

Bellasera Neighborhood News

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SOME BELLASERA STREETS WILL BE CLOSED OCTOBER 2, 3, 13, 29

for seal coating.

See color-coded map posted on our web site and
on all bulletin boards, for more information.

Tennis courts will be closed for resurfacing from Monday,
September 29 through Saturday, October 11.

Thank you for your patience.

STREET SEALING, GATE SLATS, VIEW FENCES

By Chuck Roach, President of the Bellasera Board of Directors

As I'm writing this column, the crew is finishing up on the street crack-sealing project. Over-sealing will begin next week and be completed by the end of October. Please be sure you review the maps at the mailbox bulletin boards and refrain from driving on the streets scheduled for over-sealing in the first 24 hours after the material is laid.

During the next few months, we will again be asking our residents to take care of gate slats that need staining. We will be sending out courtesy notices as a reminder. Please refer to the standard established by the Modifications Committee for direction on the type of staining required.

The Board is continuing the planning efforts necessary to paint the view fences next spring. We are presently preparing an information letter to send out to all residents. We are also preparing specifications for the bid package.

I hope everyone had a great summer. I'm looking forward to the cooler weather ahead!

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

MONDAY NIGHT YOGA

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!

THURSDAY MORNING YOGA

RISE and SHINE YOGA - Thursday mornings from **7:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m.** Open up to the beauty of the day! All levels welcome! **NO CLASS ON OCTOBER 9, 16 and 23.** (Sorry) Class fee \$10.

Questions? Contact **Marci Sheer, 480-488-3426, youryogamarci@gmail.com.**

ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE

Mark your calendars for the second Tuesday of each month for Bunko! See you on **October 14 at 7:00 p.m.**, \$5 per person to play includes prizes, dessert and non-stop fun! Remember, **NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY.** **Cheryl Renaud** is hostess. Sign up at the clubhouse or e-mail Cheryl at **crenaud1559@gmail.com.** October luncheon will be on **Thursday, October 23, 12:00 noon**, at O'Donoghue's Pub at 20469 N. Hayden Rd. in the Fry's Shopping Center. Sign up at the clubhouse.

Our October Potluck will be on the **October 31, at 6:30 p.m.** Please bring an appetizer, salad or dessert to share. Costumes anyone? Sign-up at the clubhouse, it will be a fun evening with our neighbors.

Activities Committee meeting will be the week of October 20, date/time to be determined.

HIKERS HIT THE TRAIL AGAIN

It's the first hike of the season and we would like everyone interested in the Bellasera hiking group to participate. I have chosen the North trail at McDowell Mountain Regional Park. This is a 3 mile loop trail with gentle ups and downs. Plan to bring a lunch as we will picnic at the park after hiking. During the lunch, I would like to receive your ideas regarding future hikes:

How far are we willing to drive to the trailhead? How long a trail are we willing to undertake? How hard (elevation gain) are we willing or interested in undertaking? Date criteria, day of the week, etc.?

Meet at the clubhouse at **9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, October 15.** Bring a picnic lunch and water. Questions? Contact **Don Bowman, 480-948-9814, DGBEBB@cox.net.** A sign-up sheet will be at the clubhouse.

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, October 15, at 7 p.m.** in the clubhouse. The book to be discussed is "Three Cups of Tea" by Greg Mortenson & David Relin. More information: **Maureen Simpson, 480-575-7693, maureensimpson@cox.net.**

COMMUNITY NEWS BRIEFS

RESIDENT ARTIST/PHOTOGRAPHER WORK ON EXHIBIT

Frank Biondo is an artist and photographer who has combined both mediums to create his unique style. He is presently exhibiting his Fine-Art Photography at the Fountain Hills Artists' Gallery at 16858 Avenue of the Fountains. There will be an open-house reception all day **Wednesday, October 8**, from **5:00 to 8:00 p.m.** Call for directions, **480-836-9919**.

Frank will also be exhibiting at the Hidden In The Hills art show on the weekends of November 21-22-23; as well as on November 28-29-30.

SWISS SKIN CARE

Bellasera resident **Cindy Schubert** invites all Bellasera friends to her home, 7387 Visao, to celebrate the Holidays with Swiss skin care from Arbonne. Dates are **Saturday, October 18, 9:30 a.m. to noon**, and **Sunday, October 19, from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m.**

Bring a guest and receive a free gift, purchase 1 gift basket, and receive a second basket *free*. Proud to support HopeKids. More information, call **Cindy, 480-282-1934**

ROOKS' NEW GRANDCHILD

Bellasera residents **Carlton & Sandy Rooks** are proud to share news of their first grandchild. Zora Kili Rooks was born September 24 (her Dad's birthday), weighing in at 8 pounds exactly and measuring 20.5 inches. She's the daughter of **Chris** and **Jes Rooks**. The new grandparents report hearing evidence of a great pair of lungs over the phone shortly after her birth.

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 Native American work such as baskets, pottery or beadwork.

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

RESIDENT REALTORS

Steve and **Joan Wallace** - we have lived in Bellasera for 5 years and are resident Realtors. Originally from Iowa, we moved to Arizona for the warmer weather and love it. We never dreamed we would be grandparents to "Quadruplets", but we are! Real estate is our full-time job. We know the market and the floorplans. We work diligently to take care of each listing as well as working with Buyer's by showing the homes that are for sale in this beautiful community.

Got a news item you'd like to share with the community? Or if you're a resident with a small business, we'll publish a one-time story about your enterprise.

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 during the week of October 20, date/time to be set.

Board of Directors will meet for a study session on **Thursday, October 9**, and for their regular meeting on **Thursday, October 23**. 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, October 7**, at **6 p.m.**

Communications Committee will meet on **Wednesday, October 22**, at **8:30 a.m.**

Modifications Committee will meet on **Tuesday, October 14** 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, October 9**, to be eligible for review at this meeting.

WI-FI IN THE CLUBHOUSE

For those residents who'd like to use their laptop at poolside, or anywhere in the clubhouse, Wi-Fi is available.

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Copies of the latest approved minutes from the Board of Directors meeting are available in the clubhouse, and always on **azbellasera.org**.

BELLASERA WEB SITE PHOTOS

Got a favorite photo you'd like to share with the community —and the whole wide world? The Bellasera web site, **azbellasera.org**, would like to display your photographic talent. Attach your JPG file to an e-mail to: **editor@azbellasera.org**.

BELLASERA NEWSLETTER VIA E-MAIL

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OCTOBER IN THE GARDEN

—By *Pauline Marx, Arizona Master Gardener*

October signals the beginning of fall planting in earnest and is the perfect time to plant all but frost-tender woody shrubs. Here in the Sonoran Desert, we do not get the brilliant fall colors like other areas. However, I would recommend that you consider several shrubs (below) that rise to the occasion.

Recommended Shrubs

Heavenly bamboo - An Asian plant which turns bright red to red- orange in the Fall. (*Nandina domestic*).

Firebush - As the weather cools, leaves begin to turn a dark coppery red. They remain this color through the winter. (*Hamelia patens*)

Beach vitex - Before this deciduous shrub loses its leaves they turn a dusky purple-red.

Crape Myrtle - Coloring is variable , but most plants turn a reddish hue before they lose their leaves. (*Lagerstomia indica*)

Mexican jumping bean - This hot weather loving shrub leaves turn a fiery red in late winter.

Copper-leaved caesalpinia - The small leaves turn from a deep burnished red to a bright golden red through the winter.

Planting Shrubs

When planting shrubs, follow these simple steps:

1. Prepare a hole that is three to five times as wide as the container and just as deep.
2. Most soil amendments, including mulch, are unnecessary. However, if you choose to use mulch or compost in the hole, scratch it in well and roughen the sides of the hole to encourage the plant to move out of the hole.
3. *Do not prune as you plant.* It is tempting to prune shrubs in containers that are overgrown or unruly or have lost their form. However, pruning as you plant can severely reduce the vigor of the plant and increase the time it takes to overcome transplant shock. To start a good root system, it is best not to trim anything but dead wood from a plant as you're planting it. There should be plenty of time next year to correct any deficiencies in the form of the plant.

October Miscellaneous Tasks

Plant- Continue to plant flowering bulbs such as *alliums, anemone, Bermuda buttercup, cape tulip, daffodils, Dutch iris, harlequin flower, lady tulip, pink sorrel, ranunculus.*

Prune- Cut back spring-flowering perennials like *brittlebush, globe mallow, ruellia,* and groundcovers like *sundrops,* and *trailing bush* hard this month. If the plant is especially leggy or unruly, prune to remove at least 1/3 of the plant or more. After pruning, water well.

Fertilize- If you did not fertilize established cold-hardy shrubs last month, do so early this month. This is the final fertilization of the year.

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

COMMUNITY CALENDAR—OCTOBER 2008

Sunday Brush & Bulk Collection Week	Monday NOTE: Some streets will be closed on 2, 3, 13, 29 for seal coating	Tuesday	Wednesday 1	Thursday 2	Friday 3	Saturday 4
5	6 Fitness 7 a.m. Water Aerobics 10 a.m. Yoga 6:00 p.m.	7 Yoga 4:45 p.m. Building & Grounds 6 p.m.	8 Fitness 7 a.m. Water Aerobics 10 a.m.	9 Yoga 7 a.m. Yoga 5:15 p.m.	10 Fitness 7 a.m. Water Aerobics 10 a.m.	11
12	13 Fitness 7 a.m. Water Aerobics 10 a.m. Yoga 6:00 p.m. *COLUMBUS DAY*	14 Modifications 2:30 p.m. Yoga 4:45 p.m. Bunko 7 p.m.	15 Fitness 7 a.m. Hike 9 a.m. Water Aerobics 10 a.m. Book Club 7 p.m.	16 Yoga 5:15 p.m.	17 Fitness 7 a.m. Water Aerobics 10 a.m.	18
19	20 Fitness 7 a.m. Water Aerobics 10 a.m. Yoga 6:00 p.m.	21 Yoga 4:45 p.m. Poker 7 p.m.	22 Fitness 7 a.m. Communica- tions 8:30 a.m. Water Aerobics 10 a.m.	23 Luncheon 12 noon Yoga 5:15 p.m. Board of Directors 7 p.m.	24 Fitness 7 a.m. Water Aerobics 10 a.m.	25
26 Brush & Bulk Collection Week	27 Fitness 7 a.m. Water Aerobics 10 a.m. Yoga 6:00 p.m.	28 Yoga 4:45 p.m. Poker 7 p.m.	29 Fitness 7 a.m. Water Aerobics 10 a.m.	30 Yoga 7 a.m. Yoga 5:15 p.m.	31 Fitness 7 a.m. Water Aerobics 10 a.m. Potluck 6:30 p.m. *HALLOWEEN*	

****BELLASERA CLASSIFIEDS****

—————**Next month, in this space, your ad**—————

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.

TRASH CONTAINER

The Bellasera clubhouse parking lot trash container is now locked, after a recent resolution passed by the Board of Directors.

Thank you for your continued cooperation in not using this container for your personal trash disposal.

SEPTEMBER WEATHER IN BELLASERA

(September 1—September 26)

Rainfall: 0.05 inch
(September 6)

Highest temperature: 96

Lowest temperature: 66

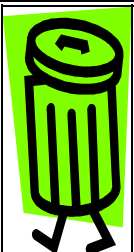
NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

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 29, and Monday, October 27**.

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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