

The Round Up

February 2007

February Board Meeting Highlights

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Streets

John Garen suggested the use of a reserve study or a construction consultant to determine a maintenance plan for the streets.

If a professional organization determines that work on the streets is needed then a minimum of three bids from contractors would be required per Garen.

Lighting

Since the NR street lighting was constructed by volunteers Garen recommends having an electrician evaluate the system to determine if it meets county and state codes. Garen asked Ha-

ven Management to set up a meeting time for the committee.

Newsletter

The board voted to design and produce the Round Up "in-house" and to create a community web page. Chris Centuori will design and edit the Round Up. Cost for the webpage (www.nrcatucson.com) will be about \$190 over three years.

Centuori asks NR residents to consider opting out of the printed version of the newsletter by receiving it electronically for now—and later by viewing the official web page when it is online.

Homeowner Input

- Many homeowners said the repaired walls on Cactus Canyon should be painted now.
- A homeowner suggested reprinting and revising the CCRs for greater clarity.

Social Calendar

Breakfast —

March 31st

April 28th

Community Garage Sale —

April 21st

Board Meeting — TBA

Message From President Harry Resnick

Recently the south pool was closed because testing revealed hazardous health conditions. Rumors started that the south pool was closed for the winter to save money.

This was dispelled at the Friday, February 9th Emergency Board meeting. Three points came out of this meeting are as follows:

- 1) There are no plans to shut down the pools to save money. I and at least three other board members are opposed to that, especially if it means that handicapped people will have to give up rights, they presently enjoy.
- 2) Rumors spread fast. A good way to nip rumors in the bud is to call me, our Manager, or any other board member.
- 3) We are off to a good start correcting annoying pool problems. Please bear with us until the problem is solved, making North Ranch a better place to live.

Harry Resnick
NRCA President

Landscaping Committee Report

A Landscape Committee meeting was held on Monday February 19 at the South Pool at 10:15 AM. Present were Sande Schirmer, Angela Wiseman, Chris Centuori, Tom Steinhagen, Harry Resnick, Kim Rubly and Cindy Nichols (Haven Management), Graig Priest and Lynn Neil (Eden Green).

Congratulations were in order to Graig Priest and his Landscape work crew for being near completion in finishing the clearing of washes ahead of schedule. This was a challenge, being overrun with heavy rains resulting in tremendous plant growth last year.

A large Mesquite tree on Cactus canyon Pass, once identified as tree 45, has a weak crotch. It will be braced to pro-

tect it from coming apart in a wind storm.

A watering reduction program was applied to one area, because the water we applied to grass and plants to prevent possible overflow onto a member's property.

Unnecessary irrigation pipes were removed, the plants went on to a drip system, and grass bordering the members property was removed and replaced with decorative rock. We are now contemplating removing the remaining grass adjacent to the property and

replacing it with high-quality artificial turf, on a one year trial test period. The sprinkler system will remain in place, but turned off, during this trial period.

We are making plans to deep root fertilize our palm trees during the month of March. We are also making plans to continue with our tree maintenance program as we have done the years before.

The area adjacent to the North Pool Parking lot will be covered with decorative rock and will have new green bushes installed.

A tree replacement program, consisting of planting 8 or 9 small trees will take place this coming March.

Harry Resnick, Chair



Wanted: Neighborhood Watch Leader

On the weekend of February 23rd a medium-sized green SUV was seen driving around High Meadow Trail, with a young man protruding from the sunroof tossing eggs at a house. The same car was seen tossing eggs at the north pool.

Eggs have also been thrown at homes and vehicles near Stageline and also Desert Bend Loop.

A few weeks ago a homeowner was almost injured when a rock came crashing through a living room window.

Lighting is being destroyed and suds are appearing in the Jacuzzis regularly.

North Ranch desperately needs a neighborhood watch leader to help make a dent in this epidemic of vandalism.

If you are interested in leading the neighborhood watch or know someone who may be interested please contact Haven Management or any board member.

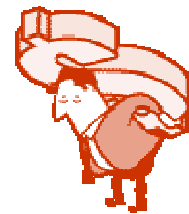
Treasurers Report

Nobody on the board has received any financial reports as of the date of this printing.

Haven Management explained their computer software was corrupted during an update process. Haven said this caused the "balance sheets to be out of balance." Haven said all income

and expenses have been verified but no collection letters for delinquencies will be going out until the problem is fixed.

Haven said the January financial reports will be available next month (March).



Thanks to the many
NR residents who
volunteer their time
to help clear the
streets of litter!

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Pools & Recreation News

Pesky Pool Problems

North Ranch pools and spas have been closed periodically due to ongoing maintenance problems. Chlorine and PH levels in the spas, which do not meet Pima County standards, are a particular concern. Pima County health codes require chlorine levels to never drop below 1 PPM.

One pool expert evaluated the S. Pool pump room and wrote "This equipment requires routine maintenance such as probe cleaning."

A routine inspection by NR board President Harry Resnick and board member Chris Centuori noted there was no cleaning solution for the chlorine sensors located in the pump

room.

The pool expert also cautioned against possible hazardous conditions in the pump room where chlorine and acid are stored side-by-side.

Board members have been testing the water in all the pools on a regular basis.

On 2/26 an inspection of the N. Pool pump room revealed severely corroded conduit protruding from the concrete floor. The floor was covered with liquids.

Basketball and Volleyball

New basketball and volleyball nets are up (YES a basketball will now pass through the net!). The landscapers were asked to scrape and sweep the

clay off the basketball court.

Tennis Courts

Haven Management was asked to locate contractors who can repair cracks.

New Committee Chair

Chris Centuori was named the new Chair of the recreation committee and is assembling new committee members.

Special thanks to Mary Zander for her years of hard work which has helped make our community a better place to live. **Thank you Mary!**



Architectural Committee

Committee Chair Robert Chaffee reported on a persistent problem in North Ranch—Vehicles parked on lawns.

Chaffee, fellow board members and NR homeowners dis-

cussed many possible solutions to the problem before Chaffee moved to strengthen parking enforcement rules.

The board voted unanimously to approve Chaffee's motion.

NR homeowners are encouraged to remind neighbors who park on lawns and rocks that it is against the CCRs and makes our community look bad.

Get Involved by Joining a Committee!

Landscape Committee:

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Walls Committee:

Contact Mary Zander 498-6410

Recreation Committee:

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Social Committee:

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Streets & Lighting:

Contact John Garen 648-1828

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The NRCA Board wishes to thank our community's many volunteers for all that they do! Keep up the great work!

Listen to the NR Board on Your Ipod. Wow!

Don't know what's going on around here? Here's your chance to find out. MP3 audio recordings of board meetings are here! Now you can enjoy the thrills and excitement of board meetings in the privacy of your own home.

For an audio copy please contact NRCA board member Chris Centuori at 784-9963 or by email at northranchchris@yahoo.com



Vandalism is becoming a major problem in NR. If you witness any vandalism please call 911 ASAP!

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Community Web Page

www.nrcatucson.com is coming soon!

Event Calendars, the Round Up, CCRs and other documents, Audio and Video of board meetings and the latest news about North Ranch will be on the official webpage soon!

