions that have been implemented can guarantee our safety, we want to encourage all of you to be good neighbors for each other — please, if you see anything suspicious to report it to the proper authorities immediately.



# Absolutely Amazing!

We wanted to take this opportunity to say "Thank You" for the support that you showed for the children of Afghanistan and for the Thomas J. Pappas School. Thanks to you, the carwash was an enormous success. The children were able to raise a total of \$2,028.31!

While it was the intention of the children to raise money only for the children of Afghanistan, we felt, as did many of you, that they, too, had a great need. In speaking with the Director of the school, it was brought to our attention that some of the children were in need of shoes and that there never seemed to be enough money in this fund. How basic a need — shoes on your feet that fit. In response to this need we decided to have two fund-raising efforts going at the same time. You and every person who came to the carwash had a choice as to where they wanted their contribution to go — either to the Afghani Children's Fund or to the Thomas J. Pappas Shoe Fund. Two-thirds of the money raised will be utilized to buy shoes for children that need them. That is about 270 pairs of shoes. Wow!



## Tenants' Corner

We have a new neighbor!

Let's extend a warm welcome to Equity Title Agency, Inc. Their new office space is located in the 340 East Palm Lane Building, Suite 315.

When you have a moment please stop by to introduce yourselves and help us make them feel welcome.



  
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