

Villas Voice

Countryside Villas Newsletter

April 2005

Help Us Stop Speeders

The Board has heard from some residents that drivers are speeding through our streets and even some people do not to stop at the STOP signs. Some of these drivers may not be residents of the Villas and may be using Doria and Matilda to cut through. Unfortunately, we believe that some of these "speeders" are our neighbors living right here in the Villas.

The speed limit in the Villas is 15 MPH. We have children and many walkers, both young and old, who use our narrow streets. For their safety as well as the driver's safety, please obey the speed limit and STOP signs.

If you see a resident of the Villas speeding or running a Stop sign you can do one of the following: (1) Stop them and ask them as a neighbor to slow down or, (2) Call Ruth Brown and let her know who they are and the Board will address the problem.

No Parking on the Street, Unless You Want to be Towed!

There have been a lot of people parking in the street and on the aprons (driveways), which is against the HOA rules. The Villas roads are narrow and when cars park in the road or even on the aprons, it causes a hazard that can create an accident.

In order to make sure these rules are followed the Board has decided it needs to start enforcing the rules. Any car that is parked on the street or on an apron will receive one warning on the car. If that car is seen on the street or apron again it will be towed without any further warning or notice.

Don't let your car, or your friends car be towed, please follow the rules for the safety of all residents.

Coming Soon...Our Annual Meeting

Yes, a year has gone by and it is time again for the Annual Meeting of the Villas owners. The meeting will be held on Monday, May 16th at the Community Center. You will receive formal notice of the meeting later in April.

There will be two seats on the Board that will be up for election. While knowledge of accounting, construction or landscaping would be a plus, we have had many Board members over the years whose primary talent was a well-developed public spirit and a desire to keep the Villas a fine residential community. To volunteer to run for the Board or for more information please contact Ruth Brown or Gene Fanning.

News from the Board

The next board meeting is on Monday, April 18 at 7 pm in the Countryside Community Room. On the agenda for this month include follow up reports about barking dog complaints, new plants, the garage sale, and the annual walk around. The board is also going to talk about the annual meeting on May 16.

Last month the board discussed the annual inspection. All but 15 of the 50 homes had completed the work but most will be completed by the deadline. New plants are being planted to replace some that had been taken out, and rocks had been moved by the opening to the wash at Doria to prevent ATVs from cutting through the neighborhood.

Meet Your Neighbors

At the request of some residents, a new feature of the newsletter will introduce your neighbors.

Up first, Board member and Newsletter Editor Kelle Maslyn.

I have been a resident of Countryside Villas for 4 years and Tucson for 6 years. I've lived all over Arizona after my parents moved the family here from New York State in 1976. When I first moved to town I served as the director of the Marana Chamber of Commerce, but I have been working at Comcast as its public, government, and media relations manager for 2 years.

My cats, Kole and Jeter, love to cheer on the New York Yankees with me, and take care of the place when I am traveling, playing golf, or out with friends.

Speaking of Cats...Several cats have been seen roaming the neighborhood. It may be great for people that have pets, but the rules of Countryside Villas say, "All pets must be on a leash when outside the unit. Pets are not allowed to roam the common areas or anywhere on the property. This includes but is not limited to dogs and cats." Be kind to your neighbors and pets – take care of them

What do you like about Countryside Villas?

In the next newsletter I would like to feature some comments from the neighborhood about what you like about living in Countryside Villas. Is it the great neighbors, the annual garage sale, or the proximity to I-10? Give me some comments and I will feature them next month. Thanks for all the comments I've received on the newsletter. Feel free to email me at kmaslyn@comcast.net with any ideas or things you would like to see here.

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