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May 2016

Every Thursday - Farmers Market 8am-12pm at WP

2nd Block Party - 5-8 p.m. at WP Pool Committee - 6 p.m. at WP

4th Covenants Committee - 6 p.m. at WP

5th ARC - 2 p.m. at WP

9th Landscape Committee - 7 p.m. at WP

14th CRCA Office Open - 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

17th Board of Directors Meeting

6:45 p.m. at CC

19th ARC - 7 p.m. at WP

30th Memorial Day - CRCA Office Closed

June 2016

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1st Covenants Committee - 6 p.m. at WP

2nd ARC - 2 p.m. at WP

6th Block Party - 5-8 p.m. at WP Pool Committee - 6 p.m. at WP Landscape Committee - 7 p.m. at WP

16th ARC - 7 p.m. at WP

21st Board of Directors Meeting

6:45 p.m. at CC

25th CRCA Office Open - 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

President's Report - John Lambert

The Easter Egg hunt was a great success again with over 600 CRCA children attending with parents and grandparents alike. We don't realize how many families with young children live in Continental Ranch until we have an event like this. It would not have happened without the organization of Paula and the rest of the management staff we have along with the Boy Scouts and all the other volunteers who donate their time to this great activity. Thanks to all who helped and those that attended.

The Community Center remodel is going well and it will be available for use after May 14th. You should notice a marked improvement in the flooring, lighting, countertop and cabinets. The update was sorely needed and we had electrical updates that needed to be done along with the remodel. We will be replacing the tables and chairs as well as they are due for replacement under the Reserve Study.

To all you dog owners tired of being pulled around the community when walking your dog there will be dog classes offered at the Windmill Park baseball diamond starting Saturday May 14 with registration on Saturday May 7th from 9AM to 11AM. The classes run 7 weeks and cost \$75.00 but will be offered to CRCA homeowners for \$50.00. See their ad on page 11 of this newsletter and have some fun with the furry member of your family.

Summer is not far off and I'd like to mention the Lego camp coming

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to the community center this summer and run by Play-well.org if you want to check out their website. We have already received a number of sign ups so don't let your child miss out by not looking at the flyer in this newsletter. It is a really neat experience from what I can see. It will run 3 hours a day for 5 days so get your kids out of the house and let them create. There are a limited number of scholarships available to those needing financial assistance.

Farmer's Market

Returns to Continental Ranch

Starting on May 5th, CRCA will be hosting a farmer's market at Windmill Park, every Thursday from 8amnoon. The Market hopes to provide the community with a selection of produce baked goods, teas, and food related items, as well as plants, cacti, and other items for sale. Come on down to Windmill Park and check out what the Market has to offer!



March & April Recap: Meetings At A Glance

The following are highlights from the regular meetings of the Board of Directors held March 15, 2016 and April 19, 2016 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

In March, the Board approved several Covenants Committee recommendations for fines and pool use suspensions for various unresolved violations; approved additional funds for irrigation repairs; approved replacement of gates at both pools; approved renewal of HVAC maintenance contract; approval of facility alarm monitoring contract; approval of change to purchase contract for replacement of window blinds at Community Center. In April, the Board approved several Covenants Committee recommendations for fines and pool use suspensions for various unresolved violations;

denied a variance request for a non-compliance fence; approved updates to the Design Guidelines; approved purchase of a replacement pool clock; approved addition of automatic chemical feeder for splash pad; approved splash pad skimmer baskets; approved 15-minute parking signs for two stalls in front of office; approved replacement of office laptop computer; approved repair of drainage at Long Creek Drive; approved replacement of community center chairs and tables; approved replacement of tree killed by auto accident.

Community Activities

Monthly Block Party Food Truck Roundup at Windmill Park first Monday of each month.

Manager's Report

The community manager provided his report to the Board which included the status of all projects recently completed and/or currently underway since the previous Board meeting.



2016 Annual Easter Egg Hunt

Continental Ranch saw the largest turnout to date to this year's seventh annual Egg Hunt event! Hundreds of families flocked to Windmill Park to claim their bounty of colorful toy filled eggs and participate in numerous exciting festivities. This year's hunt was comprised of the regular favorites, like the egg hunt, jumping castles, and mini-train rides; but also hosted some new fun activities for the crowd to enjoy.

The main attraction was, of course, the Egg Hunt! This year the grass was greener and taller than ever before, proving to be a formidable challenge for the egg hunters. The grass inside of the 12,000 square foot egg hunting grounds was allowed to grow wild for a full 2 months prior to the event. By the day of the event it was quite a thicket to hide the eggs.



As in years past, the Easter Bunny toured the event,

taking dozens of great photos with kids and their families. We thank those who donated their time to play the role of the Easter Bunny, and know how HOT it was inside of that costume.

A new attraction at this year's event was a visit by a local Tucson-area magician! Magician Mike, or "Mr. B" as he goes by, had a full array of fun and exciting tricks geared specifically for the young ages. He roamed around the event displaying tricks to curious

onlookers. Many small minds were blown, for sure. Disappearing foam chickens and teleporting pocket change were just of few of the surprises in Mr. B's magic bag.

The farm hands brought five ponies for their carousel, along with a small herd of friendly fuzzy, furry, feathery, and hairy pets to entertain the children. Ducks, chickens, pigs, goats, sheep, and burros hung out in the petting zoo area getting plenty of attention from the kids.

All About Parties supplied the jumping castle and inflatable attractions once again. This year's selection included the bouncing Velcro wall and the human hamster ball races. Inflatable races weren't the only competition of the day; kids participated in jumping sack races, egg-spoon races, and even cockroach races (donated by Truly Nolen).





Other attractions included face painting, arts & crafts, balloon artists, cotton candy giveaways, and food truck dining.

A very big "thanks" goes out to all the volunteers and donations that helped make this event bring joy to the Continental Ranch community. Marana Police Department donated the traffic control cones and provided a children's ID booth. Hungry howies donated free pizza for the the event volunteers. Truly Nolen donated hundreds of bottles of water, shade tents, hay bales and more. Point of Grace donated tables for dining at the food trucks. The event also brought in 536 pounds of food and \$192 cash donations for the Marana Food Bank.







Splash Pad - Final Touches

The Windmill Park Splash Pad made its grand opening appearance last year for the 2015 summer season, but the final touches had still not yet been completed. The HOA's Board of directors were scrupulous in their supervision of the structure as it was built, and they were not satisfied with some of the small cracks which appeared in the concrete slab. The Board negotiated with the splash pad contractor, and was able to convince the contractor to install a final coating to seal the entire slab with a durable finish. The end result not only protects the slab from water penetrating the cracks, but give



the splash pad a wonderful bright appearance. The coating was installed over the winter, while the facility was closed, and reopened this spring. The Board hopes the community will have another fun-filled year of splashing and swimming at the Windmill Pool!



Maintaining Community Assets

Although it's not the most exciting project undertaken this year, Continental Ranch performed its routine parking lot seal coat service to preserve the asphalt that was installed several years ago. As with all of its assets, the parking lot is tracked on a maintenance schedule called the "Reserve Study". Often times items such as parking lots are ignored until they break down and erode into a state of disrepair. The Continental Ranch Board of Directors is diligent in keeping on track with the maintenance work as spelled out in the Reserve Study. With its fresh new coat of asphalt sealer, the parking lot should continue to last for years to come.

WEED MANAGEMENT

Weeds can be a homeowner's worst nightmare, conjuring thoughts of back-breaking hours digging and pulling, or compliance notices if they aren't removed. You can avoid both of these headaches very easily this season. Continental Ranch Community Association once again offers the semi-annual program for your common area landscape maintenance contractor, Landtamers Landscaping, to spray pre-emergent herbicide in your front yard to prevent most weeds before they have a chance to become a problem.





- If no rain occurs within two weeks after the spray is applied, please water in the pre-emergent using a garden hose.
- Application of pre-emergent can greatly reduce the number of weeds that germinate.
- Pre-emergent herbicides are designed to prevent seeds from germinating in the soil **existing weeds should be removed** prior to pre-emergent application
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Landscaping will be offering pre-emergent preventative weed spraying for Continental Ranch homeowners at a rate of **\$40.00** per <u>front yard</u>. Spraying will take place June 13th - June 17th. If you would like to take advantage of this service, please visit the Windmill Park management office and return this form with a check made payable to CRCA by <u>June 3, 2016</u>.

If you're interested in this service, please don't miss the deadline!

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Address:				
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Email:				
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CRCA Annual Elections

There are four Directors on the CRCA Board of Directors who will be elected at the Annual Meeting on October 18, 2016. The positions coming



open are currently held by Al Diaz, John Lambert, Bob Vollbrecht and Nick Westphal. The CRCA Bylaws guide the steps and timeline for the election.

Anyone wishing to run for the Board in this year's election needs to fill out the Application for Candidacy form and turn it the office no later than June 17th. Continental Ranch is a strong and vibrant community. Its success depends on the volunteers willing to donate their time to serving on the Board of Directors. Apply for the Board and be a Leader in your association.

CRCA - Application For Candidacy To The Board Of Directors

(Please Use Additional Paper If Needed)

Name:	
	Phone number:
Number of Months/Years lived in CRCA:	Is your CRCA account balance current?
CRCA Committees Served on with dates:	
Hobbies/Interests:	
Motivation to run for Board:	
What are the items you wish to achieve while you	ı are on the Board?
	ls governed by the CC&Rs. The Board of Directors is required low would you approach your fiduciary duty in applying rules
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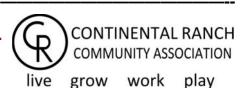
the Baseball Diamond area. 9AM until 11AM.

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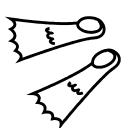
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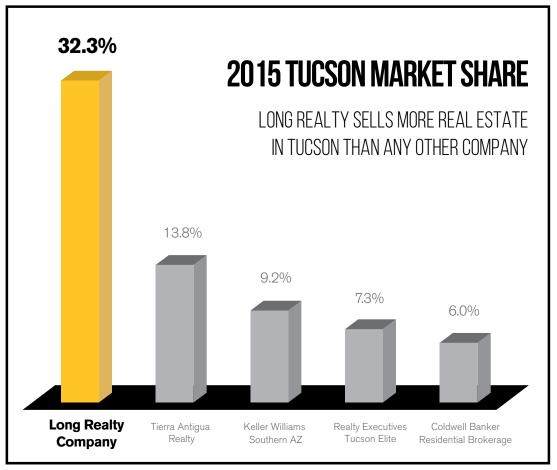
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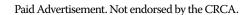




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Letters To The Editor

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.

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Management's Message

Last call for May 1st assessments! I wanted to put out a friendly reminder that until Monday May 16th, we're still in the grace period for payment of assessments without a late fee. Our office will be open from 9am-1pm on Saturday May 14th for all those last minute payments.

Pool season appears to be in full swing! We do our best to keep the pool facilities in top condition for those who enjoy the pools. If you notice anything that needs attention, please don't be shy and let our office know. Often times we're able to get things cleaned up or fixed much sooner with the help of those extra sets of eyes out there.

With many residents taking advantage of this nice warm weather and catching rays at the pools, we're already finding quite a high number of pool rule violations occurring. The most common rules that tend to be ignored are having food and beverages in the pool area and allowing young kids in the spa. We hope you'll take time to refresh your household on the pool rules; we really hate to be the ones to spoil the fun and issue pool suspensions for pool rule violations.

It might be good to note that for the Waste Management large item pickups, WM does follow their acceptable/ non-acceptable items guidelines pretty closely. Some residents assume that despite the large item rules, WM will pick up anything left on the curb. Unfortunately that is not the case and items that are left on the curb which don't meet the guidelines do not get picked up; leaving the owners with additional work to move the items back in off the curb. Although Continental Ranch does not have a contract with Waste Management, a large percent of the community does get service through them and I thought this info might be worth mentioning.

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