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The Prez Says, "April showers bring...hay fever!" On behalf of the Countryside Valley board of directors (*achoo*), I would like to wish (*achoo*) you and your family (*achoo*) a wonderful beginning (*achoo*) to spring. This newsletter is intended to pass along important information that you may find useful. If you are new to the neighborhood, welcome. We encourage you to contact us so we may answer any questions you may have about the CC&Rs that govern our community.

www.countrysidevalleyhoa.com: Long name, great site. Yes, we are now on the web. After much research and discussion, the board voted to begin a website to improve communication between residents and the board as well as provide links to area schools and other relevant sites. While the site is in its infant stage, in the future we hope to include newsletters, a calendar of events, message boards, and even a way to pay monthly dues online. We would like to thank Countryside resident, Robert Slater, for taking the time and effort to put together a site that will meet the needs of our community. Also, there is an advertising page available to residents for only \$5.00 per month (4 month minimum). If you or anyone you know are interested in advertising at our website, please give me a call.

Under the Radar Gun: Several people in the neighborhood have complained about cars going too fast, endangering children and others sharing the road. Therefore, we have asked the Pima County Sheriff's Dept. to lend us a speed tracking device to inform drivers how fast they are driving. We will have the radar for approximately 2 weeks beginning April 13th or 14th. Please obey the 15 mph speed limit.

Karaoke/BBQ/Potluck: It's that time of year again to get out and meet new people, enjoy great food, and sing very badly. Our annual neighborhood get together will be held Saturday, April 23, at 6:00 p.m. on Lessing Ct. The board will provide hamburgers, hotdogs, bratwursts, buns, condiments, picnic supplies, and soda. We are asking that residents bring the following:

- Lessing Ln. – Side dish
- Lessing Ct. / Ferber Ct. – Chips and dip
- Fitzgerald – Dessert
- Twain St. – Salad (green, macaroni, potato, etc.)

We will also provide a karaoke setup for all of our future American Idols. Hopefully, we will not be cited for disturbing the peace. Bring the whole family. Call Elaine Duecker at 744-4186 to let her know how many are coming and what you plan to bring. Hope to see you on the 23rd!

911: Unfortunately, our area has been experiencing a good deal of vandalism recently. If you are a victim of any crime, call the Sheriff's Dept. to report the incident and let us know as well, so we can keep track of reports.

Parking: When we moved into our homes, we were allotted 4 parking spaces: 2 in the garage and 2 in the driveway. However, many residents choose to use their garage for storage, reducing their available parking by half. Now, vehicles are being parked in home's front yards, which is in violation of the CC&Rs. The board recognizes the dilemma with regard to parking, however, at this time, residents may be cited and fined for parking in their yards. Please do your best to utilize the garage for its intended use. We will update this issue in the next newsletter and on the website.

General CC&R Reminders:

- **Parking** on the streets is prohibited at all times.
- **Garbage** receptacles must be placed out of site within 24 hours of pickup. This includes in the garage or in the back yard. Please do not place receptacle by the front door.
- **Dues** are \$21.50 per month. Owners behind by three months or more will have their trash and recycling receptacles removed until dues are current.
- **Yards** are the responsibility of the resident. This includes front, side, and back. The board will begin regular walks through the neighborhood to assess the upkeep.
- Remember that any **exterior changes** to the home or property must be approved by the board. Many residents have called to state plans to paint the exterior of their homes. Thank you for letting us know. When it comes to paint color, we are expected to conform to the current color scheme of the neighborhood. We do not expect the paint color to match perfectly with the current color. However, we must avoid the greens, blues, purples, pink polka dots, etc.
- **Gate information** can be obtained from Robyn at Altech at 747-4441.
- Our **fax** number is 744-8162.
- **Monthly meetings** are held at the community center on the fourth Monday of every month at 7:00.

Well, enough is enough. It's time for another allergy pill. Please remember that our community is governed by CC&Rs and it is our responsibility as elected board members to uphold the rules and regulations to the best of our ability. We are also your neighbors who must adhere to same rules. While some of the rules may seem ridiculous, they are in place to ensure a high quality of life and help keep property values up. Most associations resort to management companies to do the "dirty work" for them. We choose to handle our own affairs in a neighborly fashion.

See you at the spring get-together on April 23.

Respectfully,

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