

BELLASERA

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

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*“Autumn carries more gold in its pocket than
all the other seasons.” – Jim Bishop*



November - 2022



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Clubhouse Corner

Twice a year, Bellasera volunteers assist the City of Scottsdale with trash clean-up on Lone Mountain Road from Scottsdale Road to Hayden Road. On October 22, ten residents picked up a considerable amount of trash that travelers on Lone Mountain Road left behind. We thank them for taking their time to assist with this worthwhile endeavor.



Left to right: **Jane Hillerson, David Rasmussen, Susan McLellan, Mary Soeffner, Virginia Burnell, Dennis Soeffner, Karen Trisko, Bob Montgomery, Jordy Berger, and Georgette Demarte.** Communications Committee member **Paul Rippens** served as the lead for the morning's work.

Bellasera Community Events

Board of Directors will meet on **Thursday, November 17** at **1:00 p.m.**

Budget & Finance Committee will meet on **Tuesday, November 22** at **1:00 p.m.**

Building & Grounds Committee will meet on **Tuesday, November 15** at **10:00 a.m.**

Communications Committee will meet on **Wednesday, November 16** at **8:30 a.m.**

Modifications Committee will meet on **Tuesday, November 15** at **12:30 p.m.**. Applications must be received in the Community Manager's office no later than **Thursday, November 10** at **12 noon**.

Pickleball Invitation: You are invited to join a small group of men playing intermediate level pickleball on **Thursdays & Saturdays** at **9 a.m.** on the Bellasera court. For additional information contact **Dan Martin, danielrichardmartin@yahoo.com, 480-734-0387**.

Free CPR Training Classes in the Clubhouse: Become a lifesaver with a free hands-only CPR.

Most people who experience cardiac arrest at home, work, or in a public location die because they do not receive immediate CPR from someone on the scene. As a bystander, don't be afraid. Your actions can only help.

We have arranged for Lori Schmidt from the City of Scottsdale to conduct a class on Hands-Free CPR in the Bellasera clubhouse on the following dates, both at 2 p.m. **Saturday, November 5, 2022 & Saturday, January 28, 2023**. Each class should last approximately ninety (90) minutes. In this class you will learn the 3 steps to saving a life, which includes hands-only CPR and how to use an AED. As a bonus you will also be learning some basics in bleeding control. You'll get some hands-on practice on using pressure and applying a tourniquet in this quick module. Class size is limited – please RSVP to resident **Vicki Snyder, 602-622-2762, vicki@snyderpromo.com**. We do need a headcount for these events.

Yoga: Bellasera yoga instructor **Joy** continues to offer Zoom classes, in addition to the clubhouse sessions **Monday & Thursday at 8:30 a.m.** You may contact her via e-mail, **joy.blonstein@gmail.com**.

Bellasera Hikers: Hiking season is officially in full swing! This month's Bellasera hike will take place at the Fraesfield trailhead on **Thursday, November 10**. Meet at the clubhouse at **9 a.m.** Remember to wear sunscreen and bring plenty of water.

This secluded 5.9-mile hike will take us along the Whisky Bottle Trail to Turpentine and then down Black Hills and Morning Vista trails. It has minimal elevation but offers panoramic views of the Sonoran Desert and its many mountains. Note there is a shortcut back to the trailhead at the 4-mile mark for those who choose to wrap up earlier, so separate cars are advised. Sign up at the clubhouse or text **Tom and Michele Shannon, 714-264-1015**.

Book Club: At our October meeting we chose our selections for the upcoming months. "Bowling Alone" for November, "Alice Network" for December and "The Last Mona Lisa" for January. I look forward to our discussions. Contact Our next meeting is **Wednesday, November 30** at **noon** in the clubhouse. Contact **Karen Moore, kkmoore40@yahoo.com**, with any questions.

November Wine and Cheese Event - Paso Robles, CA Wines:

We're inviting all wine and cheese lovers to once again join us at our November Wine and Cheese Event on **Friday, November 18** from **5:00 to 7:00 p.m.**

Bring a bottle of a nice red or white wine from Paso Robles, CA and a favorite cheese, appetizer or dessert to share with each other. The November gathering will be hosted by **Tom and Dianna Saari at 7628 E Ponte Bella Drive**. Please contact **Dianna, 408-218-5425, disaari@aol.com** to let us know if you can attend or have any questions. You can also sign up on the sheet inside the front door at the clubhouse. We had several new residents join us this past month after the summer hiatus. It's a great time to get yourself acquainted with them and socialize with all. We look forward to seeing everyone. We are also looking for future hosts for the Wine and Cheese events. We need hosts for the April and May events next year to either host in your home or at the clubhouse. Please let us know if you are interested, so we can continue to hold this very social event on a regular basis.

Weather and General Information

October Weather in Bellasera

(October 1 - October 31)

Highest Temperature: **96 degrees**

Lowest temperature: **45 degrees**

Rainfall: **1.24 inches**

Rainfall this year: **9.34 inches**

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

Bellasera Weather at a Touch

A free app for your iPhone, iPad, or Android phone. Provides instant Bellasera weather information at a touch. This app is available in the Apple App Store or Google play. In the App Store or Google play, search for “PWS Monitor” (no quotation marks). Install the free app. Touch the gear icon at the lower left of your display. The Settings screen will appear. Touch “Enter A Known Station ID” Enter “KAZSCOTT79” Touch OK.

That’s it. More information, if required, is available by e-mail, editor@azbellasera.org

Newsletter Copy Deadline

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

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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, October 31**, with the next pickup **Monday, December 5, 2022**. 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**.



Web Site Search: Bellasera’s web site, azbellasera.org, has a wealth of information about our community. It’s easy to search for whatever you’re looking for by doing a Google (or equivalent) search as follows. To find everything on the site about the word “rain”, enter the following: azbellasera.org:rain After the colon, enter any topic you wish to search for.

NOVEMBER 2022

Bellasera Community Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 Poker - 7:00 pm	2 Water Aerobics - 11:00 am	3 Yoga - 8:30 am Pickleball - 9:00 am	4 Water Aerobics - 11:00 am	5 Pickleball - 9:00 am CPR Training - 2:00 PM
BRUSH & BULK REMOVAL October 31 - November 4						
6	7 Yoga - 8:30 am Water Aerobics - 11:00 am	8 Poker - 7:00 pm	9 Water Aerobics - 11:00 am	10 Yoga - 8:30 am Pickleball - 9:00 am Bellasera Hikers - 9:00 am	11 Water Aerobics - 11:00 am	12 Pickleball - 9:00 am
13	14 Yoga - 8:30 am Water Aerobics - 11:00 am	15 Building & Grounds - 10:00 am Modifications - 12:30 pm Poker - 7:00 pm	16 Communica-tions - 8:30 am Water Aerobics - 11:00 am	17 Yoga - 8:30 am Pickleball - 9:00 am Board of Direc-tors - 1:00 pm	18 Water Aerobics - 11:00 am Wine & Cheese - 5:00 to 7:00 pm	19 Pickleball - 9:00 am
20	21 Yoga - 8:30 am Water Aerobics - 11:00 am	22 Budget & Fi-nance - 1:00 pm Poker - 7:00 pm	23 Water Aerobics - 11:00 am	24 Thanksgiving Day	25 Water Aerobics - 11:00 am	26 Pickleball - 9:00 am
27	28 Yoga - 8:30 am Water Aerobics - 11:00 am	29 Poker - 7:00 pm	30 Water Aerobics - 11:00 am Book Club - noon			

BELLASERA VETERANS

Paul Agranoff - U.S. Army, 1953-1955
Mike Alldredge - U.S. Navy, 1972-1978
Glenn Annexstad - U.S. Army, 1953-1954
Phil Castrovinci - U.S. Navy, 1956-1957
Keith Christian - U.S. Navy, 1968-1974
Pat Clements - U.S. Army, 1980-2001
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
Robert Greco - U.S. Navy, 1971-1975
Bob Gromko - U.S. Army, 1959-1965
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, 1968-1974
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
Jerry Rose - U.S. Army, 1954-1957
Mike Ruotolo - U.S. Army, 1958-1967
Marc Ruskin - U.S. Navy - 1972-1974
Charles Schroeder - U.S. Army, 1955-1963
Dennis Soeffner - Cal. National Guard - 1969-1971,
U.S. Army Reserve, 1971-1974
Rick Stevens - U.S. Army, 1968-1974
Ralph Vernacchia - U.S. Army, 1969-1971
Vernon Veron, U.S. Navy, 1956-1959
Michael Wuestefeld - U.S. Army 1967-1969
Dave Zumwalt, U.S. Marine Corps, 1958-1961

Bellasera Rules Reminders

1. Commercial vehicles, recreational vehicles, all-terrain vehicles, golf carts, mobile homes, trailers, campers, boats or other watercraft, or other similar oversized vehicles, stored vehicles, and unlicensed vehicles or inoperable vehicles shall not be parked within the Properties other than in enclosed garages except for temporary loading and unloading. In that event and with prior notification to the Community Manager, a boat, trailer or recreational vehicle may be parked on a driveway for not more than 48 hours for loading and unloading. This Section shall not apply to emergency vehicle repairs.

2. Overnight parking of any vehicle, or construction-related vehicles, equipment or materials on the streets within Bellasera is strictly prohibited. Except as specifically provided in subsections 3. and 8. below, no more than one (1) passenger vehicle, SUV or pickup truck may be parked on a driveway of a home in Bellasera overnight. Upon written request, the Board of Directors may grant exceptions based upon the facts and circumstances of each individual case.

3. Exceptions to the overnight parking restriction set out in Section 2 above can also be made for additional vehicles for guests of the resident to be parked overnight on the driveway of the resident for more than three (3) consecutive days with prior notice to the Community Manager.

4. In order to use a garage for storage while moving into a new home, households may park a maximum of two (2) vehicles on driveways for sixty (60) days after the closing of the purchase of a home in Bellasera.

(source: excerpt from the new Revised Parking Policy, September 2022. See entire document on azbellasera.org, "Policies" page)



November in the Garden

by Joe Mc Dade

Prepare Your Garden For Winter & Show Some Color

Similar to last year, our October weather was somewhat delightful and provided excellent conditions for planting. As you travel throughout our community, you can't help but notice we are awash in colors with our trees providing a perfect green backdrop. November starts our transition into winter and should bring us **moderate temperatures, cool nights and short days**. The two major topics this month are: (1) How to prepare your garden for winter and (2) Suggestions and ideas on how you can add and maintain winter color to our surroundings.

Rest Time For Your Garden

Plants actually move sugars and other energy, which has been manufactured all season by the leaves into storage until needed next spring. Consequently, you will need to make adjustments in how to care for your garden in preparation for winter.

Winter Preparations

Water Efficiently- Plant requirements for moisture diminishes as weather cools and day length shortens. Cutting back on watering helps plants to transition into dormancy, thereby preparing them to resist freezing temperatures, and also lessens the likelihood of root rot from too-wet soil. So, you'll need to adjust irrigation timers to run less frequently.

General Watering Guidelines- Apply the same amount of water to soak through the entire root zone of a plant but not as frequently. In other words, reduce watering frequency, not time of watering. Follow the **1-2-3 Rule**: Water should penetrate **1** foot deep for shallow-rooted plants (annuals, perennials, cacti, succulents); **2** feet deep for shrubs, and **3** feet deep for trees. Remember, most of the Trees in Bellasera are mature and shouldn't require any watering. Some specific watering 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.

Stop Feeding- Do not fertilize roses or tropical landscape plants (i.e., bougainvillea, hibiscus), as fertilizer encourages tender new growth that is prone to frost damage.

Weed Control- 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.

Cleanup- It's time to clean up the entire garden. Pull weeds and take out spent annuals as well as vegetables which can harbor insects and diseases during the winter season.

Avoid Frost Problems- Now is the time to begin planning for frost events. Historically, the first freeze can occur as early as the November 15, although unlikely for us this year. However, you should stockpile old sheets and blankets in a handy location to cover cold-tender plants, along with flower and vegetable beds, if temperatures dip.

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.

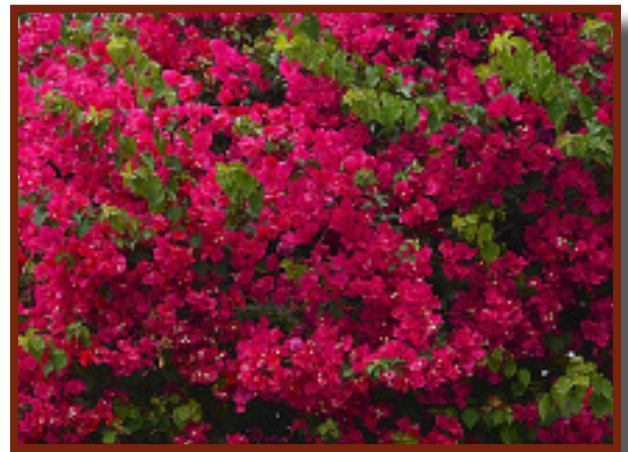
Shrubs and Perennials - Can be pruned now including: •Texas Ranger • Globe Mallow
•Brittlebush

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 has a spreading shape and is evergreen. It has purple clusters of flowers that bloom from fall to 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 Justica – Sprawling evergreen shrub. It has bright red flowers that bloom from fall to 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

(If you have a gardening question, please contact the Maricopa County Plant Hotline at maricopacountyplant hotline@gmail.com)

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

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 **480-488-8400** for information and to schedule an appointment. Thanks for your support.

Caring Corps Charity in Carefree annual golf event fund raiser on **Monday, December 13** at Mirabel Golf Club. Sponsorships, donations, volunteers are needed. To help, go to **foothillscaringcorps.com**, or call **480-488-1105**.

Introducing Desert Dwellers Home Watching Service exclusively for Bellasera residents. Owned and operated by year-round Bellasera residents, we are dedicated to ensuring our neighbors have access to reliable and trustworthy home monitoring. Licensed and insured we provide visual inspections of the interior and exterior of your home. 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**.

FOR SALE. Relax the Back Zero Gravity Classic Manual Recliner with extra long foot extension. Excellent condition, black leather. Asking \$500. Original price over \$2000. Relax the Back Zero Gravity Power Recliner with Jade heat system. Black leather- excellent condition. Original price over \$4,000. Asking \$1000. Keaton 48 inch mat board cutter for picture framing. Excellent condition. Original price over \$1000. Asking \$150. All items are in Bellasera. Call **480-766-8941**.

I love living in Bellasera! Our market is not at the frenzy it was a few months ago, it has struck a more reasonable balance. Our community is still very much in demand. Does your house need some work prior to sale? We have a program called REALVITALIZE. If you are interested in selling or just want an idea of market value, please call me! **Audrey Fischer**, Realtor – **Coldwell Banker Realty, 480-740-4223** or **audrey.fischer@azmoves.com**.

PATIO SHADES, SHUTTERS, ROLLER SHADES AND DRAPES we have them all. Now that we are heading into the fall we are offering a 25% discount to all our Bellasera neighbors. Give me a call at **602-622-7575, Mike Alldredge** with Array Shutters and Blinds. Your Bellasera neighbor.

Copenhagen beautiful contemporary leather L-shaped sectional and ottoman (with storage). Light taupe in color. 3 yrs old. The new price was \$4,074. Excellent condition. Asking price- \$1,200. Phone **520-730-9812**. Located in Bellasera.

*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. Ads are limited to 75 words. E-mail your ad to: **editor@azbellasera.org***



PLEASE REMEMBER

Speed limit in Bellasera is 25 miles per hour and please come to a complete stop at all stop signs.

