

October 2026

The Wellspoken

THE WELLS
A 55+ COMMUNITY

Important Dates to Remember

- ♦ Monday October 12th Columbus Day, Office closed in observation.
- ♦ Saturday October 31st Halloween Pool Party at 3pm

The Deadline for the November's
Wellspoken is October 20th, 2026



Website: thewellshomeowners.com

Email: office@thewellshoa.com

The HOA President's Report

The frustrating Summer continues as we wait for the flooring to be completed in the Wells clubhouse. At this point in time, the flooring and install are set to begin the last week of September. Mindy has stressed to the contractor that work needs to progress in a timely manner so that the facility can be reopened for use. I do understand the irritability and anxiety that is being experienced by those homeowners that are dealing firsthand with this situation. Hopefully we are approaching the end of this unfortunate scene.

The three inches of rain that you experienced in Mesa made the national news. That's nearly 1/2 average of the yearly total, all in one storm. Optimistically, there were no major issues caused by the storm with your property. It seems as if every Monsoon season brings at least one unseasonally heavy rainfall.

I will be at The Wells on the 24th of October and look forward to seeing everyone then.

HOA President, Bob Tomasic #41

HOA Manager's Report

Many have returned or are planning on returning to your homes here at The Wells. I hope everyone has had an enjoyable summer. Many activities will be starting over the next several weeks, please watch the bulletin boards and The Wellspoken for more details. Please check in with the office when you arrive. This can be done in person or by email.

Work has started on the 2027 Wells Phone Directory. Please verify your information in the current directory and submit any changes in writing on the Change of Information form available in the office. Deadline for changes is December 1st, 2026.

Trash service will return to 3 days a week starting the week of October 19th. Pick up days will be Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday. Please be sure to break down your boxes and not overfill the garbage bins. City of Mesa will cancel pick up if they are too full. Please do not throw/leave mattresses, box springs, couches, large furniture or appliances in or around the garbage bins. Bulk trash pick up can be scheduled with the office. A \$31.00 fee does apply.

The HOA office will be closed Monday, October 12th in observance of Columbus Day.

Homeowners who are going to alter landscape, or do any work on the outside of their home, need to get approval from the ARC Committee. Pick up and return your completed ARC Request Form to the HOA Office prior to the next ARC meeting. The ARC Committee meets the first and third Thursday of each month at 9:00am in the conference room.

Please pick up after your pet.

*Mindy Hopkinson,
The Wells HOA Manager,
Wells HOA Office, 480-641-3776,
email: office@thewellshoa.com*

THE WELLS COMMITTEES

Architectural Review Committee (ARC)

Chairperson: Ken Shadle

Members: Tom Crosbie, Bob Winkels, Judy Craver, Barb Justice, Hal Severance, Dale Emerson, Barb Cramer, Denise Kozlowski, and Kyle Prodoehl

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Bingo

Chairman: Don Bassett

Board Liaison: Jim Riedl

Members: Karen Bassett, Alice Fitzgerald, Pat Johnston, and Sue Hutchinson

No Report.

Building & Grounds Committee

Chairman: LeeRoy Perry

Board Liaison: Joe Lander

Members: Dale Emerson, John Burns, Terry Meikle, Larry Berg, Sue Hutchinson and Dave Slattery

No Report.

Clubhouse Committee

Chairman: Sharon Nelson,

Board Liaison: Bob Tomasic

Members: Marlene Trunkenbolz, Laurie Page, Marion Roberts, Marla Hausauer, John Burns, and Judy Miller

No Report.

Financial Report thru August 2026

Chairperson - Mark Collins

Finance Committee Members - Ivan Jenkins, Pat Johnston, Nancy Lane, Marge Lesnever, Don Popowski

Board Liaison - Dale Emerson

YTD Income	Budget	558,745.00	
	Actual	560,412.54	
	Difference	1,667.54	more than budget

YTD Operating Expenses	Budget	486,731.00	
	Actual	506,079.88	
	Difference	19,348.88	more than budget

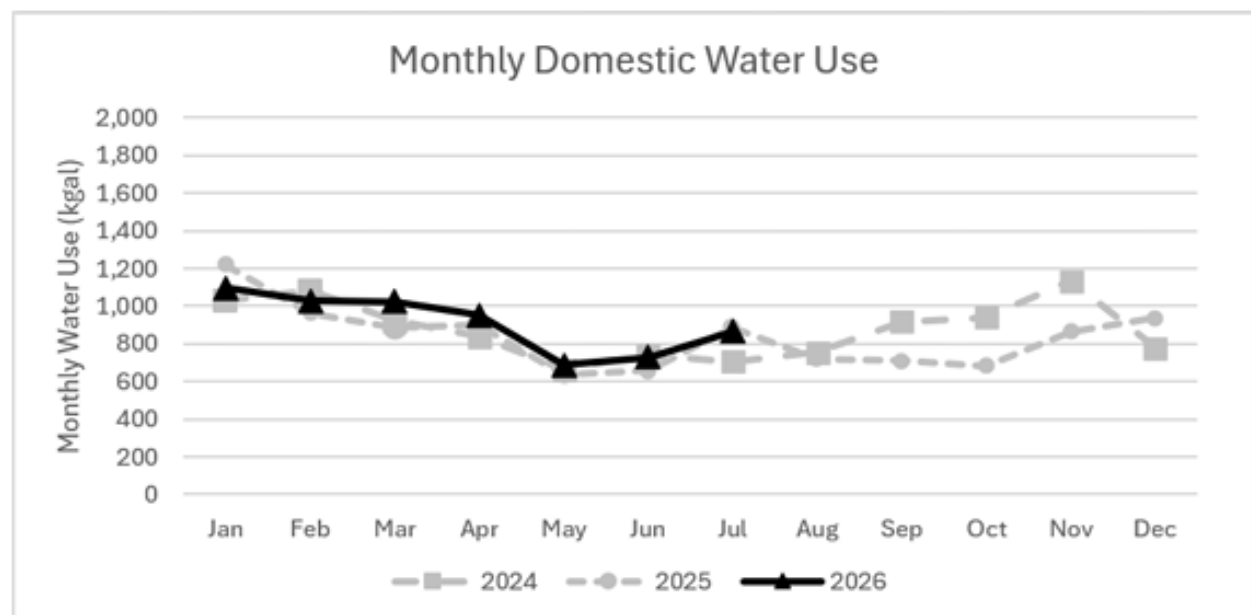
YTD Out-of-Ordinary Net Expense	87,567.24
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YTD Total Expenses	593,647.12
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Checking Account	47,122.37
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Reserve Accounts	Operational Reserve	228,273.63
	Capital Reserve	620,975.21
	Total Reserves	849,248.84

Accounts Receivable	Total Receivables	13,985.56
	Monthly Change	129.60 increase



Communications Committee

Chairperson: Jean Mallory

Board Liaison: Marge Lesnever

Members: Nancy Lane, Carol Tomasic, Mary Miller and Debbie Boe

Welcome to The Wells

Lot #	Status	Name	Phone #	Old Owner
016	New Owner	Cook, Jerry	513-550-8336	Phyllis Siros
		Cook, Sandy	480-329-8236	
092	New Owner	Palacio, Edward	480-343-8545	Mike Medina
125	New Owner	Schweitzer, Roger	775-385-6583	Brad Wallace
		Schweitzer, Lucinda	775-313-8493	
176	New Owner	Brooks, Bob	253-332-1480	Virginia Brister
		Brooks, Judy	253-709-5475	
293	New Owner	Corrigan, William	602-920-8522	Linda Glonek
409	New Owner	Cadwell, Spencer	480-283-4425	Pam Whitaker

Election Committee

Chair: Kathi Middendorff (712) 299-5171

Board Liaison: Jim Riedl

Members: Donna Breezee, Jim Dent, Alice Fitzgerald, Shirlee Magnusson, Barb Justice, Dave Nelson, Sharon Nelson, Donna Sennert, Bob Tomasic, Penny Urbatsch, and Sherri Weixel

The Wells HOA 2027 election will be held on Tuesday, February 2, 2027. There will be three (3) positions open for the Wells HOA Board of Directors. Directors are elected for a three (3) year term – there are no term limits. If you are interested in one of these positions, file a Letter of Intent along with a 100-150 word resume with the Election Committee. Please submit a head shot along with your letter of intent. Forms are on file in the office. The cutoff date for filing is by the close of business day on the second Friday of December (December 11, 2026, 4:30pm), for your name to be on the ballot. Names of candidates will be posted on the Manager's Bulletin Board and the Notice Board. Resumes along with the photo will be published as submitted in the January 2027 Wellspoken.

Current Board of Directors

Dale Emerson (03/24 - 02/27)

Kenneth Shadle (03/24 - 02/27)

Jim Riedl (03/24 - 02/27)

Robert Tomasic (03/25 - 02/28)

Marge Lesnever (03/25 - 02/28)

Joe Lander (03/26 - 02/29)

Nancy York (03/26 - 02/29)

THE ELECTION SCHEDULE AND ANNUAL HOA MEETING

December 11, 2026: Cut-off date for candidates to file and have their names placed on the printed ballot

January 13, 2027: "Meet the Candidates Night" at 7:00pm in the clubhouse. Anyone announcing their candidacy this night, may do so, but will have to be a write-in vote on the ballot.

February 2, 2027: Election Day – Polls open 10am -6:00pm in the clubhouse.

February 17, 2027: Homeowner's Annual Meeting – 7:00pm in the clubhouse.

Social Committee

Social Chairperson: Cate Knoll

Board Liaison: Nancy York

Members: Jean Mallory, Ronnae Berry, Kathi Middendorff, Debi Whiteside, Laurie Fuller, and Linda Paplow

Halloween Pool Party from 3pm-5pm. Bring hors d' oeuvres to share and your own drinks. Music by The Wells own Pam Gasswint & band!

Wells Belles

President: Connie Huff-Essmeier

Vice President: Audrey Boe Olsen

Treasurer: Roni Jaeger, Secretary: Marla Hausauer, Ex Officio: Diana Butzlaff

Happy Fall to all residents of The Wells! People are starting to migrate back to The Wells now in October. With the Clubhouse still closed for repairs no "in community" happy hour has been scheduled. Watch the sandwich boards for possible updates.

The November Wells Belles monthly meeting will be a poolside meeting and Happy Hour on November 5th beginning at 3pm. Your Wells Bells Executive Committee will be hosting this Happy Hour. Freewill donations are being taken.

The December Christmas Tea is scheduled for December 10. More information will be forthcoming next month. Sue Hutchinson and Tammy Pence have volunteered to be food chairs for the event. Start thinking of table themes you might want to use as a hostess for a table.

The January 2027 monthly meeting/event is January 7. We are in need of a hostess/hostesses. This can be an "out of community/restaurant" event or an in-house event such as the Baked Potato Bar last year. Please consider volunteering for the month of January.

If you have any projects that require funding please contact one of your executive board members with your request. The Executive Board meets the week prior to the monthly meeting date so please have your request submitted by November 1st.

Activities

Book Club

Book Club's next meeting is Friday, October 23, 2026. The book is "One Thousand White Women" by Jim Fergus. November's meeting will be Friday, November 20th. The book will be "James" by Percival Everette. Meetings are 3pm-5pm, bring a snack to share. If you need more information Contact Ronnae Berry 970-227-9485.

Christmas Bazaar

Join us for The Wells 2026 Christmas Bazaar on Saturday, December 5, from 8am to 1pm in the Clubhouse. We welcome all homemade gifts, crafts, and baked goods, etc.

A vendor sign-up sheet will be available in the cardroom starting mid-October. You must be on the signup sheet to participate. Each vendor is guaranteed one table to showcase their items, with additional tables provided as possible. Whether you're selling or shopping, this is a fantastic community event. The bazaar will be promoted on numerous Facebook pages and in nearby communities. Help spread the word! For questions, text or call Heidi at 541-760-8412.

Patio Sales

The Wells Patio Sales will be held in March 2027. Details to follow. Please call or text Heidi 541-760-8412 for additional information.

Pinochle

PINOCHLE will be starting on Tuesday night, October 20th, at 7:00pm in the main hall of the Clubhouse. (We might have to meet in Card Room until floor is fixed.) Bring a quarter and have a good time. Roger & Gerry Resseguie, 303-776-5415. Dale Emerson, 480-734-7095.

Spring Craft Fair

The Wells Spring Craft Fair will be held in March 2027. Details to follow. Please call or text Heidi 541-760-8412 for additional information.

Tennis

We will start playing tennis on our courts Mondays thru Fridays as soon as we get at least 4 players. We will set start times once more players get here, but for now it will be 8:30am or 9:00am (somewhat based on the weather).
Jim Riedl

Veterans Day Celebration

There will be a luncheon and program honoring the veterans in our community on Wednesday, November 11th at 11:00am in the Clubhouse. Our nation's theme this year is, "Veterans Helping Veterans".

This event is open to the whole community, but seating is limited. The luncheon is free, but we need to know how many people to plan on serving, so please pick up your ticket from the office starting 10/14 until 11/6. There will be a voluntary Free Will Offering at the door if you would like to contribute to the Arizona Veterans Resource Center in Mesa. This will be our way of participating in "Veterans Helping Veterans".

Marge Lesnever is collecting photos of veterans to use in our program. Please forward a photo of yourself or your family member in uniform, if possible, with name, rank and dates of service. melesnever118@gmail.com
Contact Kris Perry for questions or to volunteer. Text or call 208-451-3890.

Happy Birthday

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

Montgomery, Marilyn	10/01	Fuller, Laurie	10/17	Van Schepen, Arlene	10/24
Hanusa, Mary Ann	10/06	Joslyn, David	10/18	Saunders, Wanda	10/25
Scully, Darlene	10/06	Kossila, Kathleen	10/18	Aakre, Nelson	10/25
Knoll, Kate	10/07	Dimich, Jess	10/19	Popowski, Marcie	10/25
Nelson, Dave	10/08	Everly, Marianne	10/20	Slattery, David	10/27
Price, Odis	10/10	King, Donna	10/20	Halferty, Miriam	10/28
Olson, Patty	10/10	Casados, Josefina	10/21	Jasinski, James	10/28
Grove, Theresa	10/11	Conarty, Cheryl	10/21	Price, Claudia	10/29
Perry, Gleta	10/11	Cain, Suzanne	10/23	Calhoun, Kent	10/29
Stutzman, James	10/11	Kujawa, Gerald	10/23	Behrens, Cynthia	10/30
Halverson, Frank	10/14	Bassett, Karen	10/23	Calhoun, Kelly	10/30
Jones, James	10/15	Severance, Hal	10/23	Mueller, Karen	10/30
Tomasic, Carol	10/16	Corrigan, William	10/24	Thomas, Vaughnie	10/30
York, Nancy	10/16	Gaiovnik, Chris	10/24	Brown, Patricia	10/31
		Nichols, Brenda	10/24		

Happy Anniversary

OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES

DeGooyer, Todd & Angie	10/03/1992	Christ, Gary & Linda	10/21/1967
Riedl, Jim & Lynda	10/04/1986	Kinghorn, Kal & Diane	10/21/1975
Blaurock, Michael & Josie	10/04/2013	Frey, Dale & Alt-Frey, Melanie	10/22/2022
Oberbroeckling, Ken & Marge	10/07/1967	Sennert, Randal & Donna	10/24/1981
Kremer, John & Rose	10/12/1974	Bergeson, Terry & Wendy	10/25/1980
Kujawa, Gerald & Laura	10/12/1985	Burns, John & Colleen	10/26/1991
Baisch, Sandy & Darell	10/19/1973	Baker, Jim & Fuller, Laurie	10/27/
Patton, Joe & Monica	10/17/1970	Monigold, Patrick & Karen	10/28/1972

In Memoriam

Rose Pfaltzgraff, of Raintree/ Radiant Landscaping, passed away Friday, September 18, 2026

On a Personal Note

A sincere thank you for the cards, gifts and the beautiful afghan from our own talented Knitting Group, and more than anything the PRAYERS! You prayed He listened!! Thank you so much!!!! Sincerely, Rita Baden

I am deeply touched by the outpouring of love, sympathy, compassion and caring I have received on the sudden unexpected passing of my daughter Monica. All the cards, hugs, food, prayers, checking on me etc. means a great deal to me. All from people I didn't know 8 years ago. The Wells is definitely a wonderful community to live in and definitely was the right place to retire to. Even more so now as I learn to navigate this new normal of retirement. It's definitely not what I had planned and I am so grateful for your love and support.

Thank you one and all!!! Dale lot 280