

# Bellasera Neighborhood News

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## CLEAN UP, COMPLIANCE, FOR SALE, ELECTION

—By *Chuck Roach, President of the Bellasera Board of Directors*

Happy fall to everyone and welcome back to our part-time residents.

We are still working on getting the damage created by the July 31 storm cleaned up. The items visible by most residents have been accomplished. The more difficult work that needs to be done in the wash areas and behind some of our residents' homes needed careful review and planning. We are now ready to proceed and you should see some progress by the time this letter goes to press.

Over the next few months, we will be increasing our efforts to gain compliance with the CC&Rs and Design Guidelines based on the support demonstrated at the Annual Meeting. Specifically, we will be looking for compliance with the requirement to remove trash cans from the curb and store them out of sight no later than the end of the day of pickup. We will also be looking for landscape light violations (failure to turn them on and improper light fixtures and bulbs). These are very small issues but our Governing Documents indicate it is the Board's responsibility to enforce all of the rules so we plan to do our best to perform our duties.

If you've returned to the community, I'm sure you've noticed the For Sale signs that now appear in front of several homes. The Arizona State legislature passed a law allowing homeowners to post these signs without regard to any CC&R restrictions that prohibited them in the past.

At the June Board meeting, we voted to take no further action to remedy the error made in the election process (see the May Newsletter for an explanation). Our decision was based on advice of counsel, which asserted that the Board had the authority to appoint members to fill the two new Board positions created last year. Although **David Redman** and **Dennis Carson** were seated at the Annual Meeting based on the election results, rather than appointed as required by law, we believed it was unnecessary to go through the formal process of appointment because the end result would be the same. One of our residents disagreed with our decision and filled a complaint with the State of Arizona. To address his concerns, Mr. Redman and Mr. Carson resigned on October 2, 2007. On October 3, 2007, they were appointed to the Board by Unanimous Written Consent.

# BELLASERA COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

## WATER AEROBICS - NEW TIME

Water aerobics continues each **Monday, Wednesday** and **Friday**, at a new winter start time: **11 a.m.**

## YOGA RETURNS

Beginning Hatha Yoga in the community room. **Monday** nights from **6:30 p.m. - 7:45 p.m.**, starting **Monday, November 5**. Please bring a yoga mat. Fee is \$8.00 per class. Instructor: **Marci Sheer, 480-488-3426**, e-mail [findingmarci@yahoo.com](mailto:findingmarci@yahoo.com).

## BEAD CRAZY!

Do you like to Bead? Do you want to learn? Please join the group in the Bellasera community room on **Sunday, November 18**, from **11 a.m. to 2 p.m.** for an informal afternoon of beading and conversation. No fee. For questions call **Marci, 480-488-3426**, e-mail [findingmarci@yahoo.com](mailto:findingmarci@yahoo.com).

## LUNCHEON

The social season kicks off with a FALL GET TOGETHER at San Souci restaurant in Cave Creek on **Thursday, November 15** at **12 noon**. The menu price of \$21.00 will include soup, salad, choice of two entrees and dessert. Tax and gratuity included. A great way to get together with your neighbors! Sign up sheet will be at the clubhouse. Meet at the restaurant, or if you would like a ride, contact **Karen Moore** or **MaryBelle Beltz**.

## DINNER

A BELLASERA GATHERING is being planned for **Saturday, November 17** at **6:30 p.m.** in the clubhouse. The entrees will be provided and you are welcome to bring a salad or dessert. The Activities Committee will provide soft drinks and coffee and you may bring wine or your favorite drink to enjoy with your dinner. All are welcome and residents are urged to bring new members to the community or someone who hasn't come to our social events before. To get together with your neighbors, please sign up at the clubhouse.

## YOGA

A yoga class is being offered by **Cory Schidler** (Core Fitness) on **Thursday evenings, 5:15 to 6:15**. The class will be led by **Lynn Seawell**, a certified Yoga Instructor. Drop-in price is \$14.00, with 10 classes for \$120.00, or 20 classes for \$200.00. There will not be a class offered November 1 or 8. The next class will be on **Thursday, November, 15**. There may be substitute classes offered if it can be scheduled. Call **Jan Swenson, 480-575-0443** for information.

## GOLF

Calling all golfers! The Bellasera Golf Group plays once a week at various golf courses and would love to have golfers and their friends join the group. They play 3 Tuesdays a month and one Monday. For November, the dates and courses are: **Monday, November 5** at Tatum Ranch; **Tuesday, November 13** at The 500 Club; **Tuesday, November 20** at Dove Valley; **Tuesday, November 27** at Dove Valley.

For more information, please contact **Ellen Bornstein, 480-575-9848**, e-mail [embornstein7@att.net](mailto:embornstein7@att.net).

## BOOK CLUB

Meets **November 14, 7 p.m.** to discuss "Slaughterhouse Five" by Kurt Vonnegut. Additional information from Maureen Simpson, **480-575-7693**, e-mail [maureensimpson@cox.net](mailto:maureensimpson@cox.net).

## TOYS FOR TOTS & COOKIE EXCHANGE

Bellasera residents are invited to join The Dale Team in collecting new, unwrapped toys for less fortunate children. Collection boxes will be available in the clubhouse after November 15.

Cookie Exchange on **Saturday, December 1, 10 a.m. to 12 noon**. Bring 1 dozen of your favorite cookies for trade.

# NEWS YOU CAN USE

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## COUNTDOWN TO CC&R APPROVAL

As of October 29, **215** CC&R consent forms approving the revised Bellasera CC&Rs have been received; **241** are needed for approval.

Homeowners who have not returned their forms are urged to send them in as soon as possible. The consent forms were included in the packet distributed to all Bellasera homeowners in June.

The revised Bellasera Bylaws have been approved, due to the response of more than 200 homeowners who returned their consent forms. Thank you to all who returned their forms!

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## AJ'S OPENS NOVEMBER 10

The long-awaited AJ's Marketplace in the Scottsdale North Marketplace, corner of Scottsdale & Lone Mountain Roads, opens at **6 a.m.** on **Saturday, November 10.**

AJ's spokeswoman Kristy Nied reports the new AJ's will include the following amenities: Boulangerie, Bistro, Cappuccino Bar, Fromagerie, Wine Cellar, Tasting Emporium, Cigar Humidor, Floral Boutique, A La Carte, Farmer's Market, Butcher's Corner, Seafood Grotto, Grocer's Corner, Catering, Home Delivery, and an Outdoor BBQ.

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## SCOTTSDALE HEALTHCARE HOSPITAL-THOMPSON PEAK

The new Thompson Peak campus of Scottsdale Healthcare hospital opens **November 5.** It's located near the northeast corner of Scottsdale Road and Thompson Peak Parkway.

The hospital includes a 24/7 Emergency Department with 12 private rooms, and 4 observation rooms. Also provided are 56 telemetry-capable inpatient beds, an 8-bed ICU, 6 operating rooms, and various labs and diagnostic services. It will have Arizona's first Ambient Experience MRI and CT suites.

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## LOST AND FOUND

A set of keys with a door fob was turned in to the clubhouse office.

The house key and mailbox key were found left in a mailbox door. If these could be yours, please stop by the clubhouse office to identify them.

## MEETING NOTICES

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**Activities Committee** meeting date/time will be posted.

**Board of Directors** will meet on **Thursday, November 29**, at **7:00 p.m.**

**Budget and Finance Committee** meeting date/time will be posted.

**Communications Committee** will meet on **Wednesday, November 28**, at **8:30 a.m.**

**Modifications Committee** will meet on **Tuesday, November 13**, at **2:30 p.m.** if there are applications to review. Applications must be received in the Community Manager's office no later than **12:00 noon, Thursday, November 8**, to be eligible for review at this meeting.

## PROPERTY MODIFICATION REMINDER

All Bellasera residents are required to submit any planned exterior changes to their property to the Modifications Committee **BEFORE** the project is begun. Again, that's **BEFORE** starting, not during or after the project is completed.

The Modifications Committee meets to review applications on the second Tuesday of each month. Modification applications should be submitted no later than the prior Thursday. An application form is available from the community manager's office, or the Bellasera web site: [azbellasera.org](http://azbellasera.org), click on "Forms."

Bellasera Landscape and Architectural Design Guidelines, Section II, page 7, describes in detail the requirements and procedures. They're also available on the web site: click on "Governing Docs."

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## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

The Communications Committee and the Modifications Committee are each looking to find Bellasera residents willing to join their respective committee.

The Modifications Committee reviews and approves all external changes to owner's property. Please contact one of the committee members listed on page 9 of this month's newsletter for additional information.

The Communications Committee produces the monthly newsletter, maintains the community's web site, provides a semiannual community directory and posts all the announcements on the mailbox bulletin boards. If you're interested in joining the committee please contact **Keith Christian, 480-330-7109**, e-mail [KLC@cts.com](mailto:KLC@cts.com).



## NOVEMBER IN THE GARDEN

—By Pauline Marx, Arizona Master Gardener

### Watering Considerations

November ushers in milder temperatures, cool nights and short days which lull the plants into a much needed rest now through January. Some plants begin dropping a few leaves, last month's growth spurt slows and citrus fruit begins to color. Although most plants will be dormant soon, they still need to absorb water, but at a much reduced rate. The cool temperatures significantly reduce the loss of water from evaporation. When plants are dormant, they stop actively growing and roots cannot absorb nutrients due to cool soils and inactive roots. So, save your fertilizer for spring. Some specific watering tips:

Bermuda lawns- Apply one inch of water per week to Bermuda lawns. Hint: A light application of potassium in the fall will enable it to come out of dormancy.

Herbs- Water established herbs once a week or less depending on the temperature.

Vegetables- Should be watered every three days.

### Bougainvillea

This is the best time of the year to plant Bougainvillea plants and, perhaps, replace many of the ones in the neighborhood that I noticed were leveled by last winter's frost.

Some general guidelines to follow:

- Plant in well-drained soil and full to reflected sun (they will not bloom well in partial shade).
- Feed them lightly in the spring and summer after planting.
- Do not over fertilize them or they will not bloom.
- In early spring, prune the bush after danger of frost to remove dead branches and keep their height in check.

### Artichokes

Artichokes are exotic-looking vegetables that can be grown successfully here in Arizona. A new desert strain that is more sun-tolerant and a better producer is now available at local nurseries.

Some guidelines to follow:

- Select an area that provides ample sun and room for this large plant to grow.
- Spray to control aphids.
- Harvest buds while they are still tight and plump (the bud is actually the marketable portion of the plant). If not cut, buds soon open into thistle-like flowers that can be used in flower arrangements.

### Miscellaneous

Seeds - Soaking seeds overnight in warm water helps speed germination in many species. This is especially true for hard-coated seeds like beans, beets, chervil, cilantro, dill, lavender, peas and spinach.

Frost- Watch for frosty nights, and be prepared to cover tender crops. Most cool-season vegetables are unaffected by frost.

Cleanup- It's time to clean up the entire garden. Pull weeds and take out spent annuals and vegetables which can harbor insects and diseases during the winter season.

Questions about plants? Call (480-575-0404) or e-mail <PlantPerson@cox.net> me.

# \*\*NOVEMBER 2007\*\*

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>Brush &amp; Bulk Collection Week</b>				1	2 Fitness 7 a.m.  Water Aerobics 11 a.m.	3
4	5 Fitness 7 a.m.  Golf  Water Aerobics 11 a.m.  Yoga 6:30 p.m.	6   Poker 7 p.m.	7 Fitness 7 a.m.  Water Aerobics 11 a.m.	8	9 Fitness 7 a.m.  Water Aerobics 11 a.m.	10
11  <b>VETERANS DAY</b>	12 Fitness 7 a.m.  Water Aerobics 11 a.m. Yoga 6:30 p.m. <b>(no mail)</b>	13 Golf  <b>Modifications 2:30 p.m.</b>  Poker 7 p.m.	14 Fitness 7 a.m.  Water Aerobics 11 a.m.  <b>Book Club 7 p.m.</b>	15  <b>Luncheon 12 noon</b>  Yoga 5:15 p.m.	16 Fitness 7 a.m.  Water Aerobics 11 a.m.	17  <b>Bellasera Dinner 6:30 p.m.</b>
18  <b>Beading 11 a.m.</b>	19 Fitness 7 a.m.  Water Aerobics 11 a.m.  Yoga 6:30 p.m.	20 Golf  Poker 7 p.m.	21 Fitness 7 a.m.  Water Aerobics 11 a.m.	22  <b>THANKSGIVING DAY</b>	23 Fitness 7 a.m.  Water Aerobics 11 a.m.	24
25	26 Fitness 7 a.m.  Water Aerobics 11 a.m. Yoga 6:30 p.m.	27 Golf  Poker 7 p.m.	28 Fitness 7 a.m. <b>Communications 8:30 a.m.</b>  Water Aerobics 11 a.m.	29 Yoga 5:15 p.m.  <b>Board of Directors 7 p.m.</b>	30	

# RECYCLING IN SCOTTSDALE

—By Jessica Everton, Bellasera resident

I moved here two years ago and was glad to see that the City of Scottsdale had a recycling program—those mauve containers make it so easy to recycle! I thought I knew what could—and could not—be recycled, but recently I decided to double-check the city’s Web site. I was surprised to find that I had been recycling some items on the “Do Not Recycle” list. In case you haven’t checked the list recently, what follows are the guidelines for recycling:

Material Category	Recycle	Do Not Recycle
Aluminum	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Beverage Cans</li> <li>• Clean Aluminum Foil</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Food trays</li> <li>• Pie plates</li> <li>• Folding chair frames</li> </ul>
Aseptic Boxes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Corrugated Cardboard Boxes</li> <li>• Dry Food Boxes (cake, cereal, cracker w/no liner)</li> <li>• Shoe boxes</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Foil juice bags</li> </ul>
Cardboard / Chipboard	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Corrugated Cardboard Boxes</li> <li>• Dry Food Boxes (cake, cereal, cracker w/no liner)</li> <li>• Shoe boxes</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pizza boxes</li> <li>• Packing materials</li> <li>• Bar soap or detergent boxes</li> <li>• Towel or tissue rolls</li> <li>• Wax / plastic liners</li> </ul>
Glass	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Glass food and beverage containers</li> <li>• Clear, green, or amber</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Light bulbs</li> <li>• Window glass</li> <li>• Mirror glass</li> <li>• Ceramics / pottery</li> </ul>
Magazines	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Magazines</li> <li>• Telephone books</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Paperback books</li> <li>• Hardbound books</li> </ul>
Metal Cans	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Food cans made of steel or tin</li> <li>• Empty aerosol cans</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No other metals</li> </ul>
Newspaper	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Newspapers and inserts</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Newspaper bags or rubber bands</li> </ul>
Paper	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Computer &amp; writing paper</li> <li>• Junk mail</li> <li>• Brown paper grocery bags</li> <li>• File folders</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Facial or toilet tissue</li> <li>• Paper towels / paper plates</li> <li>• Napkins</li> <li>• Gift wrap</li> <li>• Diapers</li> <li>• Pet food bags</li> <li>• FedEx / self-sealing envelopes</li> </ul>
Plastics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All plastic jugs and bottles with screw-top lids or the base larger than the neck (regardless of recycling #)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Plastic bags</li> <li>• Styrofoam</li> <li>• Motor oil</li> <li>• Pool chemical containers</li> <li>• Plastic cups or clear food</li> </ul>

A few additional recycling tips:

- Make sure your recyclable materials are clean, dry and empty.
- Place loose papers in a paper grocery bag before placing them in your recycling container.
- Break down any cardboard boxes to ensure your container is empty.
- Do not use your recycling container for non-recyclables (like grass/yard/food waste).
- Additional recycling containers are provided for free if you need additional capacity.

**\*\*BELLASERA CLASSIFIEDS\*\***

Stained Glass Equipment For Sale: Gryphon C-40 Diamond Band Saw; Glastar SuperStar II Grinder; more - Brand New--Never Used! - \$250. Call Melissa Price, 480-227-1927.

1996 Mercedes 500SL, Excellent condition, All black, Both tops, Low miles - \$22,500. 480-219-4943 or 303-947-7183.

*Got something to buy, sell, want, give-away, etc.? Do business within the community. Send in a classified ad.*

*E-mail yours to <[editor@azbellasera.org](mailto:editor@azbellasera.org)>, or FAX to 815-333-2268.*

*Ads only accepted from Bellasera homeowners; ad copy limited to 25 words if space is limited; real estate for sale, business or commercial ads not accepted; Editor reserves the right to edit or reject any ad.*

**BIONDO PHOTOS**

Resident **Frank Biondo** will be participating in the Hidden in the Hills Art show in Carefree/ Cave Creek on November 16,17,18 and 23, 24, 25. He will be at studio #25 on Sidewinder Road, off Stagecoach Pass. Frank will have his photography on display and for sale.

**NEWSLETTER DEADLINE**

**If you have meeting dates, or articles for publication, please e-mail to: [editor@azbellasera.org](mailto:editor@azbellasera.org), or turn them in to the Association office no later than the 20th of the month. The monthly newsletter is produced by the Communications Committee. The editor is Keith Christian, 480-330-7109.**

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**CITY OF SCOTTSDALE BRUSH & BULK COLLECTION**

The city of Scottsdale will pick up **brush and bulk items** in the Bellasera area during **the week of Monday, October 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.

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

**BELLASERA COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION**  
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—Office Hours—

**Monday thru Friday, 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.**

Questions regarding your Homeowner's Association Account?  
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