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The Prez says, *“Tis the season to be jolly.”* On behalf of the Countryside Valley HOA Board of Directors, **I would like to wish you and your family an early Happy Thanksgiving and very Merry Christmas.** This is one of a series of bimonthly newsletters to help keep you up-to-date on important information regarding our neighborhood and community. We hope you find it useful. If you are new to our neighborhood, welcome. Let us know you are here so we can say hello.

Annual BBQ: The Board would like to thank everyone who attended the annual Fall BBQ on October 27. We had the largest turnout ever and everyone seemed to enjoy meeting new people, eating great food, watching kids jump in the jumping castle, and singing along to fun songs. Next year, we hope to add a few things like face painting and games for the adults.

Annual Meeting/Election: The Board held its annual election at the neighborhood BBQ. No other homeowners indicated the desire to run for the Board. Therefore, the current 5 members were voted in for another year. They include: Karin Phillips, Leo Race, Andy Woodward, James Attebery, and Todd Autenreith. Thanks to all of the Board members for volunteering their time and talents to run the business affairs for our association. We do not hire an outside management company to save money and know that things are handled on a personal level. Additional volunteers are always encouraged to lend a helping hand.

Palm Trees: Many palm trees in Countryside Valley are in need of removing dead fronds. If you have Palm trees on your property and are in need of the services of a good tree company, the Board can recommend **Michael Calmelat. He can be reached at 520-256-5940.**

Street Sweeping: Our streets are professionally swept the 2nd Friday of every other month. **The next scheduled sweep is Friday, December 13.** Please help by keeping cars and trash receptacles off the street. Thank you.

Christmas Light Contest: The Board voted at its last meeting to again reward those “Winterhaven” residents who go above and beyond with Christmas lights and décor with prizes of \$100 - 1st place, \$75 - 2nd place, and \$50 - 3rd place. Winners must be current in their dues, or the prize money will be credited toward their dues owed. Thanks to everyone who makes Countryside Valley look festive during the holiday season.

Monthly Dues Incentive: The Board also voted to continue the dues incentive program next year. So, anyone who is current in his or her \$31 per month dues and chooses to pay for entire 2020 year by January 31, 2020 will save \$31. Therefore, the cost for the year would be \$341 rather than \$372. Take advantage!

Easter Egg: Email the Board to say you read the newsletter and become eligible for a Gift Card from Lowe’s. Your name will be placed in a drawing for the gift card prize.

Gate Keepers: Our gate maintenance company is Alltech. Recently, they have had difficulty “communicating” with our gate electronically from their office. The wires connected to our gates are 28 years old. They will check to see if they are faulty and if so, the Board will need to decide whether to replace the

wires or go “wireless.” Wireless would mean cancelling our contract with Century Link and starting a new one with a cellular company. The monthly cost would be about the same as the landline, but there would be an initial cost to install a box at the keypad island. We will provide the Board’s decision in the next newsletter.

If you would like to purchase a remote for the gate, call Alltech Gate Systems at 747-4441. Also, if you plan a yard sale, contact the Board at least 3 days prior to having the gates opened.

West Wash: The paved drainage wash along the west side of Countryside Valley is being completely cleaned out every 4 months by our maintenance man, Dennis Storms. He is doing a great job of removing weeds, trash and low hanging branches from neighboring trees. More people are now using the wash for jogging and walking their dogs. Please do not throw any unwanted items over the wall. Thank you.

Email: The Board is asking that all homeowners and renting residents provide their email address to help in faster communication. We can pass along our email addresses at: info@countrysidevalleyhoa.com

CC&R Policy Reminder: This month’s reminder is about garage doors left open for long periods of time.

Section 2.08. Garage Doors. All garage doors of the Dwelling Units shall remain fully lowered and closed at all times unless the door is being used for purposes of ingress and egress.

Policy: Residents must make every effort to keep garage doors closed when not being used in entering or exiting the garage.

Just a reminder for us all:

- Pay monthly \$31 dues by the first of the month (separate from the Community Center dues of \$42)
- **Maintain yards and driveways** by sweeping, raking, blowing, and trimming on a regular basis
- **Remove dead trees** and other vegetation
- Maintain homes by making sure the **stucco and fascia** is in good condition with uniform paint
- Make sure **gates are not broken** or damaged
- Place garbage and recycling bins behind gates or in the garage on non-pickup days. **Hiding bins behind a pillar is not acceptable.**
- Ensure window coverings are **actual window coverings** in good shape
- **Replace decorative rock** back into yards to avoid damaging newly paved streets
- **Drive 15 mph** to ensure the safety of walkers and bike riders
- Maintain back yards so that **neighbors can enjoy the view** from their back yard
- Get any outside **architectural changes approved** by the Board before the work is started
- **Park in garages and driveways. Parking on the streets and in yards is prohibited.**

So, there it is. **The neighborhood looks great!** Countryside Valley is a wonderful neighborhood in which to live, raise kids, and entertain friends and family. Now, it is our turn to keep it that way by taking pride in our homes and properties to attract potential buyers and feel good when we return home each day.

We encourage residents to attend our monthly meetings at the Countryside Community Center on Bald Eagle on the first Monday of each month. Meetings begin at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully,

Todd Autenreith

Todd Autenreith - President Countryside Valley HOA