Community News & Happenings



Continental Ranch Windmill



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New Changes to the Board of Directors

First, we would like to thank Thom Cope, who has resigned from the Board, for his service to the community. Three vacant positions were filled at the June 24th meeting and we are pleased to welcome Angela Wagner-Gabbard, Deborah Budd, and John Lambert to the Board of Directors.

Mark Your Calendar



July 1:	7 PM Landscape Meeting (② WP
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July 4: Independence Day—CRCA Office Closed

July 7: 10 AM Activities Meeting @ WP

July 8: 7 PM Covenants Meeting @ CC

July 9: Noon ARC @ WP

July 9: 6:30 PM Nominating Committee @ CC

July 12: 10 AM Scrapbooking Event @ CC

July 14: 7 PM Pool Meeting @ WP July 14-28th: Kiddie Pool Closed

July 15: 6:30 PM CC&R Ad HOC @ CC

July 16: 6:45 PM AD HOC Parcel Reps @ CC

July 17: 6:30 PM Nominating Committee @ CC

July 21: 6:30 PM Facilities Meeting @ WP

July 23: Noon ARC Meeting @WP

July 26: 6 PM Tween/Teen Pool Party & Movie

July 29: 7 PM Board of Directors @ CC



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Letters to the Editor

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Inserts	\$280/3500

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A Message from Your Board President

Your Board of Directors recently held interviews to fill the 3 anticipated vacancies. The community response was good. With only a few weeks of notice we had 10 community members volunteer and interview for the vacant positions. I would have liked



to select all 10; unfortunately, we only have 3 positions available at this time. The appointment results will be available on the website, www.CRCATucson.com, as soon as the process is completed. A big 'Thank You' goes out to all those who participated. It is truly encouraging to see such an upswing in community involvement. If you ever want to get involved, please contact the CRCA office, because this is your community too.

In the past your board of directors voted on a new management company, Stratford Management. This decision has proven to be a success, thus far. The team is truly committed to our common goal of creating and maintaining a well run community. I would like to thank Sarah and all of her staff for the dedication and passion that they give to their jobs. What they do is quite demanding and I would encourage anyone who sees a staff member doing a good job, to let them know. This includes any office staff, pool monitors and vendors.

My family and I were recently at the pool and noticed the monitors enforcing the rules in a courteous and kind manner. They were also conscientious about arranging the furniture and picking up trash. For us this is a great turn around and makes our pools that much more enjoyable.

Please be vigilant, as we have recently noticed graffiti on walls along Coachline. I am sure this is a great disappointment to the community as it is to me. Please report any vandalism as soon as possible. It is with great excitement I would like to announce the new Community Suggestion Center! You will find the Suggestion Center at www.CRCATucson.com. It allows you to make and vote on suggestions to improve our community. Stop by the website soon and let us know what would make Continental Ranch even better for you. Also, we would like to encourage everyone in the community to register, and receive your newsletter online. Once you register for the E-Newsletter you will be helping our environment and allowing us to enjoy a huge savings. We currently spend over \$40,000.00 per year publishing the Windmill. This savings will go a long way in bettering your community.

We've received 11 applications from engaged residents who have acknowledged our invitation to join the board in the October elections. Thank you to all who are willing to give back to our community.

Best Regards, John Crist

CONTINENTAL RANCH BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING RECAP - JUNE 24, 2008

- The Board approved the May 20, 2008 Board Meeting Minutes and the May 27, 2008 Special Meeting minutes.
- The Board granted New Dimension Ministries permission to use the front room of the Community Center every Wednesday evening from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. and very Sunday morning from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m., subject to availability, beginning July 1, 2008 through October 31, 2008.
- The Board approved to keep the old website domain name of continentalranchca.com for one year. It will provide a link to the new website for those owners who may not know the new website is available.
- The Board acknowledged the Action in Lieu of a meeting to approve the proposals from Rock Roofing to re-roof the flat roof at Windmill Park in the amount of \$2,800, re-roof the Community Center tile roof in the amount of \$1,600 and re-roof the flat roof at the Community Center in the amount of \$2,800.
- The Board announced that there is a suggestion link on the new website that is available to homeowners.
- The Board announced the tween/teen party that will be held on July 26, 2008 and asked that homeowners encourage their tween/teen to attend the event.
- The Board approved the Annual Meeting schedule provided by management.
- The Board requested that the Finance Committee propose an exact amount to the Board for a car allowance to be paid to the Covenants Assistant for the use of her personal vehicle used to conduct inspections of the community.
- The Board approved management to purchase 500 lanyards at \$1.85 each for a total of \$1,001.78.
- Management reminded the Board that the office will be closed on Friday, July 4, 2008.
- Management stated that the Nominating Committee will hold two meetings in June to fulfill the bylaw requirements.
- Management requested an executive session be held within the next two weeks to discuss the 2008/2009 budget in regards to the management staff salaries.
- The Board acknowledge the Pool Committee minutes of June 9, 2008 with thanks.
- The Board denied the recommendation from the Pool Committee to replace all the light bulbs around the pool areas with energy efficient light bulbs and requested the Pool Committee come to the Board with a request to change the light fixtures around the pool areas to resolve the bright light complaints.
- The Board approved the recommendation from the Pool Committee to give management the authority to dispose of old pool furniture at the management company's discretion.

- The Board approved the recommendation from the Pool Committee to allow Stratford Management to purchase any sign that is need of replacement at the two community pools without prior approval so long as the cost of the sign does not exceed \$100.
- The Board acknowledged the Landscape Committee minutes of June 3, 2008 with thanks.
- The Board approved the recommendation from the Landscape Committee to repair a PVC water line with thrust block along the south right of way to Twin Peaks Road east of the Bridge at drainage way #3 in the amount of \$1,800.
- The Board approved the recommendation from the Landscape Committee to install an insulated cover over the ³/₄ Febco backflow device in parcel 47 on the northeast corner of Coachline and Turquoise Moon to prevent the backflow from freezing during the winter at a cost not to exceed \$120.
- The Board approved the recommendation from the Landscape Committee to accept The Groundkeepers proposal in the budgeted amount of \$11,175 for the annual tree trimming.
- The Board approved the recommendation from the Landscape Committee in the amount of \$2,430 to apply "Soil-Plex" to revitalize 135 chronically stressed Live Oak trees between Silverbell and Twin Peaks.
- The Board acknowledged the Covenants Committee minutes of June 10, 2008 with thanks.
- The Board approved the recommendation from the Covenants Committee to accept the fines as recommended.
- The Board approved the recommendation from Covenants Committee to hire landscapers to clean five of the five lots proposed for cleanup.
- The Board acknowledged the ARC minutes of the May 28, 2008 and June 11, 2008 with thanks.
- The Board approved the recommendation from the ARC to review the current Design Guidelines to bring them into compliance with the CC&Rs.
- The Board acknowledged the Activities/Publicity meting minutes of June 2, 2008 with thanks.
- The Board approved the recommendation to accept Edna Coburn's logo contest submittal as the winner of the contest.
- The Board approved the recommendation from the Activities/Publicity Committee to hold the community yard sale on October 11, 2008 in conjunction with Sunflowers community yard sale.
- The Board acknowledged the Facilities Committee meeting minutes of May 19, 2008 and June 16, 2008 with thanks.

OF DIRECTORS MEETING RECAP - Continued

- The Board acknowledged the Strategic Planning minutes of May 8, 2008.
- The Board approved the recommendation from the Facilities Committee for Tucson Play systems to install an oval tube slide exit and two 4' oval tube sections at the Windmill Park tot lot at a cost not to exceed \$4,000.
- The Board approved the recommendation from the Facilities Committee to purchase and install floor mats for the Community Center hall that leads to the bathrooms at the Community Center and Windmill Park Pool.
- The Board acknowledged the Parcel Representatives Ad-Hoc Committee minutes of June 11, 2008 with thanks.
- The Board approved the recommendation from the Parcel Representative Ad- HOC Committee for Management to spend up to \$500 to create informative books.
- The Board approved management to provide a lanyard and name tag to each parcel representative.
- The Board acknowledged Angela Wagner-Gabbard as Chair of the CC&R Ad-Hoc Committee.
- The Board approved to hold a Board Study Session to discuss a possible "Grandfather Clause" addition in the Association's documents.
- The Board approved to donate the \$500 received from D'Mensions for the old computers to the Marana Food Bank.
- The Board acknowledged Thom Copes resignation to be effective upon written notice and thanked him for his dedication. Management also thanked Mr. Cope for his dedication to the community.
- The Board agreed not to ban paid political ads in the Windmill.
- The Board approved to offer free space in the Association's newsletter to the homeowners who are kindly donating their time to clean up other homeowner's yards if they are in distress. The offering party will write their own article.
- The Board approved the recommendation from Voyager to wipe out all old violations and fines other than those in daily fines or litigation/collections to clean up the system for more accurate information.
- The Board appointed John Lambert and Angela Waggner-Gabbard to the Board of Directors to fill two of the vacant positions.
- Thom Cope submitted his resignation to be effective immediately and the Board acknowledged it.
- The Board appointed Debbie Budd to the Board of Directors to fill the vacancy.

Committee Updates

ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE

Thank you to all who participated in the Book Exchange. We had about 35 people come by to trade books they've already read for new books. We hope to see more of you at our future events

On July 12, 2008 we will be having a Scrapbook Event. Gather your photos and supplies and head over to the Community Center from 10-4. Enjoy refreshments, good friends and fun! Please RSVP to the CRCA Office by July 7th.

We are very excited about our Tween/Teen Event on July 26th. Teens, ages 11 and up, are invited to a "Dive-In" movie from 6-10 p.m. at the Community Center. We will have games, prizes, snacks and swimming while a movie (family friendly PG-13) is playing. An R.S.V.P. is required, by July 18th, to attend this event as parental consent for the movie and emergency information must be completed. If you have any questions about this event or you would like to volunteer to chaperone, please contact Lexie Burke at the CRCA Office, 297-7600, or by email, aburke@stratfordmanagement.org. We hope to have a great turnout and a lot of fun!

What activities would you like to see on the calendar? Please review our current activities and give us your feedback. Please send suggestions to aburke@stratfordmanagement.org.

- Marana Hip Hop Event
- Community Yard Sale
- H&R Block Tax Seminar
- Landscaping Presentation by Groundskeeper
- Spring Concert
- Scrapbooking Event
- Women's Pampering Night
- Halloween Costume Contest
- Fall Festival
- Christmas Décor Contest
- Needy Family Program

We wish you all a safe and fun summer!



Committee Updates

calling all rockstars. popstars and superstars!

The Activities Committee is currently talking about new ideas for the Fall Festival. The possibility of a "Battle of the Bands" or talent show was suggested and we would like to know what talent is hidden in the Continental Ranch neighborhood. If you have a band, a special talent or an amazing voice, we want to hear from you! If interested in performing for your community, please email Lexie Burke, aburke@stratfordmanagement.org, or call 297.7600.

it's your time to shine!



Logo Contest

Congratulations to Edna Coburn, winner of the 20th Anniversary Logo contest!

Her design will be featured in an upcoming newsletter.

Thank you to all who participated in this contest.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

With the recent appointment of Deborah Budd to the Board, we now have one vacancy on the Nominating Committee. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact the CRCA Office.

ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW COMMITTEE (ARC)

Currently the ARC is working with Abeyta Painting Company to prepare an approved color pallet that will be available to homeowners through the office on a checkout policy. The ARC also sent a recommendation up to the



Board in June to review the Design Guidelines as it is the committee's belief that portions of the current Design Guidelines do not comply with the CC&Rs. The Committee will keep the community informed.

CC&R AD HOC COMMITTEE

CC&R AD HOC committee met on June 17th, 2008 in the Community Center.

The committee reviewed and established where the Design Guidelines were not in compliance with the current CC&R's. A request will be submitted to the Board of Directors and the ARC to take into consideration the AD HOC Committee's recommendations.

The committee will continue to review the CC&R's at our future meetings.

The next meeting will be on July 15th at 6:30 p.m. in the Community Center.

THE POOL COMMITTEE

The Pool Committee wants you to know! The tot pool (kiddy pool) will be closed July 14th through July 27th for re-plastering. The tot pool will re-open

on Monday, July 28th. We know it is the summer and we apologize for the timing of the project in advance. Thank you for your patience.



Committee Updates

LANDSCAPE COMMITTEE

Plant List Clarification

Management would like to clarify the current plant list that is available to CRCA homeowners. In April, Management was informed that the plant list, included in the Design Guidelines, was being distributed illegally. At that time, we discontinued

distribution immediately. Management contacted the author and web designer of the plant list and he confirmed that we were not to distribute the list; however, homeowners could visit the website, found in the Design Guidelines. Management has collaborated with The Groundskeeper and



the Landscape Committee to create a new desertfriendly plant list exclusively for Continental Ranch. We are in the final stages of completing the new list. The Landscape Committee will review the proposed plant list at their next meeting, July 1, 2008. At that time, the Landscape Committee will recommend to submit the list to the Board for approval. A suggestion form will also be recommended to be sent to the Board for approval. This form will give homeowners an opportunity to submit their plant suggestions to the Landscape Committee and Architectural Review Committee for approval to add to the plant list. If everything is approved as planned, the new plant list should be available by the end of July. We are very excited for this new plant list and look forward to hearing feedback from homeowners. We would also like to say 'Thank You' to everyone who has been involved in this process; your hard work is greatly appreciated.

Facilities Committee

Warm Gingerbread is the paint color you will be viewing throughout the community. This wonderful paint color was hand-picked by the Facilities Committee to be used on all of the



common area walls throughout Continental Ranch. The Facilities Committee started this project a couple of years ago with phases in mind, starting at the intersection of Silverbell and Cortaro and then working to Silverbell and Coachline, and finishing with Coachline and Twin Peaks. This color will bring a sense of uniformity and keep Continental Ranch looking great. By painting the common area walls one color, repairs and graffiti coverage can happen in a more timely manner as we will have this paint on hand. We would like to thank Abeyta Painting for the great job they have done on this project.



HAWAII OHANA

You are invited to join us at our August meeting. Find out about the Hawaiian Club and enjoy authentic Hawaiian cuisine.

- When: August 10, 2008 at 5:30 PM
- Where: Continental Ranch Community Center
- RVSP: Marianne at (520) 744-7250. We will need know how many people are coming so we have enough food for all.



Attention Homeowners



STAR SPANGLED SPECTACULAR!

July 4, 2008

6:00pm - 11:00pm

Ora Mae Harn Park

Celebrate our country's Independence Day with the Town of Marana's "Star Spangled Spectacular!" Noted as having Southern Arizona's best fireworks show, this event brings friends, families and communities together. Children will enjoy the jumping castles in the play area and the traditional watermelon eating contest is always a crowd favorite! This is an alcohol-free event.

Drainage Ways are NOT for Dumping



We have seen and also have had several reports about homeowners or their landscapers dumping plant debris and clippings in the drainage ways. The drainage ways are not to be used as

dumping grounds. All trash and debris should be placed in garbage receptacles. Other waste materials such as oil, wood, cans, bottles, etc. should be properly disposed in waste receptacles Let's all do our part to keep our environment and our community clean.

Windmill Park

Please remember that Windmill Park is not a dog park. If you choose to bring your pooch to the park for a little exercise, please be mindful of the following:



- All dogs must be on a leash
- Any messes your canine friend makes are your responsibility to clean, so don't forget your doggie bag

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the CRCA Office.

Graffiti

Graffiti and other acts of vandalism are still prevalent in the community. We need your help to get these areas cleaned up. If you see graffiti, please notify the CRCA office immediately. In order to clean these areas, we will need to file a police report. If you file a police report on your own, they will not notify the CRCA office and we will not be able to clean them in a timely manner. Should you have any questions, please contact the CRCA office.



Attention Homeowners

Tennis Courts

We would like to remind you that the tennis courts do not belong to Continental Ranch.



Please direct any maintenance problems to the Town of Marana.



Bicyclists: Be Aware

When riding through the community and on the nearby trails, please be aware of

pedestrians and pets. Many people walk with their dogs and need a little warning to make sure their pets are by their side and are not susceptible to being hit. A courteous, "passing on the left," is very helpful to pedestrians so they are not startled by you. This will also give them time to move to the side to let you pass safely.

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- Create an account
- Find Forms, documents, and the latest CRCA news
- Help the environment and sign up for the "Go Green" newsletter
- · Find useful community links
- Give us your feedback in the "Suggestion Box"

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Want to Make a Splash?

The following committees are looking for additional members:

- Activities
- · Covenants
- · Pool
- Landscape
- Finance
- Facilities



Please contact the CRCA office for more information.

Pocket Parks

It has come to our attention that many of the pocket parks are being vandalized and destroyed. Please keep in mind, vandalism is a

crime. In order for us to continue to improve our facilities and add more play equipment, we need to take care of what we have. The community pocket parks are intended for children's use. Older children are welcome to use the facilities as long



as they are used appropriately. Walking on top of the tunnel slides, climbing on the roofs of the play equipment, tipping over benches and coloring on the play structures are not appropriate uses of these parks. Please pick up any trash and food items when you are done using the facilities as well. We ask that you treat them with respect and notify management of any problems so they may handle them in a timely fashion. Thank you for your cooperation.

Proper Parking Procedures

Stratford Management and The Board of Directors realize that the parking issues are ongoing within the community. Management is present to ensure that the policies and guidelines are followed according to what the Association has



We would like to remind the community that the "no parking" policy does still exist and therefore there should be no vehicles on the street. We also use a plate run system, so remember when you park in front of your neighbor's home, this does not ensure that you will not receive a violation.

Your association has put a "call in policy" in place for those times when street parking is necessary. If you know that you are going to have company or need to park your own car on the street, regardless of the length of time, you will need to call it in.

Call the office at 297-7600 ext. 104 or email <u>tnoggle@stratfordmanagement.org</u> and include the following information:

- Name
- Address
- Number of Cars
- Make and Model
- Length of time vehicle will be parked

The Association also issues medical passes as well as passes good for two weeks for extended company visits. Please call the office for more information if necessary.

There are many homeowners who are under the impression that because there is no ordinance against street parking in the Town of Marana, no violation can be issued when parked on the street. The reality is, when you purchase a home in Continental Ranch or you sign a tenant agreement, you are agreeing to live by the current CC&R's and any guidelines or amendments that are in place.

We realize how difficult this policy can be especially with our very busy schedules, but please be assured that we want to help make things as easy as possible. If you have any suggestions or input, we would encourage you to attend a Covenants or Board Meeting.

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"Liaison between homeowners and Board to communicate established procedures and be an avenue from homeowners to the Board. Communicate where to find information regarding the community and homeowner concerns."

Be a part of your community and become a parcel representative. You will get to know your neighbors and help your community be one that people are proud of!!!! If you live on, or near any of the following streets, we are encouraging you to sign up for a rewarding opportunity.

Parcel 10

Amarante Drive Biscay Place Cantamar Street Cantora Way Covina Way **Hunnington Drive** Kimball Way

Parcel 11

Acacia Grove Place Ahwatukee Way Cricket Place Deserama Drive Silver Sand Drive Silver Sand Place Wellside Drive

Parcel 12A

Canebrake Drive Canebrake Place Magenta Way Maple Ridge Drive Maple Ridge Place Old Well Place Willeta Drive

Parcel 12B

Clover Way Lawndale Rivulet Drive Rivulet Place Willeta Drive Yarbough Drive Parcel 15C

Beltran Place Blanford Drive Finfrock Drive Tinsley Place

Parcel 16

Aster Drive Mocha Place Palm Brook Drive Palm Brook Place Safflower Lane Shadow Rock Drive Straw Hat Lane Veridian Drive Yellow Moon Drive Yellow Moon Place

Parcel 17

Alcante Way Silver Moon Way Sunlark Way Talavera Way Veridian Drive

Parcel 24

August Moon Place Crystal Moon Court

Parcel 27A

Beryllium Lane Mountain Sky Drive Sanguine Drive Veridian Drive Parcel 39

Deimos Drive Phobos Drive

Parcel 42

Armor Crest Road Blue Crossing Way **Creosote Spring Court** Desert Paintbrush Court Sand Dollar court

Parcel 69

Lapis Moon Lane Onyx Moon Drive Sapphire Moon Drive Turquoise Moon Way

Parcels 50, 51, 52C and 52D

Any/All streets in Richmond

Estate

^{*} If you are interested in being a parcel representative or have any questions, please contact the CRCA Office at 297-7600 *

E-Mail Notification Request Form



I would like a periodic e-mail reminder of upcoming Continental Ranch Community Association (CRCA) events. I understand the following:

- My e-mail address will be held in confidence by CRCA Management.
- 2. I may unsubscribe at any time by calling the CRCA office (297-7600) and asking that my name be removed from the notification list.
- 3. The frequency of e-mail reminders is expected to be no more than one or two times per month.
- 4. This is a <u>courtesy</u> being provided by the CRCA and that it is my ultimate responsibility to keep informed of CRCA activities/events (Windmill Newsletter and the Website) occurring in Continental Ranch.
- 5. I am responsible for keeping management apprised of e-mail changes; if an e-mail message is returned as not deliverable two separate times then I am subject to removal from the reminder list.

Mgmt Staff: Date:

It is time for Pre-emergent

The Groundskeeper is once again offering the pre-emergent treatment for your front yards. If you would like to have a little help in controlling your weeds, you may sign up now for the pre-emergent treatment. Spraying will begin at the first start of the rains, typically the first week of July, and continue until the last week in August. **Registration deadline is July 31st.** Please take the time to fill out the registration form below, then mail it to 9150 N. Coachline Blvd. Tucson, AZ 85743 or drop it off at the Windmill Park Office. You will also need to attach a check to the registration form in the amount of \$45.00 made out to CRCA.

Pre-emergent Treatment Service Authorization Form

- I authorize The Groundskeeper to apply pre-emergent weed control chemicals to my front yard.
- I authorize this with the understanding that The Groundskeeper, while endeavoring to provide the best pre-emergent weed control it can, will not warranty any particular level or duration of success in controlling the weeds that will be sprayed in the front yard of my address.
- I understand that pre-emergent chemicals are designed to prevent weed seeds in the ground from germinating, however, these chemicals are <u>not</u> expected to kill the existing weeds or seeds in the ground, which have already germinated.
- I understand that the expected result should be approximately a 70% control for this application.

The address that I authorize for pre-emergent treatment is:
Signature of Authorizing Homeowner:
Date:

SENIOR CITIZENS/RETIREES OF CONTINENTAL RANCH

We celebrated SCRCR's birthday during the month of June, with a "whopper" of a party at the Center! We were honored to have our founder present, along with former members who have since moved from the area, old friends and new, some of our office staff, and new, potential members who came in to join in the fun! We are officially 14 years old now, and getting better each day!

During the month of July, we are headed for the Gaslight Theater on the 1st, with dinner at Macayo's prior to the performance. On the 3rd, we will have our traditional "Red, White and Blue" pot luck get-together and as always, ask that all foods be one of those three colors! (Blue mashed potatoes might not look too great, but certainly do taste good!!) Our great cooks are always innovative! On July 10th, we will have a regular meeting and celebrate with our members who have July birthdays. On the 11th, we travel to the casino—still one of our most popular outings! Reservations are needed, and don't be late-Betty runs a tight ship, so we leave punctually! The 17th and 24th will find us back at the Center for our regular meeting and table games. Then, the evening of the 24th, we will carpool at 5 p.m. for dinner at Risky Business. Again, we need to make a reservation, and there is a sign-up sheet available on Thursday mornings. For those who don't drive at night, Lynn will work out a transportation arrangement.

As many of you know, SCRCR has been faithful in shipping boxes of miscellaneous items to our military, and we continue to plan toward 2008 holiday shipments with as many boxes as possible. Recently, one of our members received a card from a veteran recuperating in a military hospital

in New York, thanking us for our box of goodies. How it got to a hospital in New York is unknown, but we speculate it was undeliverable overseas for whatever reason, and "someone" made the wise decision to direct it to a hospital unit. How wonderful! It took over six months before we were notified of its arrival, but we know now how much these boxes are really appreciated.

And speaking of the upcoming holiday season, as I write this column, the ice cream truck is going through the area with the sounds of "White Christmas" and "Jingle Bells" permeating the summer air!!! Is it really THAT time already??

This month, we note that the U.S. Marine Corps was formally re-established by the U.S. Congress on July 11th, 1798. The Marines were first commissioned by the Continental Congress in November, 1775. Then, there is "Parents' Day" on the 27th. Not quite certain how that day is celebrated—does that mean we can give away our children for a whole day and pamper mom and dad??

Of greatest significance, however, is the celebration of the birth of our great nation on July 4th, when brave and dedicated patriots expressed their love of liberty and founded our nation based on freedom. We honor the men and women of the U.S. military who today volunteer to help maintain our freedom, and we remember with great pride the sacrifices they and their families make daily for us. Take a moment to display your flag in honor of the day and our military.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY...May someone be as kind to you today as you were to them.

Continental Ranch

Monthly Activities July 2008

Seniors/Retirees: The Senior Citizens/Retirees of Continental Ranch meet weekly on Thursdays at 9:00 am at the Community Center. Activities include: games, bingo, volunteer work, monthly dinners and trips! Come meet other Seniors for socializing, friendships and fun!!

T.O.P.S. (Take Off Pounds Sensibly): T.O.P.S. meets at the Community Center every Wednesday at 10:00 am. Join them for weight loss made fun in a supportive environment. For more information, please call Vi Johnson at 579.9698.

Hawaiian Club: The Hawaiian Club of Continental Ranch meets every 2nd Sunday of the month at 5:30 pm. The Club promotes an understanding of Hawaiian Culture. You don't have to be Hawaiian and it is not required for you to have lived on the islands. Potluck dinners once a month and Hula lessons, in addition to education, add to the fun!

Paws Up! Puppy and dog training classes: Classes at Windmill Park. Solve behavior problems in a fun group environment. Class size is limited so call today! For more information contact Muriel at 579-7091 or send an email to ppinfo@pawsuptucson.com. Visit the Paws Up! website at www.pawsuptucson.com.

Saguaro Swim School has partnered with Continental Ranch to provide swim lessons and water aerobics to residents. Classes began June 9^{th} . For more information call 689.4540 or visit AZwetsplash.com.

If you are interested in renting our Community Center, please contact the CRCA Activities Director at 297.7600.







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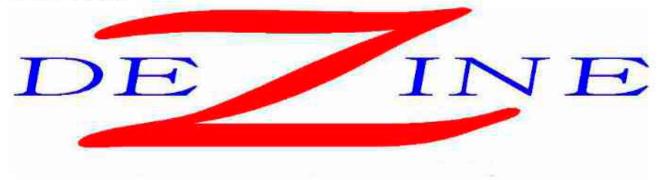
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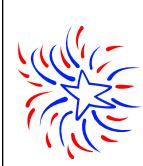
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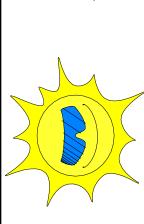
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From left to right, Tina Noggle, Jennifer Swarts, Sarah Lebsack, Lexie Burke, Gerrie Crawford.

MANAGER'S CORNER

Happy Independence Day/ Fourth of July! Please be reminded that our office will be closed on Friday, July 4, 2008. Also, for those you who might be new to Arizona, fireworks are illegal here in Arizona but several of the resorts in the Tucson area as well as "A" Mountain put on fantastic firework shows. Please remember to keep your pets indoors and report any fireworks that you may hear

or see that are not a part of the shows to the Police. I wish each of you a safe and happy Fourth of July. Please contact our office if we may assist you.

Thank You!

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