

Tennis Courts & Office Change

—By *Richard Hoffman, President of the Bellasera Board of Directors*

Tennis Courts Repair and Resurfacing Scheduled. Repair and refurbishing of our two tennis courts is now scheduled to begin on Tuesday, July 5 and should be completed by the end of July, weather permitting. Both courts will be out of service during this time and the on-line tennis reservation system will be disabled during construction. We will be sending out another reminder as we get closer to the start date for this project.

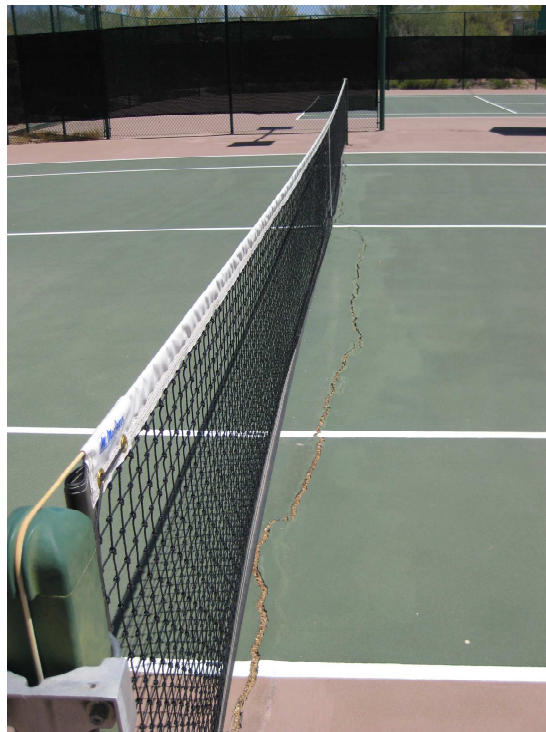
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On-Site Management Office Changes. We have recently been advised that our on-site Office Administrator, **Sharon Foxworth**, will be leaving Bellasera and moving to Texas with her husband. **Sharon** has been a loyal and capable member of the Bellasera management team and will be missed. We wish **Sharon** well.

Sharon's last day in the management office in the clubhouse is Friday, June 10.

Efforts are underway to secure **Sharon's** replacement, but it is possible there may be some gaps in on-site coverage for a short time. Any issues or questions will be handled by **Viola Lanam**, our Community Manager, in the interim. We ask for your patience and understanding as we work through this process.

Court Construction



Bellaser Tennis Courts (above) will be repaired in July.

Meeting Notices

Board of Directors will meet on **Thursday, June 30** at **1:00 p.m.**

Budget & Finance Committee will meet on **Wednesday, June 22** at **2 p.m.**

Building & Grounds Committee will meet on **Tuesday, June 14** at **1 p.m.**

Communications Committee will meet again on **Wednesday, July 13** at **8:30 a.m.**

Modifications Committee will meet on **Tuesday, June 14** at **noon**. Applications must be received in the Community Manager's office no later than **Thursday, June 9** at **12 noon**.

May Weather In Bellasera

(May 1—May 30)

Highest temperature: **100**

Lowest temperature: **50**

Rainfall this month: **0.08 inch**

Rainfall this year: **3.26 inches**

Bellasera weather 24/7/365: weather.azbellasera.org

Newsletter Copy 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 25th of the month. The monthly newsletter is produced by the Communications Committee. The editor is **Keith Christian, 480-382-9310**.

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City Of Scottsdale Brush & Bulk Collection

The city of Scottsdale will pick up brush and bulk items in the Bellasera community during the week of **Monday, June 27**, with the next pickup the week of **August 1**.

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, **480-312-5600**.

Potluck — Second Friday of the Month, 6-9 p.m.

Our May Potluck Dinner was graciously hosted by **JoAnn** and **Larry Seres**. They brought out the Spirit of Memorial Day for 15 residents who thoroughly enjoyed the sparkling beverages, great food and friendly conversations. On **June 10**, our hosts will be **Sandra** and **Carlton Rooks**. Be sure to sign up early, bring your favorite beverage, a dish to share with 12, and be prepared for a fun evening.

We still need volunteer hosts for August, September, October and November. Please call **Janet Biondo, 480-488-0259**, if you wish to participate.

Bellasera Luncheon

Will be at BJ's Brewhouse in the Desert Ridge Shopping District on **Thursday, June 23**, at **noon**. They have a large variety of great food on their menu and the prices are "great" too. Be sure to sign up in time.

Yoga

The regular yoga class will meet at **8:45 a.m.** on **Mondays**. For more information, contact **Judith Zeiger, 480-760-5645, jazeiger@cox.net**.

Brown Bag Book Club

Bellasera Brown Bag Book Club will take time off until October 26, but not time off from reading. Our summer selections are "The Nest" by **Cynthia Sweeney** and "Queen of the Road" by **Doreen O'Rien**. Our October read is "Lake House" by **Kate Morton**. Enjoy summer travels and reading. Stay cool! **kresmor60@gmail.com**.

Tennis Court Reservations

The two Bellasera Tennis Courts may now be reserved on-line. Players wishing to do so must first set up an account at **tennis.azbellasera.org**. Use the link [Create an Account](#) to set up your account. Courts 1 & 2 can be reserved for only one week in advance.

Got a Question? The City Has an Answer

City information is just a phone call away, **480-312-3111**. The number connects you with live operators who have the 4-1-1 on event, traffic, department and meeting information. They can also connect you to the right people for further assistance. The line is open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, and for special events as publicized. So, the next time you have a question about the city, call **480-312-3111**.

Attend Class in your PJs

The Scottsdale Library offers online access to more than 500 free classes. Universal Class provides continuing education classes taught by dedicated instructors sharing their knowledge on almost any topic imaginable. Library cardholders can enroll in up to five courses. "Attend" class and do assignments on your schedule. Classes are non-credit and provided for personal enrichment. Learn more at **ScottsdaleLibrary.org**, search "Universal Class" or call **480-312-7323**.

Water Aerobics

Water Aerobics begins at **10:00 a.m.** and ends at 11 a.m. All are welcome to join us. There is no charge. We will loan you a DVD with images taken by an underwater camera, which will show you our routine. To borrow the DVD, call **Janet, 480-488-0259** or come join us any **Monday, Wednesday and Friday.**



The water aerobics group celebrated members' birthdays for April, May & June. We had a potluck-luncheon poolside. Birthday Beauties above (l to r) are **Priscilla Castrovinci, MerryBelle Beltz, Judith Zeiger, Leslie Richardson, Diane Gaberman and Claudia Rose.**

Bellasera in the Rear View Mirror

A look back in Bellasera history that may bring back memories for long-time residents and be of interest to those not living in our community 5 & 10 years ago. Clips from past newsletters follow.

Bellasera Neighborhood News, June 2006, 10 years ago

- A new bank is planned for the southwest corner of Lone Mountain and Scottsdale Roads. That's just west, across the road from the proposed Pederson shopping center, now with AJ's as the anchor tenant, planned for a fall 2007 opening. Pederson anticipates submitting their revised plans to the City's Design Review Board early in June, and will make copies available to interested Bellasera residents.
- A Safeway Service Station is proposed near the north entrance to the Summit Shopping Center. A little further north, on the southeast corner of Scottsdale & Dove Valley Roads (south of Winfield), preliminary plans are for a community of 120 luxury town homes.
- A nice early morning hike begins across the road from the Bellasera Lone Mountain Road gate. Heading east, follow the City of Scottsdale Trail System markers to Hayden Road, then north along Hayden. Just outside the Whisper Rock Estates entrance, head east on Ranch Road. When the road ends, head east again along the Whisper Rock perimeter wall. The trail goes all the way to Pima Road, about four miles round trip. Now it's time for breakfast!
- A big 'thank you' to the entire community for your patience and cooperation with the asphalt road re-pair to the entrance and back gate. We hope you now enjoy the smoother rides. Eventually the roads in the community will be repaired. Notifications will be sent out ahead of time just as this was.
- From time to time we receive concerns that there is no Community Manager present at all times. We would like to reiterate that we are a part-time management company. There was a long-standing full-time management paradigm. Bellasera has a strong representation of part time residents; it wouldn't be a community without them. Those who are here part time understand the juggling between both properties and constant maintenance. That being said, we are no different. We multitask, juggle projects, and strive to be as accessible as possible to homeowners. We also update our progress by reporting in the newsletter, Board meetings, and in the clubhouse with postings. We understand that there are many residents that do not frequent the clubhouse, therefore we have decided to now post our big updates periodically in the mailbox bulletin boards. That way, we hope to reach the entire community.

Bellasera Neighborhood News, June 2011, 5 years ago

- The Board has reluctantly accepted the resignation of Board Member Anne Chernis, effective June 7, 2011. Anne and husband Morrie have sold their Bellasera home and are moving to downtown Scottsdale. During Anne's time in our community, she has served on the Activities Committee, Modifications Committee and Board of Directors. She will be greatly missed by her Bellasera friends and the Association. As the result of Anne's resignation the Board declared a vacancy. The term of this vacant seat runs until the next Board election in April, 2012 -- approximately 10 months. Several of our past and current committee members have graciously stepped forward and volunteered to fill the vacated Director's seat during this interim period.
- At the Board of Directors Meeting on Thursday, May 26, the Board appointed Dennis Soeffner to fill the vacancy, effective June 7. Dennis comes to us with experience as Secretary and later Vice President of the Board of Directors of Troon North. He has 30 years of solid corporate experience with Anheuser-Busch, and is a member of our Communications Committee.
- Front Gate: Sometimes our homeowners choose to enter the community through the visitors' side of the front gate and are annoyed when the gate attendant delays their entry by logging them in. Our security system requires that ALL vehicles entering the visitors' side be logged in before the gate can be opened. Please be respectful of our hardworking staff who are just doing their job.
- Parking: "Mystery Vehicles" are sometimes left in the clubhouse parking lot over night and our management staff must play amateur detective to locate the owners. Bellasera policy is that overnight parking of vehicles in the lot is allowed only with the PRIOR written approval of management staff or front gate attendant and will be allowed for no longer than a 3-day period. Violators will be charged \$50 per day and/or be towed. We really don't want to do that to you or your visitors. Please let us know of your plans in advance. Also, any person who occupies a vehicle in our parking lot as a residence is violating BCA rules and may be charged with trespassing.



—By Joe McDade

June in the Garden

Summer Is Here...Be Prepared!

This is the third year in a row that May has provided a surprise for us with pleasant temperatures, especially nighttime, along with a little rain as an added sweetener. It was a delightful month for us and a bonus for our gardens as evidenced by the health and beauty of our trees and plants which reached their flowering peak this past month. I'm not sure you could have found better weather anywhere else in the U.S. as our winter visitors who hung around a little longer certainly found out.

May did not provide us with much of a transition into summer, but June is famously hot and dry and usually without a drop of moisture. So, in caring for your garden this month, let's think about the challenges presented by our hot weather and the tasks you need to perform to get a good start in coping with our summer months ahead. I've outlined them below.

Watering Guidelines

This should be your first priority as proper irrigation to your plants is crucial during the summer months, especially June, as it is normally the driest month of the year. As the temperatures rise, plant watering needs will also increase. Now is the time to adjust your watering schedule for the summer.

Watering guidelines can be complicated as the amount of water and watering frequency depends on many factors such as:

- Soil Type
- Weather (temperature, humidity, rainfall, etc.)
- Microclimate
- Plant Size and Species
- Newly planted or established in the landscape (two years or more)

However, once again, let's go with some simple guidelines:

How Much - Ensure that you are deep watering your landscape plants to prevent salt build-up. Use a soil probe or a long-handled screw-driver to determine how deeply water is penetrating.

A simple guideline is the **1-2-3 Rule**:

1 foot deep for small, shallow rooted plants.

2 feet deep for shrubs.

3 feet deep for trees.

How Often – An often asked question and, in addition to the irrigation guidelines below, it is important to take into consideration weather, soil conditions, plant maturity and how well the plant has adapted to the desert. **Remember-** let soil dry between waterings.

7-21 days - Desert-adapted trees

7-14 days - Non-Desert adapted trees

7-21 days - Desert shrubs

5-7 days - Non-Desert adapted shrubs

Other considerations:

- Observe plants regularly for signs of water stress. Some signs to look for include: wilting,

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curling leaves, yellowing or falling of older leaves, and dead stems.

- Recently planted **native or desert-adapted trees** should be watered once a week if temperatures are over 100 degrees. If temperatures are over 108 degrees water every 2-3 days.

- Natural rainfall may be adequate for most well-established **cacti and succulents**. However, if rainfall is insufficient; water may be needed at least once for cactus and twice for succulents during the month of June. Always allow soil to dry out between each irrigation cycle. Water your cacti and succulents to a depth of at least 8-12 inches.

Ineffective water management is the number one cause of death of landscape plants in the Valley, and, believe it or not, it is more frequently from over watering than under watering. You can reduce your water bill and take better care of your plants if you water **slowly** (prevents run off), **deeply** and **infrequently** (let the soil dry between watering).

Maintenance Tasks

Roses- Cut back on fertilizing established roses to encourage plants to slow down for the hot summer. Water deeply as temperatures climb. Hose off plants in the early morning to increase humidity and control spider mites

Mulch Landscape Plants -Apply mulch to the ground around heat sensitive plants keep the roots cooler and prevent evaporation.

Herbs- May need to be watered twice weekly and vegetables may need to be watered every 2-3 days. Provide shade to your herbs and vegetables if needed.

Citrus- Fruit drop should be finished by this month and new fruits should be forming. If you didn't do so last month, **fertilize**. The next time is August/September prior to fruit sizing time.

Palms- Prune palms when flower spathes show or delay pruning until after the palm has finished flowering to prevent infestation of Palm Flower caterpillars. If palms are pruned in the spring, leave the top five rows of peels so the caterpillars have a place to hide. Cut off spent blooms to stimulate rebloom.

Fertilization – Do not fertilizing your desert-adapted landscape plants during the summer months. Fertilizing will cause excessive, luxuriant growth that requires more water and new growth is too tender to take the excessive heat and sun exposure. Wait until next spring to fertilize, if needed.

Plants in containers- These plants should be watered daily, preferably early in the morning. Be sure the water flows out the bottom of the pot with each watering.

What to Plant

It is recommended that most plants be planted in the fall or spring. However, if you have a need to plant during the summer months, watering may need to be more frequent and you must be diligent about observing your newly planted plants for signs of water stress. Some suggestions:

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Warm-Season Vines- Many varieties (e.g. Yellow Orchid-vine, Queen's Wreath, Yellow Morning Glory-vine) can be planted during the summer months. Water immediately after planting and monitor the moisture for the next few days to keep the root ball from drying out. Water newly planted native and desert-adapted vines twice to three times weekly to a depth of at least a foot. Gradually extend the time between watering and monitor plants regularly for signs of water stress.

Herbs- This is a good month to plant herbs as they are widely available in small pots right now and inexpensive (\$3-\$4). You'll find them in grocery stores as well as nurseries. My favorite is Basil. Basil performs well in pots with consistent soil moisture and morning sun.

Warm-Season Veggies- Sow seeds for black-eyed peas and okra. Transplant sweet potato slips.

Native and Desert-Adapted Trees- . After planting your trees, they should be watered immediately and the moisture monitored for the next few days to keep the root ball from drying out. Newly planted native and desert-adapted trees may need to be watered more frequently until established. It can take up to 3-5 years for trees to become established in the landscape.

Have You Noticed?

Agaves- Many Agaves are flowering right now. Most Agaves are *monocarpic*, i.e. they produce flowers and seeds only once and then they will die. Many agaves can also reproduce asexually through the formation of bulbils and/or pups. Bulbils are developed on the flowering stalk and pups are formed from underground stems. We have a few striking examples, with tall stalks, in Bellasera right now. If you have a dying Agave, look for the "pups" surrounding it.

Ironwood Tree- One of the largest and longest-lived Sonoran Desert plants is putting on quite a show this year with its lavender-pink blossoms that you cannot miss. The Ironwood tree found only in the Sonoran Desert can reach 45 feet in height and easily live for hundreds of years. The Ironwood is known as a "nurse plant". It provides a safe place for seed germination, and protects seedlings from extreme cold. It also protects saplings from the damaging effects of the sun. Thorny, low-hanging branches shelter young saguaro. The wood of the Ironwood is one of the hardest and heaviest woods in the world and is considered to be non-biodegradable. We have many examples of these very old trees (>150 years) throughout Bellasera, especially in our washes. The abundant flowers and fruit on display this year only happens once or twice per decade.

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(If you have a gardening question, please contact the Maricopa County Cooperative Extension Service at **602-470-8086**.)

Community Calendar—June 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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			Water Aerobics 10 a.m.		Water Aerobics 10 a.m. Bridge 1:30 p.m.	
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
	Yoga 8:45 a.m. Water Aerobics 10 a.m. Bridge 1:30 p.m.	Poker, 7 p.m.	Water Aerobics 10 a.m.		Water Aerobics 10 a.m. Potluck 6 p.m.	
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
	Yoga 8:45 a.m. Water Aerobics 10 a.m.	Modifications 12 noon Building & Grounds 1 p.m. Poker 7 p.m.	Water Aerobics 10 a.m.		Water Aerobics 10 a.m. Bridge 1:30 p.m.	
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
	Yoga 8:45 a.m. Water Aerobics 10 a.m.	Poker 7 p.m.	Water Aerobics 10 a.m. Budget & Finance 2 p.m.	Luncheon 12 noon	Water Aerobics 10 a.m. Bridge 1:30 p.m.	
26	27	28	29	30		
Brush & Bulk Collection Week	Yoga 8:45 a.m. Water Aerobics 10 a.m.	Poker 7 p.m.	Water Aerobics 10 a.m.	Board Meeting 1 p.m.		

****Bellasera Classifieds****

Looking for someone to play tennis with in the evening or on weekends. I am a newer resident to Bellasera trying to improve my tennis game. The only way to get better, in addition to my current lessons, is to keep playing. If you would be interested in periodically playing tennis, please contact me. I can be reached at **Cindy, 312-909-3255, baileyandthe2blondes@gmail.com.** 8

Like new 14 month old Richmond Partner Desk purchased from Walter E. Smithe Furniture in Illinois. This desk features 4 pieces in a Charleston Brown finish with warm Burgundy highlights. The desk base consists of a bookcase (32w x 20d x 31h) and desk (50w x 32d x 31h). It also comes with a computer desk (32w x 20d x 31h) that stores a desktop computer and features as a pull out printer stand and built in surge protector. An additional item is a roll out locking file cabinet that nestles under the desk (19w x 23d x 25h). In total the desk occupies 70" x 64". The value of the desk is \$2900 and we are looking to sell it for \$1200. It is currently on display in our garage if you are interested. Please feel free to e-mail **Catie, cadabarron@yahoo.com** for images/information and to see the beautiful desk. 8

Golf Irons: right handed Taylor made Burner 2.0 with graphite shafts to ease wrist, elbow and shoulder stress. 4 thru Gap wedge. These were used very lightly and are in good condition. Asking just \$180. **H. C. Schultz, 480- 575- 5753.** 7

Steve and Joan Wallace – Living and Selling Bellasera For Over 10 Years:

Mike and Brenda Caviness said: *"From the very beginning, Joan and Steve Wallace made our home sale so much easier. Their approach in selling our home was always in our best interests. Their work ethic is unmatched. For the homeowner, it's a very stressful time trying to market your home. They took charge and made it happen. Give them a chance in selling your home, you'll be glad you did!"*

If you want to sell your home, buy a new home, or upsize or downsize, please give us a call – we have represented Sellers and Buyers in most areas of the Valley. **Steve, 602-463-5254 – Joan, 602-361-8111.** 8

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****Bellasera Classifieds, continued****

All About Cleaning ***Regularly scheduled Home cleaning *** One Time Cleaning ***Move In/Out cleaning, ***After Remodeling Cleaning. We have excellent references from long-time Bellasera Resident customers and surrounding areas. Call **Maria, 480-206-5237** (owner-operator, Bellasera resident for over 10 years). Licensed-Bonded-Insured. www.AllAboutCleaningArizona.com, e-mail: Info@AllAboutCleaningArizona.com.

Cabin available for rent in Munds Park. Enjoy fall foliage or plan ahead for snow adventures. 3 bedrooms 2 sleeper sofas/2baths; Gas fireplace; Fabulous deck; Full kitchen; Washer/Dryer. \$300 weekend/\$500 for 3 night Holiday weekend. Cleaning fee negotiable. Call Bellasera resident **Marti Bening, 480-488-4297** for details.

All About Cleaning *** Professional Window Cleaning. Inside-Outside-Screens-Tracks. Power Wash (After Monsoon season Must!). Request an over the phone estimate or on-site free estimate. Call **Maria, 480-206-5237**, www.AllAboutCleaningArizona.com, e-mail: Info@AllAboutCleaningArizona.com.

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Bellasera Residents...The Kiwanis Club of Carefree can pick up your unwanted furniture, clothing and household goods. All items will be sold in our Marketplace resale store in Cave Creek. Proceeds go to support kids in our local school district. Contributions may be tax deductible and a receipt will be provided. Call **Ron, 480-204-7877**, for information and to schedule an appointment. Thanks for your support.

E-mail your ad to editor@azbellasera.org.

Ads only accepted from Bellasera homeowners; real estate for sale, non-resident business or commercial ads are not accepted; Editor reserves the right to edit or reject any ad. Your ad will run for 3 months, and may be extended upon request.

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Questions regarding your Homeowner's Association Account?
Contact AAM, LLC: **602- 906-4940**
AAM, LLC Emergency : **602-647-3034** or toll free **866-553-8290**

****Bellasera Community Volunteers****

Volunteers don't get paid, not because they're worthless, but because they're priceless.

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