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May / June 2020 Edition

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## May 2020

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- 1st Assessments Due
- 4th Landscape - 7 p.m. at WP
- 6th Covenants - 6 p.m. at WP
- 7th ARC - 7 p.m. at WP
- 9th CRCA Office Open  
Available by phone or email  
only 9am - 1pm
- 16th Late Fee Applies
- 19th Board of Directors Meeting  
6:45 p.m. at WP
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- 25th Memorial Day  
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## Association Dues Reminder

It's that time again...the semi-annual assessments are due May 1st. While the office will remain closed to walk-ins until the threat of COVID-19 has passed, payments can be made online or mailed to the office in the form of a check or money order. To pay online please visit [www.crcatucson.com](http://www.crcatucson.com) to access the secure management portal website, and if you need assistance with your password, or if you would like to discuss a payment plan, then please contact the office at (520) 297-7600. The grace period extends through May 15th before late fees are applied. Thank you to all who have already paid their assessment.



Monthly payments break out to less than \$30 per month and many residents find this monthly rate to be more manageable than paying the lump assessments twice per year. If you would like to begin monthly pre-payments, please contact our office at (520) 297-7600 for more details.

## Swim! Swim! Swim!

While Continental Ranch is hopeful that pools can reopen by the time residents receive this newsletter, there is a strong possibility that precautionary COVID-19 closures will need to remain in place until further notice. Triple digit temperatures have returned to the desert, and understandably residents are anxious for relief from the heat, and to get their kids ready for a safe summer of swimming!

The CRCA Board of Directors are eager to open the pools up to residents and to Saguaro Swim Aquatics as soon as restrictions are lifted. For over 10 years, CRCA has partnered with Saguaro Swim Aquatics to provide swim lessons to Continental Ranch residents. Residents who participate in the swim lesson program enjoy competitive pricing, small class sizes, and the convenience of lessons held close to home. Saguaro Aquatics has committed to keeping class sizes small so that students receive a high level of personal attention from their instructors. Lessons are held at the community center pool on Coachline Blvd, across the street from the skate park. Registration is handled directly between residents and the swim lesson company. If you would like more information, please contact Saguaro Aquatics at (520) 638-8040.



# March & April Recap: Meetings at a Glance

*The following are highlights from the regular meeting of the Board of Directors held March 17, 2020 at the Windmill Park Office. The April 21, 2020 meeting was canceled due to COVID-19 restrictions. 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 March 17, 2020 meeting, the Board approved several Covenants Committee recommendations for fines and pool use suspensions for various unresolved violations; approved Windmill Park pool area drainage improvements; approved Sombrero Vista trees irrigation installation; approved

community center irrigation controller cartridge; approved Reserve Study three-year contract renewal; approved community center pool 'No Diving' signs per code; approved repaint of community center exterior building, walls and parking lot; approved repaint of common area solar panel poles and walls throughout community; approved Twin Peaks monument irrigation upgrade; approved Action-In-Lieu to approve Windmill Park splash pad 'mushroom' cap features replacement.

April 21, 2020 meeting canceled.

## 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.



## Papers Piling Up

Continental Ranch is fortunate as a community to have more than one source of news and local information, many of which are even complimentary. Readers of newspapers, and newsletters such as this one, often prefer receiving a physical copy for various reasons; for instance, it certainly engages more of the senses than viewing on a screen. However, a growing number of people are also beginning to realize the environmental benefits of going paperless and have opted to receive their news online and via email.

One negative, albeit unintended, consequence of papers being regularly tossed into front yards is that they can accumulate on driveways, be carried by the wind into neighboring yards, or blow into the street where they are then shredded into even smaller pieces by passing cars. Scraps of weathered newspapers littered throughout neighborhoods is an unsightly issue, but the good news is that there is an easy way to help make a difference.

Continental Ranch would like to encourage residents who prefer not to receive these papers to contact their newspapers' distributors and request a permanent stop on their paper delivery service, and to inquire about switching to an electronic version. For those who enjoy having these papers delivered to their home then please be sure to collect them regularly to avoid an unsightly pile, or littering. Please check out the Continental Ranch website at [www.crcatucson.com](http://www.crcatucson.com) to sign up for the electronic version of this newsletter. Two of the largest distributors of complimentary newspapers in the area are Tucson Local Media, and the Arizona Daily Star with Tucson.com, both of which are supportive of readers choosing to switch from a paper version to an electronic one. Their contact information will be provided below, and residents are always welcome to call the CRCA office at (520) 297-7600 for assistance.

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# CRCA Board of Directors

There are three seats on the CRCA Board of Directors which will be up for election at the Annual Meeting on October 27, 2020. The positions coming open are currently held by John Lambert, Peggy Bracken, and Doug Childress. 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 15th. Continental Ranch is a strong and vibrant community. Its success depends on the volunteers who donate their time by serving on the Board of Directors. Apply for the Board and be a Leader in your association.

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## CRCA - Application For Candidacy To The Board Of Directors

(Please Use Additional Paper If Needed)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ 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 are on the Board? \_\_\_\_\_

The Association is a community of neighborhoods governed by the CC&Rs. The Board of Directors is required by law to apply the rules in a uniform manner. How would you approach your fiduciary duty in applying rules and granting waiver? \_\_\_\_\_

I have read the CC&Rs, Bylaws, and the Design Guidelines and understand as a member of the Board, I have a duty to uphold them. YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

I understand the time commitment of the position including attending monthly meetings of the Board and up to two committee meetings a month. I understand this commitment of time may range from 6 to 12 hours per month. YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

Please return the application to the Continental Ranch Community Association office via mail, email or fax.

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# Maintaining Community Assets

The Continental Ranch Board of Directors are diligent in budgeting every year for future repairs and maintenance in order to preserve the community's assets for years to come. A couple projects have recently been completed, and more are already underway.

In March, AAA Landscape completed a project to improve the drainage behind the Windmill Park pool area. Water due to heavy rain, or hosing of the pool decks, would collect where the deck meets the low masonry walls that border the pool area and fail to escape through 'weep' holes at the base of the walls. The ground was re-graded, perforated drainpipes installed, tree wells dug, and a fresh new layer of gravel added back on top. Better drainage should prevent stagnant water from deteriorating the freshly sealed pool deck or the paint and texture of the masonry walls going forward.



Residents passing by the community center may have noticed the fresh new paint job. The colors were recommended by the Architectural Review Committee from scheme #5 from the CRCA Pre-Approved Paint Palette, which can be found on Dunn Edwards website. The new colors brighten up the building, and the lighter shades mean they will fade less over time. Approved Painting received the contract for repainting the exterior community center building along with the striping and curbing of its parking lot, and the repainting of solar panel poles and perimeter walls throughout the community.

Earlier this year it was brought to our attention that large cracks had formed in several of the decorative block planters surrounding the Windmill Park ramadas. Each of these five substantial planters contain a healthy and mature Swan Hill olive tree, which can live up



to 500 years old! Thorough inspections revealed that the roots from the trees applied enough pressure to their surrounding planter to compromise the walls' integrity. In order to protect these attractive and shade-giving assets, the board of directors contracted with AAA Landscape to perform extensive repairs on the five planters. These steps will include removing all the blocks from each planter, discarding those that are cracked, and reusing intact blocks along with new ones to rebuild the planters. Before rebuilding the planters, a root barrier will be installed one foot in from the planter walls to prevent future damage. The project is expected to begin this May and will take up to three weeks to complete.



# CREATIVE CORNER

## 30 Fun Things to Do at Home

1. Have a Costume Night
2. Throw an Indoor Picnic
3. Have Breakfast for Dinner
4. Memorize a Poem
5. Learn how to make Origami
6. Have an Indoor/Outdoor Scavenger Hunt
7. Learn to Do Nail Art
8. Plant Seedlings
9. Host a Themed Movie Night
10. Create a Safe Science Experiment
11. Film a Cooking Show
12. Make Greeting Cards for Friends and Family
13. Play Hide and Seek
14. Have a Karaoke Night
15. Host an International Dinner Night
16. Visit a Virtual Zoo Field Trip
17. Make Jewelry
18. Host an English Tea Party
19. Regrow Your Vegetables
20. Read a Book
21. Have a Water Balloon Fight
22. Learn Yoga
23. Set up a Indoor/Outdoor Obstacle Course
24. Have a Photo Shoot
25. Learn Calligraphy
26. Have a BBQ
27. Invent Your Own Board Game
28. Have a Spa Night
29. Play Simon Says
30. Make a Family Scrapbook



# BRAIN TEASERS

Q: When you look for something, why is it always in the last place you look?

A. Because when you find it, you stop looking!

Q: A cowboy rode into town on Friday. He stayed in town for three days and rode out on Friday. How was that possible?

A. Friday was the name of his horse.

Q: What belongs to you but is used more by others?

A. Your name.

Q: Timmy's mother had three children. The first was named April, the next was named May. What was the name of the third child?

A. Timmy of course!

Q: What occurs once in a minute, twice in a moment, and never in one thousand years?

A. The letter M.

Q: What goes up and never comes down?

A. Your age.

Q: If you are running in a race and you pass the person in second place, what place are you in?

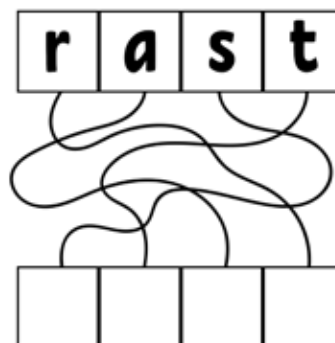
A. Second place.

Q: How many months have 28 days?

A. All 12 months.

Q: What invention allows you to look right through a wall?

A. A window!





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Answer key on page 23.





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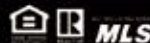
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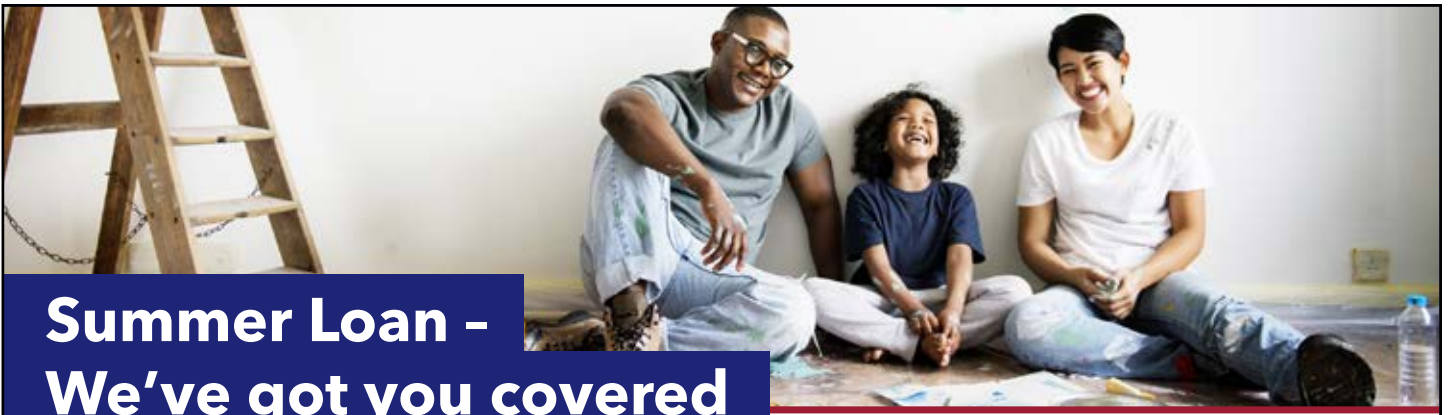
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**RESPECT**

Michael Stevenson is the Constable for Pima County Justice Precinct 10 serving Marana, Oro Valley, Picture Rocks, and Avra Valley. Constable Stevenson understands and believes a Constable must be a dedicated individual who works on behalf of the citizens of Pima County and represents their best interests

- Criminal and Civil Summons
  - arrest warrants
  - property seizures
- Member Arizona Constables Association



- Past Presiding Constable Pima County, elected by nine other constables
- Retired Police Officer Town of Oro Valley
- Life Member of the National Constables and Marshals Association
- Arizona POST Certified Instructor
- Board Member and Treasurer for the Arizona Constables Associates

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# DAVE BOWEN

## MOVING MARANA FORWARD



**Bowen4Marana.com**



**VOTE BOWEN AUGUST 4TH**

***It's time to Move Marana Forward and continue on the strong positive path we have started by:***

- > **Preserving** Marana's Natural Beauty and Quality of Life
- > **Promoting** our Unique Farming and Ranching Culture
- > **Striving** to improve regulations so business find it easy to work with the Town
- > **Continuing** to build a strong partnership with Marana's schools and bringing an Institute of Higher learning to Marana

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# JACKIE CRAIG

for

## MARANA TOWN COUNCIL



### BACKGROUND AND EXPERIENCE

- Tucson Native
- U.S. Foreign Service Officer 25 Years
- MS in National Security Strategy, National War College
- President Highlands Board of Directors
- 6 Year Hike Leader

### KEEP MARANA UNIQUE

- Commercial Development to Grow Sales Tax Base and Jobs
- Abundant Parks and Open Space
- Viable Wildlife Corridors
- Sustainable Clean Water Supply
- Responsible Town Budgeting
- No New Sales Tax

### SPECIAL MESSAGE FOR INDEPENDENTS

Did you know that you have been disenfranchised from deciding who runs your Marana town council? This is because Council members are decided in the Primary (on August 4) and **ONLY** those voters listed as Democratic or Republican get a ballot in the mail. The Council makes important decisions that affect your life: sales tax, police, roads, water, zoning and the character of town growth.

To vote, either go to the polls on August 4 or sign up for an early ballot. The form to do this can be found at [www.recorder.pima.gov/BallotByMailRequest](http://www.recorder.pima.gov/BallotByMailRequest) and should be submitted between May 4 and July 24.

**DONATE OR VOLUNTEER at [www.Jackie4Marana.com](http://www.Jackie4Marana.com)**  
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*"Serving the Marana community is not a job;  
it's an honor, one I take seriously and with  
passion" ~Roxanne*



*Roxanne*

**Ziegler4Marana.com**

**Ziegler**

## Putting Marana First



Improve upon the Excellent Quality of Life for Residents and Families



- Major AZ State accreditation for Marana Police Dept
- Cut the ribbon on El Rio Preserve Observation Deck
- Maintained 140 miles of roadway
- 6,000 program participants in Marana Parks & Rec



Always Put Marana First, ensuring a bright future for generations to come



- Began construction on 2 water treatment plants
- Conducted water rate study
- Revitalized Colonia-designated neighborhood
- Reached a population of fifty thousand residents



Support, Promote and Protect our Agricultural community



- Community Garden Plots through Parks and Rec
- Annual Cotton Festival
- Community Education on the importance of water conservation



Work to improve upon our business friendly environment



- Reopened one major commercial corridor
- Issued six film permits
- Hosted four major festivals

Roxanne Ziegler is a 31 year resident of the Town of Marana, of which she has dedicated 18 years to serving the community. Roxanne's continued interaction directly with the residents of Marana has been the driving force behind her desire to make sure there is a solid foundation for our future generations of Marana residents. Roxanne has been a strong advocate and leader focused on creating an environment for residential and commercial development to thrive while protecting areas like our treasured Tortolita Preserve and community open space areas. The smart growth seen in the Town of Marana is evidence of Roxanne's dedication to keeping the promises she has made to her constituents who have continually put their trust in her. By Putting Marana First, Roxanne's strong, competent and qualified leadership skills have ensured that Marana maintains an excellent quality of life for all who live and work in our community.

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# Useful Numbers

## Non-Emergency Marana Police Department

520-382-2000

## Poison Control

520-626-6016

## Animal Control Marana

General Questions: 520-382-8020

Officer Response: 520-682-4032

## Arizona Game & Fish Department

(to report Coyotes, Bobcats, etc.)

520-628-5376

## Pima County Hazardous Waste

(including green pools on vacant property)

520-791-3171

## 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

Thornsdale & Magee

520-744-6720

# Newsletter Policies

The Continental Ranch Windmill is published bi-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 please email [continental.ranch@yahoo.com](mailto:continental.ranch@yahoo.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

Quarter Page \$75

Half Page \$130

Full Page \$227

\* 3 and 6 month discounts available

Political Ads must have "Paid advertisement. Not endorsed by the CRCA" in at least 8 point type at the bottom of the ad.

## ANSWER:





# Management's Message

I hope everyone is finding a way to remain connected to loved ones, be entertained, and above all stay healthy during these uncertain times. News of the COVID-19, coronavirus, pandemic seems to be everywhere you turn, but I would be remiss not to mention it in my message to you. I was expecting my first letter as your community association manager to begin with a happy report of the annual Easter Egg Hunt event; however, the difficult decision was made to cancel the event in order to comply with state and local orders, and ultimately to protect the health of the community. Other temporary closures include the pools, the community center, office walk-ins, playgrounds and the ramadas. The effect these closures have on Continental Ranch residents is not lost on me, and they will be lifted as quickly as possible once local officials have deemed it safe to do so.

Management staff are still available to assist residents over the phone or via email during our normal business hours of Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Depending on the current COVID-19 conditions, either a staff member will be available to answer phones, or the office will be open, one Saturday per month on May 9th and June 27th from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Our management team has a few notable updates – First off, I would like to congratulate Catherine Gutierrez, now Encinas, on her recent wedding! While it wasn't the large party they had originally planned, Catherine and her husband enjoyed a special celebration with close family members at the end of April. Also, I'm excited to announce that Paula Bellina has moved up into the assistant manager position! She has been an invaluable asset to this office for almost a decade and I'm confident she will excel in this new role. Lastly, I would like to extend a warm welcome to our new accounts manager, Sharon DeShane. Sharon brings with her over 15 years of bookkeeping and accounting experience, and her positive 'can-do' attitude has already been a wonderful addition to the staff.

I am grateful to be able to work for one of the most desirable communities in the Tucson area; in addition, it is an honor to serve a board of directors that genuinely acts in the best interest of its members and is dedicated to improving common areas while remaining fiscally responsible. As your management team, we will continue striving to provide the highest quality service to Continental Ranch and to its board of directors.

Ashley Boykin, Community Association Manager

On behalf of Paula, Sharon, and Catherine

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