

# Bellasera Neighborhood News

December 2016

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## All the Joys of the Season from Bellasera Staff & Volunteers



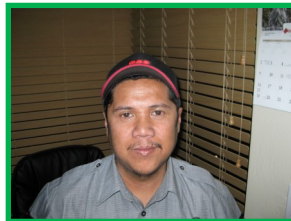
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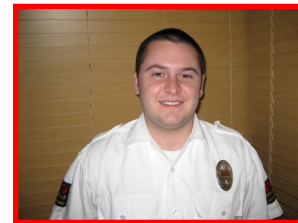
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### Bellasera Staff

AAM, LLC: Viola Lanam (Community Manager); Laurie Forte (Office Administrator).  
Securitas USA: Rey Palado (Officer-in-Charge); Alex Brown, Kelly Crawford & Mike Meindl (Security Officers).

### Bellasera Volunteers

Steve Bennett, Joe Carlon, Dennis Carson, Keith Christian, Jim Gleason, Stanley Green, Bob Gromko, Richard Hoffman, Craig Johnson, Marilyn Lillienfeld, Bruce Martin, Joe McDade, David Reid, Kirk Rimsnider, Chuck Roach, Carlton Rooks, Charles Schroeder, Emily Shriver, Paul Snyder, Dennis Soeffner, John Weissmueller, Guy Yates.

## Board President's Report

*---By Richard Hoffman*

- ◆ **Community Pool Furniture Update.** The Board of Directors has voted to move forward to replace/recover all of our pool furniture cushions, to powder coat the chair and chaise lounge frames and to refinish all outdoor table tops. We have also ordered three additional umbrellas for the pool area. Thanks to our volunteers who helped choose the fabric: **Dawn Hulej, Risa Newell, Lynn Melman** and **Janice Lewandowski**. With their input and assistance the new cushion covers will sport a more colorful and tasteful appearance. The work will take place over several weeks in stages, so as to minimize any disruption during our busy holiday season.
- ◆ **New Tennis Courts 'In A Pickle'.** A few weeks ago, one of our Board members observed that our newly resurfaced tennis court next to the dog park was "chalked up" to look like a pickle ball court. In addition, the net was lowered and left that way. Just 3 months ago our association spent \$44,360.00 to resurface both courts to enhance the appearance of Bellasera. As a Board, we ask that our residents respect the appearance of our community assets and remember that our association has to pay to clean up incidents such as this. Thank you for your cooperation.
- ◆ **Lights Out! – Get A Letter.** It's that time again when our Community Manager and volunteers from our Building & Grounds Committee inspect the community for appearance and violations of our Design Guidelines. This is a regular exercise, although this season we have identified a more than usual number of garage and front yard landscape lights burned out. Those with a burned out light or lights will receive a 'courtesy letter' from our Management Company identifying the problem and asking that it be corrected in due course. In many cases, our homeowners are not aware there is a problem until we notify them. While this may seem to many to be a minor issue and an annoyance, please understand that maintaining the overall appearance of our community is important and contributes to enhancing our property values. No one is immune from these requirements. I received such a notice last year for a faulty garage light!

*Happy Holidays and a New Year filled with Joy and Happiness.*

## Meeting Notices

**Board of Directors** will meet again in January.

**Budget & Finance Committee** will meet on **Wednesday, December 21** at **2 p.m.**

**Building & Grounds Committee** will meet on **Tuesday, December 13** at **1 p.m.**

**Communications Committee** will meet again on **Wednesday, January 18** at **8:30 a.m.**

**Modifications Committee** will meet on **Tuesday, December 13** at **noon**. Applications must be received in the Community Manager's office no later than **Thursday, December 8** at **12 noon**.

## **Honoring Bellasera Veterans -- Addendum**

Acknowledging the service and sacrifice of the following Bellasera residents whose names were omitted from last month's newsletter.

**Paul Agranoff**, United States Army, 1953 – 1955.

**Lawson Singer**, United States Navy, 1944 -1946.

## **November Weather In Bellasera**

(November 1—November 30)

Highest temperature: **85**

Lowest temperature: **33**

Rainfall this month: **1.02 inches**

Rainfall this year: **7.48 inches**

Bellasera weather 24/7/365: [weather.azbellasera.org](http://weather.azbellasera.org)

## **Newsletter Copy 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 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, December 5**, with the next pickup the week of **January 2**.

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**.

**Neighbors Get Together to Set Up the Chanukah Menorah and the Christmas Tree.**



(l-r) **David and Martha Johnson, Bob and Suzanne Gromko, Myrna and Harold Levin**

**Coyotes 101**

*(Editor's Note: Beginning this month, and continuing for several months, we'll provide interesting facts about a few of the native creatures with whom we share our space in Bellasera.)*

**Identifying Features:** Coyotes are often mistaken for small to medium sized domestic dogs. They have a long, bushy black-tipped tail, pointed ears and a narrow pointed face. Their fur varies in color, from light brown to grayish. The fur on their belly is usually white.

**Adaptations:** Coyotes adjust their hunting style to what foods are available. When they hunt small prey alone, they usually stalk it and then pounce. If the prey is larger like a deer, they will often hunt in small packs and work together to kill the prey.

**Habitat:** Coyotes are known for how well they adapt to different habitats. They can even be found living in and around large cities. In the Sonoran Desert, coyotes can be found in all habitats from desert scrub, grasslands, foothills as well as in populated neighborhoods.

**Range:** Coyotes can be found throughout North America from eastern Alaska to New England and south into Mexico and Panama.

**Wild Status:** Currently the coyote population is stable. They are not listed as threatened or endangered.

**Diet:** Coyotes are omnivores, which means they will eat or try to eat just about anything. In the Sonoran Desert coyotes vary their diet with the seasons. Cactus fruit, mesquite beans, flowers, insects, rodents, lizards, rabbits, birds, and snakes make up some of their dietary choices.

**Predators:** The most common enemy that coyotes face is disease. Bears, wolves and mountain lions will also prey upon coyotes. Humans pose problems for coyotes as they try to navigate across our busy roads. Many coyotes are struck and killed by cars every year.

**Home:** Coyotes have a central den site which is used for rearing the pups and sleeping. They will scent mark the area around the den and defend it from other coyotes. The den can be a burrow dug into the ground, or under a rock outcropping, a tree or a bush. If the area gets disturbed the mother will often move the pups to a safer location.

**Life Span:** In the wild, coyotes live between 10-14 years. In captivity they are known to live much longer, as many as 20 years.

**Size:** A desert coyote usually weighs between 15 to 25 pounds. They stand about 25 inches tall and are 4 feet in length.

**Quick Facts:** Coyotes "sing" as a way to communicate with other coyote families and as a way to keep track of their own family members. Because coyotes are not picky eaters, they have even been known to eat domestic cats and small dogs.



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

November's Potluck Dinner, hosted by **Joanne** and **Paul Anetsberger** was a wonderful evening.

Amid all the good conversations and great food, we did leave a few moments to remember all our Veterans. Twenty six residents attended this fun evening. Now we are planning for our Holiday Potluck, which will be hosted by **Lucy** and **Mike Ruotolo** on **December 9**. We will again have our fun gift exchange. This is really "white elephant", so bring whatever you have around the house that you no longer need. Just wrap it and come.

Please consider being a host team for the upcoming year. A sign-up sheet will be available for dates to next December!

## Water Aerobics

If you would like to join us for water aerobics fun, just show up on **Monday, Wednesday** and **Friday** at **11:00 a.m.** It is free and we supply you with an underwater video of the program.

## Yoga

The regular yoga class will meet at **9:45 a.m.** on **Mondays**. For more information, contact **Judith Zeiger, 480-760-5645, jazeiger@cox.net**.

## Luncheon

Before the holiday season gets too busy, join your neighbors for lunch at the Spotted Donkey in El Pedregal on **Thursday, December 8** at **noon**. Any questions, contact **Karen Moore, kresmor60@gmail.com**.

## Brown Bag Book Club

We will meet on Wednesday, December 14 at noon at Karen Moore's for our annual holiday party. Bring a dish of your choice and a wrapped book for our blind gift exchange. Prepare to have fun! Book for December is "Christmas Train" by **David Baldacci**; January, "Death By Water" by **Kenzaburo Oe**; February, Biography, Autobiography or Memoir of your choice; March, "Mice and Men" by **John Steinbeck**. April and March picks will be decided later.

## Hikers

The December hike on **Tuesday, December 6** will be in the middle of Browns Ranch at the Fraesfield Trailhead. We will hike part of the Whiskey Bottle Trail returning on the Black Hill Trail for a 4.5 mile loop. This is a pretty hike with gentle elevation and some small rocky areas. Sneakers are O.K. Meet at the clubhouse parking lot at **9 a.m.** Remember to bring water, hat, sunscreen, snacks. Please sign up in the clubhouse, or e-mail **Karen Meiliken, meiliken1@aol.com**.

There are still some months that need a hike leader in 2017. Please pick a month and sign up.

## Golf

Bellasera golf group will start playing every Tuesday morning from November 1, 2016 and will continue through April 2017.

Anyone interested in playing golf with the group should contact **Fred Obser, 480-323-5029**.

The group usually start around 8:30 in the morning. Depending on a group rate we are planning to play at Dove Valley Ranch located just off Carefree Highway.

## From the Clubhouse Office

- We love having you and your kids and grandkids up at the pool with us! They are always welcome as long as you are here with them. We are asking that especially if you have small kids, before you leave, please check all areas they may have visited during their time here at the clubhouse. That includes the outdoor shower areas as well as the bathrooms. Please treat this place as if it were your own home. If you see something that needs to be cleaned up, please do so. If something needs to be repaired, say something to **Laurie**. Thank you!
- Homeowners need to make sure the numbers on their house are readable from the road. If they are covered by trees/bushes, they must be trimmed away. Also, many of the numbers have faded and need to be re-painted. We have permanent black markers at the office that can be used to fill in the numbers. You may stop by and borrow one during office business hours.

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## Recycle Electronics

Scottsdale residents can recycle their electronics on **Saturday, December 3** from **7:30 a.m.** to **2 p.m.** at the city's Corporation Yard, 9191 E. San Salvador.

Items accepted include computer, office and entertainment equipment.

## **New in 2016**

*Welcome to these Bellasera homeowners who purchased homes here this year:*

**Thomas & Dianna Saari**, Ponte Bella Drive (January)

**Richard Jr & Donna Corey**, 78th Place (January)

**Carol Spencer**, 78th Place (January)

**Barry & Anne Hofer**, 77th Way (February)

**William Pickar & Karen Mai**, Visao Drive (February)

**Ramakrishna Huggahalli & Jayasshree Krishnaa**, Pasaro Drive (February)

**John & Linda Wiepking**, Balao Drive (February)

**Leonard & Diane Light**, Ponte Bella Drive (March)

**Jeff & Kendall Jones**, Balao Drive (March)

**Robert Montgomery & Karen Trisko**, Visao Drive (March)

**Robert & Kathleen Porter**, 77th Way (March)

**Daniel & Catherine Barron**, Visao Drive (March)

**George & Lisa Clements**, Pasaro Drive (March)

**Leo & Mary Landau**, Balao Drive (March)

**Brian & Lois Blaesing**, Corva Drive (May)

**Sandra Luscombe & Kay Norrington**, Visao Drive (May)

**Beverly Dickinson**, Perola Drive (June)

**Walter Peters**, Visao Drive (July)

**Sean & Barbara Prizeman**, Pasaro Drive (July)

**Stephen & Geri Herling**, Visao Drive, (September)

**John & Mary Moore**, Ponte Bella Drive (September)

## **Bellasera in the Rear View Mirror**

*A look back in Bellasera history. This 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, December 2006, 10 years ago**

- Summitt Shopping Center News. OfficeMax, next door to Target, is now open for business. Cold Stone Creamery shop is no longer at the Summit.
- One of our residents has arranged for a fitness instructor, Monique Rider, to run a class for early birds, 6:00 to 6:50 a.m. This would be a co-ed class for all fitness levels, and include cardio and weight training – a modified boot camp. Monique would run multi-week sessions, 8 weeks or 10 weeks, 2 or 3 days a week (depending on interest), at a nominal fee (which would be paid in advance).
- Our Manager spends a considerable amount of time inspecting the community for violations of our rules. When she finds a problem, a letter is sent out reminding our residents to comply with the rules they agreed to when they purchased in the community. The more common violations include: (1) parking cars on the streets over night, (2) leaving trash receptacles out beyond trash pickup day, (3) overgrown plant material in yards and (4) not having front yard landscape lights on at night. We've had some residents complain that we were being too "picky" about the rules and others complain that we weren't being diligent enough in enforcing them.
- Last but not least, all the Bellasera residents who volunteer as Board and committee members. Look over the list on page 7. These are all folks who devote time and talent to help make Bellasera run smoothly. Consider joining a committee yourself in 2007. Committee information and applications are on our web site.

### **Bellasera Neighborhood News, December 2011, 5 years ago**

- As this year comes to a close, on behalf of our Board of Directors and the AAM, LLC staff, we want to thank our dedicated committee members for your hard work and our gracious homeowners for your cooperation and understanding as we have worked this year to make Bellasera a great place to live. Our best wishes to everyone for a joyous and peaceful Holiday season and a happy and healthy new year. Happy Holidays! —Susan Loiselle
- We hope you are aware from previous communications that Bellasera is in the process of transitioning from the hard, black vehicle transponders (gate openers) to a QuickPass system that will update an antiquated technology and improve our vehicular security. Effective April 1, 2012, the old style black gate transponders will no longer work. Our first transition event was on Saturday, November 12, 2011, and was very successful. The Board gives a big thanks to all who came down to the clubhouse on Saturday and participated in our first transition event, and to the volunteers who donated a Saturday for the community. We have issued new passes to 168 Owners for 265 vehicles. There will be additional events if you missed the November event.
- When motor vehicle meets trash container on our streets in the abundant winter darkness car wins, but trash holder may leave marks. And very embarrassing if a neighbor is an eye witness to the mishap. Thank you for remembering to always place the trash container off the street.
- This year brought 33 new homeowners to Bellasera. We welcome each and every one.





## December in the Garden

### Winter Is Upon Us!

November was true to form as it brought us seasonal rain along with lower temperatures, a great introduction to December which will usher in our beautiful winter weather. Coincidental with the change in weather is the arrival of the last of our winter residents, in time to enjoy our beautiful climate.

### Enjoy Your Surroundings

Our community is beautiful this time of year, attributed mostly to our magnificent gardens whose flowering shrubs (Bougainvillea, Lantana, Bird of Paradise, Honeysuckle and others) are in full bloom and will continue for the next couple of months. And, if our winter rains continue, many shrubs such as brittlebush, creosote, and ocotillos will sprout bright new leaves adding to the color and vibrancy our surroundings.

### Garden Tasks

In December, it's imperative that we review **winter guidelines** for your garden as well as providing advice on **pruning** and **planting** along with a few **holiday tips**.

### Winter Guidelines----Temperatures and Rainfall

Our recent weather should emphasize the need to be on the lookout for **frost** and pay attention to the amount and frequency of our **rainfall**. Both are very important factors in maintain a healthy garden for the next few months. I included this in last month's column, but it's worth repeating.

**Temperatures**- Monitor weather forecasts for possible **freezes** and be prepared to protect **frost** tender plants. Purchase and/or stage your frost protection so that if and when an event occurs, you are prepared. Use a fabric such as N-Sulate (which can be found at various garden centers), burlap or old sheets. Cover cold-tender plants, along with flower and vegetable beds, if temperatures dip.

**Rainfall**- With normal winter rainfall and temperatures, reduce watering frequency and reset automatic timers along the following guidelines:

**Native/Desert Adapted** -Trees\* (30 to 60 days) -Shrubs (30 to 45 days) -Ground Covers and Vines (21 to 45 days)

**Non-Native** -Trees (14 to 40 days) -Shrubs, ground cover and vines (10 to 14 days)

**Plants in containers** -May not need watering as frequently as they did a month ago.

-Check before watering to be sure the top inch of the soil is dry.

*Please note* that the watering frequencies and ranges are affected by rainfall amounts. Miraculously, plants seem to know the difference between irrigation and rain. Even with steady, appropriate irrigation, fruit set and growth is always better with adequate rain.

*\* Native trees are mostly drought tolerant and, once established, need no supplemental watering as our normal rainfall is sufficient. They may need a soaking once or twice during our hot season if rainfall is below normal. This is applies to most of the trees here in Bellasera.*

**Note:** If you have the time and patience, I recommend turning off your drip system timers after a rainfall and manually triggering a watering cycle as necessary.

### Planting

Here in the Sonoran Desert, we can always find something to plant. For December, here are some suggestions:

**Bare Root Roses**- This is the perfect time of the year to plant bare root roses. Because you have a month or more to plant them, take some time to look for the best quality plants in the varieties that grow best in the valley. Here are some guidelines:

#### **Purchasing**

- Bargain prices often mean inferior plants.
- A healthy plant should have large, healthy canes with no leaves but visible buds and strong anchor roots with at least some secondary and feeder roots.
- Never buy roses that have been dipped in wax.
- Keep them cool, moist (or soaking in water) and in the shade until you are ready to plant.

#### **Planting**

- Plant within a week after purchase.

*(there's more....on the next page)*



- They should do well in a 2-foot by 2-foot hole that is well amended with organic matter.

**Parsley, Sage, Rosemary and Thyme**—Try varied alternatives of these culinary herb garden favorites.

- Sow **parsley** seeds for ‘Giant of Italy’ (large, flat-leaf), ‘Krausa’ (triple-curved leaf with a frilly appearance) or ‘Paravert’ (curly leaves with a soft texture).

- Set out transplants for golden, pineapple or tricolor **sage**; ‘Arp’, ‘Gorizia’ or ‘Spice Islands’ rosemary; and lemon, lime or nutmeg **thyme**.

**Cool-Season Annuals**—It’s never too late to add some color to your garden!

Sow seeds or set out transplants for ***baby’s breath, bachelor’s button, bells of***

***Ireland, black-eyed Susan, calendula, dianthus, geranium, hollyhock, Iceland and Shirley poppies, larkspur, nasturtium, pansy, snapdragon, stock and sweet pea.***

### Pruning

Now is a good time to start thinning, pruning, and reshaping many of our desert trees such as ***mesquite, palo verde, acacia***, and other deciduous trees. Tree sap has moved down into the root system making it the most desirable time to thin and prune. Some guidelines:

- Remove touching branches that cross over each other and limbs that rub against structures and neighboring trees.

- Thin overall to decrease the trees susceptibility to wind damage.

December is also a good time to prune ***Texas sage, roses*** and other ***desert and deciduous shrubs***.

Do **not** prune frost sensitive plants such as ***bougainvillea*** and ***hibiscus***.

### Holiday Tips

**Christmas Trees**-I’m not sure how prevalent purchasing live Christmas trees is anymore. However, if you are of a mind to do so, here are some tips:

**Purchasing**—Before purchasing an evergreen, grasp the tree’s branch between your thumb and forefinger, and gently pull it toward you. If the tree is fresh, very few needles will come off. Or, lightly shake or bounce the tree on its trunk base. A few brown needles may drop, but don’t buy a tree if many green needles fall off.

**Maintaining**- Just before setting the tree in its stand, make a straight cut across the full base of the trunk, removing a quarter to a half inch. This eliminates the seal of dried sap that forms after the original cut, which prevents water from being absorbed. The cut can seal within a few hours, so if the tree seller makes the cut for you, don’t drive around doing errands all day with the tree on the roof of your car. Cut trees will absorb a gallon or more of water in the first 24 hours after being placed in the stand and a quart daily thereafter. Keep trees well-watered to help prevent needles from drying out and becoming a fire hazard.

**Holiday Lights On Plants**- If you must put holiday lights on your plants and trees, take care to wrap them loosely and remember to remove them after the holiday season. Don’t put “costumes” on saguaros or other columnar cacti, as this inhibits the plants ability to photosynthesize. However, lights on frost sensitive cacti and succulents can add a few degrees of protection during the cold winter months.

**Poinsettias**- In my recent shopping forays, I noticed there was a wide selection of healthy, good looking poinsettias available. If you purchase one, follow these simple handling instructions to keep them looking good during the holiday season: *After purchase, remove decorative foil wraps from pots so that water doesn’t accumulate and cause root rot. Alternatively, remove the foil when you water, let the plant drain in the sink, and then rewrap. Place pots in a bright spot but away from cold drafts, heating vents and fireplaces. Feed with a slow-release fertilizer or with an all-purpose fertilizer for blooming plants at half-strength every two weeks.*

Happy Holidays!

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

# \*Community Calendar—December 2016\*

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				<b>1</b>	<b>2</b> Water Aerobics 11 a.m.  Bridge 1:30 p.m.	<b>3</b>
<b>4</b>  <b>Brush &amp; Bulk Week</b>	<b>5</b>  Yoga 9:45 a.m.  Water Aerobics 11 a.m.	<b>6</b>  Golf 8:30 a.m.  <b>Hike</b> <b>9 a.m.</b>  Poker 7 p.m.	<b>7</b>  Water Aerobics 11 a.m.	<b>8</b>  <b>Ladies Luncheon</b> <b>12 noon</b>	<b>9</b>  Water Aerobics 11 a.m.  <b>Potluck</b> <b>6—9 p.m.</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>  Yoga 9:45 a.m.  Water Aerobics 11 a.m.	<b>13</b>  Golf 8:30 a.m.  <b>Modifications</b> <b>12 noon</b> <b>Building &amp; Grounds</b> <b>1 pm.</b> Poker 7 p.m.	<b>14</b>  Water Aerobics 11 a.m.  <b>Book Club</b> <b>12 noon</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>  Water Aerobics 11 a.m.  Bridge 1:30 p.m.	<b>17</b>
<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>  Yoga 9:45 a.m. Water Aerobics 11 a.m.	<b>20</b>  Golf 8:30 a.m.  Poker 7 p.m.	<b>21</b>  Water Aerobics 11 a.m.  <b>Budget &amp; Finance</b> <b>2 p.m.</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>  Water Aerobics 11 a.m.  Bridge 1:30 p.m.	<b>24</b>  <b>Hanukkah Begins (sundown)</b>
<b>25</b>  <b>Christmas Day</b>	<b>26</b>  Yoga 9:45 a.m. Water Aerobics 11 a.m.	<b>27</b>  Golf 8:30 a.m.  Poker 7 p.m.	<b>28</b>  Water Aerobics 11 a.m.	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>  Water Aerobics 11 a.m.  Bridge 1:30 p.m.	<b>31</b>

## **\*\*Bellasera Classifieds\*\***

For Sale: Hutch (Gordon), lighted, five shelves; Stickley leather, wood chair; two handmade mesquite chairs; Stiffel brass lamp; antique Flax wheel and tilt top table; office chair, lateral file; Karastan rug; oval mirror. More available. Call **480-990-7817**.

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For Sale: *Harley Road King Classic* 100th Anniversary model, unique Gunmetal Blue color. \$9,000. 22,100 miles. Features driver and rider backrests, luggage rack, chrome footboards, handlebar controls, lighted turn-signal mirrors and other chrome upgrades. **Bart Sotnick, 480-575-7040**.

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Car for Sale – 2006 Silver Infiniti M45 Sport. Canadian car. Original owner. Vehicle is fully registered and plated in Arizona. Regular service at Infiniti Scottsdale. Has 138,000 kilometers (approx.. 86,000 miles). Fully loaded with all options including Bluetooth and Navigation. In excellent condition. Same cars are priced in US at \$15 to \$16K. Asking \$10,900.00. Contact **John Kushar, jkushar@sympatico.ca**.

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Massage is a potent medicine. There is no question that proper massage can relax tense muscles, and decrease pain. Relaxing therapeutic massage is available in the privacy of your home or at the clubhouse Massage Room. For an appointment or further information contact: Bellasera resident **Jim Birkholz**, Licensed Massage Therapist, **480-244-9567**. Gift Certificates available.

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Steve and Joan Wallace – Bellasera Realtors for 13 Years! **Mike** and **Maureen** said: “*The Wallace's are exceptional realtors and a pleasure to work with. We were impressed with their knowledge of pricing in the area and their marketing, but more importantly they have established a network of area realtors who know and respect them. These realtors know that the Wallace's are extremely knowledgeable on available North Scottsdale homes and do not hesitate to contact them with buyers. We highly recommend Steve and Joan. You won't be disappointed!*” If you are considering downsizing or upsizing or moving to another area of the Valley or buying a new build, give us a call. **Steve: 602-463-5254** or **Joan: 602-361-8111**.

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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**.

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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.

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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.

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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. Mail your ad to **editor@azbellasera.org**.

# **Bellasera Community Association**

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Scottsdale AZ 85266-2701

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Web Site: [azbellasera.org](http://azbellasera.org)

Community Manager : **Viola Lanam**, [vlanam@aamaz.com](mailto:vlanam@aamaz.com)

Office Administrator: **Laurie Forte**, [lforte@aamaz.com](mailto:lforte@aamaz.com)  
**manager@azbellasera.org**

—Office Hours—  
Monday thru Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

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.*

**Board of Directors**  
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*\*Thanks for sponsoring some kids again. I am grateful for your help! -Aaron*

FROM THE DESK OF

# Santa Claus



## **Help me put a smile on the face of some Very Special Children!**

Every year, we band together to provide a Magical Christmas Experience for some local Special Needs Children. Please join us this year by sponsoring some of these special kids, giving them this unique... Possibly Once In a Lifetime Joyful Holiday Experience. **We are Grateful for your help!**

- **On that basis this is my commitment to help - Please Choose a Christmas Gift Package:**

**Platinum Gift Package:** 30 kids for \$1,500.00 ( )

**Premier Gift Package:** 50 kids for \$2,500.00 ( )

**Gold Gift Package:** 15 kids for \$750.00 ( )

**Silver Gift Package:** 10 kids for \$500.00 ( )

**Bronze Gift Package:** 5 kids for \$250.00 ( )

**Friend Gift Package:** 3 kids for \$150.00 ( )

(Or sponsor a child for only \$50.00) - I would like to sponsor \_\_\_\_\_ children for \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Authorized By:**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Company Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

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( ) -I would like to put this on my credit/debit card:



Card #: \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Name on Card: \_\_\_\_\_ Security code on back of card: \_\_\_\_\_

- **FAX :** this reservation with credit/debit card info to My Secure Fax Line at: **(480) 717-6967 (Anytime, 24 Hrs)**

( ) -My check is on its way:

- **MAIL:** this reservation with your check to:



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