

What's new in your neighborhood?

# Countryside Villas

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## BOARD MEETING NOTICE

It's that time again...

**When:** Monday, August 16, 1999  
**Time:** 7:00 p.m.  
**Where:** Countryside Community Center

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## Handyman Tip of the Month

### *How to paint*

- Work from the top down so that you don't drip onto areas that have just been painted.
- Start with the fascia boards, gutters and eaves; then the walls; next, paint downspouts; finish by painting windows, doors and trim.
- When painting lap siding, work horizontally by applying paint all the way across several boards (stopping in the middle of a board can cause an unsightly "lapping" effect.)
- Likewise, on vertical siding -- grooved plywood or board-and-batten, for example -- complete one vertical section at a time, then move on to the next section.

- Don't stop painting until you reach a visual breaking point (such as a window or door frame).

### Weather Conditions

- Try to do exterior painting when the temperature is between 60° and 85° F, with low or moderate humidity and little or no wind.
- Always avoid painting in direct sunlight.
- Avoid painting when the temperature falls below 50° F.
- Latex paints can be applied as little as 30 minutes after it rains, assuming the surface isn't visibly wet.

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*Do you have a tip you would like to share? Please call Bonnie at 579-7786 or drop it off in Gene's box at 4879 W. Doria Drive.*

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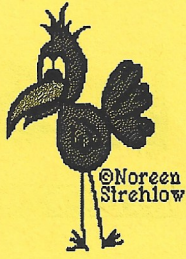
## Marana Sheriff's Department Quick Response at Accident Sight

There was a recent incident in Countryside Villas when a car crossed over the sidewalk on Camino de Oeste and ran across our common area and into an overflow parking area. The Marana Sheriff's Department was contacted and their response time was extremely quick. We thought our residents would like to know that our local sheriff's department is quick to respond to situations, which is very comforting to all of us. Thank you Marana Sheriff's Department!

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**Do you have an interesting article to share with your neighbors? Please let us know!**





## AH...TIS TIME TO DISCUSS THE BIRDS AND THE BEES

Since the latter have not returned here and none of you have had an invasion, I trust, we can dispense with them. Instead, I will give you a recipe that is my gift to you, free of charge as long as you vote for me when I run for a seat in the state legislature!

The "recipe" is for eradication of whatever eats on my Lantana: I don't know what it IS but suddenly the leaves are full of holes, turning brown and are dying. This is something I read years ago...the source I do not remember, but it WORKS. Place the mixture in a discarded Windex container or any spray bottle you have. I like the spray because it makes the leaves glossy, not smothering the plant and endures through many rain showers. What follows is my Million Dollar Gift (you can contribute to my Campaign) when I run for the State seat....Boy, do they need HELP!

- 1TBSP Detergent ( Palmolive, etcetera)
- 1TBSP Oil (Canola, whatever. This is a good disposal vehicle if you have some left over which is on the verge of becoming rancid.)
- 1 Qt. Water

Put the detergent in first, the oil next and lastly the water as the detergent is then held back from foaming and flowing out of the container.

**SQUIRT ! Es todo!**

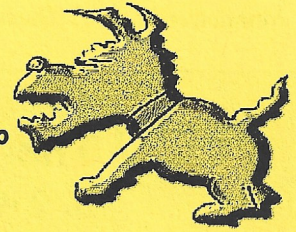
**LIZARDS** Now.....as to Lizards. I had an inquiry as to why the lizards seem to be larger this year than in the immediate past (larger meaning also fatter!). I have had a call in to Fish and Game for two days with a follow-up on my part, but the ONLY person who seems to be the authority on feeding habits of lizards did not return my call. Since I want to get this into the hands of our Editor-in-Chief, I am going to fathom a guess. I think it is because we have more insects this year or at least at this time of the year in comparison to last year. I have had many more ants, for instance, especially in the front area of my yard and then I remember the time I decided to empty Sarah's (my Chocolate Lab) wading pool: when I

tilted it up and into the flower beds, there were seven million, five hundred and sixty-three thousand sow bugs and roaches under it and lizards came from EVERYWHERE to eat them!

I just received a call from the Desert Museum where I had asked for help with this subject and the gentleman said we had had a good Monsoon season, which meant more plants and bugs and he would guess their fare WAS a factor PLUS this is also the mating season and they are very pregnant with eggs. I'll buy that-hope our neighbor does :-).

### REMINDER

Please keep your dogs on a leash and carry a plastic bag to pick up after them.



Thanks! 😊

### COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES SUGGESTIONS NEEDED

The Board is looking for ideas on community activities and ways to get together socially. Do you have some good ideas? Please submit (clip) your suggestions below and drop them off in the Countryside Villas Mailbox - 4879 W. Doria Drive. Thanks for your input.

### I WOULD LIKE TO SUGGEST THE FOLLOWING COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES:

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### COMMENTS:

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