

# CONTINENTAL RANCH

*the windmill*

July/August 2018 Edition

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## Mark Your Calendars

### July 2018

- 2nd Landscape Committee  
7 p.m. at WP
- 4th Happy 4th of July  
CRCA Office Closed
- 5th ARC  
7 p.m. at WP
- 11th Covenants Committee  
6 p.m. at WP
- 17th Board of Directors Meeting  
6:45 p.m. at CC
- 19th ARC  
7 p.m. at WP
- 28th CRCA Office Open  
9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

### August 2018

- 1st Covenants Committee  
6 p.m. at WP
- 2nd ARC  
7 p.m. at WP
- 6th 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.



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## Dispose-A-Med

Bring unused or expired medication (pills only) to Marana Police Department's Dispose-A-Med. Unused drugs thrown in the trash can be illegally sold or abused, and if flushed, can contaminate the water supply. Dispose-A-Med events are located at Target, 3901 W. Ina Rd., from 10am-Noon on Saturday June 9, August 11, October 13, and December 8. Visit [MaranaMPA.org](http://MaranaMPA.org) for additional resources around prescription drug disposal and safety.



## Friendly Reminder

Please remember that trash cans are not supposed to be visible from the street. Management sends out hundreds of notices to residents reminding them that trash cans should not be stored in the front yard, on the driveway, next to the front door, or on the side of the house in the front yard.



Many residents have found tactful methods to conceal their trash cans in order to comply with the CC&Rs and

keep the neighborhoods looking clean. If you have questions or would like suggestions on ways to store your trash can out of sight without having to keep it in the garage, please call the management office and speak with our Homeowner Covenants Liaison, Ashley Boykin at 297-7600.



# May & June Recap: Meetings At A Glance

*The following are highlights from the regular meetings of the Board of Directors held May 15, 2018 and June 19, 2018 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

At the May 15, 2018 meeting, the Board approved several Covenants Committee recommendations for fines and pool use suspensions for various unresolved violations; approved CMID Exemption Petition to be included with Annual Meeting packet; approved contract with Strongbuilt

Enterprise LLC to repair minor erosion in Parcel 47; approved HVAC maintenance contract with American Conditioned Air; approved 10% increase to semi-annual assessments effective November 1, 2018. At the June 19, 2018 meeting, the Board approved several Covenants Committee recommendations for fines and pool use suspensions for various unresolved violations; approved contract with Environment Control to install irrigation system for Windmill Park trees.

## 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

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## Semi-Annual Assessments

The Board of Directors faced a sensitive topic at their April and May meetings, which was next year's budget development and the semi-annual assessment dues. The Board has maintained a conservative approach on managing the Associations finances over the past decade, however, they have known that sooner or later the time would come when they would have to consider the implementation of an increase to the assessments.

At their May meeting, they approved an increase, raising the semi-annual assessment from \$148.50 to \$163.00, which translates to an increase of approximately \$2.42 per month. This will be the first true increase since 2006 and was deemed necessary due to gradual increases in general expenses over the 12 years since member dues were last raised.

How will this increase impact members with automated payments?

For those members who are enrolled in the ACH auto-draft payments, the November 1st assessment will be drafted at the \$163.00 updated amount automatically; no additional action is required by those members.

For those members who use "bill-pay" through their individual banking institutions, they will need to log into their online banking systems to update their bill-pay amount to the new rate of \$163.00, due November 1st.

If members have any other questions related to assessments, please contact the Continental Ranch Community Association office at 520-297-7600.







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# Calling All Patriots!

Continental Ranch will be hosting an American Flag Raising Ceremony at Windmill Park on July 7th at 10:00am. The ceremony will be conducted by Boy Scouts troop #219. Truly Nolan will be in attendance to serve free hotdogs for the event. The flagpole is located in front of the Continental Ranch office at Windmill Park, 9150 N. Coachline Blvd.



## Time to Paint?

When it comes to directing an HOA, one of the biggest challenges for the Board of Directors is to strike a harmonious balance between doing what it can to maintain property values and keeping its members happy. Let's face it, no one wants to get a notice from their homeowner's association that tells them they need to spend several hundred (or thousand) on their home to keep it properly maintained. Unfortunately, the truth of the matter is

that some residents fail to take the proper steps to keep their homes maintained to a reasonable condition, and from time to time the Association must step in and require them to take action.

One component that needs to be brought to attention is the paint condition on certain home exteriors throughout CRCA. As the weeks turn into months, and the months turn into years, it can be easy for homeowners to not notice that their home is in need of a paint job. Not only does paint affect the aesthetic appeal of the home, it also provides a protective barrier against the natural elements. CRCA hopes that residents will start to take a closer look at the exterior of their homes to evaluate whether the time has come to consider repainting. Typically the wood trim ("fascia board") requires painting sooner than the stucco body of the home. The management team is noticing more and more homes with fascia that has weathered down to the bare wood.

You may have read a similar reminder about this topic in the July/August newsletter last year. The CRCA Board has been trying to give residents ample time to get their homes brought up to par before implementing covenants enforcement actions for homes that need to be painted. This month's article hopes to provide another gentle reminder for those whose homes are still in need of attention. While the Board hasn't yet established a date that enforcement of this issue will begin, it will likely be in the next several months that residents will begin to get notices letting them know they need to take action.

The Association's role is to protect the property values of the community, and when homes begin to look run down, impact to values becomes a concern. Your Board of Directors thanks everyone who has already participated in the duty of homeownership by painting their homes over the last several years, and asks that those who need to service their homes will take heed and do so in the upcoming months.

The Continental Ranch Community Association Board of Directors thanks its members for making this community one of the best places to live in southern Arizona.

# Complimentary Dumpsters in Continental Ranch

The Town of Marana has generously volunteered several dumpsters for Continental Ranch area residents to make use of this season! Mark your calendars; the dumpsters will be dropped off for the weekend of July 27th and will be removed on July 29th.



Continental Ranch reminds its members that yard and household waste should never be disposed of by dumping it over their back yard walls or abandoning on the side of their homes in the front yards. Often, residents will trim their trees and bushes, and then simply dump their landscape debris over the backyard wall. This practice is considered illegal dumping and carries a hefty fine.

The Town of Marana asks that anyone utilizing the dumpster service to be sure to place all items inside the dumpster. Items that the dumpster service should not be used for include mattresses and large household furniture such as couches. These large items greatly reduce the amount dumpster space and leave little room for others who wish to participate in this service.



Continental Ranch hopes that this weekend dumpster service provided by the Town will give residents the chance to round up their bulky items and properly dispose of them. If you have any questions related to this topic, please contact the Association office at 520-297-7600 or the Town of Marana Code Enforcement Division at 520-382-2520.

*The following is an excerpt from the Town's article regarding illegal dumping from a past newsletter-*

As you may know, Town Code prohibits the accumulation of refuse on your property. This includes garbage, trash, piles of brush/grass/weeds/trimmings, and any other unsightly or unsanitary matter of any kind. All items such as these should be properly disposed of at a designated disposal facility or kept within an approved container on your property pending disposal or pick-up by your sanitation provider. A violation of this constitutes a civil infraction of the Code and may cause formal enforcement action to be taken.

Unfortunately, every year there are multiple occurrences of homeowners trimming their trees and throwing these clippings either over their wall onto common areas or dumping this debris into a nearby wash. Please do not do this! By its very definition this is considered illegal dumping and is a criminal violation of both Arizona State Law and Marana Town Code, which means that you could be arrested for this!



Besides the possible legal consequences, also consider that by dumping this debris near the homes of you and your neighbor, you are creating an environment that attracts rodents and other pests that are not sanitary. Additionally, this can also create issues for storm water passageways as the debris left behind by illegal dumping can restrict the flow of storm water within the washes, thus posing a health and safety hazard to all in the area.

# 2018 COMMUNITY CLEAN-UP WEEKEND

## July 27th-29th

The Town of Marana will be placing community dumpsters in the Continental Ranch area.

The dumpsters will be placed at the following locations:

- Community Center at 8881 N. Coachline Blvd
- Parking lot west of the Windmill Park field along Coachline Blvd

### ACCEPTABLE WASTES:

- Municipal Solid Waste-residential household trash
- Vegetative (Green) Waste
- Landscape Rubble

### UNACCEPTABLE WASTES:

- Tires
- Lead Acid Batteries
- Household Appliances Containing Class 1 or 2 Refrigerant/Freon (CFCs/HCFCs) (Refrigerators, Freezers, Air Conditioners, Water Coolers)
- Electronic Waste (TV's, Computers)
- Hazardous Waste, Liquid Wastes-Oils, Paints, Antifreeze, Solvents, Bio-Hazardous Waste, Medical Wastes

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# Home Landscaping Tips

July means monsoons. Obviously that also means higher humidity and higher rainfall, with high temperatures. These are perfect conditions for many of our plants and trees to grow fast, which in turn leads us to need to do plenty of trimming and tree pruning. One important question is, when is the best time to prune our trees?

That is not a simple and straight forward answer, just like, “how much should I water?” There are many things to consider when answering that question. The easy answer might be when the tree is dormant, usually during the winter. While Mesquite, Palo Verde, and other desert adapted trees are more forgiving as to when to they can be pruned; Elms, Ashes, and Citrus not so much.

Elms and Ashes- These should predominantly be pruned in the dormant season; November thru January. However if there is a special need; broken branch, branch hitting structure, or any safety concerns, then the proper pruning needs to be done.



Citrus- These shouldn't be pruned heavily in the first place. When pruning citrus, try to leave the branching as low as possible. Citrus have a very thin bark, and they sunburn easily. I have seen whole sides of trunks blistered from sunburn. Eventually the tree dies a slow, but steady death. If you must have that lollipop, high manicured look on your citrus, you need to paint the trunk with tree paint. The best time to prune citrus is after the danger of frost has past and before it gets too hot, in about March.

Mesquites and Palo Verde- While the best time to prune them may be in the dormant stage as well, with the monsoons' high winds and other conditions mentioned at the beginning of this article, damage in the form of blown over trees and broken branches are of great concern. If your trees are overgrown and in need of trimming, get them trimmed regardless of the season. Ask questions of your landscaper as to their methodology of pruning trees to ensure they have the technical know-how to prune the proper way. The first aspect; trim out dead wood, secondly; building and people safety, third; canopy thinning and balance of tree. Never “top” your trees. “Topping” trees means cutting the ends of a branch and not cutting it back a main junction. The first two aspects are self-explanatory, the third lightens and thins the canopy, allowing wind to blow through the tree and reducing the top heaviness of the tree. And “topping” a tree promotes multiple growth points for branches, creating a “lions-tail” effect.

Tree pruning is one of the most important aspects of landscape maintenance. Improper cuts take years before they take their toll on the tree's life and a poorly pruned tree can take years to recover, if ever. Every cut needs to be intentional and carefully considered. Many self-taught landscapers will tackle the job of pruning trees, but just because they've “pruned lots of trees” doesn't guarantee they are pruning them correctly.





# Pool News

This year has proved to be a bit of a challenge in relation to managing the community pool facilities, and the Association apologizes to those residents who may have been inconvenienced by some of the limitations experienced earlier this year. Rest assured, the Association's management staff made their best attempts to get the issues resolved as quickly as possible. Unfortunately despite all efforts, it still took time to get certain issues resolved.



The splash pad is one area which has ongoing issues. The system relies on a recirculating underground tank to supply the water for the splash pad spray features, and when the tank empties more water than the refill supply line can replace, the water level of the tank drops and the pumps begin to suck in air. Once the pumps lose suction due to sucking in air, the splash pad ceases to work until the maintenance company can service it the following day, during their daily maintenance routine. As of the writing of this article, the splash pad contractor is working on resolving the issue and is promising they will get the problem fixed very soon. The Association's attorney is involved to ensure compliance.

The second issue of the season was the Community Center pool not being opened on time due to the electronic keycard reader device malfunctioning. As soon as the issue was identified, the device was shipped to the manufacturer (in April, about 6 weeks prior to the scheduled reopening date). Although the device was under warranty, the manufacturer's repair service was unbearably slow. Management and the IT contractor applied constant

pressure to the vendor to get the device back as quickly as possible, which unfortunately still took quite a bit of time. Ultimately the device was repaired and returned, and the system was restored during the first week in June.

One other issue that several residents voiced concern over was the cloudiness of the water in the main pool at Windmill Park near the end of May and beginning of June. Residents should be comforted to know that the cloudiness was simply due to particles from the sand filters, and not a chemical imbalance. Every several years the sand component of the filters begins to reach the end of its useful life, which can hinder filtration and yield a cloudy appearance to the water. As soon as the issue became apparent, the pool maintenance company quickly scheduled a sand change. Within a short time after the filters were serviced, the water clarity was restored to the crystal clear quality that Continental Ranch residents are accustomed to.



# CRCA Community Business Spotlight

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

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We are open Monday through Friday, from 7:30 am to 6:00 pm, and see patients by appointment. Our office phone number is (520)744-3850. You can view our website at [crpetclinic.weebly.com](http://crpetclinic.weebly.com), and visit us on Facebook. We would love to meet you and your furry family members! Come in and visit us!



Summer is definitely here and so is the first anniversary of the Town's new Animal Services Division. With that, I would like to take this opportunity to personally thank everyone in the community for your assistance in making this first year a huge success! Besides having highly qualified and experienced Animal Control Officers, we are also blessed to have a very engaged and responsible community. Because of this combination, we have been able to return lost dogs to their families at a rate that is much, much higher than the industry average, reduce the number of at-large dogs, and reduce the number of violation animal bites over this past year. Thank you. As a reminder, especially with the current heat (and hopefully rain), please remember to clean-up any animal waste on your property in a timely manner. Your animals and neighbors will greatly appreciate it!

The Town will be hosting another low-cost spay and neuter clinic in August. Please keep your eyes out for additional information as soon as the date is confirmed.

Please remember that Town Code prohibits the parking of commercial vehicles on residential area streets, unless the vehicle is actively engaged in loading, unloading or a similar function. Recreational vehicles and trailers are also prohibited from parking on residential area streets for more than seventy two hours. This allows more than enough time for the loading and unloading for a trip or the occasional weekend visitor.

One final note, trees will continue to grow during this time of year. If you have a tree that is close to a sidewalk or roadway, please ensure that it is maintained so that it does not obstruct pedestrian or vehicular traffic. If you are on a corner lot, please make sure that your tree also does not obstruct any street or stop sign visibility.

I hope that everyone is having a wonderful summer and thank you again for your time and assistance. It is greatly appreciated!

Bill Lorefice

Chief Code Enforcement and Animal Control Officer



# MEN'S BASKETBALL LEAGUE

Dust off your high tops and bring your basketball skills to the court. This new league is for all skill levels. We are looking for teams that want to compete weekly at Leman Academy School's Gym on Saturday afternoon/early evenings. The first game will be Saturday, July 14th. First game will start at 3pm. This is a 8 week game schedule with a single elimination tournament at the end of the regular season.

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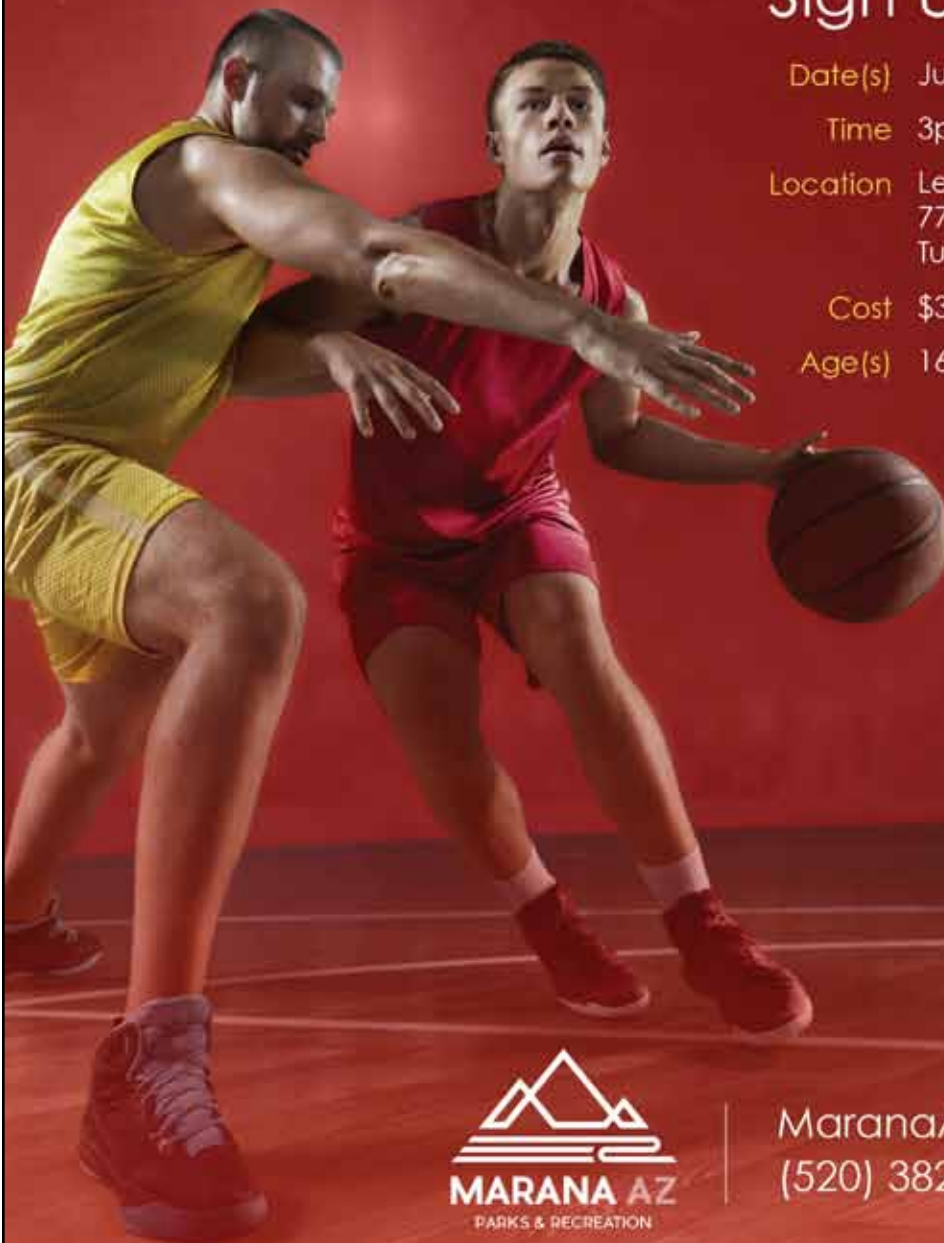
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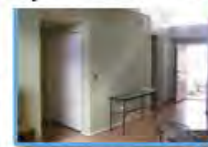
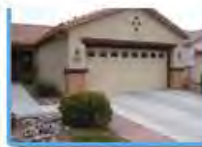
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I always seek ways to effectively control expenditures while minimizing the impact on vital community services. As a local businessman, I always focus on Marana's future, positioning our town for health and prosperity in which our children and citizens can thrive.

I welcome your support and ask for your vote in the Primary, August 28th.

*Herb*  
Councilman  
Town of Marana

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- Focusing on community safety, such that the Marana police department currently has two officers for every 1000 residents and maintains a response time of 4 minutes for Level 1 and 2 calls. This is one of the fastest response times in Arizona. The Marana police force is an integral part of our community. Please thank Chief Terry Rozema and your local police officers.
- Protecting and securing our water supply for today and to ensure business growth and future residential development. Using connections, Herb helped secured permanent Central Arizona Project allocations of water for the Town of Marana.
- Donated 40 acres of land for the Marana Veterans Cemetery, in gratitude to our men and women in the Armed Forces and to keep our loved ones close.

**July 30:** Last day to register for the Primary Election.

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**August 28:** Primary Election

**October 9:** Last day to register for the General Election.

**November 6:** General Election

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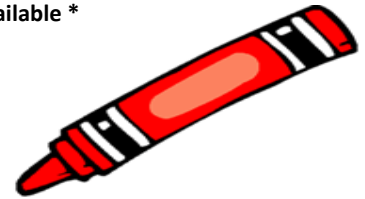
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# Management's Message

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We're always on the hunt for new volunteers who want to serve on committees for the HOA. Currently we have active committees for landscape, covenants, and architectural review. The Landscape Committee meets with the common area landscape maintenance contractor each month and holds them accountable to the standards expected by our community, as well as reviews new projects that they deem necessary. The Covenants Committee meets once per month to review properties that are in violation and decides what course of action to take in order to encourage the owners to resolve their violation. The Architectural Review Committee processes the applications submitted by residents who wish to make changes or improvements around their properties. Typically the time commitment to serve on a committee is less than an hour per month. Simply come visit a committee meeting anytime to check it out and see if you think you'd like to join in the fun.

As I'm sure you've seen, the Red Cross has held a couple blood donation drives in Continental Ranch over the past year. Unfortunately the turnout for the drives has been pretty thin. We'll be holding one more drive this year, later in December. If you're a blood donor and would like to have a convenient location to give blood, please keep this opportunity in mind and on your calendar. We'll be sure to post details in upcoming newsletters.

Josh Seng, Community Manager  
On behalf of Ryan, Vicky, Ashley and Paula



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