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November 2009 Edition

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Sunflower Fine Arts and Crafts Festival

BY JEANNE COLLINS

Mark your calendars, the date for the ninth annual Fine Arts and Crafts Festival is November 13th and 14th from 9:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m.

Invite your friends to attend this amazing affair which presents high quality crafted items, made by our very talented residents. It's the perfect opportunity to buy personal and holiday gifts. More than 30 exhibitors will sell arts and crafts, including jewelry, quilts and quilted bags, photography, walking sticks, knitted and crochet items, gourds, stained glass, origami, greeting cards, hand embroidered dish towels,

wreaths and paintings. We'll have the raffle again this year. You'll have a chance at winning a prize from many of the fine restaurants and businesses that have made donations. The Fitness Club will sponsor a great bake sale and the Activity Committee will provide lunch on the patio. The Town of Marana will once again present an informative Merchants Fair on the patio Saturday, November 14th from 9:00 a.m. until noon.

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Doing It Yourself

Your home is your greatest asset. It's natural that you want to increase its value, improve its appearance, and enhance its livability. Small do-it-yourself projects, such as painting a room or installing a closet organizing system, don't require major expertise—unlike large home improvement projects, such as building a porch or renovating a kitchen.

Real costs

If you earn \$40 an hour at your regular job, it would be cheaper to pay a skilled tradesperson \$30 an hour to do the work for you. If you do it yourself, you run the risk of incurring extra expenses later if you have to hire an expert to fix your mistakes.

Real time

Ask yourself if you want to spend your leisure time working on your house. Doing it yourself can add weeks (or months) to a major remodeling job, simply because you're doing the work in your off-hours as opposed to working on it full time, as a professional would.

The Value of Sweat Equity

How much do you actually save by improving your home yourself instead of hiring someone else to do it? According to most estimates, do-it-yourselfers save about 20 percent in home improvement costs. For many homeowners, this kind of savings is the main reason for taking on their home improvements.

The value you add to your home by improving it yourself is called sweat equity. The idea is that the less you pay to improve or enhance your home, the more profitable your home will be at resale time. To make sweat equity work, it is essential that you:

Understand the scope of the project, and know precisely how to tackle it

Take the time to gain essential expertise through classes, books, software, and/or instructional videos

Don't invest more money than you can safely lose

Leave the difficult or hazardous tasks to experts

Fall Festival

November 7, 2009

3 pm to 8 pm

Windmill Park - Continental Ranch

- MUSIC
- ENTERTAINMENT
- FOOD VENDORS
- PRIZES
- BALLOON ARTIST
- TRAIN RIDE
- JUMPING CASTLE
- OBSTACLE COURSE
- GAMES



We are asking that you bring one can of food from each family. The family will receive ONE EXTRA door price ticket. You may bring more food if you wish, but the family will receive only one extra ticket. Pet food would probably be welcome as well.

Endgame will be playing and if you remember from last year, they are really excellent.

There will be food vendors on site so you can just bring your chairs or blankets (or both) and just spend the afternoon and early evening relaxing and listening to music.

You may also want to bring a jacket as it may be cool that evening.

Lots of things for the kiddies to do – train rides, the balloon lady, the jumping castle and many other opportunities to have fun.



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Board Of Directors

MEETING RECAP FOR OCTOBER 2009

Here are the highlights of the annual meeting held October 28th in the Twin Peaks Elementary School auditorium. Completed draft minutes will be approved at the next annual meeting. They are posted to the website or a copy may be requested from the office staff.

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All members of the Board of Directors were present. President, John Lambert verified the requirement for quorum and offered Proof of Meeting Notice. Minutes of the 2008 annual meeting were approved. The new management company staff was introduced.

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Each Board member and committee chair gave reports of accomplishments, goals or on-going projects. All committees are in need of more volunteer support.

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The only new business to come before the meeting was the Election Committee report acknowledging the results of the recent election to place four new members on the 2009-2010 Board of Directors for two-year terms. Stepping down from the Board are Colin Cordell, George Erhardt and Grant Winston. The fourth seat is currently held by Marilyn Stimpson, candidate for re-election.

According to CRCA bylaws, the four elected by majority votes are: Peggy Bracken, Gus Lipins, Marilyn Stimpson and Terry Paschen. With Peggy Bracken not in attendance, a follow-up meeting could not take place in order to elect officers within the Board or establish a calendar of meetings for the coming year.

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Mr. Lambert introduced Ms. Pat Fleming, State Representative, who agreed to make a return visit and conduct an open forum for residents of CRCA.

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During open forum, the new traffic signal being installed at Coachline and Twin Peaks Boulevard was mentioned by a resident. Information or concerns will need to be requested from the Town of Marana.

Election results

Peggy Bracken with 823 votes

Gus Lipins with 721 votes

Marilyn Stimpson with 712 votes

Terry Paschen with 667 votes

Angela Wagner-Gabbard with 471 votes

Bill Arnold with 460 votes

COMMITTEE SPOTLIGHT:



The covenants committee most recently met Oct. 13 where we welcomed and became acquainted with our new staff representation from HOA Management Solutions, Bill Heady.

Mr. Heady will be our staff representative in charge of covenants in Continental Ranch and he comes with many years of management experience. He is already conducting site tours and is inspecting 375 lots each day to ensure each area in the community is seen twice a month. This schedule allows time for violations to quickly be corrected and our community to remain in good condition while keeping our property values high.

Due to the lack of quorum of our board members, the September board meeting was cancelled. This meant that all proposed fines from covenants were put on hold for a month as the board could not approve them. In addition, the covenants committee could not move ahead with the business of reviewing fines and lot cleanups due to the transition of new management. We are hopeful that things will be back up and running for our November meeting. In November, the committee also intends to move forward on reviewing the current bylaws and CC&Rs for areas that may need to be changed to better suit the current needs of our community.

If you will be having company over that will need

to park on the street or you notice a violation, please feel free to contact the management office, at 297-7600, and Mr. Heady will take care of you or look into the issue. In addition, if you have an appeal of fines, you can contact Mr. Heady and he will bring the appeal before the covenants committee. As always, all residents are encouraged to attend our open meetings which are the second Tuesday of each month at the community center, 8881 N. Coachline Blvd., at 6 p.m. We are always in need of committee members for covenants and welcome any volunteers. Our next meeting is scheduled for November 10, 2009 and we hope to see you there.

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Committee Reports

WORKING HARD FOR YOU...

ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

We hope by now all of you have had a chance to review the New Design Guidelines. We tried very hard to simplify and clarify each item in the table of contents. We also want to thank all who have turned in applications for the improvements you are making to your home and landscape. It is a very good feeling to know that our homeowner files are being updated.

Just a note to all homeowners who have made improvements without filling out an application, it is not too late to update your file. Just fill out an application and turn it in with a picture of your completed work to the ARC for approval.

An updated file makes things easier for everyone! You as a homeowner have reassurance if questions should arise about your improvements and also the management company can answer questions from homeowners and ward off any confusion.

The new paint pallet has been used quite frequently and so far it seems that it is appreciated. It is on view in our Windmill Offices and also at all Dunn Edwards stores.

If you have any questions about the Design Guidelines, paint pallet application, or a project you are addressing fill free to contact the office at 297-7600 and ask for Josh Seng. He will be glad to help you out and answer all your questions.

Our meetings are all at the Windmill offices, the first Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m. and the third Thursday at 2:00 p.m. We look forward to meeting you.

ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE

The Activities Committee held the Women's Pampering Night last month. We hoped to see more of you there, but maybe next year will be better since it will be held in August rather than September.



The Fall Festival is coming up November 7th and we are hoping to have a number of vendors, food and otherwise. We plan to have entertainment and Endgame will be playing again (they are great!).

Activities Committee continued on page 7...



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.

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There will also be a jumping castle, an obstacle course and, of course, the train. The fishing booth will be set up, plus other kinds of games. The festival runs from 3 pm to 8 pm, so bring jackets and blankets and/or chairs. Also, if you bring one non-perishable item, the family will receive one (and only one) extra ticket for the door prizes. You may, of course, bring as many items you wish as it will all be donated for those less fortunate.

We will be putting the applications for Christmas decorations in the newsletter very soon, so watch for them. There are no special categories this year. It will be the best five houses.

Watch for the forms coming soon!

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For Senior Citizens and Retirees

FULL SPEED INTO THE HOLIDAY SEASON...

By the time this is being read, four new members of the CRCA Board of Directors will have been elected, installed and assigned liaison tasks for the coming two years. During our recent “Meet the Candidates” event, each agreed to devote the time and fortitude to serve, lead, learn and listen to the residents, keeping in mind their fiduciary responsibilities and the limits of the law as governed in our CC&Rs and bylaws. The tasking is not an easy one, and we wish them well.

We also wish to welcome the new community manager, Dale DeMen and her staff as they delve into the intricacies of our large HOA. Take a few minutes to stop by their Windmill office to offer personal congratulations and your willingness to help them get acquainted with the community.

As we roll into the month of November, once again that old question pops up: “Where did the year go”? We will soon embark into the holiday season, acknowledged and/or celebrated in some way by almost all faiths according to religious or personal beliefs. Already, the anticipated smells of roasting turkey and pumpkin pie coming out of the oven are paramount to the kick-off of the season! Take a minute to observe your neighborhood and invite a neighbor living alone or a young family to share your bounty this year!

As for SCRCR, we car-pooled south to participate in the Caterpillar Tour and Demonstration in late October, and then enjoyed the casino buffet lunch in route back to Tucson. Some of the group decided to sneak in an extra afternoon at the casino.

Any big winners? November events include our regular meeting and luncheon at the Contessa on November 5th; birthday celebration at the Center on the 12th with dinner at the White Stallion that evening. Reservations are a “must” for this event. Our regular casino trip is Friday, the 13th, and we will close our month of activities with games on the 19th followed by luncheon at the new Golden Coral on Thornydale. We may try to sneak in a trip to the Mesa Swap Meet sometime in November as well, but nothing firm has been suggested as yet. On Thanksgiving Day, we will hopefully be with family and friends in individual homes, and giving thanks for the many blessings we have.



Fly your flag on Wednesday the 11th to honor Veterans’ Day. This day was originally set aside to acknowledge the signing of the WWI Armistice in 1918, and was known as Armistice Day, but became Veterans Day in 1954 as a result of legislation signed by President Dwight D. Eisenhower to honor all who serve the nation in defense of our freedom. This seems to be especially significant during the current

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situation throughout the world just now. The Marine Corps was established in November of 1775, and the nation's first Thanksgiving—a three-day feast—took place in December 1621. It was President Abraham Lincoln who designated the fourth Thursday of November as a permanent Thanksgiving Day.

This 'N That...

Early registration for the January 2010 Senior Olympic Festival will begin in November. Watch the newspaper for complete information.

The Arizona State Fair, which opened in October at the fairgrounds in Phoenix, offers a variety of 4-H, livestock, cooking, crafts, hobby, home improvement, and vendor participation along with the carnival-type activities sure to please attendees, young and old! The fair remains open until November 8th (closed Mondays), and complete information is available at azstatefair.com/discounts.

California boasts the beginning of whale-watching season, when the waters off Dana Point become a showcase of whale activity. At this site, marine biologists and other scientists study the huge mammals as they make their way from the Bering Straits to the Baja for the winter, and is one of the most breathtaking vantage points for viewing gray whales from late November through April. Daily cruises are scheduled at a moderate cost. For more information, visit online at www.danawhartsportfishing.com.

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Bicycle Safety

READ THIS AND BE BIKE SMART!

Riding a bicycle is more than a form of basic transportation. It can be a fun and exciting hobby. But, when you ride, you're not alone. You share the road with cars, trucks, pedestrians, and other cyclists. Since accidents can turn a bicycle adventure into a bicycle mishap, here are some tips to help make your ride a safe and enjoyable one. Be bike smart!

Have safe equipment!

Take a few minutes to check over your bike. Make sure that tires have the right pressure and are in good shape. Check that the wheels spin freely and do not wobble. Make sure that your lights and reflectors are in good shape and securely fastened.

Wear a helmet!

Helmets can prevent head injuries, which are the primary cause of death and disabling injuries resulting from cycling accidents. Your helmet should fit correctly and meet safety standards.

Be seen!

The number one way to prevent being hurt in a crash is to prevent the crash! Wear brightly colored clothing and reflective strips on your clothing. Ride where crossing, passing, and approaching drivers can see you.

Be aware!

Watch for cars coming out of driveways — remember, the driver might not see you. Look for cars opening their doors in front of you. Never wear headphones while riding. Watch for children who might run in front of you. Watch for potholes, debris, and storm drains.



Be predictable!

Don't surprise pedestrians, drivers, or other cyclists. Learn and use hand signals before turning and stopping. Check behind you before making sudden turns.

Follow the rules of the road!

Ride on the right with the traffic in a single-file line. Obey Stop signs and traffic lights. Never cross a road without checking for cars. When in doubt, always let the car go first. Give the right-of-way to pedestrians in crosswalks. Walk your bicycle on sidewalks whenever pedestrians are around. Have a bell or horn to let people know you are there.

Practicing these rules will keep you safe, sound, and on the road!

Fall Landscaping Tips

Although gardeners in most other regions are getting ready to hang up their gardening gloves for the year, we in Arizona are entering an active season. To assist homeowners with weed control and decorative planting for the upcoming months, we would like to provide the following information.

This is the time to sow most wildflower seeds for spring blooming. September and October are the last months to fertilize; plants need to slow their growth and allow new shoots to toughen so that they can withstand the frost and winter cold. Even plants that do not lose their leaves need less water and have a dormant period during the cold weather.

If you would like to install a spectacular fall shrub or tree in your yard, now is the time of year to go to the nursery and choose a plant. Even plants of the same species can differ in the color and/or intensity of their fall color; to get the precise fall color show you desire, pick the plant out when it is showing its stuff!

Any plant that is cold-hardy in our climate is safe to plant now. Please remember to check your ARC Guidelines for allowable planting.

It is important to check your stakes on newly planted trees. Stakes are meant to stabilize the tree only temporarily after it is removed from the nursery stake. Stakes should be removed six months to two years after planting, depending on the height of the tree at planting. The tree must be able to sway in the wind to develop strength in its trunk, allowing the stake to be removed sooner and giving the tree a good start in developing the strength it needs to withstand storms.

For additional information, check out the following helpful websites:

www.tucsonbotanical.org

www.ag.arizona.edu/pima/gardening/

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27	28	29	30 TOPS 10am @ CC	31 New Years Eve! Office closed		

Getting ready for the Holidays

Holiday Fun Facts

For every real Christmas tree harvested, 2 to 3 seedlings are planted in its place. Each hectare provides the daily oxygen requirements of 45 people.

Three years after Thomas Edison invented the electric light bulb in 1879, Edward H. Johnson, who worked for Edison's company, had Christmas tree bulbs especially made for him. He proudly displayed his electric tree lights at his home on Fifth Avenue, New York City. They caused a sensation, although some years were to pass before mass-manufactured Christmas tree lights were widely available.

In America in 1822, the postmaster of Washington, DC, complained that he had to add 16 mailmen at Christmas to deal with cards alone. He wanted the number of cards a person could send limited by law. "I don't know what we'll do if this keeps on," he wrote.

Holiday Safety Tips

As the holiday season rapidly approaches, it's wise to take certain precautions to help keep your days merry and bright. Here are a few suggestions

Safeguarding Your Home

1. Turn on lights and a radio or TV so that it appears that someone is home.
2. Don't display gifts where they can be seen from outside.
3. Properly dispose of boxes from audio equipment, TVs, VCRs, etc., by cutting them up and recycling them.
4. Don't advertise to a thief by simply placing the boxes at the curb.
5. If you have a holiday tree, turn off the tree lights when you are away from your home. Check your tree often for excessive dryness.
6. Don't forget to note the serial numbers of your gifts and store the numbers in a safe place.

Vacation Planning

1. Stop all deliveries or arrange for a neighbor or friend to pick up your mail, newspapers, and packages.
2. Have good locks on all doors and windows AND USE THEM!
3. Plug in timers to turn lights and radio on and off at appropriate times.
4. Never leave your house key hidden outside under a doormat, in a flower pot, etc. Someone other than a friend or family member is bound to find it!

Practicing these common-sense tips will help keep you, your family, and your belongings safe and sound!

Protect Yourself from Identity Theft

Identity theft occurs when a crook steals pieces of personal identifying information, such as name, address, date of birth, Social Security number, and mother's maiden name, to gain access to a person's financial accounts. Most identity theft involves the U.S. Mail. That's why the U.S. Postal Inspection Service is a lead agency in investigating incidents of identity theft.

The U.S. Postal Inspection Service urges you to add these tips to your "must do" list to protect your identity

- Don't leave mail in your mailbox overnight or on weekends.
- Deposit mail in U.S. Postal Service collection boxes.
- Tear up or shred unwanted documents that contain personal information.
- Review your consumer credit report annually.
- If you suspect you're victim of ID theft and the crime involved the U.S. Mail, report it to your nearest U.S. Postal Inspection Service office.

Taking care of those pesky weeds

One of the priorities of a homeowners association is to make sure that the community looks its best, so that property values will continue to increase. Frequently this means addressing a subject that refuses to go away—namely, weeds and yard maintenance!

Weeds are just about the most dreaded subject of any community association. No matter how often you try to remove them from your yard, they keep coming back. And the hot days and warm nights make it especially difficult to keep up with the proliferation of weeds in the community.

Therefore, we are taking the opportunity to remind residents to remove weeds on a regular basis from your front and side yards. Whether you prefer the latest herbicidal treatment or old-fashioned elbow grease, weeds are far easier to contend with if you can manage to stay one step ahead of them.

If you are using a herbicide, early spring is the best time to begin pre-emergent spraying for summer

weeds, before they begin to sprout. Pre-emergent herbicide must be applied early, since it is not effective once a seedling has fully sprouted. Post-emergent treatment (as the name suggests) is applied after the weeds are visible above ground.

If you plan to leave town during any part of the summer, please make arrangements for someone to maintain your property during your absence.

If you're weeding by hand, now is the perfect time to pull up those little green desert brooms, before they develop their tenacious taproots. Desert broom is one of Tucson's peskiest weeds, especially where allergies are concerned.

And while you are busy pulling out the weeds, please take a few moments to remove dead plant material lying in your yard and to trim back bushes, which will promote new growth.

Thank you, from the whole neighborhood!



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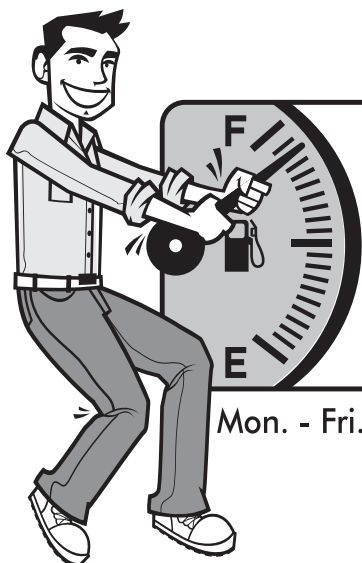
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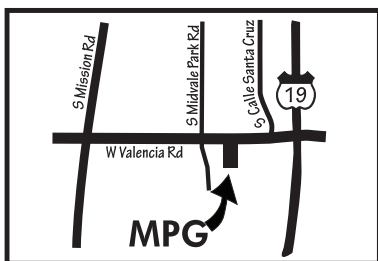
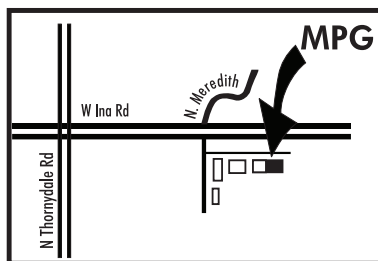
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Why is “wildcat” dumping so bad?

“Wildcat” or illegal dumping:

- creates safety hazards to children;
- may be breeding grounds for disease carriers such as flies, roaches, rats and other dangerous pests;
- introduces pollutants and fire hazards that endanger our air, water, and land;
- disrupts wildlife habitats; and
- destroys the beauty of our desert.


What can you do?

If you witness someone dumping garbage or items into the desert, Pima County also has a hotline dedicated specifically to report illegal dumping. Never approach an illegal dumper. Immediately call 622-5800, and try to give a license number, vehicle description, or other identifying information.

What can you do with unwanted material?

Look no further than Tucson’s many charitable organizations. Protect the environment and help your fellow citizens by calling any of the following:

- American Lung Association, 323-1812.
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Manager's Corner

It has been an exciting month here at Continental Ranch! We have been getting our feet on the ground, and have enjoyed meeting with all Committees. We're looking forward to working with the new Board of Directors this upcoming fiscal year. We can't wait to see everyone at the Fall Festival! November is the month of giving thanks, and the HOA Management Solutions staff is VERY grateful for the opportunity to serve Continental Ranch Community and we thank all the friendly members for embracing us so graciously. We wish everyone happy travels over the holiday as well as a lovely Thanksgiving.

Veterans Day is on November 11th, and we would like to thank our Veterans and their families for their sacrifices for our country.

In light of the holiday schedule this month, we have changed the date of our once-per-month Saturday office hours. We will be open from 9:00am to 1:00pm on Saturday, November 21st and will be closed for the entire Thanksgiving weekend from Thursday, November 26th thru Sunday, November 29th.

Best Regards,

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