

# Bellasera Neighborhood News

September 2003

## PRESIDENT'S NOTE:

### Some Reminders

**Town Hall Meeting:** To be held in mid-November to discuss issues of general interest to the community. The newly created Long Range Planning Committee is to lay out an overview of its activity and present its preliminary thoughts on where Bellasera is headed and what types of projects might be considered. The meeting will also include discussion of a few pre-selected topics of general concern. *We're still looking for input as to subjects you may wish to have addressed.*

**Activities Committee:** There are two vacancies on this committee. They could use some more help. *If you think you can help with planning and running some activities for the community, please submit your name to Janyth at the clubhouse or to a member of the Activities Committee. The committee can also use volunteers to help at its events if you are not able to commit to committee membership.*

**Long Range Planning Committee:** This committee, established to define what we as a community should be doing in both the near and longer term future, has started meeting and is drafting a preliminary Mid/Long Range Plan. The meetings are held on the first Wednesday of the month at 3 PM in the clubhouse and are, of course, open to all residents. *Consider attending one of the meetings.*

**Fall BBQ:** The Activity Committee is putting on a BBQ by the pool on Friday, Sep 19. *See you there!*

— Dick Chenault

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## BOARD ACTIONS AT PRESS TIME

The Board of Directors decided at the August 25 meeting to **suspend enforcement of awning violations** until the Modifications committee decides whether there will be any change in the current ban on awnings.

The suspension of enforcement is similar to the action taken about two years ago when a Design Guidelines change to the ban on pots in front of homes was under

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## MANAGER'S MEMO:

### WELCOME BACK CORY !

We are happy to announce the return of **Cory Schidler**, Personal Trainer, to our community.

Many of you may be aware that Cory was called to active duty in the National Guard in March of this year. No rest for the military traveler – who started back with his strength training class on Monday, August 25, 2003. I know we're all very excited about Cory's return.

— Janyth Martin

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## MEETING NOTICES

### Board of Directors Regular Meeting

The next regular meeting will be **Monday, Sept. 22 at 6:30 p.m.** at the clubhouse.

### Budget and Finance Committee

The Budget and Finance committee will meet **Tuesday, Sept. 16 at 4 p.m.** at the clubhouse.

### Building and Grounds Committee

The Building and Grounds committee meeting will be **Monday, Sept. 15 at 3 p.m.** at the clubhouse.

### Modifications Committee

The Modifications committee meeting is scheduled for **Wednesday, Sept. 17 at 5:30 p.m.** at the clubhouse. Modification applications are due no later than the Monday before the meeting.

### Long Range Planning Committee

The Long Range Planning Committee will meet **Wednesday, Sept. 3 at 3 p.m.** at the clubhouse.

### Activities Committee

The Activities committee will meet **Wednesday, Sept. 3 at 10 a.m.** at the clubhouse.

### Communications Committee

The Communications committee will meet **Thursday, Sept. 18 at 6 p.m.** at the clubhouse.

## SOCIAL SCENE

**RESIDENTS' LUNCHEON:** Thursday, Sept. 11 at noon at **Jacqueline's Marketplace & Café, 7303 E. Indian School Road, Scottsdale.** *Sign up no later than Monday, Sept. 8* 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. We will meet at the clubhouse at 11:30 to carpool.

**POT LUCK DINNER:** There will be no pot luck dinner in September.

**EVENING BRIDGE GROUP:** Wednesday, September 10 and 24 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 **Flo Kostel at 488-0061, or 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:** Will resume on Wednesday, Sept. 17 at 7 p.m.. The book that will be discussed is: **John Adams**, by **David McCullough**. Contact **Marge Segal at 575-1776** if more information is needed.

**GOLF:** Formal group play will resume in October.

**HIKES:** Scheduled hikes will resume in the fall.

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### ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS AVAILABLE FROM ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE

The Activities committee will offer entertainment books containing discount coupons for restaurants, resorts and other entertainment. Many of these coupons offer two-for-one savings on dining and similar savings from local establishments.

This is a means of raising funds for the committee's sponsorship of community events.

The books will be available by late August or early September through Community Manager **Janyth Martin**. The price is \$20 per book.

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## HEALTH & FITNESS

**YOGA CLASS:** Yoga classes are conducted on Wednesdays and Saturdays at 8:30 a.m. A great way to increase your strength, flexibility and attitude. Please contact our instructor, Valerie Neumann, at 575-7880 if you have any questions.

**STRENGTH TRAINING:** **Cory Schidler** has returned from military duty and resumed as instructor for the class, which meets **Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 7 a.m.** The group would like to have new participants. This is a full body workout with stretching; you choose the intensity. Please be there 10 minutes before the class begins.

**"NEW" POWERBALL PILATES:** Call Community Manager **Janyth Martin** or visit the clubhouse for more information about this new, energetic class on Tuesday and Thursday mornings.

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### FOSSIL SPRINGS AWAITS US

A late-summer hike to **Fossil Springs** on **Wednesday, Sept. 17**, may be a way to beat the heat. This is a rescheduling of the hike planned last month.

This moderately strenuous 5-mile round-trip hike near the town of Strawberry on the Mogollon Rim will lead to a beautiful natural spring.

**Hikers will leave from the clubhouse at 7 a.m. for the drive to the trailhead.**

**Sign up in advance at the clubhouse.** For additional information, contact **Vivian Kurtz** at 575-1391.

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### BARBEQUE FEAST SET

A barbeque dinner at the Clubhouse is planned for **Friday, Sept. 19 at 7 p.m.**

The Activities committee will be serving hamburgers, hot dogs and all the fixings. The cost will be \$10 per person. Those who want beer or wine will need to bring their own.

Sign up for the event by **Tuesday, Sept. 15** and give Janyth Martin a check made out to Bellasera Community Association.

*[For those faithful readers of the newsletter — This is the event that the editor last month alerted you to mark your calendars for the non-existent Sunday, Sept. 17. Sorry.]*

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# SEPTEMBER 2003

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	<b>1</b> <b>LABOR DAY</b> City Bulk & Brush Collection Week	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> Strength 7 a.m. Yoga 8:30 a.m. Activities Cttee 10 a.m. Long Range Planning Cttee 3 p.m.	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> Strength 7 a.m.	<b>6</b> Yoga 8:30 a.m.
<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> Strength 7 a.m.	<b>9</b> Powerball Pilates 8 a.m. Poker 7 p.m.	<b>10</b> Strength 7 a.m. Yoga 8:30 a.m. Bridge 6 p.m.	<b>11</b> Powerball Pilates 8 a.m. Resident's Luncheon 11:30 a.m.	<b>12</b> Strength 7 a.m.	<b>13</b> Yoga 8:30 a.m.
<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> Strength 7 a.m. Buildings & Grounds Cttee. 3 p.m.	<b>16</b> Powerball Pilates 8 a.m. Poker 7 p.m. Budget Cttee. 4 p.m.	<b>17</b> Strength 7 a.m. Hike 7 a.m. Yoga 8:30 a.m. Book Club 7 p.m. Modifications Cttee 5:30 p.m.	<b>18</b> Powerball Pilates 8 a.m. Communications Cttee 6 p.m.	<b>19</b> Strength 7 a.m. BBQ Dinner 7 p.m.	<b>20</b> Yoga 8:30 a.m.
<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> Strength 7 a.m. Directors Meeting 6:30 p.m.	<b>23</b> Powerball Pilates 8 a.m. Poker 7 p.m.	<b>24</b> Strength 7 a.m. Yoga 8:30 a.m. Bridge 6 p.m.	<b>25</b> Powerball Pilates 8 a.m.	<b>26</b> Strength 7 a.m. ROSH HASHANAH begins at Sundown	<b>27</b> Yoga 8:30 a.m.
<b>28</b>	<b>29</b> Strength 7 a.m. City Bulk & Brush Collection Week	<b>30</b> Powerball Pilates 8 a.m. Poker 7 p.m.				

## SEPTEMBER IN THE GARDEN

By Pauline Marx

Irrigation controllers can be a mystery to many homeowners, and for efficient watering you can't just set it and forget it. You need to change the watering frequency as plants become established, as seasons change, or if it rains.

**STATION, VALVE** and **ZONE** are terms that are commonly used when discussing timers.

A **STATION** is a term used by many controllers to indicate what valve it is controlling.

A **VALVE** is the device that accepts the signal from the timer to open and allow the water to flow.

A **ZONE** is the area of the yard (or the group of plants) that is watered by a valve.

At the programmed time, the controller gets a message to turn on a station and sends a signal through the wires to open the corresponding valve to let water flow through the pipes to irrigate the zone it controls.

To enter a program, use the basic instructions printed inside the controller door. You may need to make sure that your timer is in the 'set programs' mode before you begin.

### Information Needed

Four pieces of information need to be entered and maintained:

1. **CURRENT DAY AND TIME.** Set the time much like you do a digital clock, making sure that you enter whether it is a.m. or p.m.
2. **WATERING DAYS OR FREQUENCY.** You can set your controller to water on a certain day or days of the week. Or, if your controller has a "skip day" option, you can set a certain frequency by inputting "days between watering" or "skip days." For example, if you input the number 10 under the skip day option, your controller would turn on 10 days after the last watering.
3. **START TIMES.** Once the controller knows what day to water, it needs to know what time to start the watering. On most controllers, one start time will run all of the stations assigned to that program in sequence. Think of it as a start time for the entire program, not a station or valve start.
4. **LENGTH OF TIME TO WATER.** After the controller knows what days and what time to begin, it needs to know how long to run before turning off. Run times can vary from 10 minutes to 6 hours.

Double-check your entries to make sure that they are correct.

You can run a program test by pressing the semi-automatic button if your controller has this option. This

will run the program immediately, then not water again until the programmed time and days.

Some controllers also have a 'review' option that shows all your programmed input.

If you have **MULTIPLE PROGRAM CAPABILITY** you will see a switch that allows you to set the timer on program A, B, C, or 1, 2, 3, etc. Multiple programs allow you to run different schedules on different programs. Each program will need the frequency, start time, run time and information on the station or stations to operate.

### Additional Hints

If it rains more than 1 inch you can use the "off" or "rain" setting to stop the watering cycle without disturbing your programs. Once the soil dries up, simply switch back to 'on' to go back to the scheduled programs.

If your system has backup battery capability, replace the battery once each year to make sure you maintain your programs during power outages.

If you turn the program on "manual," you can leave it on for specified times to water your plants or to check your emitters. You can also leave the timer in the "off" mode and just turn the valves manually through the timer when you see it's necessary.

### Instructions Misplaced?

If you don't have instructions for your timer, write down the make and model and call your home and garden center or irrigation supply store to see if they can assist you with getting a toll-free phone number for technical support from the manufacturer. You might also be able to find instructions or more information on the Internet.

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

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## CREATIVE ARTS CO-OP MOVING AHEAD

A show and sale of creative arts on Nov. 1 at the clubhouse will have at least eight exhibitors from within Bellasera, its organizer **Janet Biondo** said.

The Bellasera Creative Arts Cooperative show space is going to be limited to 20 artists and craftspeople living in Bellasera. The November 1 event is to be the first of a planned twice-per-year show and sale.

Professional or skilled amateurs interested in showing and selling their works can contact Janet at 488-0259 for more information.

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## SCENIC DRIVE FRIENDS INVITE BELLASERA TO COOKOUT BENEFIT

The **Friends of the Scenic Drive** has extended an invitation to Bellasera residents to the nonprofit organization's eighth annual **Cookout at MacDonald's Ranch on Saturday, Sept. 13**.

The benefit will allow the organization to continue its goal of desert preservation, said president **Edie Shannon**.

The event, a complete steak or chicken dinner prepared and donated by Outback Steakhouse, will also have live entertainment as well as a silent auction, raffles and drawings for merchandise like dinners, golf, art and team souvenirs. There will be exhibits by several wildlife organizations and the Arizona Historical Society. The Scottsdale Mounted Police will demonstrate the skill that enabled it to win at the Calgary Stampede.

One of the highlights of the evening will be the release of a Great Horned Owl back into the wild. This injured bird was restored to health by the Wild at Heart organization.

Cookout tickets, purchased in advance, are \$35 for an adult and \$15 for children 12 and under. There is a special price of \$270 for a table of eight. The event has always been a sellout.

Tickets are available on the internet at [www.scenicdrive.org](http://www.scenicdrive.org) or at MacDonald's Ranch, at the corner of Scottsdale Road and Jomax. You may also buy tickets by calling (480) 585-0630.

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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. 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 **Dottie Schultz** at **575-5753** to make arrangements to use the membership.

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consideration, president **Dick Chenault** said.

The awning question will be on the agenda for the **Town Hall Meeting**, which the Board **scheduled for Thursday, Nov. 13 at the Legend Trail community meeting room**.

About five residents have installed awnings, the Board learned during the meeting. It instructed community manager **Janyth Martin** to determine who has awnings, notify them that they are in violation of the Design Guidelines and inform them of the temporary suspension of enforcement.

The Board appointed **Mary Gleason** and **Mike Simpson** to the Long Range Planning committee, replacing **Brad Gazaway** and **Gary Stettner**, who resigned.

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## HELP BELLASERA CONSERVE MONEY

**If you're reading this newsletter on a copy delivered by mail, it means you either have elected to continue getting a mailed copy or you've not been given the choice of computer delivery.**

**Many of our residents have opted for electronic delivery, saving our association printing and postage costs, while at the same time reducing their postal mailbox clutter.**

**If you are willing to receive the monthly newsletter by computer only, send an e-mail to Keith Christian at [klc@cts.com](mailto:klc@cts.com), indicating your choice.**

## WHAT'S SNAKIN'?

It's "snake time" once again, and there have been plenty of sightings in Bellasera already.

If one becomes an unwanted visitor to your property, you can call:

**J & R Reptile Rescue/Relocation**  
**(480) 585-0148**

Jeff or Rachel Almond will respond to remove it and relocate it.

Rural Metro will respond if there is a snake inside your home; otherwise they refer calls to J & R.

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## BREAK THE FAST WITH FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS

Mark the end of *Yom Kippur*, the Day of Atonement and one of the Jewish religion's most sacred days, with a traditional breaking of the fast after sundown on **Monday, Oct. 6.**

The event, open to all, will be in the clubhouse beginning at 7 p.m. The cost will be \$20 per person (\$10 for children under 12), and is being collected by **Carol Sotnick** and **Marge Segal**. Contact Carol at 575-7040 or Marge at 575-1776 for additional information. **Sign up by Sept. 26.**

The festive occasion follows a day of fasting and prayer and marks the closing of the "High Holy Days" — the 10-day period that begins with the start of the Jewish New Year.

The menu will include lox, bagels, whitefish, cream cheese, coffee and dessert.

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## GET READY TO PARTY

A **Welcome Back potluck cocktail party** is being planned for **Friday, Oct. 24**, the Activities committee announced. Details will be in the October newsletter.

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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:

**editor@azbellasera.org**

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## DAVID STEWART

**David Stewart**, son of Bellasera residents **Royce** and **Carolyn Stewart**, passed away on Aug. 25. He had been diagnosed with pancreatic cancer last fall.

A memorial service was scheduled for Saturday, Aug. 30 at the United Methodist Church of Geneva, 211 Hamilton Street, Geneva, Ill. 60134.

For those who want to honor David's memory, Carolyn and Royce suggested contribution to **Pancreatica.org**, an organization that David and the Stewart family found to be very helpful as he sought solutions during his illness. The address is 5 Harris Court, Building N, Suite 3, Monterey, CA 93940.

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## BELLASERA'S KLUGER TO HOST KXAM TALK SHOW

KXAM, Talk Radio 1310 AM has announced the addition to their schedule of "Kluger & Rich," a new mid-day drive talk show hosted by Barry Kluger, a Bellasera resident, and Debra Rich.

"Kluger & Rich," debuts on Tuesday, September 2 from 1 to 4 p.m. and will air Monday thru Thursday.

Kluger is a media expert, former MTV executive, political consultant and *Arizona Republic* community columnist. Rich is a popular radio personality from Los Angeles' KFI Radio and former on-air personality on Phoenix's KTAR Radio and KXAM, where she previously hosted "The Afternoon Show."

"This is a wonderful opportunity to bring newsmakers and a variety of opinions to Valley radio, which has been mired in one-sided firebrand conversation without balancing the many angles put forth by people who live and work here every day," Kluger said.

Ms. Rich commented: "Speaking my mind has always been the benchmark of my personality and if I can get across a point to viewers, at the expense of my co-host, then it's been a good day. While Barry and I agree on many issues, our differences will provide for a very lively program."

"Kluger & Rich" is targeted to the 30-55 year old listener, although they add: "We also will be open to hearing views of people outside that range, give or take 30 years."

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## EVENTS AND MILESTONES

**Marsha** and **Michael Aloni** are celebrating the birth of their second grandson, born last month. **Darius** has an older brother, **Kostas**, who is 4 1/2. The Alonis' daughter **Sherry** and her husband **Andre Kourahanis** live in Lumberton, N.J.

**Joanne Anetsberger** had a busy August with *several* birthday celebrations, including a surprise dinner with friends and neighbors arranged by husband **Paul**.

## NEWS FOR "EVENTS & MILESTONES" SOUGHT

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

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### YOUR COMMUNITY

#### Board of Directors:

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

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#### Current Committee Chairpeople:

**Activities:** Caryn Briedis  
**Budget:** Paul Broad  
**Buildings & Grounds:** Paul Anetsberger  
**Communications:** Keith Christian  
**Long Term Planning:** Melissa Price  
**Modifications:** Jim Gleason

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**Security/Front Gate: (480) 488-3663**

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**www.azbellasera.org**

## GET OFF THAT COUCH!

(A sampling of events and activities in our area for you or your guests.)

**Arizona Archaeological Society, Desert Foothills Chapter:** Meeting **Wednesday, Sept. 10 at 7:30 p.m.** at **Good Shepard of the Hills Episcopal Church**, 6528 E. Cave Creek Rd., Cave Creek. Program: **"Ritual Use of Body Parts in the Prehistoric Southwest"** by **Teresa Rodriques**.

**Sears-Kay Archeological Site:** Combine a short hike with exploration of a small, ancient Hohokam Indian hilltop fortification. Drive east on Cave Creek Rd, continuing beyond the turn-off for Bartlett Lake. Road becomes a maintained gravel road. Continue about 1 1/2 miles to the entrance of the site, on the right. There is a sign at the entrance. Self-guided, with informational signs about the Hohokam culture and fortifications. No fees are charged.

**Deer Valley Rock Art Center:** A great place to see vast numbers of ancient petroglyphs during a short walk at the base of the Hedgepeth Hills, plus interpretive exhibits about rock art. Sponsored by the ASU Anthropology Dept. Binoculars help. Closed Mondays. Located on **Deer Valley Drive, 1/2 mile west of 35th Avenue**.

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## SCOTTSDALE LISTS BRUSH AND BULK REMOVAL DATE

Scottsdale will pick up **brush and bulk items** in the Bellasera area **during the week beginning Monday, Sept. 1**. The **October** collection will be during the week **beginning Monday, Sept. 29**.

Brush and bulk items to be picked up should be at curbside by 5 a.m. at the start of the week. It will be removed during the week.

The city's Solid Waste Management department urged homeowners to help by separating the brush or "green" items from the bulk items. The brush material can be diverted from landfills and converted into mulch, ground cover or soil blend.

For more information, contact Solid Waste Management at **(480) 312-5600**.

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### NEW BELLASERA PHONE DIRECTORY AVAILABLE

The new Bellasera Community Directory, developed by the Communications committee, is now available.

The new edition has an alphabetical listing of residents, with lot number, address, phone number and e-mail address. There's also a street address listing, with the occupants' names and number, and a section with out-of-town mailing addresses.

The introduction includes information about our community organizations, and frequently called local phone numbers. All this in a 5.5 by 8.5 inch, spiral-bound booklet.

Local residents can pick up their copy from Community Manager **Janyth Martin** in the clubhouse. Homeowners who are away for the summer will find a copy waiting for them when they return. For those who prefer not to wait, please let Janyth know and she'll mail it to you upon request.

To minimize printing cost, **only one copy per address is available**. Periodic updates to the directory may appear in the monthly Bellasera Neighborhood News.