

# Villas Voice

Countryside Villas Newsletter  
November 2007



## Villas

### Coffee Social

Come and Meet some  
of Your Neighbors!

Sat. Nov 3rd  
10am-12pm  
at Sharon Shorr's  
4848 W. Matilda



Coffee and donuts will be served. Feel free to bring a portable chair. Looking forward to a fun get-together !!

### Next Meeting, Nov. 19th

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### Loose Cat in the Villas



**A White-spotted Cat** (similar to the cat in this photo) has been running loose in the Villas. He's spraying neighbor's property and wanders the wash in danger of being killed by coyotes. If this is your cat, please be a responsible pet owner and a good neighbor and keep your cat safely indoors.

**Paving Status:** The Paving Project is planned for early 2008, but the date is not yet set. All homeowners will receive advanced notice in the mail as to the date and time, along with a map of where to park when paving commences. We'll keep you posted.

**No Board Meeting in December:** Due to the Christmas holidays, there will not be a meeting for the month of December.



# Notice: Parking Rules

Complaints about parking continue to come in by homeowners who feel it's not fair for other homeowners to take advantage of the open visitor parking spaces for themselves, when they have their own garages to park in. One weekend, homeowners took up all the visitor spaces in the lot, forcing an elderly, disabled visitor to be dropped off at the doorstep because there was no where for her to park. Since parking is allowed on Lessing Lane, and due to the recent hit & run parking accident, the Villas will now be enforcing the parking rules more strictly and no special permits will be issued unless of a real emergency. Please be advised and review the Villas' parking fines below:

Violation	Tow	Fine	Tow Warning	1st Offense	2nd Offense	3rd Offense
Street Parking	X	X	none	\$50	\$75	\$100
Parking on Driveway Apron	n/a	X	n/a	\$50	\$75	\$100
Backed-in Parking	X	X	none	\$50	\$75	\$100
Parking over 3-day Limit	X	X	1 warning	\$50	\$75	\$100
Trash Containers left out after 24 hrs	n/a	X	none	\$25	\$25	\$25

**NOTE: Homeowners will be responsible to pay the fine for their guests who break these rules.**

## Extra Available Parking: LESSING LANE

There's been a lot of confusion as to whether or not parking is permitted along Lessing Lane. In the past, some homeowners who parked on Lessing received a warning notice; yet at the same time, others did not; Officers refused to ticket because they said there was no violation. This confusion led everyone to believe there was no other alternative parking, but to request special parking permits. However, in light of the new information the Board received from Pima County officials, there is no more confusion and this question has finally once and for all been answered:

**Yes, legal parking IS permitted along Lessing Lane.**

On 10/26/07, the Board spoke to Denise Silvester in charge at the Pima County Traffic Engineering Department who confirmed residents CAN legally park on Lessing Lane; (legally, meaning along the curb and not in front a driveway, fire hydrant, or blocking visibility or traffic). She said that even though the first portion of Lessing Lane is County; and the 2nd half (the portion south of Matilda) is privately owned, residents **may legally park on either portion of Lessing because 1) there are no parking signs prohibiting parking posted anywhere along Lessing Lane; AND 2) because the street is a non-striped (unlined) residential street.** She said a couple years ago someone tried to get a no-parking zone installed there, but the County could not approve it because it is out of their jurisdiction, so the request was denied. Furthermore, she said any such warning notices are not valid.

**PLEASE PARK YOUR CAR IN YOUR GARAGE—IF YOU DON'T HAVE ENOUGH ROOM, PARK ON LESSING LANE TO ALLOW AMPLE OPEN SPACES FOR VISITORS AND EMERGENCIES.**



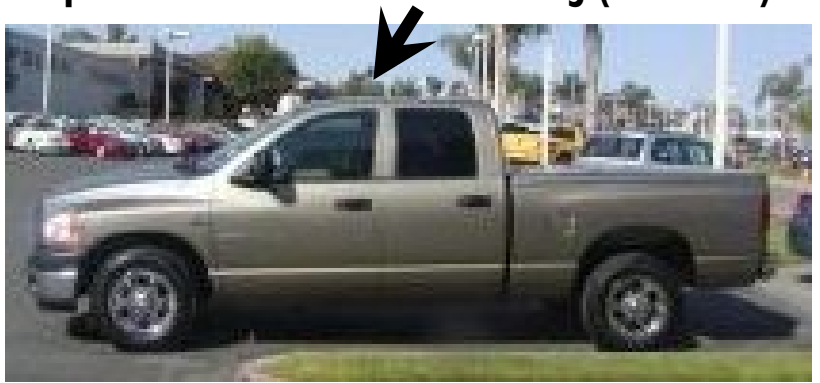
# Alert! Hit & Run Parking Accident Caused by Backed-in Parking



On **Sunday night, October 21, 2007** at the east parking lot (the 3rd parking lot down on Doria by the 2nd mailboxes), a pickup truck in violation backed-in to the parking space. Upon leaving, they accidentally drove in reverse, backed up over the curb, and slammed into the exterior wall of the house located at 8876 Joanna Drive. The force of the impact was so great it embedded a tree branch into the exterior wall and also destroyed the drywall on interior of the homeowner's bedroom. The Sheriff's Dept came and took a report and photos. President Gene Fanning, the secretary, and 2 HOA committee members were at the scene and assisted the homeowner with the report. **If you see a Khaki-tan color Dodge Ram Pickup Truck (1500 Quad Cab 4-door) please write down the license plate number and call Gene Fanning (579-1671).**



Tree branch embedded into exterior wall from impact

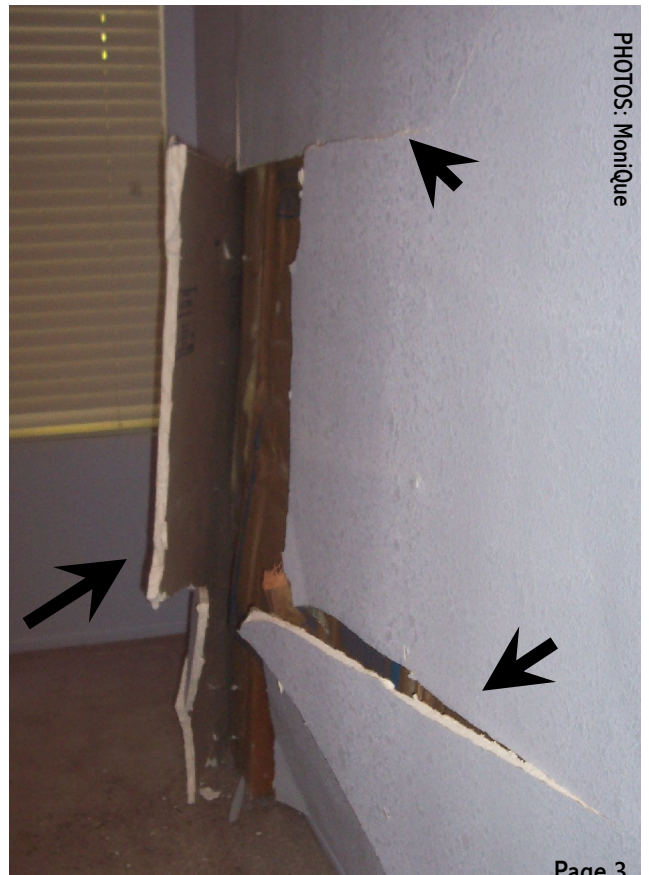


Suspect Khaki-tan Dodge Ram like one depicted above, often parks on Doria, if you see it write down license no. and call Gene Fanning (579-1671).



Impact at Exterior wall of home at 8876 Joanna caused large cracks and embedded branch into exterior wall

Interior bedroom wall damaged by impact from the outside. cracks 5 feet high and 5 feet wide, creating an opening over 1' foot deep, wall now shaped like an "open door"



# Contacts:

# Thanksgiving Blessings

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**Mail your HOA Dues here**

## Upcoming Board Meetings:

Mon Nov 19th @ 7pm

Mon Jan 21st @ 7pm

Mon Feb 18 @ 7pm

***There will be no Meeting in December***

Meetings are held the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month at:

**Countryside Community Center**

**9151 N. Bald Eagle Ave, Tucson AZ 85742**

All Homeowners in the Villas are welcome

**Landscaping:** If you have any landscaping needs or concerns please call Jo Ann Fanning (579-1691)

### HOA Mailbox:

4879 Doria Dr.

Suggestion box

(not for payments)



**Newsletter Ideas: drop in HOA Box**

**or Email: ygfs@yahoo.com**

**Dec. Newsletter Deadline: Nov. 26**

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