

CONTINENTAL RANCH

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January 2010

- 4th Pool Committee
7 p.m. at WP
- 5th Landscape Committee
7 p.m. at WP
- 6th Activities Committee
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- 7th Seniors/Retirees
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- 12th Covenants
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Finance Committee
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ARC
2 p.m. at WP
- 28th Seniors/Retirees
9 a.m. at CC
- 30th CRCA Office open 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

President's Report

—John Lambert

The Board meeting on December 16th had a very special group attend the meeting. The Daisy Scouts of CRCA performed three songs for those in attendance and helped set the holiday mood for all. I am sure I speak for the whole Board when I say thank you to those young ladies for their well done performance.

The Board was presented with a number of issues relating to vandalism of CRCA property. A play structure at one of the tot lots was broken by vandals and would require over \$1,600 to replace. The Board voted to remove the remaining piece of the broken item due to liability issues, and we also voted to follow through with prosecution of the vandals. We are awaiting a copy of the police report before proceeding. In another instance, twenty plants were replaced in a section of CRCA on a Friday. By the following Friday, seven of the twenty had been broken off to the ground by another group of vandals.

This type of destruction of community property will not be tolerated by this Board, and we will pursue all legal means to seek restitution and prosecution of those involved. Please report any instances of vandalism that you witness to the management office, so we can stop this needless destruction of homeowners' property within the association. Vandalism of CRCA property wastes the funds of every homeowner within the community. We need to stop this before it becomes a bigger problem. ► *next page*

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President's Report, Continued

The Board sent out a Request For Proposals (RFP) for maintaining the landscaped common areas of CRCA and requested that they be submitted by December 21st. The Landscape Committee will be reviewing those proposals at two meetings in January, with the goal of narrowing it down to the three best proposals. The Board will then interview the top choices and select the best proposal to maintain the common area landscaping in CRCA.

VMS—the new software program for the Association—is up and running and is within half of one percent from being current with all homeowner information. The few remaining updates left to complete are homes that have recently changed hands.

I hope you all had a wonderful holiday, and we wish you a prosperous and happy new year in 2010!

Coming Up Fast!

Neighborhood Watch Coordinators Workshop

- Wednesday, January 6th, from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m.
- IHOP at 8445 N Cerius Stravenue (5600 Block West Cortaro Farms Road)
- Coffee, tea, and soft drinks will be provided. You also may order from the menu on your own.

It's time to add some more tools to your tool box! Please plan to join us for an evening of networking and continued education to enhance your Watch group's commitment to preventing neighborhood crimes. As promised last summer, we'll offer this type of workshop opportunity at least twice a year. Bring your ideas and questions to share with the group. For example, many of you hosted GAIN celebrations and others will benefit from your planning advice. On the Agenda:

- More Target Hardening – where are the weak-spots and how do you make them stronger
- Communication
- Planning Meetings/Organizing Events or Activities

This invitation is open to all active Watch group Coordinators and those who are interested in coordinating a Watch group for their neighborhood. Seating is limited, therefore ideas shared at this meeting should be taken back and shared with others in your community.

If you haven't done so already, sign up to receive listserv notifications of what is going on in our community. This is done on www.marana.com using the Notify Me link along the left side of the home page. This will provide up-to-date information about activities, events and alerts happening in our community.

Dianne VanHorn, Marana Police Department

Community Resources

520-382-2049 or dvanhorn@marana.com

Adopt-A-Family

—Jocelyn Canovali

Just Imagine...

Coming home on a bus, after a long day of looking for a job; opening the front door to walk into the living room; and finding your children on the couch sharing the single TV the family owns. Your stomach growls, and it's time for dinner. You walk into the kitchen area with hopes of finding food, and you realize that even if you cook something, there's no table for the family to sit at and eat it.

When dinner time is over, you notice that large load of laundry off in the corner that's been waiting to get to the laundry mat. But the pile is so big, money is so tight, and the closest laundry mat is three different buses away. Telling yourself "tomorrow" helps to ease the stress while heading to the children's room to check on them. Picking out clothes for school tomorrow is a hassle because you need to dig through garbage bags since you cannot afford dressers. After the nightly tasks are finished, your spouse, the sole

supporter of the family, comes home after working all day at a minimum wage fast food job. Before going to sleep, you help your spouse wash their work uniform in the sink. Then, do it all again tomorrow. How does one even begin to think about Christmas gifts for the family?

These are the conditions two families were living in before Continental Ranch adopted them. The Blake foundation gave us two families in need, and it is a great pleasure to say that the Continental Ranch Community tried their best to help these families. We had two small dressers donated, as well as a washer and dryer. A table and chairs were also given to one of the families. They each received a Christmas tree for the clothes and toys that were donated to the children.

Thank you so much Continental Ranch Homeowners for all your participation this year in our Adopt-a-Family. Thanks to everyone's help, two families in need are able to have a Christmas this year.

Winter Wonderland Holiday Decorating Contest

Continental Ranch had an amazing decorating contest this year. Judges of this year's contest all agree they had a tough decision to make while examining each contestant's house. This year there were a total of six winners:

Edward Navarrete placed first, followed by **Jack and Barbara Gerrettie**. In third was **Marie and Gene Kretowitz** followed by **Phillip Young**. There was a tie for fifth place between **Ken and Velvet Campbell** and **Stephen and Stacy Evans**.

Congratulations to the winners and everyone who participated. The community looks great with everyone's decorations!



December Board Meeting Recap

The following are highlights from the regular meeting of the Board of Directors held on December 16, 2009, at the Community Center. Completed minutes are posted to the website in draft format and will be approved at the next regular meeting in January. A copy also may be requested from the office staff.

Prior to the start of the meeting, 13 members of Daisy Troop #320, Continental Ranch, gaily arrayed in Santa hats and bells, sang a selection of festive music, followed by the presentation of a holiday card and cookie tray to the Board of Directors. Each Daisy introduced herself and enjoyed the applause of an appreciative audience! Many thanks to Daisy Troop #320, the leaders, and the parents who accompanied these young ladies. It was a very special holiday treat!

Board Approval

The Board authorized an expenditure of up to \$1,000 to help subsidize a luncheon planned for January, honoring the many volunteers who assisted with numerous projects throughout the year. The bike rack at the Community Center will be secured at a cost not to exceed \$85. Vandalized "Surf Rider" equipment at the Yellow Moon/Veridian Tot Lot will be removed, and police reports were requested in order to identify responsible person(s). Bids have been received for the replacement of security camera DVR units at the Community Center and Windmill Park locations, with Rent-a-Techie's bid to be considered via an Action in Lieu, pending service and warranty concerns.

Eleven area contractors were contacted regarding a future RFP for a landscape contract. Twenty oleander plants were installed in early December, and seven plants were vandalized and destroyed. Police and school reports have been requested.

The Groundskeeper will remove and store the Rainmaster Clock at the Yellow Moon/Veridian Tot

Lot, and they will replace it with a battery-operated valve timer at a cost not to exceed \$125, plus tax. A redistribution of Association funds was recommended by the Finance Committee and accepted for handling in January. Monthly pool furniture cleaning will be provided by Pro-Care between September 1st and the end of the following April at a cost of \$40 monthly. Action on a new policy regarding expenditures over \$999.99 requiring bids from three separate sources was postponed for continuing study. An exception noted would be in the event of an emergency calling for immediate action for the safety and well-being of the Association.

An annual financial audit, to be conducted by J. Todd Lundering, was approved upon recommendation of the Finance Committee. New contracts with Central Alarm of Tucson, Inc., for both the Community Center and the Windmill Park office, include a 30-day without-cause cancellation authority and were approved.

Items Under Consideration

Items include a possible increase in facilities' rental fees; removal of the "CR" logos from existing signage and relocation to parcels 47 and 69, pending homeowner permission; and sidewalk options for the Windmill Park complex, which are still being researched. Parcel naming remains in the discussion stage, with homeowner input to be requested. Outside lighting issues at the Community Center need to be researched and resolved with the Town of Marana.

Manager's Report

Ms. DeMen noted that the Reserve Study update walk-through was completed mid-December. Comcast has completed the installation of cable. VMS database entries should be completed by year's end. Thanks

to the volunteers who assisted the staff with the new filing system, that project is completed. Collection accounts are being monitored, with parking policy issues being turned over to Covenants for review.

Open Forum Topics

Ms. Julie Prince, member of two Pima County committees, spoke on behalf of bicycle safety issues within the community and urged for better support and continuing release of information. She addressed

a bicycle safety article published in the October Windmill, and her follow-up Letter to the Editor.

New Dimensions Ministries requested a long-term contract for using the Community Center on Sundays and Thursdays. NDM is currently using the facility under a monthly contract basis.

Pool Committee

The CRCA Pool Committee met at the Windmill Office on December 14, 2009. At that time Beth Andersen indicated that she was thankful for the opportunity to serve as the committee Chairperson for the past year however, because of own pressing schedule she would be stepping down as the Chairperson of the Pool Committee. We want to thank Beth for her leadership and commitment to the community during the past year. Beth indicated that she will continue to serve on the committee and offer her assistance whenever it is needed. Russell Clanagan was elected to serve as the chairman of the for the new year.

The Pool Committee also welcomes Board Member Peggy Bracken as she has volunteered to be the liaison for the Board of Directors of the Association.

At the meeting Ms Barbara McFarland, Aquatic Director for the Northwest YMCA presented a proposal to he committee in which the Northwest YMCA aquatic staff could offer swimming lessons and other aquatic opportunities to community members at our facilities beginning in the summer of 2010. Any families who would participate in classes that were offered by the YMCA would also have limited access to the facilities at the NW YMCA. The committee recommended that the proposal be forwarded to the Board of Directors for their consideration at the

January 21, 2010 board meeting. This appears to be an excellent opportunity for members of our community to enhance the recreational capabilities their families.

The committee will also be reviewing proposals to upgrade the exterior lighting at both pools in the year. It is the goal of the committee to improve the current lights around the facilities to ensure the safety of everyone and to ensure that the new lights do not infringe onto the property any neighbors.

As we begin a New Year full of hope and the promise for good tidings, the really is that we face many challenges and difficult times for many of neighbors and love ones.

But it was Dr Martin Luther King who said; “The ultimate measure of a man is not where he stands in moments of comfort and convenience, but where he stands at times of challenge and controversy.”

Best regards for a safe and prospers New Year!



In Our Backyard

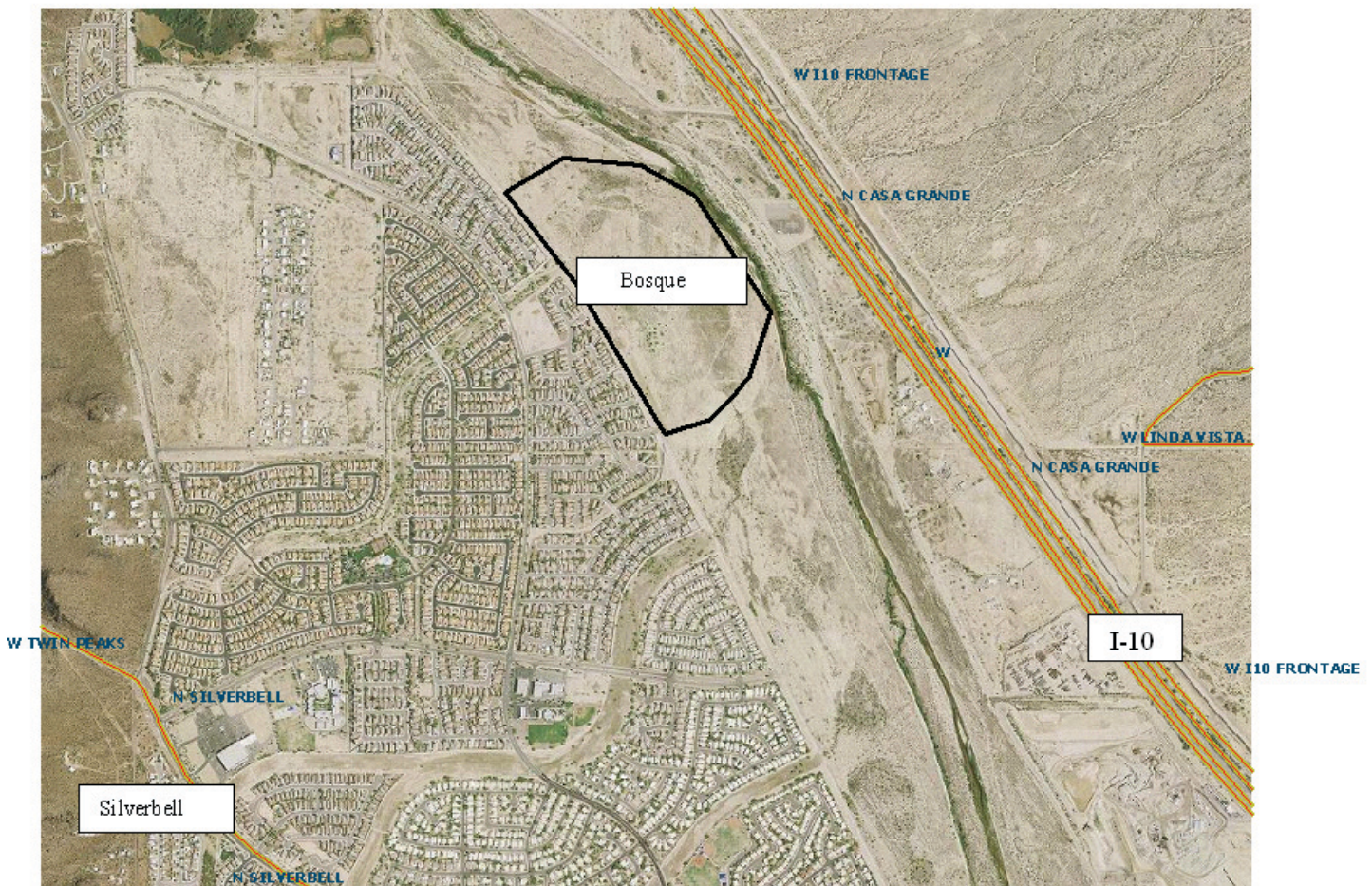
In 2008, the Pima County Regional Flood Control District finished construction on the Cortaro Mesquite Bosque's 80-acre riparian habitat restoration. This project was designed to increase the vegetation structure and biological diversity of the Santa Cruz River floodplain and to provide wildlife habitat, particularly forage and nesting area for birds.

The restoration plans were to plant "islands" of five different vegetation zones separated by areas of native grasses. The grassland areas provide extended edge habitat preferred by many native and migrant birds. The five planting zones consist of cottonwood-willow trees, riparian mesquite bosque, riparian grassland-willow, xeroriparian (drier area) mesquite, and upland

vegetation-grassland. All plant material is native and was grown by the Pima County Native Plant Nursery from local seed source.

The bosque has grown, and this spring it will reveal a perfusion of wildflowers and greenery. It is adjacent to the Santa Cruz River Park trail along Continental Ranch and north of the new Linda Vista Bridge. It provides opportunities for area residents for walking on trails, bird watching, and wildlife viewing. (See location map below.)

The bosque is for the enjoyment of Continental Ranch residents and others. If you see ATVs and motorcycles driving over the area, please call the police. These activities destroy the restored areas and wildlife habitat. Thank you.





1ST ANNUAL ROAD RALLY

This road rally is a driving tour in and out of the city on paved roads, where you can compete against your friends and neighbors in a very casual outing for points to win prizes.

THIS IS NOT A TIMED RACE!

As each team (driver and navigator) leaves the "gate," they will receive a "Rally Packet" that includes directions and tour questions. Points are awarded for each question answered correctly. The team with the highest score wins. This Rally is family oriented with NO ALCOHOL permitted during the event.

The driver must be at least 18 years old, possess a valid driver's license, have proof of vehicle insurance and current registration. CRCA assumes no liability regarding this event.

ALL TRAFFIC LAWS MUST BE STRICTLY OBEYED!

WHEN: March 7th, 2010
WHERE: CRCA Windmill office, 9150 North Coachline Blvd.
TIME: Registration @ 10:00 a.m., Tech meeting @ 10:45 a.m., Rally start @ 11:00 a.m.
WHAT TO BRING: (Suggested) Water, snacks, clipboard, pencils, and a full tank of gas
ENTRY FEES: Pre Reg. - \$10.00, Day of Rally - \$15.00, Non CRCA - \$25.00

PRE-REGISTRATION FORM # _____

NAMES: _____ / _____

Driver

Navigator

ADDRESS: _____

MAKE OF VEHICLE: _____ BODY STYLE: _____ YEAR _____

Entry Fee: \$10.00

Check No.: _____

Checks Payable to: Continental Ranch Community Association

9150 North Coachline Blvd.

Tucson, AZ 85743

DL# _____ LP# _____



The Fall Festival was a great success!

Committees: Activities & Covenants

Activities Committee

The weather for the Fall Festival was great! Attendees had fun with the jumping castle, obstacle course, and number of various children's games, all while enjoying the music performance by Endgame (see photos at right). There was even a cheerleading demonstration by the Pride All Starz.

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.

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 Gladys Pope. If we missed anyone, we truly apologize. Thanks also go to the hard-working members of the Activities Committee: Richard Singervalt, Michelle Godwin and Ana Holcomb, as well as members of the CRCA management company who donated their time.

The City of Marana has cancelled their Hip Hop Event, however, the Activities Committee is working on planning an April Easter Egg Hunt at Windmill Park for the children of Continental Ranch. If you would like to see more events planned, it is suggested that you get involved

with the Activities Committee. More heads means more ideas!

Covenants Committee

Another year has gone by and our community is standing the test of time. As our new management team strives to be a solid support to the Continental Ranch Community, we need additional support for our Covenants Committee. Presently, we have four homeowners (Paul Taylor, Shayne McCaslin, Debbi Bud, and Kim Stine) who give their time to our community in order to keep the beauty we all desire.

Any homeowner interested in joining the Covenants Committee team can call the office at 297-7600 and ask for Bill Heady, our Covenants Assistant, for details.

Important Reminder

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 strolls.

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 and yards by picking up after your pets. Treat others as we wish to be treated ourselves.

Thank you!



Architectural Review Committee

—by Wm. Larry Lemieux, ARC Member

As a relatively new homeowner here in Continental Ranch and a new committee member of the Architectural Review Committee (ARC), I was asked to write this newsletter piece about ARC. From northern Utah, I decided to purchase a home here in Continental Ranch in part because of the neatness and well kept appearance the community reflected. Yes, little tiny rocks as a landscape feature were new to me, but as you drive through this community you notice how different each of the homes truly are.

Continental Ranch is not a bunch of cookie cutter tract homes but rather a well planned out community where unique home features and landscape details are present everywhere. Continental Ranch is quite special when compared to many of the other community developments we observed when deciding to purchase here. I imagine that is also why many of you fellow homeowners also choose Continental Ranch as a place where you want to live. At least that's why we did.

Pride Of Ownership Is Evident Throughout Continental Ranch

In writing this article I wanted to try to refrain from quoting chapter and verse of the details that govern the ARC and the legal mumbo-jumbo contained in the Covenants Conditions and Restrictions (CC&Rs) for Continental Ranch but rather inform you (with references where applicable) with definitions and the processes a homeowner of Continental Ranch should follow when deciding to make modifications or improvements to your property. I can assure you that the CC&Rs of Continental Ranch and the Continental Ranch Design Guidelines that ARC uses to evaluate proposed homeowner changes, although at first may seem quite daunting and restrictive, in comparison

with other community CC&Rs, Continental Ranches CC&Rs are relatively reasonable and conducive to maintaining Continental Ranch in the excellent condition we all enjoy.

Why Do We Have An ARC?

The ARC is established under the provisions of ARTICLE 4 of the Covenants Conditions and Restrictions (CC&Rs) for Continental Ranch, and can be found on the CRCA Tucson.com website. Also, at the same web page location you will find the Continental Ranch Design Guidelines document.

Although we all received a copy of both of these documents when we purchased property here you can always obtain the most current copy from the website or if you don't have a computer the management office located at the Windmill Park office can help you obtain a current copy.

What Is The Purpose Of ARC?

The purpose of the ARC is to ensure the Continental Ranch Design Guidelines (as approved by the Continental Ranch Community Association Board) are adhered to when homeowner modifications to the property are desired. This is one of the most important reasons to live in a community that has an association.

Who Is In The ARC?

The ARC is a committee of homeowners living in Continental Ranch who, without compensation, ensure the Continental Ranch Design Guidelines are followed when homeowner improvements or modifications to their property is desired. Committee members get approved by the Continental Ranch Community Association (CRCA) board and serve for a minimum of a year. Essentially, we are you.

Where Does The ARC Meet?

The Architectural Review Committee meets on the first and third Thursday's of every month at the Windmill Park office. (See the web calendar for the time.)

Getting Started On Your Project Is Probably The Most Difficult

Knowing that your plans for improvement or modifications to your property could result in a considerable investment of your time and money, it is our goal to provide you a thorough review of your plans to insure they conform and are in keeping with the harmony, integrity of design and content of Continental Ranch as outlined in the Continental Ranch Design Guidelines. If you will notice, the new approved revision of the Design Guidelines is dated 29 April 2009 and significantly streamlined.

First, once you have a project planned out, which should have also included a review of the above guidelines, submit a "Continental Ranch Community Association ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW COMMITTEE (ARC) APPLICATION" form. You can find the ARC Application on the CRCATucson.com website under "documents/forms". This unwieldy little form, helps provide the committee with the information necessary to approve your plans.

In my short tenure on the committee it is truly amazing to see your creative plans for improvements. Obviously, if you can't describe it, we can't approve it, so more detail is better than less. Hand drawn plans are fine along with almost any information you provide to describe your project. Occasionally, the ARC may ask the homeowner to provide additional details to enable us to properly review your project.

Every Submitted Homeowner Project Is Different In Terms Of Its Complexity And Involvement

What does that mean? It means that some of your submitted plans take more time to review than others and that in addition to the ARC approval; many projects will require permits from the City of Marana. (Conveniently visit the City of Marana web-site; <http://www.marana.com/>). In my experience, The City of Marana has been very helpful in informing whether or not your project will require a City of Marana permit.

In some cases, ARC application review approvals are conditional upon approval of your plans by the City of Marana. The reality is that the Architectural Review Committee is not comprised of an engineering staff capable of reviewing your plans for technical adequacy and code compliance. We are CR residents like you!

So What Happens Next?

After your plans are approved by the City of Marana, provide a copy of your approved City of Marana plans to ARC for final disposition. Depending on the complexity of your project, The City of Marana may require additional inspections during the course of completing your project. Whether or not additional inspections are required will be annotated on your approved permit plans from The City of Marana. If you hired a sub-contractor to perform your work, in most cases they will work with you to get your City of Marana plans approved or in some cases do it for you.

Then, Enjoy The Fruit Of Your Labor!

I hope this little piece has been helpful to you in getting your project plans started and in describing the why(s) & what(s) of ARC a little bit. Please be assured that your applications to ARC will receive a homeowner friendly review consistent with the CC&R's and Design Guidelines. If you have additional questions on how to get started on a home improvement or modification project please provide them to the management office at Windmill Park and they will see to it that they get to the ARC committee for a prompt reply.

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Seniors And Retirees Of CRCA

A big new year's greeting to one and all! The excitement of the just-passed holiday season is winding down, and somehow it seems fitting that we get our lives back in gear and look with great anticipation toward 2010. Many families are still in limbo with the economic situation facing the nation; however, we remain optimistic that things will get better soon. With the many blessings provided to us, we need to share with those struggling neighbors to help ease their burdens.

What better way to begin the new year then with our philanthropic endeavors! We continue to support the Marana Food Bank and send boxes to our military deployed with overseas units. We save and share redemption coupons, pop can tabs, books and magazines, and help as we can with the Marana School Flying Tigers II special-needs class. Our holiday party surely indicated the dedication of our members and guests with about 75 gifts donated to Marana school children who might not otherwise have had a happy visit from Santa. For every large and small acknowledgement of your support to the community, we humbly add a big SCRCR thank you!

Our calendar for January is full! On 3 January, we will visit the Indian American New Year festival on-going in Rillito Park, carpooling from the Center at 12 noon. Here we will be treated to dancing and native-American performances, ethnic foods, crafts, etc. There is an admission charge, with proceeds benefiting tribal projects. On the 7th, during our first meeting of the new year, we will share a big thank you to our outgoing officers and install those recently elected. Regular meetings and games are scheduled for the 14th, 21st and 28th. Casino enthusiasts will depart from the Center at 9 a.m. on the 15th, and on the 28th, we will gather for lunch at the New China Buffet, carpooling from the center at noon.

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Looking beyond January, we will have a Super Bowl Party in February, a Valentine's Day pot luck, Gas Light Theater, and the Arizona Opry! If you have never been to the Opry, you will want to mark your calendars and sign up for this fabulous performance and dinner. In March, we are already signing up for the Cubs pre-season ball game at TEP—something else to consider early because of limited seating right between home plate and first base!

Our recent holiday party was super, thanks to the efforts of the committee chaired by Frank, and the generosity of our local merchants in supplying items for door prizes. The Elks' facility had been gaily decorated for the season, the crafts ladies made the table centerpieces which were also given as door prizes, and Frank and Jorge made certain that unescorted ladies had an opportunity to dance as we all enjoyed the music of a live band! Next month, we will acknowledge the generosity of our local merchants who provided so many door prizes.

This 'N That...

The Arizona Senior Olympics are scheduled to begin shortly. Local residents are among those who compete and bring honors "home" to the community. Volunteers are always needed for hundreds of "behind the scenes" jobs even if you are not physically able to participate in the schedule of events. Thousands of seniors participate annually, so watch the newspaper for local details, telephone and e-mail contacts.

Thought For The Day

Every person has a purpose. The real work of our lives is finding it! —Author Unknown

Helpful Info

| | |
|--|----------------|
| Non-Emergency (Marana P.D.) | 382-2000 |
| Poison Control | 1-800-222-1222 |
| Northwest Fire (Emergency) | 911 |
| Northwest Fire (Office) | 887-1010 |
| Graffiti/Vandalism (In Action) | 911 |
| Graffiti/Vandalism (Found) | 382-2000 |
| Rape Crisis Hotline (24 Hours) | 327-7273 |
| Animal Control | 243-5900 |
| Waste Management | 744-2600 |
| HOA Management Solutions Emergency Line | 780-9163 |

Additional Helpful Info

Follow-up To November's Bike Safety

A very generous Continental Ranch Resident has provided additional information pertaining to bicycle safety. The information can be found by following the links listed below. Resources for Bicycling Safety, Ordinances, and Laws:

Share the Road: A Guide for Bicyclists and Motorists can be downloaded at www.dot.pima.gov/tpcbac/Pubs/STR06.pdf.

Sign up for free bicycle safety classes (taught by League of American Bicyclists, sponsored by City of Tucson and Pima County) by calling 243-BIKE.

The City of Tucson Department of Transportation Bicycle and Pedestrian Program can be reviewed at www.dot.pima.gov/tpcbac/Links.html.

The Tucson-Pima County Bicycle Advisory Committee web address is www.dot.pima.gov/tpcbac/index.html.

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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

A New Community Park, EONS in the Making



The Town of Marana is proud to announce the completion of a \$4 million district park that reflects our community's rich history and vision for the future.

Located on 48 acres, with a cultural and geological timetable dating back millions of years, the park will offer the latest in recreational amenities: outdoor performance area, bike and walking paths, picnic and group ramadas, multi-use sports fields, play areas, restrooms, concessions, a dog park, preserved cultural features and more.

Saturday, February 27, 2010, starting at 10:00 AM Celebrate & Explore Marana's New Park

Join the Mayor and Town Council, staff and dignitaries to dedicate the park and unveil its new name. Enjoy an array of kick-off events:

- AYSO soccer games
- Continental Ranch Little League games
- 3-on-3 basketball
- Double elimination adult softball tournament
- Wheeler Taft Abbett, Sr. Library events
- Pet Adopt-a-Thon in the dog park
- Live music
- Food and beverage concessions

Close out the day at 7:00 PM with Marana's Movie in the Park



For more event details, contact Adelina Martin at 382-1968, or visit www.marana.com





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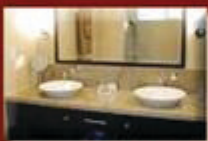
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We are now up and running on the new software, VMS. When you receive your next bill in April, it will look a little different. It will come with a letter explaining how you can pay directly to the bank and even look up your account online. Thank you for your patience while we are going through this transition time.

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Happy New Year to all of you. May you have a prosperous year and may it be filled with many new memories. Stop by the office so we may say hello!

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