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## Villas Voice

Countryside Villas Newsletter

January 2006

The Villas Fees Went Up

Please remember that the monthly dues have increased to \$ 45 as of January 1. If you have already sent in your check and paid the old fee amount of \$ 40, be sure to add the extra \$ 5 for January when you make your February payment and you will not be charged a late fee.

The extra \$ 5 a month totals \$ 360 that the Board will be setting aside in a special fund for the resurfacing of the streets.

**Special Parking Permits** 

The Villas has limited Guest and Visitor parking spaces and thus our rules do not allow residents to park in these parking areas for more than three days.



Last year the Board considered requests for long term parking permits. These permits are available for residents that have more than two cars **and** more than two licensed drivers living in Countryside Villas. These permits are not for a child visiting for a month from college or summer vacation, nor are they for a friend or family member staying for several weeks but for those that live here full time.

If you believe you fit into this situation and would like to apply for a long-term permit please contact Ruth Brown by phone at 682-0056. She will send you an application to be completed and returned to the Board for consideration. The Board will review all the requests and issue permits at the February Board meeting, so get your requests in before February 10.

**Annual Walk Around Completed** 

The Annual Walk Around to ensure that all the homes in the neighborhood are well maintained was held on January 7. If your home needs repair you will receive a letter at the end of the month.

Please try to get the repairs done in the time allotted. Most of the maintenance items noted during the walk around were wood fascia boards and wood trim in need of repair and painting and repairs and painting of stucco cracks, holes or faded areas. Remember, the work that is required is to keep up the home values in the neighborhood.

Thanks to all of our neighbors who have maintained their homes over the years, the values of the homes in our neighborhood have been consistently high.

#### Remember to Take Down Your Christmas Lights

The community looked bright and festive during the holidays. Now that they are over, please make time to take down your holiday lights and decorations. There were some great decorations this year!

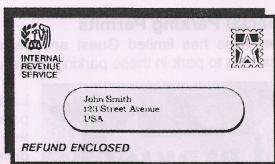
#### Welcome to Our New Neighbor

Welcome to Luis Espinoza who moved into 4848 W. Doria. We're glad to have you as our new neighbor!

#### **Email Scam Alert**

In December 2005 people began receiving emails purporting to come from the Internal Revenue Service (sent with a return address of <irs\_notice@irs.gov>) and offering consumers a link to a "handy" web form they can use to check the status of their federal income tax returns and refunds

The web form the recipient is directed to after clicking on the provided link is not from the real IRS web site. They are directed to an imitation IRS site hosted on a server in a foreign country that harvests information scammers can use for identity and financial theft. Users are prompted to input all sorts of personal data (name, Social Security number, address) as well as other financial information (credit card number, ATM PIN).



The IRS does not ask for personal identifying or financial information via unsolicited email, and in no case would the IRS need information such as credit card numbers or ATM PINs in order to respond to inquiries about the status of tax returns or refunds. Taxpayers can contact the IRS via telephone at 1-800-829-1040 for questions regarding their taxes, or they can visit the genuine Where's My Refund? page on the IRS web site - www.irs.gov.

The next Board meeting is Monday, January 16, 7 pm at the Countryside Community Center.

### Countryside Villas HOA

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