

# Mark Your Calendars September 2014

1st Labor Day CRCA Office Closed

2nd Landscape Committee 7 p.m. at WP

3rd Covenants Committee 6 p.m. at WP

4th ARC 2 p.m. at WP

8th Block Party 5-8 p.m. at WP

> Finance Committee 6:30 p.m. at WP

Pool Committee 7 p.m. at CC

9th Meet the Candidate 7 p.m. at CC

16th Board of Directors Meeting 6:45 p.m. at CC

18th ARC 7 p.m. at WP

27th CRCA Office Open 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

# President's Report - John Lambert

The new cool decking at Windmill pool has been completed along with the repainting of the Windmill office and ramada's. The fencing at both the community center pool and Windmill pool have also been repainted. The repainting of the fences is required to be done every three years by the Reserve Study due to the oxidation (rust) of the metal from the chlorine in the pool. The study is a valuable tool for long range planning to meet the financial requirements to keep our assets in top condition and not have surprise expenses from lack of maintenance. There were some questions raised as to why the Windmill pool had to be closed in July for the work and the reason being that the work needed to be done with higher temperatures than those we have later in the year.

A number of rumors have been floating around about the survey sent out to all homeowners on closing the pool for the winter months. The only votes counted in the tally were homeowner votes - period. No commercial votes were counted toward the total count with 71% of homeowners voting to close it. If you have questions please feel free to ask management for the answers rather than listening to the "rumor mill".

With sunset earlier and temperatures more comfortable after the sun sets the monthly food truck rally might be a good choice for something different for the family. It is nice to see the families coming down and enjoying the grass at Windmill park and there will be a few more reasons to bring the family starting this month. There will be a rock climbing wall for the kids to try (no charge) and a balloon artist will be there also. We are hoping to add a movie in the park in the future. So come down and enjoy the beautiful park we have and meet your neighbors along with having a great variety of food.

To the people writing anonymous letters to the association- if you have a valid concern please present it at the BOD meeting or with a name so that we can address those concerns directly with you instead of just filing them in the round file can.

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#### CRCA Annual Meeting Calendar

#### Save these Dates!

Meet the Candidate Night September 9, 2014

> **Date of Record** September 11, 2014

**Election Committee appointed** 

September 16, 2014

Annual Meeting packet mailing out date

September 20, 2014

Ballot mail in deadline

October 20, 2014 - 5 p.m.

**Annual Meeting** 

October 21, 2014 - 7 p.m.

#### Looking Ahead... Adopt-A-Family

This year, for the month of December, several local families in need will be adopted and an Angel Tree will be located at the Windmill Office for them. If you know a Continental Ranch resident in need, please contact the CRCA office. It is very difficult



to locate and identify families in genuine need. There are known organizations that have families on record, but CRCA wants to support CRCA families and these charity organizations are bound by confidentiality rules that they cannot specify a certain area for the needy families. It is quite a challenge therefore to find the families to adopt – yet, CRCA knows there are some in the community. Most are too proud to raise their hand for help, so CRCA needs support from our residents to find these families and determine their needs.

# BLOCK PARTY

SEPTEMBER 8TH. 2014: 5PM - 8PM



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### August Recap: Meetings At A Glance

The following are highlights from the regular meeting of the Board of Directors held August 19, 2014 at the Community Center. Completed minutes will be posted to the website after they are approved at the next appropriate meeting. A copy of approved minutes may also be requested from the office. Recordings of all meetings will be retained for a period of 30 days following posting of approved minutes to the website.

#### **Board Actions**

Covenants Committee recommendations were approved: \$25 fines and pool use suspensions and lot cleanups for various unresolved violations; approval of a request from a resident to have a jumping castle next to their home for a weekend event; approval for adding a rock climbing wall and balloon artists for the September & October Block Party Events; approval for miscellaneous landscape items including an installation of an additional irrigation valve, removal of two dying trees, and installation of a tree at the Windmill Park monument, approval of reallocation of funds from landscape new projects budget to landscape irrigation repair budget; approval of replacing the broken drinking fountain at the Community Center; approval of reserve study item to recoat the flat section of roofing at the Community Center; approval to close the Windmill Pool on November 1st and reopen on March 1st; approval to remove cactus from a common area which was planted by a homeowner without permission; approval of reserve study item to seal coat the west parking lot at Windmill Park.

#### Community Activities

Farmers Market continues at Windmill Park; every Thursday 8am – 12pm.

Monthly Block Party Food Truck Roundup at Windmill Park the second Monday of each month; next Block Party scheduled for September 8th from 5pm – 8pm.

#### Manager's Report

The community manager gave a brief report on the status of all projects recently completed and/ or currently underway since the previous Board meeting, including: painting of the windmill office building and fencing at both pools; deck sealing at the Windmill Pool; replacement of three security cameras at Windmill Park; repair of emergency light fixture in the office; conclusive test results showing Texas Root Rot as the cause for death of numerous trees. Also, upcoming dates were reported for: Board to Certify Slate of Candidates on August 22nd at 6:00pm and Meet the Candidates Night on September 9th at 7:00pm.



### Association Living - Neighbor to Neighbor Issues

Article submitted by Clint G. Goodman, Esq. of Vial Fotheringham LLP

Have you ever wondered what can be done about that tree hanging over your property line that keeps dropping leaves on your property? Have you ever been concerned about water puddling in your backyard because the next door neighbor's pipes ruptured? You are not alone. These complaints are raised more than you might think.

So, is this a neighbor to neighbor dispute or something the association must handle? An association's authority is set by the community documents. Community documents include the Declaration of



Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions (CC&Rs), Articles of Incorporation, Bylaws, Rules and Regulations, Enforcement Policies and other Resolutions. In most cases, an overhanging tree over a shared privacy wall is a neighbor to neighbor issue. The same is true of water damage to the adjoining property caused by the neighbor's broken pipe.

Community violations that the association does handle are those matters which impact the community as a whole. For example, a broken water line in the community park is addressed by the Association. Weeds in the front yard also fall into the association's enforcement rights. The association can also step in when a neighbor puts their junked car up on jacks to repair it in their driveway, or if they park a boat or trailer in their yard.

In summary, generally the association handles matters that impact the entire community or violate express provisions in the CC&Rs. The neighbor to neighbor disputes (i.e. matters that are between the two owners only) are not within the realm of the association's enforcement powers and are thus left to be resolved without association intervention.

## Continental Ranch Community Wide Yard Sale! October 11, 2014 7:00am – 2:00pm



Registration deadline is Wednesday October 8, 2014

Join the fun and find those unwanted household items a new home! Please complete the form below and return it to the Windmill Park Office. A list of addresses participating in the yard sale, as well as the items for sale will be available to pick up October 10, 2014 at the Community Center. Advertising will appear in local newspapers and on Craigslist. The advertising fee which used to be required has been waived by the Board!

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#### Important Bulk Trash Removal Reminders

- All bulk items must be on the curb by 6AM
- The driver will remove the items from the curb between the hours of 6AM 6PM (All items still need to be on the curb by 6AM)
- The driver will not remove any items over 50 pounds
- Driver will remove bulk items in a 6 ft. by 8 ft. area (the size of the back of a pickup)

#### Items NOT Acceptable For Bulk Trash Removal

- Refrigerators/Freezers
- Ice Makers
- Televisions
- Washers/Dryers
- Stoves
- Dishwashers
- Water Heaters
- Air Conditioners
- No appliances with Freon
- Computers
- Tires
- Batteries
- Pesticides

- Flammable Liquids (gas, turpentine, etc.)
- Propane/Gas Cylinders
- Oil
- Paint
- 55-gallon drums
- Medical Waste
- Asbestos Material
- Railroad Ties
- Fluorescent bulbs and/or ballasts
- Contaminated soil or any hazardous waste-liquid
- Construction material

#### Items Accepted with Guidelines For Bulk Trash Removal

- Landscape materials MUST be bundled with twine nothing over 4 feet in length
  - DRIVER WILL REMOVE ONLY LANDSCAPING THAT IS BUNDLED
- Cactus must be boxed and labeled or the driver will not remove
- Furniture OK Hide a beds (take the mattress out, too heavy with mattress in bed)
- Glass tables/end tables glass needs to be taken out, broken and boxed (must be boxed and labeled)

### **A Word** from the Landscape Committee

Wow, according to the calendar, summer is nearly over. Although it is obviously still HOT, we need to start getting ready for our fall plantings. Vegetables, annuals, over-seeding and the last fertilizing are just around the corner. Titan Landscape has been busy keeping our community in tip top shape.

If your annual beds and vegetable gardens have old dead plants in them, now is the time to clean out the mess. If your soil hasn't been refreshed in the last two years, refresh it with a good planting soil specifically for in ground planting (not to be confused with potting soil). If you have potting soil it's ok to use, but if you are buying new, it's better to select actual "planting soil". Potting soil is for container gardening while planting soil is for mixing in the ground. You can simply throw the old soil in the dumpster as long as you're careful not



to over-load it; I have seen first-hand that if the trash can is too heavy, the garbage truck won't haul off the contents. When planting in the ground you'll want to mix the planting soil with some of the original ground soil. A good ratio of planting soil to original earth is a 1:1 mix and you should amend the soil to a depth of about 6"; the deeper the better. Some people like to add fertilizer at this time, but personally I do not. Granular fertilizers are usually fast acting fertilizers and it is easy to put too much in the mix. Instead, you can use a slow release, like Osmocote, if you like. For veggies and flowers I like to use the water soluble kind, like Miracle Gro, once I start watering the plants. Whichever you use, follow the instructions on the label. Why am I spending so much time on soil? Flowers and veggies need a good soft

soil to grow in, more so than trees and shrubs. My motto for annual beds: spend \$1.00 on the plant and \$2.00 on the soil. Now is a good time to check the emitters too. If you don't have emitters to your beds, now is a good time to install them. Soil, fertilizer and water are the keys to a successful garden. Get all this done now so when October comes around all you have to do is install the plants into your soft fresh soil.

If you are over-seeding your lawn this winter, it's time to stop fertilizing the Bermuda grass. Bermuda should begin to go dormant in early October; if you fertilize now, that will lengthen the growing period. Conversely, if you are not over-seeding, now is a good time to fertilize your Bermuda one last time for the season. September is perfect for the last application of fertilizer for many of your shrubs and trees as well. Citrus trees; we don't want to push too much new frost tender growth late in the season, so if you are planning on fertilizing them now is the time to do it.

Titan Landscape is finishing up planting the replacement plants from last year's death toll. We are finally ready to start using some of the Agaves that were harvested from Continental Ranch and grown on to be used in the community. One of the things that Titan does when they plant is, they fill the hole up with water and let it soak in. This saturates the surrounding area, so that when the plant is planted and watered, the surrounding area doesn't suck all the water away from the plant. This practice is almost never used in commercial applications, just because it takes so much extra time and effort.

At one of the Food Truck Block Parties last year, a Continental Ranch resident commented that it would be nice if we had a better way for people in wheelchairs or who are otherwise handicapped to get from the parking lot to the grass area to enjoy their food. We thought so too. So we got Titan Landscape to supply the bricks and some of the labor for free. We then joined with the boy scouts and other volunteer residents to install a brick walkway. Now a year later, the block party is hugely successful and people are frequently enjoying their food out on the grass. Even though it might be a small element, I hope the walkway was a welcome feature to Windmill Park.

Rob Palfreyman, CRCA Landscape Committee Chairman

# CRCA Community Business Spotlight

Residents aren't the only members of the Continental Ranch Community Association. There are several dozen businesses belonging to the Association as well, many of which are privately owned small businesses. Please tune into this section each month to learn more about businesses within the Association. Supporting these small businesses can lead to supporting the strength of the Association as a whole. There might just be a business in the neighborhood that you didn't know was there!

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#### Fall 2013 Schedule:

- Sept 20- Monster University, Saguaro Bloom Park at 7 p.m.
- Oct. 18- Hotel Transylvania, San Lucas Park at 6:30 p.m.

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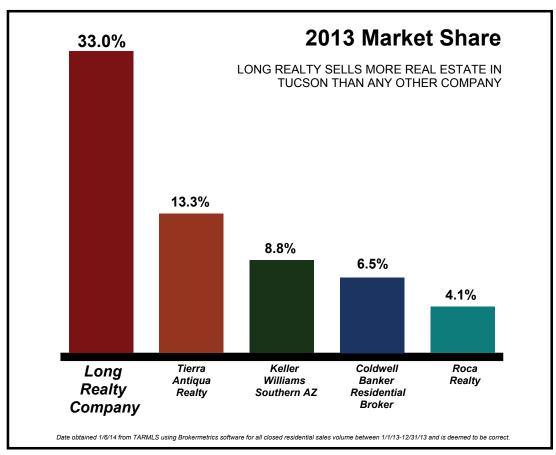
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520-382-2000

#### **Poison Control**

520-626-6016

#### Pima County Animal

(including for barking dogs)

520-243-5900

#### Arizona Game & Fish Department

(to report Coyotes, Bobcats, etc.)

520-628-5376

#### Pima County Hazardous Waste

(including green pools on vacant property)

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**CRCA Office** 

520-297-7600

#### **CRCA Emergency**

520-780-9163

#### Marana Permits

520-382-2600

AZ Blue Stake

800-782-5348

#### Marana Parks & Recreation

520-382-1950

#### Waste Management

520-744-2600

**Tucson Water** 

520-791-3242

#### **Tucson Electric Power**

520-623-7711

#### Southwest Gas

877-860-6020

#### Mountain View Post Office

Thornydale & Magee

520-744-6720

#### **Newsletter Policies**

The Continental Ranch Windmill is published monthly by the Continental Ranch Community Association (CRCA), and is prepared under the direction of the CRCA Board of Directors. The Windmill strives to maintain a positive message while informing the community of the various projects undertaken by the Board, advertise notices to the community, and promote the accomplishments within CRCA.

#### Letters To The Editor

Letters must be signed and include a phone number for verification. Names will be withheld upon request. Anonymous letters or articles will not be printed. Publication of letters will be at the discretion of the CRCA Board of Directors.

#### **Advertising Policy**

The acceptance of a business ad in the newsletter does not constitute approval or endorsement by the CRCA. "The Association reserves the right, in its sole and absolute discretion, to refuse to accept any advertising submittal made by a prospective advertiser of the Association's newsletter or other publications." Ad publication is subject to space availability on a first-come, first-serve policy and could be denied or postponed due to lack of space in a specific issue. All advertising is subject to current Advertising Rates, as adopted by the Board of Directors. All copy for articles and camera-ready advertising is due at the Association office by the 15th of the month. Distribution will be approximately the first week of the following month. Ads may be submitted on Compact Disc (CD) to the management office, or by e-mail to jocelyn@ hoamanagementsolutions.com. The preferred file format for ad submissions is PDF, however JPEG is also accepted. For specific ad size dimensions please e-mail the address above for additional information

#### **Advertising Rates**

Business Card \$45

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<sup>\* 3</sup> and 6 month discounts available

### Management's Message

Weed season is in full effect! Ryan, our Covenants Liaison, really has his hands full during this time of year. The monsoon rains are always welcomed to bring relief to the hot dry dusty summer and along with them brings new growth – some of which is unwanted. The most common complaint we receive in August and September is about the abundance of weeds throughout the community. Rest assured management is out driving the community five days per week and working diligently to encourage residents to get their yards under control.

The Annual Election Ballot Packages will be mailed out later this month, so keep an eye on your mailbox. It only takes a few minutes to cast your vote, so please support the community by mailing in your ballot for this year's election. The "Meet the Candidates" night is held on September 9th so you can come out and rub elbows with those who are running for the Board. This year there are 4 candidates and 3 open seats.

If you're looking for something different and fun to do, the University of Arizona hosts "Sky Nights" at its SkyCenter Observatory on Mount Lemmon. As described on their website: SkyNights is a popular after-dark program that takes advantage of the unique



capabilities of the SkyCenter for experiencing the heavens. Most of humanity has not seen the Universe as clearly as we are able to using our large telescope atop Mount Lemmon. Call or visit their website for more information; a reservation may be required. 520-626-8122

http://skycenter.arizona.edu/

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