



Villas Voice

Countryside Villas Newsletter

May 2006

Annual Meeting Reminder

We hope you have marked your calendars and are planning to be at the Annual Owners' Meeting being held on Monday, May 15th. It will start promptly at 6:45 p.m. at the Community Center. We will elect three new Board members and most importantly discuss and vote on a special assessment for the street paving project.

Make sure your voice is heard! The purpose of having an Annual Meeting is so your Board can report to you what has been going on for the past year and what is planned for the current year. We want to hear from you so we can be guided for yet another year. We look forward to seeing you at the meeting.

New Landscapers

For more than a year the Board had been looking at the landscaping needs for the Villas. We have been in contact with the University of Arizona Master Gardeners and even had one of their gardeners come to our community to make an assessment of our landscaping. After these meetings, and a lengthy review of the quality of work we have been receiving from our current landscaping company, the Board decided to make some changes.

The Board reviewed the current landscape contract and developed a new "scope of work" for our community's landscaping needs. The "Scope of Work" was then sent to five landscape companies, including our current provider.

The proposals were reviewed, insurance and licensing were verified, and all references were checked. The Board voted to award a new contract to M&M Landscaping, a smaller family run business located in Marana. They have been in business since 1998 and have five crews that are supervised by one of the two owners.

The Board is familiar with M&M because they have been working on major irrigation repairs in the Villas for the past two years. The new contract will include all landscape work except major irrigation repairs, and includes items that most other companies charge extra for. They have also agreed to clear the common area behind the south side of Doria - an area that has not been cleared for many years - at no extra charge. They will start work in the Villas on Monday, May 29th.

In the next newsletter we will publish the monthly schedule that M&M will be following. They will break the property into sections so that each area (street) will be worked on the same week of every month. Please be a bit patient during the first month while they get familiar with our property.

Welcome to the Neighborhood

We have a new neighbor in the Villas! Jessica Archunde now resides at 4936 Doria, so make her feel welcome and say "Hi" when you can.

Parking Problems Continue

We are still having problems with a few residents who feel the common area parking spaces are there for their continuous use.

When everyone purchased their home in the Villas they were given a copy of the Rules and Regulations. In there it specifies that those parking spaces are for visitors and for limited use of residents on a temporary basis. If all residents decided to make use of the visitor parking spaces for their personal use, there would soon be no place for guests to park.

The Rules & Regulations must be applied equally to all residents. PLEASE FOLLOW THE RULES & REGULATIONS. The Board is tired of being forced to be the PARKING POLICE.

The Board is monitoring the common area parking spaces and has the license plate numbers of the few residents who have been continuously parking there illegally. We will be issuing violation stickers and start towing if these cars continue to be parked in violation.

Speeding Through the Villas

The Board has received several complaints about residents or their guests driving through the Villas at excessive speeds.

Our neighborhood is full of children and adults who walk the streets not thinking that they are strolling down the Indy 500 Speedway. Seniors may be sight and/or hearing challenged while children tend to not pay attention to traffic. No one wants to be responsible for seriously injuring a child, so please slow down!

The Board has had preliminary discussions about putting speed bumps (aka sleeping policemen) on Doria, but would prefer not to do this. Please remember the speed limit is 15 mph in the Villas, and do not exceed the speed.

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