

Bellasera Neighborhood News

January 2003

PRESIDENT'S NOTE:

CANDIDATES FOR BOARD

As I mentioned last month, the Association will hold an election in April for two members for the Board of Directors. The terms of **Bob Tack** (who was elected in January 2001) and **Al Ricciardi** (who was appointed to replace **Robert Huff**) will expire as of our annual Association members' meeting in April.

Although the election is not until April, now is the time for interested persons to think about getting involved. We will have to send out proxies for the meeting in March and we will have a "Meet the Candidates" night in early April.

Any member of the Association is eligible to serve, and current Board members may, of course, run for re-election.

Serving on the Board is a very great responsibility and requires more of one's time than you might think. Representing your fellow members and neighbors fairly can sometimes be a challenge, one that you may have to step up to often. Candidates should also be able to attend all meetings, including during the summer.

Anyone who is interested in running for a position on the Board may submit his or her name to the Community Manager, **Janyth Martin**, at the clubhouse.

— Dick Chenault

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MANAGER'S MEMO:

What Are Your New Year's Resolutions?

It is hard to believe that 2003 is already here. Have you made your New Year's Resolutions?

Well, if you haven't set your goals for 2003 – maybe I can add a little encouragement and insight with "Tips on being a Good Neighbor." If need be, maybe you could adopt these as YOUR New Year commitments.

Let's review some of the most common complaints voiced by residents of planned communities. Please do your part to avoid these annoyances.

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MEETING NOTICES

Board of Directors Regular Meeting

The next meeting will be **Monday, Jan. 27 at 6:30 p.m. at the clubhouse.**

Budget and Finance Committee

The Budget and Finance committee's next meeting will be **Tuesday, Jan. 21 at 4 p.m. at the clubhouse.**

Building and Grounds Committee

The Building and Grounds committee is scheduled to meet **Monday, Jan. 13 at 3 p.m. at the clubhouse.**

Modifications Committee

The Modifications committee meeting is scheduled for **Wednesday, Jan. 15 at 5:30 p.m. at the clubhouse.** Modification applications are due no later than the Monday before the meeting.

Activities Committee

The Activities committee will meet **Monday, Jan. 6 at 11 a.m. at the clubhouse.**

Communications Committee

The Communications committee's next meeting will be **Thursday, Jan. 23 at 6 p.m. at the clubhouse.**

SOCIAL SCENE

RESIDENTS' LUNCHEON: Thursday, Jan. 16 at noon at L'Academie Café, in the Galleria upper level, Scottsdale Road and Fifth Avenue. The restaurant features paninis, pasta, fresh pizza and salads. *Sign up no later than Tues., Jan. 7.* If you can't come after signing up, or if you don't want to carpool, please **contact Anne Chernis at 488-6565** as soon as possible. Otherwise, be at the clubhouse at 11:30 a.m. to carpool.

POT LUCK DINNER: Friday, Jan. 24 at 7 p.m. in the clubhouse. *Sign up by Monday, Jan. 20.* Bring a dish plus the serving utensils, and feel free to bring your own wine or beer. **Contact Larry Portnoy at 575-8754** if more information is needed.

EVENING BRIDGE GROUP: Wednesday, Jan. 8 and 22 at 6 p.m. in the clubhouse. Join us for an evening of social bridge, normally on the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month. **Call Virginia Rodriguez at 575-7837, Kathy Littlefield at 951-2549, or Bonnie Jones at 595-6103 for information.**

POKER NIGHT: Every Tuesday at 7 p.m. in the clubhouse. If interested in playing, give your name to Community Manager Janyth Martin. **Contact Paul Broad at 595-2955 or Marv Lefkowitz at 595-7738 for more information.**

BOOK DISCUSSION: Wednesday, Jan. 15 at 7 p.m. in the clubhouse. The book is House of the Spirit by Isabel Allende. **Contact Marge Segal at 575-1776** if more information is needed.

GOLF: Tuesdays, Jan. 7, 14, and 28. Meet at the clubhouse by 8:40 a.m. for play at Dove Valley. First tee time is 9:24 a.m.

On Monday, Jan. 21, play will be at Tatum Ranch. Tee time will be noon. **Contact Ellen Bornstein at 575-9848** for additional information and cost.

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BE A GOOD NEIGHBOR

PICK UP AFTER YOUR DOG

HEALTH & FITNESS

STRENGTH TRAINING WITH CORY: Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays at 7 a.m. **Also available is an 8 a.m. class on Mondays & Fridays.** This is a full body workout with stretching; you choose the intensity. Fee is \$6 per class. Sign up at the clubhouse. Please be there 10 minutes before class starts.

YOGA CLASS: Wednesdays and Saturdays at 8:30 a.m., **and a new class on Mondays at 9 a.m.** Increase your strength, flexibility and attitude. For all ages. First class free. Call Jane at 236-7865.

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PLEASE REMEMBER: Lack of attendance may result in the loss of these health & fitness programs. **Why not come on down and join in the fun?**

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ADDITIONAL YOGA DATE

A third session of yoga classes each week is being started, said the instructor, **Jane Tayloff.**

She currently has sessions scheduled for Wednesdays and Saturdays, and is adding a session on Mondays which would be held after strength training or 9 a.m.

Contact her at **236-7865**, or sign up at the clubhouse for the new session.

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EVENTS & MILESTONES

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NEWS FOR "EVENTS & MILESTONES" SOUGHT

Bellasera Neighborhood News is calling for material for its column — brief notices of births, marriages and other events that touch the lives of residents.

Information for the column should be forwarded to the newsletter editor or the Community Manager.

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JANUARY 2003

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 NEW YEAR'S DAY	2	3 Strength Train 7 & 8 a.m.	4 Yoga 8:30 a.m.
5	6 Strength Train 7 & 8 a.m. Yoga 9 a.m. Activities Cttee 11 a.m.	7 Golf 8:40 a.m. Poker 7 p.m.	8 Strength Train 7 a.m. Yoga 8:30 a.m. Bridge 6 p.m.	9	10 Strength Train 7 & 8 a.m.	11 Yoga 8:30 a.m.
12	13 Strength Train 7 & 8 a.m. Yoga 9 a.m. Building & Grounds 3 p.m.	14 Golf 8:40 a.m. Poker 7 p.m.	15 Strength Train 7 a.m. Yoga 8:30 a.m. Book Club 7 p.m. Modifications Cttee 5:30 p.m.	16 Resident's Luncheon 11:30 a.m.	17 Strength Train 7 & 8 a.m.	18 Yoga 8:30 a.m.
19	20 M.L. KING DAY Strength Train 7 & 8 a.m. Yoga 9 a.m. Golf noon	21 Poker 7 p.m. Budget Cttee 4 p.m.	22 Strength Train 7 a.m. Yoga 8:30 a.m. Bridge 6 p.m.	23	24 Strength Train 7 & 8 a.m. Pot Luck 7 p.m.	25 Yoga 8:30 a.m.
26	27 Strength Train 7 & 8 a.m. Yoga 9 a.m. Directors Meeting 6:30 p.m.	28 Golf 8:40 a.m.	29 Strength Train 7 a.m. Yoga 8:30 a.m.	30	31	

JANUARY IN THE GARDEN

By Pauline Marx

Water citrus and landscape plants deeply through the root zone once every three or four weeks unless winter rains are adequate. Winter lawns and annual flowers may require watering one or two times a week, depending on the weather and their location. Do not water succulents unless they show signs of stress such as shriveling or puckering. Water stored in their stems or leaves may freeze and destroy cells.

Provide freeze protection for citrus, succulents and landscape plants if temperature is expected to be in the 20s or lower for more than an hour. Do not use plastic. There is fabric available at garden centers designed specifically for that purpose, but bed sheets can be used.

Harvest ripe citrus, including grapefruit, oranges, mandarins, tangelos, lemons, kumquats, and limequats. All naval oranges should be picked by the end of January. Your citrus are ripe if they yield to gentle pressure and come easily off the stem. **A taste test is the best test.** The longer the fruit stays on the tree the sweeter it becomes. If the weather stays cold, rinds may remain green, but the fruit can still be sweet.

Fertilize citrus in January or February with one-third of its annual nitrogen requirements. (Another one-third will be applied in April/May and August/September.) The amount depends on the tree's size and how many years it has been in the ground. Read directions on the product label. Water thoroughly before and after applying fertilizer.

Leaf drop on citrus is normal in late winter/early spring as new leaves push out. Heavy leaf drop may be due to over fertilization, watering too much or not enough, or citrus mesophyll collapse, which occurs when there are unseasonably hot or cold weather changes. Limited pruning is done on citrus at this time of the year to remove dead wood and to shape the tree. Harvest fruit so that most of the fruit is off the tree before buds set for this year's crop. Do not fertilize because you will stimulate new growth that is susceptible to frost.

***It is time to plant** bare root and containerized roses, deciduous fruit trees and shade trees.

***Prune** desert trees, fruit trees and shade trees.

***As** rainfall here occurs primarily in winter and early spring months, it is appropriate to **apply pre-emergent weed control** to prevent germination of weeds. Water to a depth of one inch to activate. Once watered in, these products are safe around pets and children.

***Annual and perennial flowers** still can be planted from seedlings or seeds. The best for our area are petunias, snapdragons, stock, alyssum, pansies, calendulas, dianthus, lobelia, flowering kale. Soil preparation is the key. Adjust the pH to 6.5 by using a pre-plant high phosphate fertilizer such as 6-20-20 or a slow release fertilizer such as Flower Power 14-12-14.

***Annual flowers prefer flood irrigation** rather than overhead sprinkling. To encourage new growth and branching, periodically harvest flowers.

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(Questions about these or other plants? Call me at 575-0404 or e-mail me at PlantPerson@Prodigy.net)

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ACCESS TO WRIGLEY MANSION

Bellasera's Activities committee has a membership at the Wrigley Mansion that can be used by Bellasera residents.

Access to the Mansion's dining facilities requires a membership, which the Activities committee purchased in the name of Bellasera for a Residents' Luncheon in April. As a result, the membership will allow a Bellasera person and any number of guests to arrange a dinner at the historic Phoenix home.

Contact **Carol Sotnick** at **575-7040** to make arrangements to use the membership.

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NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

If you have meeting dates or articles for publication, please turn them in to the Association office no later than the 13th of the month.

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The newsletter editor is **Bart Sotnick**. He is available at **575-7040** or by e-mail at:

b.sotnick@worldnet.att.net

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(Manager's Memo — continued from page 1)

TRASH CANS left at the curb after collection,
or stored in plain sight.

DOGS LITTERING neighboring yards and the
Common areas.

CARS CONTINUALLY PARKED on streets.

GARAGE DOORS left open when not in use.

OUTDOOR MUSIC VOLUME excessively
high.

WEEDS AND GRASSES allowed to grow in
the landscaping.

UNKEMPT or NON-MAINTAINED yards
with overgrown trees.

Believe it or not, your neighbors may not realize they are violating the guidelines for our Community. If you feel comfortable speaking with them, please do so. Keeping up communication with your neighbors is essential in any planned development.

As your Community Manager, I am available to help you with any issues that may arise regarding the guidelines for community living within Bellasera. Please do not hesitate to contact me at 488-0400 if you have any questions or concerns.

— Janyth Martin

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IF YOU HAVE AN E-MAIL ADDRESS....

**BE SURE TO PROVIDE IT FOR THE NEW
HOMEOWNER DIRECTORY.**

The Communications committee is considering e-mailing the full newsletter, in the same format as the printed version using Adobe Acrobat (a free software program that's readily available if it's not already on your computer), to those with e-mail addresses. This could reduce mailing costs for the community association and assure prompt delivery.

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GET OFF THAT COUCH!

(A sampling of events and activities in our area for your or your guests. **Sid Charnock** helped bring this feature into existence.)

Desert Awareness Speaker Series: Jan. 8, 7 p.m. "Places to Visit in Our Own Backyard." **Cave Creek Town Hall.**

Arizona Archaeological Society, Desert Foothills Chapter: Jan. 8, 7:30 p.m., **Good Shepherd of the Hills Episcopal Church, 6528 E. Cave Creek Rd., Cave Creek.** Program: "The Empie Site"

Phoenix Art Museum, "El Greco to Picasso" special exhibition, Jan. 26-May 4.

Heard Museum, "8th Native American Fine Art Invitational" exhibit. **Jan. 4 & 5.** Gallery talks at 1 and 2:30 p.m. **Public Discussion with Dr. Charles Polzer,** on Spanish influences on Native tribes in Arizona, 9:30 a.m., **Jan. 9.** 2301 N. Central Ave., Phoenix.

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YOUR COMMUNITY

Board of Directors:

Dick Chenault — President
Dennis Lamb — Vice President
Jane Hillerson — Secretary
Robert Tack — Treasurer
Al Ricciardi — Director

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Current Committee Chairpeople:

Activities: Carol Sotnick
Budget: Paul Broad
Buildings & Grounds: Paul Anetsberger
Communications: Keith Christian
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**BELLASERA COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION
DIRECTORY INFORMATION**

Please complete this form for the new, improved directory.

Lot # _____

Owner's Name(s): _____

House Address: _____

Telephone: Home: _____ Office _____

E-mail Address: _____

Alternate Address: _____

Telephone: Home: _____ Office _____

Signature Date

*Please return this form to the gate house or the Association office
or fax to (480) 488-2103*