

# BELLASERA

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

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*"November at its best - with a sort of delightful menace in the air."*  
Anne Bosworth Greene

November - 2020



# Clubhouse Corner

For the dog lovers in our community, the ever popular dog park has had the lawn reseeded and will soon be open for our four-legged friends to enjoy once again. I'm sure the dogs are ready to run and play ball.



I'm ready to go to the dog park now!

# BELLASERA COMMUNITY EVENTS

**Bellasera Yoga Continues:** Just a reminder that, although the Bellasera Activity Room remains closed, Joy, our Yoga Instructor, continues to offer on-line yoga classes through Zoom. The classes are held on Mondays and Thursdays at 9 a.m., Arizona time. Weekly video recordings of the classes are also being provided. If you are interested in being added to the “Zoom” invitation list and/or would like to receive a weekly class recording, please contact **Joy** at **joy.blonstein@gmail.com**.

Classes and recordings are \$7 per class. Yoga packages (10 classes for \$63) may also be purchased. Any remaining classes that you have in yoga packages may be applied to these classes.

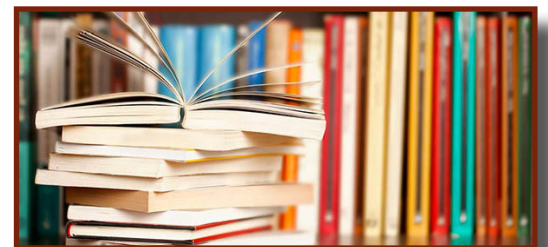
**Bellasera Hikers:** Due to COVID-19, I will not be organizing any Bellasera group hikes for the remainder of this year. I will provide an update in the December newsletter. Stay safe. **Karen Meiliken**

**Water Aerobics Invitation:** The swim/exercise group is going to the pool at noon most days of the week. We are going later because the weather is cooling down and mornings are getting a little nippy. Hope to see you all at the pool. Social distancing of course! For additional information contact **Linda Sotnick, lindagschwend@gmail.com**.

**Save the Date:** The Resident Artists of Bellasera are joining together, along with guest artists, to host our 3rd Annual Bellasera Holiday Art Sale - featuring original art, jewelry, and gifts. This great event is to be held on **Saturday, December 5, Noon-4 p.m.** at the Bellasera Clubhouse. For more information, please e-mail **Catie Barron, catie@catarzinastudio.com**.

**Bellasera Library:** Thank you to the generous and kind folks who are bringing popular new Best Sellers to our clubhouse library to share with others. Books have recently been organized to help you find your favorite authors on the shelves and in the cupboards. When you have donations, you can simply set them on the counter, and they will be integrated into our collection. Again, thank you for “gifting” our community with your books!

---**Lena**, Bellasera Librarian



**Book Club:** Because of Thanksgiving we will meet one week earlier on **Wednesday, November 18 at noon** outside by the pool. Among other picks we will be looking at “**American Dirt**” by **Jeanine Cummins**. Looking forward to our discussions. **Karen Moore, kkmoore40@yahoo.com**.

**Bulletin Boards:** Next time you stop by the clubhouse and note the seasonal decorations on both the bulletin boards, say a silent thank to **Annette Barnard**. **Annette** is one of many Bellasera residents who volunteer their time and skills to make our community a better place to live.

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# Hidden in the Hills to Feature Jewelry by Bellasera Artist

Arizona's largest and longest-running artist studio tour, Hidden in the Hills, takes place during the last two weekends of November, Friday through Sunday, **November 20–22** and **November 27–29**. A signature event of the non-profit Sonoran Arts League, this year's studio tour features 140 artists in 35 studio locations throughout the communities of Cave Creek, Carefree and North Scottsdale.

The free, self-guided studio tour offers seasoned collectors and art enthusiasts a rare chance to observe artists at work in their private studios, which are open to the public from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. during the six-day tour. Each studio will be complying with CDC guidelines for social distancing. For the health and well-being of everyone, masks are required, and hand sanitizer will be available at each stop on the tour.

**Shelly Taylor**, a Bellasera resident, will again exhibit and sell her jewelry at Bela Fidel Fine Art Studio in Scottsdale (studio #19 on the tour). Taylor specializes in beaded kumihimo and bead-woven jewelry. Studio #19 is hosted by acclaimed abstract painter, **Bela Fidel**, and is located at **33401 N. 56th Street, Building #200**, just south of Carefree Highway. Other guest artists at the studio this year include mixed media and acrylic artist **Nancy Christy-Moore**, fiber and mixed media artist **Andrea Cook**, and glass artist **Brian Willis**. Art enthusiasts can find details about participating artists, custom-build their own map or download a map at **www.HiddenInTheHills.org**. In addition, a navigation app is available for free download at the iTunes App store or Google Play (search for "Sonoran Arts League mobile"). The app allows you to navigate from studio to studio while on tour. The Sonoran Arts League's Center for the Arts will serve as the information headquarters for the popular art tour. Visitors can pick up artist directories, maps and inquire about other tour details prior to and during the tour. The League office is located at 7100 E. Cave Creek Road, Suite 144, at Stagecoach Village in Cave Creek. For details, call **480-575-6624**.

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## BELLASERA COMMUNITY EVENTS - CONTINUED

**Turn Out the Lights...the Party's Over:** As your reporter has observed shortly after **5 a.m.** on many occasions, all the lights in the clubhouse are on. Nice for the critters that spend the night, but not for folks who pay the bill – you.

If you are the last to leave the clubhouse in the evening please remember the song (and **Willie Nelson**) and use the switches before leaving the building. Thank you!

## Meeting Notices

**Board of Directors** will meet on **Tuesday, November 24** at **2:30 p.m.**

**Budget & Finance Committee** will meet on **Tuesday, November 24** at **1:00 p.m.**

**Building & Grounds Committee** will meet on **Tuesday, November 10** at **10:00 a.m.**

**Communications Committee** will meet on **Wednesday, November 11** at **8:30 a.m.**

**Modifications Committee** will meet on **Tuesday, November 10** at **12:30 p.m.**. Applications must be received in the Community Manager's office no later than **Thursday, November 5** at **12 noon.**

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### October Weather in Bellasera

(October 1 - October 30)

Highest Temperature: **103 degrees**

Lowest temperature: **37 degrees**

Rainfall: **0.00 inches**

Rainfall this year: **6.05 inches**

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

### Nonsoon/Monsoon 2020

Looking back at the annual monsoon season it was a non-event this year. Usually in the summer (June-September) our area can expect some much-needed precipitation. Not this year. For comparison, let us look at the past 5 years as recorded by the Bellasera weather station located on Visao Drive.

Rainfall totals (all in inches) were:

2016, **2.97**

2017, **1.67**

2018, **3.39**

2019, **2.90**

2020, **0.41**

To borrow a sports cliché: wait till next year!

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### Newsletter Copy Deadline

If you have classified ads, 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, 480-382-9310.**

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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, November 30**, With the next pickup **Monday, January 4, 2021.** 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. **Remember, here in Bellasera, items cannot be put out prior to Friday of the previous week.** For more information, contact Solid Waste Management, **480-312-5600.**

# NOVEMBER 2020

## Bellaser Community Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 Zoom Yoga - 9 am Water Aerobics - 11 am	3	4 Water Aerobics - 11 am	5 Zoom Yoga - 9 am	6 Water Aerobics - 11 am	7 Pickleball Open play - 8 am
8	9 Zoom Yoga - 9 am Water Aerobics - 11 am	10 Building & Grounds - 10 am Modifications Committee - 12:30 pm	11 Communications Committee - 8:30 am Pickleball Open play - 8 am Water Aerobics - 11 am <b><u>VETERANS DAY</u></b>	12 Zoom Yoga - 9 am	13 Water Aerobics - 11 am	14 Pickleball Open play - 8 am
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29	30 Zoom Yoga - 9 am Water Aerobics - 11 am	<b>BULK PICK-UP WEEK - NOV 30 - DEC 4</b>				

# REAR VIEW - A HISTORY OF BELLASERA

**NOVEMBER 2015:** Bellasera held a Community Meeting on October 14 at 7:00 p.m. in the clubhouse to discuss and answer homeowners' questions and to respond to concerns regarding a new potential Verizon Cell Tower in Bellasera. Four of the five members of the Board were in attendance as well as a representative from Verizon Wireless. A drawing of the proposed location and a representative depiction of the new Cell Tower were displayed. The meeting lasted for approximately one hour. At the Board's regular monthly meeting on October 22, the Board voted unanimously to approve the new Verizon Wireless proposal.

A further explanation regarding the palm trees. There are four kinds of palms that are approved for use in Bellasera and they are considered an accent plant: Mediterranean Fan Palm, Sago Palm, Mexican Sago and the Pygmy Date Palm. We hope this gives you a better understanding of what is permissible and approved by your Design Guidelines.

This is a reminder that if you want to make any changes to the outside of your home or to your yard, a Modification Application (Architectural Application) is required for approval by the Modification Committee. The Application may be found on our Bellasera website, [azbellasera.org](http://azbellasera.org), click or touch "Forms", or you may call the office, 480-488-0400, to obtain one.

**NOVEMBER 2010:** The first session of Pilates is quickly coming to a close, and if you missed it, you have an opportunity to join the second session. The classes can be modified for each participant's level, so please join Dona Perreault as she helps you improve your strength, prevent injury, and increase your flexibility and ease of mobility.

Help Bellasera to reach the goal of collecting 1000 pounds of food for the Foothills Food Bank by Thanksgiving. So far we've collected 140 pounds only 860 to go! The food drop box is located by the bulletin board in the clubhouse. Canned goods, pasta, cereal, peanut butter... are great items to donate. If you want to donate a turkey please drop it off with Sharon at the clubhouse prior to 12:30 p.m. Monday thru Friday. Thanks for your generosity!

I am working on a small film project and am interested in interviewing individuals who have intentionally made a significant change in their life course (examples include retiring from a CEO position early to pursue something very different like gardening, achieving a high level educational degree and deciding on a job that didn't require a degree at all, etc.)--Keli Ballinger

**NOVEMBER 2005:** The Board of Directors would like to recognize all of the members of the community who have volunteered their time and efforts to Bellasera. A Sunday morning coffee is being planned in January 2006 -- date to be announced -- at which the Board President, Carol Sotnick, will present the volunteers with a token memento in appreciation of their efforts.

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Rear View continued:

This month's pot luck will be on Friday, November 18, 7 p.m., with a theme of "Foods around the World". Please bring your special dish and the appropriate serving utensil for eight to ten people. Sign up at the clubhouse by November 16. Contact a member of the Activities Committee with questions.

There are further updates on the Pederson project. Crawford Love provided an up date to the Pederson development on Lone Mountain Drive. Crawford Love, Karen Husted and Sandy Rooks met with Gary Pederson, and City Planning staffers Randy Grant and Don Hatter on October 18. The purpose of the meeting was to finalize details on providing extra vegetation and berming in Bellasera's NAOS (Natural Area Open Space) land.

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## Great Horned Owl



The great horned owl (*Bubo virginianus*), also known as the tiger owl or the hoot owl, is a large owl native to the Americas.

The great horned owl is generally colored for camouflage. The underparts of the species are usually light with some brown horizontal barring; the upper parts and upper wings are generally a mottled brown usually bearing heavy, complex, darker markings. All subspecies are darkly barred to some extent along the sides, as well.

All great horned owls have a facial disc. This can be reddish, brown, or gray in color (depending on geographical and racial variation) and is demarked by a dark rim culminating in bold, blackish side brackets. This species' "horns" are tufts of feathers, called plumicorns. The purpose of plumicorns is not fully understood, but the theory that they serve as a visual cue in territorial and sociosexual interactions with other owls is generally accepted.

We are fortunate to have these magnificent birds living in Bellasera. However, they are threatened by homeowners using poison to control the pack rat population. Please, do not use poison as that gets transferred to the owls through their food chain.



## Fire Sprinkler Safety

For safety and to ensure the proper operation of the fire sprinkler system installed in all Bellasera homes, remember the following:

- Visually check the sprinkler system monthly. This check is to make certain that nothing obstructs the sprinklers, which would interfere with their water spray pattern.
- Do not hang anything from the sprinkler heads.
- Do not paint the sprinkler heads. No overspray or paint splatters are acceptable.
- Do not hit or tamper with the sprinkler heads.
- Do not change the setting of the pressure relief valve because this has been preset at the factory.
- Test your system or make certain your system is tested periodically to be sure it is working correctly.
- The main drain valve usually located on an outside wall should remain in the closed position.
- In areas with cold or freezing weather, it is recommended that insulation be provided for the sprinkler pipe.
- Make certain that any replacement of the residential sprinklers is by a sprinkler contractor licensed or certified as competent.

### Facts & Myths about Fire Sprinklers

Automatic Fire Sprinkler systems have enjoyed an enviable record of protecting life and property for more than 100 years. However, there are still common misunderstandings about the operation and effectiveness of automatic fire sprinkler systems.

*"When a fire occurs, every fire sprinkler head discharges water."*

Fact: Sprinkler heads are individually activated by heat.

*"Residential fires are usually controlled with one sprinkler head."*

Fact: A 15-year study conducted in Scottsdale found that 2 or less sprinkler heads controlled more than 92 percent of the fires that occurred in protected properties.

*"Water damage from Fire Sprinklers will be more extensive than the fire damage itself."*

Fact: Water damage from a home fire sprinkler system will be much less than the damage caused by water from firefighting hoses or the smoke and fire damage if the fire continues unabated.

*"A smoke alarm is enough protection from fire."*

Fact: Smoke alarms save lives by providing a warning system but do nothing to extinguish a growing fire or protect those physically unable to escape on their own, such as the impaired, elderly or small children. Also, battery operated smoke alarms often fail to work because the batteries are dead or have been removed.

**Don't forget to regularly check smoke alarms.**

*"Fire sprinklers are designed to protect property but are not effective for life safety."*

Fact: Fire sprinklers provide a high level of life safety. The NFPA has no record of a multiple death fire in a completely sprinklered public assembly, educational, institutional or residential building where the system was properly operating.

--Bellasera resident **Chris Thompson** contributed this article



*Our thanks to the Bellasera residents listed  
below that have served our country.*

# VETERANS DAY

**Paul Agranoff - U.S. Army, 1953-1955**

**Mike Alldredge - U.S. Navy, 1972-1978**

**Glenn Annexstad - U.S. Army, 1953-1954**

**Walter Bleakney - U.S. Army, 1954-1956**

**Edward Burch - U.S. Navy, 1955-1958**

**Phil Castrovinci - U.S. Navy, 1956-1957**

**Keith Christian - U.S. Navy, 1968-1974**

**Jim Coats - U.S. Marine Corps, 1967-1970**

**Michael Culotta - U.S. Navy, 1965-1968**

**Joel Erickson - U.S. Marine Corps  
Reserve, 1970-1976**

**Jerry Factor - U.S. Army, 1961-1967**

**Robert Farrington - U.S. Navy, 1956-1964**

**Kurt Fischer - U.S. Army, 1986-1994**

**Bob Gromko - U.S. Army, 1959-1965**

**Steve Herling - U.S. Army, 1964-1967**

**Joel Holmes - U.S. Army, 1968-1972**

**William Ingler - U.S. Air Force, 1955-1985**

**Charlie Johnson - U.S. Army, 1971-1973**

**Ron Junier - U.S. Navy, 1966-1972**

**Raymond Klodt - U.S. Army, 1965-1967**

**Barbara Knutson - Army National Guard -  
Medical Service Corps, 1974-1996**

**Alan Lang - U.S. Army, 1965-1967**

**Dee Luse - U.S. Army, 1958-1962**

**John Mattox - U.S. Army, 1966-1969**

**Joe McDade - U.S. Navy, 1960-1965**

**Gerald Meiliken - U.S. Army, 1953-1962**

**John Moore - U.S. Army, 1970-1973**

**Steve Padwe - U.S. Army, 1958-1962**

**David Pepper - U.S. Air Force, 1978-1987**

**Patricia Pepper - U.S. Navy, 1991-2019**

**Anthony Perrotta - Army National Guard,  
1954-1957: U.S. Air Force, 1957-1961**

**Bill Reitz - U.S. Army Reserve, 1970-1976**

**Ray Rhodes - U.S. Army, 1972-1974**

**John Richardson - U.S. Army, 1965-1990**

**Paul Rippens - U.S. Navy, 1956-1963**

**Chuck Roach - U.S. Army, 1966-1969**

**Carlton Rooks - U.S. Army, 1959-1963**

**Jerry Rose - U.S. Army, 1954-1957**

**Mike Ruotolo - U.S. Army, 1958-1967**

**Charles Schroeder - U.S. Army, 1955-1963**

**Lawson Singer - U.S. Navy, 1944-1946**

**Rick Stevens - U.S. Army, 1968-1974**

**Ralph Vernacchia - U.S. Army, 1969-1971**

**Vernon Veron, U.S. Navy, 1956-1959**

**Dave Zumwalt, U.S. Marine Corps, 1958-1961**



# November in the Garden

by Joe Mc Dade

## The Heat Has Been Turned Off!

It's certainly has been a long six months as we have been forced to endure record breaking heat, a drought, and Covid-19. It took until the end of October, but daytime temperatures have finally dropped, albeit abruptly, bringing us comfortable daytime weather (except for a few very cold days last week) along with cool nights, signaling winter is at our doorsteps. And yes, a couple

of mornings you might have been tempted to turn on the heat. Unfortunately our rain is still MIA! However, because we are situated in the lower Sonoran Desert, there is still time to plant trees and shrubs and give them a head start for next year. While our air temperatures are now cooler, the ground is still warmer than it will be in early spring, so, if you haven't done so already, plant now! At the same time, you need to start "**Thinking Winter**" in caring for your garden.

## November, What to Expect

November is always a delightful month here in the Bellasera and it should be especially welcomed this year after suffering through our long summer. It will give us an opportunity to truly enjoy and appreciate our surroundings. Driving or walking through our community, you can't help but notice the colors coming from our gardens, particularly, the Lantana and Bougainvillea which are currently in full bloom. This is especially true of plants with a southern exposure as our sun has now moved into its southern arc. Our gardens don't go dark in the winter as they will continue to exude plenty of color, with your help.

As the weather changes, plants will start moving sugars and other energy, which has been manufactured all season by the leaves, into storage, preparing for a much needed rest now until next spring. So, our themes for November are

- **Think Winter Care**
- **Plant For Color**

## Winter Care

**Water Efficiently-** Plant requirements for moisture diminishes as weather cools and day length shortens. Reducing water helps plants go into dormancy, thereby preparing them to resist freezing temperatures, and also lessens the likelihood of root rot from too-wet soil. Adjust irrigation timers to run less frequently but be aware that our ground is not as moist as it normally is this time of year because of our drought. However, as the weather gets cooler, the ground will stay moist longer. Monitor moisture this month, especially if we get no rain.

- **General Guideline-** Apply the same amount of water to soak through the entire root zone.

Some specific tips:

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

*Vegetables-* Should be watered every three days.

*Desert Adapted Plants (established) -* Water every 14 to 30 days through December.

*Container Plants -*Water twice per month or even less for cacti and succulents. Succulents generally do not enjoy being cold and wet.

**Cleanup-** It's time to clean up the entire garden, a task made much easier this year with no rain, which means...no weeds. Take out spent annuals and vegetables which can harbor insects and diseases during the winter season.

**Avoid Frost Problems-** Historically, the first freeze can occur as early as the November 15 although recent past years doesn't bear that out. The following steps are suggested:

- 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.
- Stop fertilizing cold-tender plants, such as bougainvillea, citrus, hibiscus, natal plum and roses. Feeding promotes fresh, tender growth, which is susceptible to frost damage.

**Pruning-** Pruning is necessary for health and safety. Some guidelines:

Trees- Most trees are dormant by the end of this month. Avoid lion-tailing, which is excessive interior thinning. This forces the growth of branches outward, straining and weakening them.

*Deciduous trees* (those that lose their leaves)- Can be pruned now as it is easy to see flaws that need correcting, such as crossed branches. *Palo Verde* - Avoid pruning in the winter.

*Mesquites* - Should receive a light pruning now.

**Shrubs and Perennials** - Can be pruned now including: •Texas Ranger • Globe Mallow

- Brittlebush

Do not prune Yellow Bells or Lantana.

Most herbs can be pruned this month.

### **Plant for Winter Color in Your Garden**

November is a good time to make preparations to brighten your garden for the winter and spring. To get a head start, you might want to pay particular attention to some plants that will provide both color and contrast. Let's start with one that is very prominent in Bellasera.

**Bougainvilleas** – These are nice plants but occasionally they refuse to bloom. They actually do better with little care and lots of pruning. However, pruning is best done in the early spring after all danger of frost passes. Remove dead branches and keep its height in check. It will quickly recover. Bougainvilleas like well-drained soil and full sun. They do not bloom well in partial shade. It is best to plant them in the spring. You can feed them lightly but do so in the spring and summer. If you over fertilize, the plant will bloom sparsely or not at all.

Other planting options for Winter color.

**Vines-**You can reduce intense reflected heat with vines as well as providing color. They can be grown easily here in Bellasera on walls with the help of a trellis. Some suggested low-water-use vines with pretty flowers include:

- Lilac vine •Primrose Jasmine •Queen's Wreath •Yucca vine
- Potato vine- This is another consideration which blooms on and off year-round, if temperatures don't drop below freezing.

**Shrubs-** you can continue to plant frost-hardy and native woody shrubs and include items that will brighten your garden for the winter and spring. Some recommendations:

**Barberry** – This shrub is evergreen and has yellow flowers that bloom from late winter to spring. It makes a good informal hedge and attracts birds.

**Weeping Dalea** – This shrub that has a spreading shape and is evergreen. It has purple clusters of flowers that bloom from the fall to the spring.

**Red Erempholia** – Rounded evergreen shrub with red tubular flowers that bloom from late winter to spring. This plant attracts hummingbirds.

**Chuparosa** – Sprawling plant that is semi-evergreen with orange to red tubular flowers that bloom from late winter to spring. It attracts hummingbirds too.

**Red Justicia** – Sprawling evergreen shrub. It has bright red flowers that bloom from the fall to the spring. It can be used in containers.

**Green Feathery Senna** – Round and airy shrub with yellow clusters of flowers that bloom from late winter to spring.

## Vegetables for the Month

**Seeds-** Beets, Bok Choy, Broccoli, Cabbage, Chinese Cabbage, Carrots, Cauliflower, Chard, Collard Greens, Endive, Kale, Kohlrabi, Lettuce (Head & Leaf), Mustard, Onions (Bulb & Green), Peas, Radishes, Rutabagas, Spinach, Turnips

**Transplants-** Asparagus, Broccoli, Brussels Sprouts, Cabbage, Chinese Cabbage, Cauliflower, Chard, Kohlrabi, Lettuce (Head & Leaf)

## Miscellaneous

**Pre-emergent herbicides** can be applied from October through early December for winter annual weed control. Follow the package directions carefully for best results. DO NOT use pre-emergent herbicides where you will be planting seeds this season.

**Keep your garden tools clean and sharp.** To avoid spreading plant diseases via your tools, follow these steps:

- Hose soil off of garden tools before moving to another area of the landscape.
- Sterilize pruning tools after each and every cut if there is any chance the plant is infected with a disease.
- Keep your tools sharpened. Sharp tools make for clean wounds which heal quickly.

Take care of your tools, they will last longer and so will you and your plants!

**Herbs-** Sow seeds for cilantro, dill, parsley, oregano and thyme. Transplant anise, caraway, chamomile, fennel, marjoram, mint, rosemary, sage and salad burnet.

**Spring-blooming Bulbs-** Plant in well-drained soil that is rich in organic matter. Mix a phosphorus fertilizer with soil in the bottom of the planting hole. Phosphorus, which promotes bloom, does not move readily through soil, so place it where the bulb's roots will be able to absorb it.

## November Happenings

November is normally an uplifting month full of positive happenings such as: Thanksgiving, Outdoor Dining, Pumpkins and, if you're into sports, College and Pro Football kicks into high gear. However, being the year of the pandemic, a lot of events and rituals that we have become accustomed to, have been taken off the calendar or modified or, in some cases, simply eliminated. Here goes!

**November 1st-** Clocks are turned back, except ours.

**Veterans Day- Wednesday, November 11.** This day is the anniversary of the signing of the armistice which ended World War I hostilities between Allied Nations and Germany in 1918. Veterans are thanked for their services on this day in the U.S.

*"It is foolish and wrong to mourn the men who died.  
Rather we should thank God that such men lived".....  
George S. Patton*

**Thanksgiving Day-November 28.** It is a largely unique American holiday celebrated on the fourth Thursday in November. It is a day to give thanks for all our blessings and to celebrate with family and friends (perhaps).

### Football:

*NFL-* Started late, but plowing through their schedule, with a few hiccups and a handful of fans.

*College-* Late, staggered start as each conference has different begin dates, number of games etc. Also no fans, with the exception of the SEC? PAC 12 has not started yet.

**Baseball-** 60 game season, no fans, almost went into November. Congratulations, LA Dodgers!

**Masters Golf Tournament-** Augusta in the fall! Who would have anticipated that ESPN's College Game Day would be there (Nov. 14th). Do Azaleas bloom in the November?

**To our credit, we all have learned to adjust and adapt!**

**Happy Thanksgiving!**

***(For gardening questions, contact Maricopa County Cooperative Extension Svc. (602-470-8086)***

## B e l l a s e r a C l a s s i f i e d s

Wood Working Tools: Ryobi Biscuit Joiner, \$50; Craftsman Skill Saw W/Laser, \$40; Craftsman Router W/Table & Bits, \$65; Carbide Router Bits, \$40; Clamps, \$5.

Household: Rug Runner 2.6' x 12', hand made in India, 100% Wool, \$75; Original Oil "Spring Flowers in Glass", 18 x 24 in., Framed, \$100; **Roy & Vivian Kurtz, 480-575-1391 (Res), 480-290-8334 (cell).**

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I love living in Bellasera! Real estate inventory levels in our community are extremely low, prices are high and sometimes multiple offers are received. This year I have represented 3 buyers and 2 sellers in Bellasera bringing contracts to sellers in very short order. Have you been thinking about making a move? Now is a great time to sell. Contact me today for a market analysis – **Audrey Fischer, Realtor – Coldwell Banker Realty, 480-740-4223, audrey.fischer@azmoves.com.**

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All about Cleaning \*\*\* Professional Window Cleaning. Inside-Outside-Tracks. Power Wash (After Monsoon season Must). Request an over the phone estimate or on-site free estimate. Call **Maria at 480-206-5237, www.AllAboutCleaningArizona.com**, e-mail: **Info@AllAboutCleaning Arizona.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/2 baths; gas fireplace; fabulous deck; full kitchen; washer/dryer. \$300 weekend/\$500 for 3 night Holiday weekend. Cleaning fee negotiable. Call Bellasera resident **Marti Bening at 480-488-4297** for details.

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Bellasera Residents: The Kiwanis Club of Carefee can pick up your unwanted frurniture, 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 **480-488-8400** for informatin and to schedule an appointment. Thanks for your support.

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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 at 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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Desert Dwellers Home Watching, LLC, a home watching service exclusively for Bellasera residents. Desert Dwellers is owned and operated by year-round Bellasera residents **Jennifer Brummet** and **Ross Strozewski**. We are licensed and insured and provide a variety of weekly, bi-monthly or monthly visits. We provide visual inspections of the interior and exterior of the home including, but not limited to, check of windows and doors for any potential problems, visual inspection of landscaping, run water in all sinks, bathtubs and showers (to keep traps from drying out and prevent sewer gases from entering your home), start and run vehicles, and post storm surveying. All visits include a comprehensive home watching report. For a complete list of services and to schedule a complimentary assessment contact us at **480-634-1452** or e-mail us at **ddhomewatch@gmail.com.**

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*Classified Ads are 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. E-mail your ad to: **editor@azbellasera.org***

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**Bellasera Community Association**  
7350 E Ponte Bella Drive, Scottsdale, AZ 85266-2701

Office: **480-488-0400**  
Security/Front Gate: **480-488-3663**  
M-F: 6 a.m.-10 p.m.; Sat: 6:30 a.m.-6:30 p.m.; Sun: 7 a.m.-5 p.m.

Web Site: **azbellasera.org**  
Weather: **weather.azbellasera.org**  
Community Directory: **directory.azbellasera.org**

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Community Manager: **Pamela Nunnelly (manager@azbellasera.org)**

-Office Hours-

Monday thru Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Questions regarding your account?

Contact AAM, LLC: **602-957-9191** or toll free, **866-354-0257**

AAM, LLC (after hours, emergency): **602-957-9191** or toll free, **866-553-8290**

### ***Bellasera Community Volunteers***

*Volunteers don't get paid, not because they're worthless, but because they're priceless  
Interested in volunteering? Go to [azbellasera.org](http://azbellasera.org), "BCA Members" page*

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