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President's Report

I would like to congratulate the new members elected to the BOD- Peggy Bracken, Gus Lipins and Terry Paschen; as well as the returning member Marilyn Stimpson. I would also like to thank the other candidates for participating and wish them well. I was re-elected as president with Chuck Stead- 1st Vice, Marilyn Stimpson- 2nd Vice, Peggy Bracken- Secretary and Connie DeLarge- Treasurer. With another election behind us and the holidays around the corner it is a busy time for all of us, but the BOD is still faced with a number of challenges. We are still working on resolving the Waste Management issue- with no response from them since May 2009 to our proposal. Our attorney is negotiating with our past collections companies attorney and we will hopefully see this come to a conclusion shortly. The newly hired management company has VMS up and running with data entry being done to update all of our records. When complete you will be given an ID number and will be

able access your records online. What makes a community great? I've asked myself that and have come to the realization that it is neighbors that make a community a place others want to live. All too often, in today's world, we do not find the time or desire to get to know our neighbors. What is a neighbor? They respect each others' boundaries but are quick to assist in a crisis. Great neighbors make for great neighborhoods, and it is well worth the effort. There are a million ways you can be a good neighbor, starting with something as simple as sitting on the front porch and saying hello. We are not all into block parties and socializing with our neighbors but maybe take the time to wish them happy holidays this season and get to know them. We are all in this together so why not make the best of it. If you and yours are blessed this season please remember the Adopt a Family program the Association

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Adopt a Family Wish List



CRCRA has elected to adopt two families for the holiday. If you wish to participate, please drop off what you wish to give to the Management Office by the Windmill Park no later than December 14th. It must be new and if a toy, in its original packaging.

Family #1 has 2 adults and 3 children. Girl age 6 is interested in arts and crafts, dolls, doll clothes and accessories. She wears shoe/sock size 13, pants size 7 and shirt size 7.

Boy age 3 likes cars, Batman and Spiderman stuff. His shoe size is 9, pants 4T and shirt 4T.

Infant to be born in December is a girl. She will need diapers and wipes size 1 or 2 and clothes size 0- 6 mos.

The mother is a size medium for shirts, and shoes size 7 1/2. She is in need of personal items and she likes Marilyn Monroe stuff.

The father needs a jacket size XL, shirts and sweatshirts size XL. Shoes/socks size 10.5, pants w 36 l 34.

Family #2 has 2 adults and 5 children. Girl age 13 is interested in a new game system, bike and books. She wears a size large in woman in jackets and shirts. Size 12-13 in pants for woman and 9 1/2 shoes (for woman).

Girl, age 12 is interested in arts and crafts, painting and/or coloring. She

also loves anything with Tinker Bell and would also enjoy a bike. A jacket would be much appreciated, she wears a size 9 1/2 size shoe in woman, and pants are 9-10 in woman and large shirt in woman.

Girl age 6 wears shoe/sock size 1, pants size 7 girls and shirts are small 6x. She needs a winter jacket and enjoys learning toys, ex; leapfrog or v-Tec games. She too is interested in a bike and loves anything with princess on it.

Girl age 2 1/2 wears size 7 1/2 -8 in shoes/socks. Pants and shirts are size 4T-5T. She could use a winter jacket and also needs learning games like Leap Frog and V-Tec. She loves Dora the explorer and backyard toys to play with.

Girl age 7 months wears size 6-12 months in shoes/socks, shirts and pants. She needs a high chair and a play pen and crib. She seems to enjoy toys that light up and also needs a bathtub sit up seat.

The mother wears size 9 in shoes in women, large shirt and size 13 in pants for woman. She could really use a winter jacket and a portable back or foot massager.

The father is size 11 1/2 in shoes, 3XL in shirts and size 48 in pants. He could really use a winter jacket and a roaster oven or kitchen supplies. A table and chairs as well as maybe a dresser is also needed.

Fall Festival

The Festival was held from 3:00pm – 8:00pm on November 7th and the weather was quite cooperative. For the children we had a jumping castle, obstacle course, and a number of games. The music was by Endgame and was excellent. We were treated to a cheerleading demonstration by the Pride All Starz, with both the little ones and the teenage group. It was quite entertaining.

Papa Murphy's Pizza was there, as well as the Girl Scouts, who had a bake sale. There were several vendors present: Indigo Day Spa, Tompkins Chiropractic, Gold Canyon Candles, Isagenix, Kathy's Kritters, Chrystal Elegance, Arizona Power Yoga, and Curves, each of whom donated a prize for the free drawing. The Pima County Attorney's Office had a display and answered questions about serving as a victim's advocate.

Thanks go out to those who helped set up and who helped with children's games: Joann and Walt Ross, Linda and Jim Alam, Philip Keller, Connie de Large, Linda DiPalma, Mary Mooney, Ryan Harper, Mark Czacher, and Ms. Pope (whose first name I didn't have). If I missed anyone, I truly apologize.

Thanks also go to the hard-working members of the Activities Committee: Richard Singervalt, Michelle Godwin and Ana Holcomb.

Winners of the top prizes were: Miriam Harkins and Jeff Dohrolecki, 22" TV; Jodi Shoemaker, Vivitar camera; Kurt Senzee, digital camera; and Chris Holcomb, iPod.



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donates to. There are others less fortunate that can use a little help, especially in this economy. Any donation would be greatly appreciated. Don't forget to visit the Walgreen's at Twin Peaks and Coachline on Dec. 12th and 13th and get a free photo with Santa with your donation to the Marana community food bank. Have a safe and wonderful holiday season.

On a somewhat disturbing note: an appointed BOD member of last year's board has been targeted by a member or members of this community. They have received two separate anonymous letters with no return address, threatening them and making very derogatory statements. This is a direct result of their volunteering their time to CRCA by being appointed to the BOD. The coward needs to be identified and held accountable for their despicable actions. While the appropriate governmental agencies are investigating I ask anyone in this community to please come forward with any information you might have of this sorry excuse for a human being. There is no place for this type of behavior in CRCA and this BOD will not tolerate such actions! Any information given to the office will be held in strictest confidence.

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Board Of Directors

MEETING RECAP FOR NOVEMBER 2009

The Board Actions

Agenda adopted with the addition to XIX. New Business, E. Hate Mail

The Consent Agenda

To Rescind the Resolution prohibiting Board Member from contacting vendors

To Approve the Resolution to add to the Code of Conduct the ability to appoint Management personnel to assist

To Approve Facilities recommendation to core drill for the handicap signs at the community center (\$115)

To Approve Landscape recommendation to accept the RFP for the landscape contract bids

To Approve Landscape recommendation to accept Groundskeeper bid to install 20 (5) gallon oleander bushes along Coachline at Colony Park (\$750 + tax)

To Approve Activities recommendation to sponsor two families through Blake Foundation through advertisement in the newsletter for donations of items as well as \$250 each from CRCA for items for the families

To Approve appointment of five people to the Covenants Committee (one person not appointed)

To Approve the Fines as proposed by Covenants Committee

To Approve moving \$200,000 out of Treasury Direct to a CD earning more interest (1.98%), and to move

the Vantage West CD to State Farm as requested by the Finance Committee.

To Approve at the request of the Pool Committee three repair bids (2 for the Windmill pool (\$500.36) and 1 for the Community Center pool (\$250 not to exceed)

To Approve appointment of Dale De Men, CRCA Manager as Statutory Agent

To Approve a Resolution to require each contract to have a 30 day written cancellation clause and to not enter into any exclusive contracts

To Approve purchase of a laptop and projector at a cost not to exceed \$1,100

To Approve purchase of microphone package for meetings at a cost not to exceed \$375

Denied

To not approve a resolution for the BOD to obtain three bids for items that will incur a cost to the Association greater than \$999.99

To not approve a resolution regarding posting of emergency meetings

Postponed

Facilities proposal to refurbish seven existing monument signs and to install four new parcel monument signs postponed to next meeting for more information.

To adopt a Resolution for all complaints to be in writing

COMMITTEE SPOTLIGHT:



POOL COMMITTEE

Special thanks to everyone who served in any capacity on the Pool Committee during this past year, this includes Beth Andersen Chairperson, Bill Arnold, Etta-Rose Carrigan Russell Clanagan, Colin Cordell, Phil Kinney, Barbara Kochel, Kermit McCutchan, Mary Puckett, and Chuck Valarde.

The Windmill Pool and Spa is open from 5am-10pm every day of the year. We ask that to ensure the cleanliness of the pool area please remember not to bring any food or beverages into the swimming pool area. Also remember that everyone is entitled to have an enjoyable experience at the pool and this can be accomplished if we comply with the rules and respect each other. Children under the age of 14 should not be in the spa at any time.

Clyde Woods and his team of technicians from Oasis Pool Service continues to do an outstanding job maintaining our pools and spa. They are on call 7-days a week and provide an excellent service to our community. We look forward to continuing our relationship with the dedicated staff from Oasis Pool Service.

The Community Center Pool will remain closed until one week prior to Marana Unified School Districts Annual Spring Break, which will occur on March 15, 2010. During the period that the Community Center

Pool is closed the entire pool deck will be resurfaced by a professional decking company. The Board has budgeted funds for this very important project and the goal of the Pool Committee is to have both pools resurfaced during 2010.

The committee also wants to congratulate the newly elected members to the Board of Directors; Peggy Bracken, Gus Lipins, Terry Paschen and to Marilyn Stimpson who was reelected to another term as a member of the board. We also thank the out going members of the Board of Directors for their service to our community: Colin Cordell, George Earhart and Grant Winston, thanks and best wishes to each of you.

The Pool Committee meets at the Windmill Office on the second Monday of every month at 7pm., your input and participation is always welcome.

As each of us prepares to celebrate the most celebrated time of the year, I leave with the words of our 14th president of the United States: America will never be destroyed from the outside. If we falter, and lose our freedoms, it will be because we destroyed ourselves. - Abraham Lincoln

We wish everyone a safe and Happy Holiday Season

*Best regards,
Russell L Clanagan*

Committee Reports

WORKING HARD FOR YOU...

COVENANTS COMMITTEE

This month the covenants committee has seen a turnover in membership due to elections and members who are moving on from the committee for various reasons.

First, we would like to congratulate Gus Lipins and Peg Bracken on their election to the board of directors. We have enjoyed working with them on covenants and expect great things from them on the board. Thank you both for your service on the committee and to our community.

Secondly, Al Stark has resigned from the committee to spend more time enjoying his retirement. The committee would like to thank Mr. Stark for his time, work and investment in our community through the covenants committee. It has been a pleasure working with him and getting to

know him better. Best of luck to you, Al.

There are still openings on the committee and any homeowners in good standing are invited to attend a meeting and let us know if they are interested in joining us. We'd love to have more community involvement.

The covenants committee would like to take the time to welcome Connie DeLarge as our new board liaison. Ms. DeLarge has served as a member of the covenants committee in the past and has experience to add to the committee. She is responsible for helping to keep lines of communication between the board and the committee open so business can get done in a timely fashion. Welcome aboard!

All homeowners are invited and encouraged to

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Continental Ranch is a beautiful community and we all want it to be as clean and pristine as the day it was built. With the beautiful weather we've seen, it's no wonder so many residents have been out for afternoon or evening stroll. Some of our family members who tag along on a leash can leave behind a little "mess" during their walk. Please be courteous of your neighbors' sidewalks & yards by picking up after your pets. Treat others as we wish to be treated ourselves. ...Just a friendly reminder.



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attend the covenants committee meetings held the second Tuesday of each month at 6 p.m. at the community center. Our next meeting date is Dec. 8. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact our management liaison, Bill Heady, at (520) 297-7600.

ARC

Things at the ARC are moving along very smoothly. We would like to tribute this to the New Design Guidelines and the New Paint Palette, but also to the efficiency of HOA Management Solutions and our New Board of Directors willingness to accomodate our homeowners. Remember they are

here to answer any questions you may have.

One thing we would like to bring to your attention is that any outside lighting you may want to install or have installed (except solar) needs approval from the city of Marana. So please check with the city before installing outside lighting. It really helps to have a copy of all of the permits needed in your file to avoid any confusion.

Our meetings are held on the 1st Thursday of the month at 2 p.m. and the 3rd Thursday at 7 p.m. at the Windmill offices. We always welcome anyone either to observe or join us on the committee.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from the ARC!!!

Quick Notes

FROM THE WINDMILL OFFICE

When calling into the HOA office to report a violation of the CC&Rs, please make sure you have a specific location/address of where the violation has been observed. The more detailed and exact information you provide us, the quicker we can get out there to assess the violation and therefore take the necessary steps to get the issue resolved in a timely manner.

Routine inspection tours are made throughout the community, which consists of approximately 3500 homes and several commercial properties. So, please remember, when reporting a violation or subject of concern, be sure to have the exact location/address. This will aid us in getting out there to get it taken care of as quickly as possible.

If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to give the Compliance Department a call at 297-7600 ext. 104, or email Bill@hoamanagementsolutions.com anytime.

NEIGHBORS HELPING NEIGHBORS

Anyone in our community in distress and facing landscape violations due to conditions beyond their control, please contact us so that we may assist you in your time of need. We are neighbors helping neighbors in an effort to make CRCA a neighborhood we can be proud to be a part of. If you want to be a part of this or need assistance please contact us.

John and Nancy Lambert
579-1775
jlambert04@comcast.net
Barbara Snyder
742-3279

For Senior Citizens and Retirees

COMING ALIVE WITH THE MAGIC OF CHRISTMAS

Homes throughout the community are “coming alive” with the glitter and magic that is Christmas! There is always a warmth and friendliness within the community during this time of year as neighbors decorate with garlands, tinsel, colorful strings of lights, and share holiday greetings from house to house. This year we need to reach out to those neighbors who are facing the stress of the current economic situation, and lend a helping hand where necessary. Invite a neighbor to share your holiday dinner as well as your friendship.

Along with the excitement of the season, SCRCR members have a full calendar of activities. Gaslight Theater is scheduled for Tuesday, December 1st, with carpools, for those enjoying dinner, departing the Center at 5:00 p.m. December birthdays will be celebrated on the 3rd, and the last casino trip for the year will be on December 11th. Our last group gathering at the Center for this year will be on the 17th, so that each of us may enjoy the two-week holiday season with visiting families and friends.

We look forward to our annual holiday party at the Elks Lodge on Oracle Road on the 9th. This is a reservation event, with a buffet dinner and dancing, and an opportunity to get “dressed up in our holiday finest” for an evening out.

Transportation is being arranged for those who are unable to drive at night. A child’s gift is part of the “admission,” and will then be given to the Marana School District for distribution as needed. Door prizes and lots of fun surprises are in store for everyone attending, and Frank has promised to dance with all the single ladies!! How fun is that!

A Christmas card drop box is also available at our Thursday meetings, with JoAnn generously offering to assume the role of “postmistress” to sort/deliver the cards as received. We would encourage you to donate the savings on postage to the Marana Food Bank container or the postage fund container for mailing “goodie” boxes to our military men and women.

SCRCR has elected new officers and committee chairs for 2010, and although they will not actually assume their new appointments until January,

it’s a time of transition, making future plans, and a new beginning. We owe gratitude and thanks to our outgoing president and secretary—Joan Travis-Triumph and Lew MacDonald, as both have been in their positions for three

years. We say a big thank you, also, to the various committees that have served so faithfully since last January. We will welcome Jim Alam as he moves up from VP to incoming president, Frank Triumph as vice-president,



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Jeanne Lemieux as secretary, and Walt Ross, returning for a second term as treasurer. Congratulations are in order to these new officers, as we look forward to another great year of friendship and activity.

THIS 'N THAT...

During the month of December, we are reminded of Pearl Harbor Day on the 7th in 1941, Hanukkah which begins on the 12th, Orville and Wilbur Wright's four brief flights of their aircraft on the 17th in 1903, the official beginning of winter on the 21st, Christmas on the 25th, Kwanzaa beginning on the 26th, and the official end of WWII on the 31st in 1946.

Hanukkah, the Jewish holiday which means dedication, commemorates events begun long ago and begins with the sacred menorah, kept burning in the Jerusalem Temple at all times. Jewish texts teach that when the Temple was recaptured from the Syrian/Greeks, only enough lamp oil for one day was found, yet the light burned for a full eight days. Kwanzaa is a celebration of values, culture and people with varying themes and activities throughout the celebration week. Within the Christian community, we acknowledge Christmas and the birth of Jesus in Bethlehem with reverence and praise, along with month-long secular festivities enjoyed by all cultures and people everywhere—both young and old!

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:

People will not always remember what you said.
People will not always remember what you did.
But, people will always remember how you made them feel. —Author unknown.

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Winter Wonderland Holiday Decorating Contest

We may live in the desert, but this holiday season let's make Continental Ranch a Winter Wonderland!

Do you have the best decorated house during the holidays? If so, this contest is for you! It's that time of year again for you to sort through the attic and garage for all of your favorite holiday decorations. Give our residents a treat this holiday season by turning CRCA into a Winter Wonderland. Houses will be judged on December 17th. So, pull out Mr. and Mrs. Clause, Frosty the Snowman, candy canes, icicles and maybe even the Grinch! Any and all decorations are always appreciated during the holiday season, but if you think your house shows the most holiday spirit, please fill out the form below for your chance to win a monetary gift! Houses will be judged in four different categories: Best Overall, Best Use of Lights, Best Theme, and Most Creative. We will also give out several Honorable Mention gifts.

"It's a beautiful sight, we're happy tonight, walking in a Winter Wonderland!"

Holiday Decorating Contest Registration Form

If you would like to participate, please fill out this registration form and return it to the CRCA office by Monday, December 14th. You may also send an email to continental.ranch@yahoo.com to register your house. Houses that do not fill out a registration form will not be included in the judging.

Name: _____ Phone: _____
Address: _____

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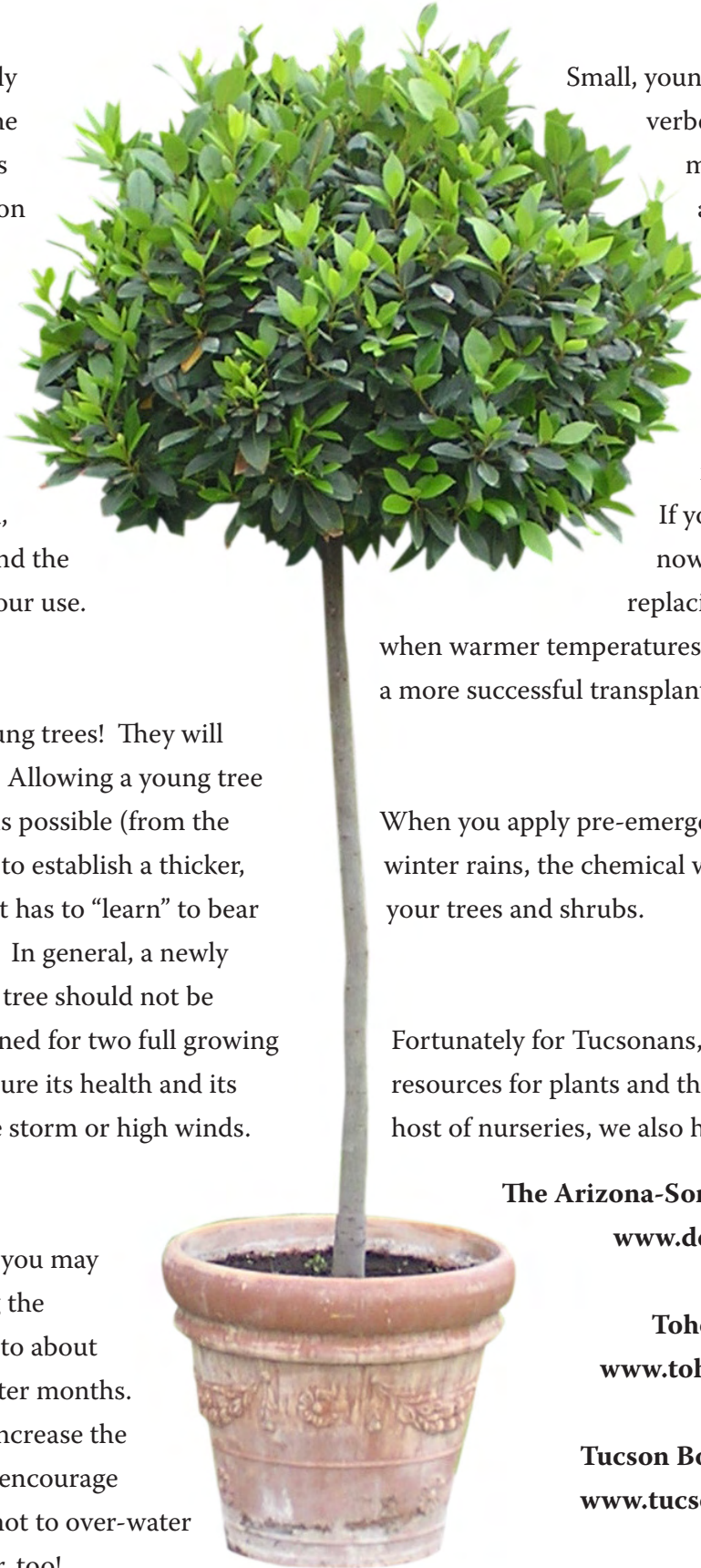
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Winter Care for Young Plants & Trees

Living in a fairly newly developed area of the community, chances are your front yard vegetation has not yet matured to the point where it can stand extreme temperatures and/or little water. In an effort to help you nurture your young plants and trees into a well-established, beautiful landscape, we found the following information for your use.

Resist the urge to prune young trees! They will suffer in the long run for it. Allowing a young tree to grow as many branches as possible (from the ground up) will give it time to establish a thicker, more stable trunk because it has to “learn” to bear the weight of its new limbs. In general, a newly planted 15-gallon mesquite tree should not be significantly pruned or thinned for two full growing cycles. This will help to ensure its health and its ability to withstand a severe storm or high winds.

For young plants and trees, you may wish to consider decreasing the frequency of your watering to about once a week during the winter months. However, you will need to increase the duration of the watering to encourage deeper rooting. Take care not to over-water — remember, roots need air, too!



Small, young plants such as lantana, verbena, and honeysuckle may have a tough time adapting to transplanting and cooling temperatures. Keep a close eye on them and, if needed, cover them at night whenever there is a hard-frost warning. If you lose a plant between now and March, hold off on replacing it. Wait until March when warmer temperatures and rains will make for a more successful transplant.

When you apply pre-emergent spray during the winter rains, the chemical will only affect seeds, not your trees and shrubs.

Fortunately for Tucsonans, we have a wealth of resources for plants and their care. In addition to a host of nurseries, we also have:

The Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum
www.desertmuseum.org

Tohono Chul Park
www.tohonochulpark.org

Tucson Botanical Gardens
www.tucsonbotanical.org

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Halloween Event at Windmill Park

OCTOBER 31, 2009 - 10AM TO 12 NOON

WINNERS FOR AGE GROUP 0-3

First:

Marina Monsell, age 3, dressed as Dorothy, all shiny and pretty. Marina is the daughter of Jeremy and Crystal Monsell.

Second:

Makou Williamson, age 1, dressed in a serape and a sombrero as big as he is. Makou is the son of Steve Williamson.

Third:

Ariana Diaz, age 9 months, dressed as a lady bug, and a very sleepy one. Ariana is the daughter of Christine Diaz.

WINNERS FOR AGE GROUP 4-7

First:

Deven Calhoun, age 7, dressed as Harry Potter, complete with broom and magic wand. Deven is the son of Denise Calhoun.

Second:

Tristyn Marble, age 7, dressed as the tin man, complete with painted face and fingernails (all silver). Tristyn is the son of Kavey Ann Marble.

Third:

Maile Williamson, age 4, dressed as a mermaid complete with tail. Maile is also the daughter of Steve Williamson.

WINNERS FOR AGE GROUP 8-12

First

Juan Laney, age 10, dressed as a six-pack Ninja!. Juan is the son of Mr. & Mrs. Will Laney.

Second

Mariah Diaz, age 12, dressed as a very interesting vampire. Mariah is the daughter of Jan Diaz.

Third

Kimberly Laney, age 11, dressed as a piece of yummy candy corn. Kimberly is also the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Will Laney

Thank you to the judges, Nancy Lambert, Vigi Lipins and Gus Lipins (new board member) who had an extremely difficult time trying to pick the winners.

Thanks also go to the Activities Committee Members, Michelle Godwin, Anna Holcomb, as well as Jocelyn Canovali (Management) and Robert Banks (Fiona's son).

2010 Citizens' Police Academy



Hosted by the
Marana Police
Department

Wednesdays
January 13 thru March 17
6:00 pm—9:30 pm

The Citizens' Police Academy is designed to give people who live and work in Marana the opportunity to get to know their Police Department. The goal of the Academy is to further our partnership with the community. Participants in the academy will learn about the Police Department's role in the community and the criminal justice system. The instruction is informative and a variety of topics are covered each week. Marana Police Department personnel provide the instruction which will give the participants an opportunity to get to know the officers, civilian employees, and specialty units.

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AND
APPLICATION, VISIT US ONLINE AT:
WWW.MARANA.COM/ACADEMY



Register before December 21st

Class size is limited

*Class will meet at the Marana
Municipal Complex*

Halloween Event Contest Winners



Marina Monsell – Age 3
First Place Winner



Makou Williamson – Age 1
Second Place Winner



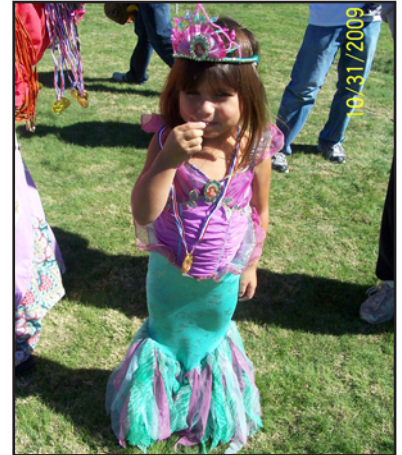
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Did you know that we can take some simple steps to prevent crime in our neighborhood? Some crimes, such as thefts or break-ins, may be committed by people who don't necessarily fit the image of a criminal. The perpetrators of these crimes may loiter in the neighborhood, observing the activities of residents and choosing targets of opportunity.

- What can you do to reduce the potential of becoming a victim?
- It pays to be aware of anything that could be identified as "suspicious" activity.
- Always completely close your garage door, and keep it closed at all times unless you are in the immediate area.
- Be aware of the activity on your street, and get to know your neighbors and their families.
- Basically, anything that seems even slightly out of place or is occurring at an unusual time of day or night could be criminal activity. Here is a list of some of the most obvious activities to watch for and report to the police:
- Any vehicle moving slowly and without lights, or following an apparently aimless course.
- Vehicles containing one or more persons parked at unusual hours.
- Persons who do not live in your neighborhood and are hanging around the neighborhood.
- An unusual volume of traffic frequently arriving and departing from a residence at various times of the day and night.

This list is by no means all-inclusive, but, as with all crime prevention, the responsibility has to be ours. The police can only advise from their experience—and we can use their advice to help our community remain a safe place to live.



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Dear Continental Ranch Community,
The Holidays are traditionally a time to gather with friends and loved ones to give thanks for life's blessings and to renew the spirit. This time of year lends itself to reflection on the people and things for which one is most grateful. Here in the CRCA office we are most grateful for working with the wonderful people who live and work in Continental Ranch. The Committees have all been working hard and are seeing the fruits of their labor and setting goals as we start another CRCA year. A big thank you goes out to all who have served and are willing to serve again... AND there is always room for more people to volunteer. The Facilities Committee is without members. Please consider becoming a member of this vital committee to help your Association. The Activities Committee held two successful functions: the Halloween Party and the Fall Festival. It was our pleasure to support these events and meet those who came out to participate. Activities Committee needs more participation by the members. Can you help?

Thank you Seniors for your help. You brighten our days and we love hearing the laughter.

I think it is appropriate to reflect on a quote from Seneca, "Nothing is more honorable than a grateful heart." Continental Ranch is a beautiful community of members with great hearts. May your holidays be bright with good cheer, may your loved ones be healthy and safe, and may your holidays be filled with meaning...

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