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The Wellspoken

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Important Dates to Remember

<i>Summer Town Hall</i>	<i>No meeting in Sept.</i>
<i>Real Estate Open House</i>	<i>Sept. 3rd, 11:00-2:00</i>
<i>Board Meeting</i>	<i>No meeting in Sept.</i>
<i>Office Closed</i>	<i>Sept. 5th</i>

**Deadline for the October Wellspoken
is September 22nd 2011**



Mark Your Calendar!

<i>Wells Belles Luncheon</i>	<i>September 1st, 11:00 am</i>
<i>Labor Day BBQ</i>	<i>September 5th, 1:00 pm</i>
<i>Birthdays & Anniversaries</i>	<i>September 15th, 2:00 pm</i>
<i>Movie Night</i>	<i>September 12th, 19th, 26th, 6:00 pm</i>

The Wells - A Senior Adult Community

Website: thewellshomeowners.com Email: office@thewellshoa.com



President's Report

Dean Blixt, 480-641-3776 (office)

Fall arrives this month with some cooler weather. Hopefully the storm season will be over. In talking with Lia, we had to replace the AC for the exercise room. This was the last one to be replaced in the clubhouse.

I understand The Wells is looking good thanks to all of our wonderful homeowners and their pride in the community. I'm looking forward to my return later this month.

The Wells, what a great place to call home. Live well, laugh often, love much!



Manager's Report

Farnsworth Realty & Management Co.

Lia Correa, 480-641-3776 (office)

It's nice to see that our seasonal residents are starting to return. Welcome Back!

As a reminder, if you need to park in the parking lot during the weekend or late afternoon, please list your contact information in the window and obtain a parking permit the next business day in the office if needed.

All Committees and club members, please email or visit the office to verify your scheduled dates & times are correctly listed on the calendar. Also, any reports that need updating for the Wellspoken.

Once again, we have scheduled the large roll off dumpster to be delivered this month. Only landscaping material is allowed.

We will be turning off the water in the grass areas for scalping. Grass will start turning brown and landscaping will be re-seeding in October.

COMMITTEE REPORTS



Architectural Review (ARC)

Don McDermott, 480-641-9322

The ARC Committee meets the **1st and 3rd Thursday** on a regular basis. Please watch bulletin boards for updates on meetings. All ARC Change Requests are carefully studied before they are approved or disapproved. They are disapproved only when they are in clear violation of the CC&RS and Rules & Regulations. The Committee works hard.

You should have an approved ARC request form before starting any work. The residents can help them in their work by being careful to file requests for any changes in their building construction, painting or landscaping. Change Request Forms can be picked up in the office.

I wish to thank all of the residents who cooperate so well with the Committee. It is by working together that we achieve our objectives of keeping the Community looking so nice.



Buildings & Grounds

Wayne Geraldts, Co-chair 480-641-1246

Bernie Plischke, Co-chair 480-325-8529

No Report



Clubhouse Committee

Sharon Nelson, Chair 605-553-4440

Ron Radloff, Co-Chair 480-985-3900

No Report



Communications Committee

Jim Riedl, Chairperson 480-832-7853

By Joretta "J" Gray 480-272-8773 Summer Contact

IT'S THAT TIME OF YEAR AGAIN! In Mesa we are looking forward to some cooler nights and our winter residents are planning their return. We had the hottest August on record and hope for lower temperature this month. Some of you will be returning late September or in October. Welcome Back to The Wells.

Town Hall met on Saturday morning, Aug. 6th @ 7:30 am One RFI #41 was submitted regarding estate property upkeep and who was responsible for taking care of such problems. A good discussion was held and the violation process in our Rules & Regulations was reviewed. A copy of this RFI & its response can be viewed in the Office RFI Book above the copier. Management is responsible for handling these situations. Some take considerable time to locate a responsible person. This time varies and is in addition to the standard processes for violations.

The next meeting is Saturday, Oct. 1st @ 7:30 AM. The rolls and coffee will be provided by the Communications Committee, please join us.
The Wednesday night 7 pm meetings will resume November 2, 2011.

The committee would like people to come forward to alternate as Moderator Nov – Apr. This is a way to express opinions/ideas and resolve differences in an open forum. Please submit any suggestions throughout the summer *480-272-8773 or e-mail j418@cox.net.

Communications Committee scheduled meetings will resume Nov. 7, 2011 in the conference room @ 9:15 am.

Respectfully Submitted for Jim Riedl, Chairperson/ by Joretta "J" Gray, HOA Bd.

WELLS WHEELS

Joretta Gray 480-272-8773

Chris Jergenson 480-219-2967

Note: Ruby Sobek & Marcia Priebe are winter residents; please do not call at this time.



Finance Committee

Ken Anderson, Chairman 480-218-0027

Committee members: Ken Anderson, Jim Murray Dick Korn, Dick McQueen, Chuck Hammen. Bd. Liaison: Dave Nelson

2011/06 YTD Income	Budget:	\$396,459
	Actual:	\$411,812
	Variance:	\$15,353

2011/06 YTD Expense	Budget:	\$335,599
	Actual:	\$304,694
	Variance:	\$30,905

2011/06 Reserve	Capital Reserve:	\$236,633
	Operational Reserve:	\$128,682

The finances of The Wells HOA continue to be in excellent condition and we continue to closely monitor them throughout the summer.

Capital reserve funds are used for major expense like street replacement, water line repair, etc.

Operational Reserve funds are to be used only in a financial or environmental emergency. The objective is to maintain at least a minimum balance of three months operating expense, estimated to be \$160,000.

WATER CONSERVATION

Water usage at the Wells has shown a decrease this past month, that's good news! Please continue to use good judgment when using water to keep our cost down. The July water bill showed daily usage at 29.8 K gal/per day, that's an all time low since I started keeping records in 2004,

Thanks for your support:
Ken Anderson
Finance Committee chairman



Social Committee

Chairman, Marge Pond, 480-325-2813

Co-Chair, Kathy Kossila, 480-325-1302

Birthdays and Anniversaries will be held on Thursday September 15th at 2 pm

Movies

Movies nights on Mondays at 6pm will continue through the month of September.

Veterans Day Program

Veterans Day is being planned for November 11th 10:30am. Lunch will be served, tickets will be available after October 17th at the office and will NOT be sold at the door.

If you are a new resident and a veteran we hope you will submit a photo of yourself in uniform so we can acknowledge you in our Veterans day slideshow. Any veteran that has not submitted a photo can submit it to the office or call Marge Pond. Photos will be scanned and returned.

We are looking for 4 men to help put up tables at 9am on Nov. 11th. Please Call Marge Pond if you can help.

Appreciation Day

Residents in the Wells as requested we have an Appreciation Day in October for the Emergency workers of Mesa. Police and Fire Departments come to our community frequently let's show them how much we appreciate their time and effort as well as the kindness they have shown to us when we are in need of their assistance.

A luncheon is being planned we hope everyone will plan cook something to share with residents and Emergency workers that attends.

Thank You baskets are going to be presented to the Police Department and the Fire Department. I hope everyone in the park will submit a thank you card to be placed in the baskets. Let's show how much we appreciated their service.

Anyone willing to help plan for this program please call Marge Pond



MAJOR ACTIVITIES

Bean Bag Toss

Ellie DeBell, 480-981-6497

No Report

Bingo

Joretta "J" Gray, 480-272-8773

THANK YOU to everyone who helps to make BINGO a success. We appreciate those who said they would return in Nov.

NEWS FLASH - BINGO 2011/2012 SEASON BEGINS NOV. 7, 2011.

We will need volunteers for setup @ 9 AM and breakdown @ 9:30 PM every Monday from 11-7-11 to 3-26-12 . The more hands available the less time it takes. We just cannot have Bingo at the Wells without this help. Please offer your support!

Another accountant & some willing to sell or be a substitute are also needed. Please call me to help maintain bingo within our Wells Community.

Start saving plastic bags. These can be placed in the back of the clubhouse store room by the popcorn machine. Thanks.

Wells Bowling

Evelyn & George Bauman, 480-325-6808

We are continuing to bowl on Friday mornings at 10:00. Join us if you can. Our scheduled bowling will start in November.

Blanket Brigade

Barbara Griffin, 480-807-1161

Judy Galloway, 480-807-1681

Bocce Ball

Ted Smith, 480-396-1151

Every Tuesday 1:00. Held by the 56th gate on the green grass. Will return after summer



Bridge

Connie Lemming, 480-654-3500

Bridge meets every **Tuesday** in the clubhouse at **1:00 PM**. Come and join a lively group of folks who love to play bridge for entertainment.

Casino Trips

Dee Campbell, 480-830-6094

No Report

Ceramics

Evelyn Bauman, 480-325-6808

Nancy Lane, 480-981-6636

Ceramics will start again in October. Come and join us in the fall.

Chess Players

Robert Stoop 480-807-1416

New, Old, Experienced and Novice: all those interested in playing chess for their own enjoyment with other interested parties, please give Bob Stoop a call at 480-807-1416. Chess sets are available for those who need them.

Computer Club

No coordinator

Game Night

No Coordinator

Game night is held every **Friday night** in the clubhouse at **6:00 PM**. Come join a lively bunch of folks who play Hand and Foot, Rummikub and other games of interest. This activity is open to everyone.



Geneology Research

Clara Strode #86, 924-0800

Walter Wright #265, 656-7292

For those interested in family research we will be meeting in the clubhouse. Be alerted for date changes next month.

Get Fit Stay Fit Challenge

Phylis Maxwell #92, 654-8175

No report

Group Exercise

Nancy Lane, 981-6636 ~ Joyce MacArthur, 830-4975

Group exercise will be back in the Fall.

Library

Marjorie Pond, 480-325-2813

Carol Stoop, 480-807-1416

Phylis Maxwell will be helping in the library during the summer months. I hope you will thank Phylis if you see her working in the library.

Line Dancing

Lil Gilmer, 480-218-4667

Nancy Lane, 480-981-6636

Line dance will resume Wednesdays and Thursdays at 3:30.

Men's Golf Augusta Ranch

Don McDermott, 480-641-9322

Call Don for more information.

Monthly Potluck Dinner

Betty Wallace, 480-854-1335

No Report



500 Cards

Bill and Betty Wallace, 480-854-1335

Every **Saturday night** at 7:00 PM at the Clubhouse. All Welcome!

Needle Work Circle

Evelyn Bauman, 480-325-6808

We will continue to meet at 1:00 the first & the third Thursday of the month through the summer. You can bring whatever you are working on and share with the group.

Paper Arts/Rubber Stamping

Fran Atkinson 480-981-3467

Jean Mueller 480-907-5599

We meet on **Mondays at 1:00 pm** in the clubhouse. Come, and let's make a card! Everyone is invited.

Pinochle

Harley Skogen, 602-770-3171

Thursday's @ 7:00 PM

Pool Gathering

A Pool Gathering for the community is scheduled for the first (1st) Friday of the month at 3:30 PM. Please bring a snack to share and your own beverage. Remember: **NO GLASS.**

Quilting Club

Lulu McQueen, 480-396-2293

No Report

Red Hatters at Red Mountain

Vi Joerger, Queen Mum, 480-832-1721

No Report



Scrabble

Carol Campbell, 480-962-9387

The Scrabble time is **Wednesdays at 10:00am.**

Shuffleboard

Glen & Barb Feldmann, #80, 920-889-7051

No Report

Singspiration

Dick & Doris Delaney, 480-985-2532

Hope to see you all next November 28th for a new season.

Stained Glass

John Berg, 480-396-0891

No Report

Tennis

Lynda Riedl, 480-832-7853

There is no scheduled practice for tennis until end of October.

TOPS CLUB, Inc.

Wells Chapter, TOPS AZ 0335, Mesa

Nancy Cowperthwait, 480-924-0634

TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) holds its meetings regularly on Monday mornings; further information is available on the posted activity chart and daily schedule.

For a change of pace, our members decided it might be interesting to post nutrition & health related 'TIPS from TOPS' on the clubhouse inside-east bulletin board. Check out our idea starting in September. Let me know if you find these points of interest worthwhile. At least it will give folks something different to look for and read when passing through our card room!

If interested or curious, you may visit one meeting without cost. Come join us. We are here for you and each other.



Train Dominos

No Coordinator

We meet **Sundays at 2 PM**. Everyone is welcome.

Water Aerobics

Nadine Cooley, 480-807-5309

It's time to treat your body to some easy to follow water exercises. We meet **Monday thru Friday 8:30 to 9:15**. Come and enjoy yourself.

Wells Belles

Marilyn Crain, President 480-396-7098

No Report

Wells Billiards

Latif Tinker, 480-654-1650

Billiards meets every day **Monday through Saturday at 8:30 AM**.

Wells Couples & Singles Golf Group

Dana Larimore 480-807-0840

Ronnie Kelly 641-344-7080

No Report

Women's Golf

Marion Serson 396-0891

Women's Early Golf leaves The Wells Community every **Wednesday and Friday at 7:00 AM** to golf nine holes at Dreamland Villa Golf Course. After golf, we go to breakfast (optional). All women are welcome despite their level of golfing skill. Come and join us for a morning of fun and sociability. For more information call Marion at 396-0891.

Celiac Disease Support Group

Nancy Neus, 480-540-1927

Anyone interested in a meeting for people with celiac disease (gluten intolerance), please contact Nancy Neus.



Blood Pressure

Lois Howland 807-4968

Free blood pressure check is on the **2nd and 4th Wednesday** of every month at **9AM to 10 AM**.

Information Up-Dates

Telephone Directory Report

Alyce Sinnard, 480-396-0561

The following is submitted by Martha Gerald's (#243), assistant to Alyce Sinnard (#374).

The 2011-12 directories have been distributed. Those who were not available during distribution may pick theirs up at the office. Please check your information and if corrections are needed, please fill out the proper form in the office. Any resident who has not filled out an information sheet since January 1, please do so. Please keep your directory up to date monthly.

#140 Brister, Add 480-209-1231

#244 Cooper, Add Trudie & Ray, Add 480-247-0590, cell

#246

Peterson, Delete: peteson.robert@gmail.com, Add: peterson.roberta@gmail.com

THE WELLS WHEELS

The following people have volunteered to provide medical transportation:

TEMPORARY CHANGE:

Joretta Gray 480-272-8773

Chris Jergenson –after July 2011

Note: Ruby Sobeck & Marcia Priebe are winter residents; please do not call.

Marcia Priebe: 507-461-2409

Chris Jergenson: 480-219-2967

Ruby Sobeck: 480-807-2509

If you need a ride to an appointment call one of the above people.
(Medical - related therapy /picking up or stopping for prescriptions).



Reminders

In the event of a power outage in the park, the following individuals can be contacted to open the gates:

Joe Skinner	480-854-1871	Dean Blixt	480-981-6636
Phil Ragaisis	480-854-0712	Carmella Staley	480-307-8338

The Wells Website

Marge Pond, 325-2813

Any homes listed on the website and are sold please call the office or Marge Pond so those homes can be removed. Homes are only listed by request of a homeowner or real estate broker. Please call and a photo will be taken. We will post a photo, number of bedrooms and baths and a contact phone number.



We would like to thank all of the people who sent sympathy cards, made phone calls of condolences or expressed sympathy personally, regarding the death of my Mother, Maybel Serson, on June 25th, 2011. It is comforting to know that so many expressed their caring. All monetary gifts have been donated to Hospice of the Valley where she had wonderful care during the last days of her life.

Marison Serson
John Berg



Old Computers, etc.

Bill Cowperthwait, 480-924-0634

Pickups begin 15 Sep 201. Monitors, keyboards, towers, laptops, etc., give me a call.

East Valley Men's Homeless Shelter

Bill Cowperthwait, 480-924-0634

Men's clothes, underwear, socks, belts, suits, or shoes, etc., are needed. Toilet paper, tissues and toiletry items you pick up at motels or hotels are particularly needed. Give me a call.

Flag Disposal

Bill Cowperthwait, 480-924-0634

To properly dispose of American Flags no longer serviceable, please take to the office.

Phones for Soldiers

Bill Cowperthwait, 480- 924-0634

More than 150,000 troops are serving overseas. Cell Phones for Soldiers is calling upon all Americans to support the troops by donating old cell phones. Cell Phones for Soldiers hopes to collect over 50,000 unused cell phones this year. Proceeds will be used to purchase calling cards for our troops so they can stay connected with their families. Phones can be dropped off at the office, or taken to Impact Auto Body, 5035 E McKellips Rd Mesa. 480-325-5035.

United Food Bank

Clara Strode, Coordinator, 480-924-0800

We will start collecting food in September. Thank you all. United Food Bank. Clara Strode



Happy Anniversary

Waknitz, Theodore & Audrey	50 Years	09/02/1961
Copp, Howard & Martha	56 Years	09/03/1955
Skinner, Joe & Betty	55 Years	09/03/1956
Bauman, George & Evelyn	51 Years	09/03/1960
Gaul, Ambrose & Donna	53Years	09/06/1958
Nelson, Dave & Sharon	39 Years	09/09/1972
Burr, Jim & Griffin, Barb	01 Year	09/12/2010
Hoffer, Terry & Charlene	49 Years	09/15/1962
Conway, Arthur & Patricia	48 Years	09/14/1963
Baden, Nicholas & Rita	44 Years	09/16/1967
Klinkenborg, Kerwin & Alice	18 Years	09/18/1993
Keith, Doug & Julie	64 Years	09/20/1947
Redmond, Harry & Margaret	55 Years	09/22/1956



Happy Birthday

Holder, Ralph	9/1	Pointer, Dorothy	9/18
Riedl, Lynda	9/2	Conway, Patricia	9/18
Simon, Ken	9/3	Bacon, Robert	9/19
Lindberg, James	9/3	Houston, Julia	9/19
Harris, Fred	9/4	Dugan, Mary Ann	9/20
Hoffer, Terry	9/4	Harding, Patty	9/20
Copp, Howard	9/5	Van Ausdall, Peter	9/20
Lane, Nancy	9/5	Edstrom, Lavonne	9/20
Hoffer, Sharon	9/5	Wise, Bill	9/21
Merritt, Tom	9/7	Johnson, Mary Ann	9/22
Bentivegno, Rosemarie	9/7	Roppe, Maurice	9/22
Twedell, Virginia	9/7	Snyder, Helen	9/22
Rudolph, Michael	9/9	Humphrey, Juanita	9/24
Loudermilk, George	9/9	Vinje, John	9/25
Moresco, Kathryn	9/10	Gray, Joretta	9/26
Priebe, Marcia	9/10	Winkels, Gloria	9/26
Cavallo, Vincent	9/10	Landers, Louisa	9/26
Green, Cleona	9/11	Brown, Millicent	9/27
Bakken, Wayne	9/11	Slowik, Felix	9/27
Dabbert, Steve	9/11	Kaiser, Marilyn	9/27
Honyben, Reginald	9/12	Bertness, Kenneth	9/28
Bannister, Maria	9/12	Bauer, Gordon	9/28
Derr, Paul	9/15	Maxwell, Phylis	9/30
Wright, Martha	9/17		

September 2011

The Wells Special Events

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Wells Belles Luncheon 11:00 Meet @ Good Egg	2	3 Real Estate Open House 11:00-2:00
4	5 Labor Day BBQ 1:00 pm <i>Office Closed</i>	6	7	8	9	10
11	12 Movie night 6:00 pm	13	14	15 Birthdays & Anniversaries 2:00 pm	16	17
18	19 Movie night 6:00 pm	20	21	22	23	24
25	26 Movie night 6:00 pm	27	28	29	30	

See Bulletin Board for Standard Weekly activities and read information under alphabetized headings.