

Bellasera Neighborhood News

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VIEW FENCE, TENNIS COURT, STREETS, UMBRELLAS

By Chuck Roach, President of the Bellasera Board of Directors

I've been away on a trip most of August and when I returned I couldn't think of anything very new to inform our residents about. Accordingly, I'll just update you on the status of some on-going projects.

- 1. View Fence Painting**—The Board is still looking at accomplishing this in the spring of next year. At our August 28th Board meeting, we will consider a solution that will allow residents who don't wish to remove their rabbit fences or cut back their shrubs to "opt out" of the painting.
- 2. Tennis Court Fence Repair and Crack Sealing**—Bids have been received for these projects and are being analyzed for presentation to the Board.
- 3. Street Sealing**—The proposed contract for Sunland Asphalt to perform this work in late September is being forwarded to us for review. As soon as it is approved and signed, we will notify the community of the exact dates this work will be accomplished.

An on-going but somewhat minor problem is what we might want to do differently about providing shade in the pool area. We started the summer with 10 umbrellas and we now have 4 left. We've purchased them for as low as \$60 apiece and as high as \$300. It doesn't seem to make any difference on how long they last. All it takes is for the umbrella to be left open and a good wind will knock it over and break one of the spines. One solution the Board will consider is putting in a permanent shade structure of some kind—more about this as we look at options and costs.

BELLASERA WEB SITE

The Bellasera web site, azbellasera.org, is a ready source of information for all residents. It has all the approved minutes from the Board of Directors and various committee meetings. Current copies of most all community regulations and documents are also available.

You're invited to 'click around' for more information about Bellasera than you probably ever wanted to know.

The site is designed and maintained entirely by volunteers — members of the Bellasera Communications Committee.

BELLASERA COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

WATER AEROBICS

Water aerobics continue on **Monday, Wednesday and Fridays**, beginning at **10:00 a.m.** and ending at 11:00 a.m.

YOGA ON MONDAY NIGHTS

Experience the amazing benefits of Hatha Yoga - right here in Bellasera! Bring more strength, flexibility and inner calm to your life! **Monday** night Yoga continues! It's **6:00 to 7:15 p.m.** at the clubhouse. All levels welcome! NO CLASS ON SEPTEMBER 1 and 29.

NEW YOGA CLASS -THURSDAY MORNING

Starting in September - RISE and SHINE YOGA - **Thursday** mornings from **7:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m.** Open up to the beauty of the day! Beginners welcome! Class fee \$10. First class free. Questions? Call **Marci Sheer, 480-488-3426, youryogamarci@gmail.com.**

ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE

The summer luncheons are continuing and are an enjoyable way to beat the heat while spending time with friends and neighbors. The September luncheon will be at the Herb Box in DC Ranch on **Thursday, September 18 at 12:00 noon. Maureen Simpson** will be the hostess and can be contacted via her e-mail address, **maureensimpson@cox.net**, if you have any questions.

We have a winner! Actually, we had 3 lucky winners at Bellasera's first Bunko night. The group enjoyed learning the game and quickly caught on to how it's played. By evening's end, we forged new friendships and agreed that having a monthly Bunko night was in order. There is no limit to how many can play, so all are welcome. Come and join the fun. MARK YOU CALENDARS - **Tuesday, September 9, at 7 p.m. Darlene Locke** will hostess. You can contact her at **darlene13@cox.net**. There will be a \$5 fee that includes drink, dessert and prizes.

October's luncheon will be on October 24 and the Potluck will be held October 31. Watch the next issue of Bellasera Neighborhood News for details.

There will be sign-up sheets for all activities at the clubhouse.

Hope everyone is having a great summer and staying cool!

YOGA ON TUESDAY & THURSDAY

Yoga classes are offered by **Cory Schidler** (Core Fitness) on **Tuesday**, from **4:45 - 5:45 p.m.**, and on **Thursday**, from **5:15 to 6:15 p.m.**

The Tuesday class will be led by **Barbara Radwan-Kuzelewski**, and the Thursday class by **Lynn Seawell**. Both are certified Yoga Instructors.

Drop-in price is \$14.00, with 10 classes for \$120.00, or 20 classes for \$200.00. There may be substitute classes offered if it can be scheduled. Call **Jan Swenson, 480-575-0443**, for information.

BOOK CLUB

The book club will meet on **Wednesday, September 17, at 7 p.m.** in the clubhouse. The book to be discussed is "The Uncommon Reader" by Alan Bennett. More information: **Maureen Simpson, 480-575-7693, maureensimpson@cox.net.**

COMMUNITY NEWS BRIEFS

IN MEMORY

The Bellasera community extends its condolences to the friends and family of **Jeanne Young**. Her obituary follows.

Jeanne Young

The funeral Mass was celebrated at 11 a.m. Friday, August 8, at St. Jude Catholic Church in Eugene, Oregon for Jeanne L. Young of Scottsdale, Arizona, formerly of Eugene. She died August 3 of ovarian cancer at age 72.

She was born June 3, 1936, in Santa Monica, California, to Laurence and Mildred Sieben Vachon. She married Gary Young on July 4, 1959, in San Francisco. He later died.

She attended San Francisco City College. She was a homemaker and had worked as a flight attendant for United Airlines and in retail sales for Kaufman's.

Survivors include her domestic partner of 13 years, Harry Schrieber; two daughters, Denise Patridge and Suzanne Young, both of Portland; two sons, Greg Young of Tualatin and Ryan Young of Portland; and five grandchildren.

Arrangements by Wherity Family Funerals in Tualatin. Remembrances to the Ovarian Cancer Research Fund.

SCOTTSDALE NORTH MARKETPLACE OPENINGS

New store openings at the Marketplace include Hand & Stone Massage Spa, and Bella Day Spa. They join the branch office of Chase Bank, which recently opened as well.

Casa Paloma Interiors, and Martinizing Dry Cleaners opened earlier this summer. AJ's Fine Foods has been open since last November.

Scottsdale North Marketplace is located just west of Bellasera, on the southeast corner of Scottsdale and Lone Mountain Roads.

HEARD MUSEUM DONATIONS

Your donations to the Heard Museum Guild's 13th annual Book Sale and Treasure Market will be appreciated. You can drop off your donations at 7870 East Visao Drive, home of **Joyce Winston**, prior to December 15.

Quality books, rare editions, collectibles, hard cover or paper back are solicited. All types of artwork, including paintings, prints, sculpture, pottery, and frames as well. Jewelry is very desirable and of course any American Indian work such as baskets, pottery or beadwork.

All donations are tax deductible to the extent permitted by IRS regulations.

BELLASERA BUSINESS OWNERS

Bellasera residents **Dean** and **Karen Husted**, owners of Desert Homes Development, Inc., have been partners in the custom homebuilding and remodeling industry for over 17 years. DHDI specializes in providing personal attention to your project, whether we are building your BBQ or building your new home from the ground up. Please visit our website at www.deserthomesdevelopment.com for additional information.

Got a news item you'd like to share with the community?

Bellasera small business owners are invited to inform the community of your business.

E-mail yours to editor@azbellasera.org, drop off at clubhouse office, or FAX to 815-333-2268.

Editor reserves the right to edit or reject any submission.



MEETING NOTICES

Activities Committee will meet again in October.

Board of Directors will meet for a study session on **Thursday, September 11**, and for their regular meeting on **Thursday, September 25**. Both meetings begin at 7 p.m.

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

Building and Grounds Committee will meet on **Tuesday, September 2**, at 6 p.m.

Communications Committee will meet on **Wednesday, September 24**, at 8:30 a.m.

Modifications Committee will meet on **Tuesday, September 9** 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, September 4**, to be eligible for review at this meeting.

2008 COMMUNITY DIRECTORY

The up-to-date 2008 Bellasera Community Directory is now available. Pick up your copy in the clubhouse office, Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m.—12:30 p.m., or from the guardhouse, anytime.

For residents away from Bellasera for an extended period, yours will be waiting for you upon your return. Or if you prefer you can get an electronic copy by sending an e-mail to **directory@azbellasera.org**.

This year's directory was compiled and produced by the Bellasera Communications Committee.

BELLASERA NEWSLETTER VIA E-MAIL

Minimize your US Postal Service mailbox clutter, and save Bellasera a few bucks, by receiving this monthly newsletter via e-mail. It'll be delivered as an e-mail attachment days before the paper snail mail version.

Just send an e-mail request to **editor@azbellasera.org** to start electronic delivery.



SEPTEMBER IN THE GARDEN

—By *Pauline Marx, Arizona Master Gardener*

Most months I provide you with guidance and encouragement in maintaining your garden. This month I'd like to point out that a surprising number of plants that we grow as houseplants and in the garden have parts that are potentially poisonous for us and our pets. Some contain elements that irritate the skin or could be poisonous to the touch. Those of us who have allergies must be especially careful and should wear rubber gloves when handling plants. If you have small children in the house, it is best to totally avoid certain plants.

Dangerous Plants

Some entire plant families are poisonous and sometimes only particular plants in a family should be avoided. The complete list is too long to be included in the newsletter so we'll highlight some of the more dangerous and/or popular.

All *Euphoriaceae* contain a whitish sap (Latex) which can irritate the skin. Among the most popular are: **Poinsettia, Croton, and Acalypa.**

Lantana, Philodendron, and Calla Lilly (all parts).

Natal Plum (all parts except fruits), **Honeysuckle** (berries) and **Asparagus** (berries).

Amaryllis, Tulip, Narcissus, Hyacinth, and Clivia are among those which can produce vomiting, nausea and diarrhea.

Proper Handling of Plants

Always wash your hands after working with these plants if sap or cell juice oozes out. The sap can cause swelling of the conjunctiva and changes in the cornea of the eye. It can also produce major swellings and acute pain on the mucous membranes of the mouth and throat. Many plants produce berries which can cause nausea, vomiting and stomach pains followed by sleepiness and widening of the pupils.

Children

If children have ingested parts of a plant, you must find a doctor immediately. Take the plant with you for positive identification. Make the person who has swallowed the plant vomit. Give children a drink of warm water. Never drink milk as it binds the fatty poisons and encourages the body to take up more.

Pets

Plants that endanger humans can also be dangerous to our pets...cats, dogs, caged birds, rabbits, hamsters, and guinea pigs. Any pet that can roam freely in the house or garden can be poisoned by eating growing plants. Cats that don't go outside may try to satisfy their need for grass by nibbling on houseplants as they require greens for their digestion. Animals do not necessarily know instinctively which plants may harm them. Put a bowl of oat grass on the windowsill for your cat and that will satisfy the need to nibble.

Dogs too get hurt- for example, by the points of agaves. Because cats and dogs will drink any water, they can also be endangered by plant remedies and fertilizers that have been dissolved in leftover plant water. Remember, many plants have been studied extensively and are used to make medicines that cure us. Just be careful around plants and treat them with respect.

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

COMMUNITY CALENDAR—SEPTEMBER 2008

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Brush & Bulk Collection Week	LABOR DAY	Yoga 4:45 p.m. Building & Grounds 6 p.m. Poker 7 p.m.	Fitness 7 a.m. Water Aerobics 10 a.m.	Yoga 7 a.m. Yoga 5:15 p.m.	Fitness 7 a.m. Water Aerobics 10 a.m.	
7	8 Fitness 7 a.m. Water Aerobics 10 a.m. Yoga 6:00 p.m.	9 Modifications 2:30 p.m. Yoga 4:45 p.m. Bunko 7 p.m.	10 Fitness 7 a.m. Water Aerobics 10 a.m.	11 Yoga 7 a.m. Yoga 5:15 p.m. Board Study Session 7 p.m.	12 Fitness 7 a.m. Water Aerobics 10 a.m.	13
14	15 Fitness 7 a.m. Water Aerobics 10 a.m. Yoga 6:00 p.m.	16 Yoga 4:45 p.m. Poker 7 p.m.	17 Fitness 7 a.m. Water Aerobics 10 a.m. Book Club 7 p.m.	18 Yoga 7 a.m. Luncheon 12 noon Yoga 5:15 p.m.	19 Fitness 7 a.m. Water Aerobics 10 a.m.	20
21	22 Fitness 7 a.m. Water Aerobics 10 a.m. Yoga 6:00 p.m.	23 Yoga 4:45 p.m. Poker 7 p.m.	24 Fitness 7 a.m. Communications 8:30 a.m. Water Aerobics 10 a.m.	25 Yoga 7 a.m. Yoga 5:15 p.m. Board of Directors 7 p.m.	26 Fitness 7 a.m. Water Aerobics 10 a.m.	27
28 Brush & Bulk Collection Week	29 Fitness 7 a.m. Water Aerobics 10 a.m.	30 Yoga 4:45 p.m. Poker 7 p.m.				

****BELLASERA CLASSIFIEDS****

FOR SALE: KITCHEN / DINING ROOM TABLE- 48" ROUND WITH 4 UPHOLSTERED CHAIRS, LESS THAN A YEAR OLD, PURCHASED FOR \$2,300, WILL SELL FOR \$1,200 - CONTACT HOPEKIRSCH@YAHOO.COM.

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, 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.

AUGUST WEATHER IN BELLASERA

(August 1—August 27)

Rainfall: 2.48 inches
(monsoon storms on August 6, 7, 14, 15, 25, 26)

Highest temperature: 104

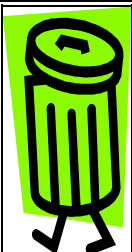
Lowest temperature: 67

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

If you have meeting dates, or articles for publication, please e-mail to: 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 weeks of Monday, September 1, and Monday, September 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**.

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—— indicates committee chairperson

In the Bellasera Design Guidelines, add the following to page 15-A, # 9:

**CASITA'S
ADDITIONAL CONSTRUCTION OR CHANGES TO THE EXTERIOR OF YOUR
HOME. Del Webb 2000.**

Submit all exterior improvements to the Bellasera Modifications Committee prior to installation. All construction or changes to the exterior of a lot requires prior approval of the Modifications Committee. The committee reviews and confirms compliance of the development in accordance with a comprehensive set of design standards and guidelines. These standards cover such items as building heights, exterior colors and materials, as well as other architectural elements, such as artwork, antennae, playhouses, landscaping and fences. This review procedure allows the Association to provide fellow members comfort that all improvements will meet or exceed Bellasera's uniform standards. Confirmation of compliance of any changes must be obtained prior to starting them.

Residents also have to obtain Permits from the City of Scottsdale prior to building and a copy of the Permits must be included with their application to the Modifications Committee.