



**The Villages®**  
COMMUNITY  
DEVELOPMENT DISTRICTS

**May 13, 2015**

**11:00 A.M.**

# **Welcome Wednesday News**

## **New Format!!**

Welcome Wednesday was created as a way to get residents the opportunity to learn about ongoing projects, address rumors and have questions answered by District staff.

To all those who have attended and provided us with your valuable feedback—THANK YOU!! Based on this feedback—we will now be holding Welcome Wednesday at 11:00am. Please take a moment to view our new “Newsletter” format and we look forward to seeing you at future Welcome Wednesdays!

## **CDD Orientation**

**Please join us each Thursday at 10:00am at the District office located at 984 Old Mill Run to learn about how the Districts operate and other important community information. For additional information, please contact us at (352) 753-4508.**

### **Contact Us:**

**Customer Service  
(352) 753-4508**

**Administration  
(352) 751-3939**

**Community Standards  
(352) 751-3912**

**Community Watch  
(352) 753-0550**

**Property Management  
(352) 753-4022**

**Finance  
(352) 753-0421**

**Human Resources  
(352) 674-1905**

**Public Safety  
(352) 205-8280**

**Purchasing  
(352) 751-6700**

**Recreation Administration  
(352) 674-1800**

**Utility/Amenity  
(352) 750-0000**



**El Santiago Update**

The masonry walls are nearing completion and the water service and other utilities are now being connected to the building!



**Tunnel work** began on Tunnel B4 which is located at Harmeswood of Belle Aire on May 11, 2015. The stucco finish on the exterior wing walls will be removed and reapplied. This tunnel is structurally sound and the maintenance work does not involve the structure or interior of the tunnel. This work is anticipated to take approximately 4-6 weeks, weather permitting. While the work is completed, please use Tunnel B5 on El Camino Real to travel east or west and Tunnel B6 on Buena Vista Boulevard to travel north or south. Please use caution in the area and pay attention to all directional signage. If you need any additional information, please contact District Property Management at (352) 753-4022.



Recreation utilizes the summer months to review current processes and procedures to make necessary changes to equipment, areas and facilities for the betterment of the community. This year, we started with scheduled maintenance on billiards tables. There are detailed service specifications and a service work checklist required when maintaining the tables. Services include, but are not limited to full inspection of rails, cloth and feather strips, recovering and leveling of tables. Billiards table maintenance is scheduled every two years. Pimlico, Bridgeport, Bacall, Canal, Sterling Heights, Fish Hawk, Big Cypress and Bradenton are scheduled for maintenance beginning in May – August 2015.



Beginning this week and continuing throughout the summer, Golf will be performing their mechanical aeration programs. While aerification provides some short term inconvenience, it is one of the most important and necessary grass cultural programs available to ensure our playing surfaces remain consistent after a tremendous amount of play. Please plan your tee times accordingly and expect putting surfaces to be slightly sandy for 14-21 days after the aeration takes place. The summer closure schedule is included below and ongoing updates can be found on [www.GolftheVillages.com](http://www.GolftheVillages.com) and [www.DistrictGov.org](http://www.DistrictGov.org).



### Executive Courses 2015 Weekly Closures

Week	Course #1	Course #2	Course #3
June 1-7	Belmont	Hawkes Bay	El Santiago
June 8-14	El Diablo	Saddlebrook	
June 15-21	Silver Lake	Pimlico	Briarwood
June 22-28	Hill Top	Mangrove	
June 29 -July 5	Amberwood	Chula Vista	Truman
July 6-12	Churchill Greens	Walnut Grove	Roosevelt
July 13-19	Turtle Mound	Heron	Palmetto
July 20-26	Bonita Pass	Mira Mesa	Sandhill
July 27-August 2	Redfish Run		
August 3-9	Bogart	Yankee Clipper	
August 10-16	Tarpon Boil	Southern Star	
August 17-23	Sweetgum		
August 24-30	Bacall	Oakleigh	Pelican

De La Vista	Summer closure
Volusia	Summer closure

### Course Closures

\* Subject to Change\* 1/5/2015

Routine scheduled maintenance is necessary to keep your executive Golf Trail courses in top condition. Below is information to help you in planning around these closures.

Course closures occur on the following days from May-September & December.

Hawkes Bay	1st & 3rd Monday	Bogart	1st & 3rd Tuesday
Sandhill	1st & 3rd Monday	El Santiago	1st & 3rd Tuesday
Silver Lake	1st & 3rd Monday	Redfish Run	1st & 3rd Tuesday
		Sweetgum	1st & 3rd Tuesday
Hill Top	2nd & 4th Monday	Bacall	2nd & 4th Tuesday
Saddlebrook	2nd & 4th Monday	Bonita Pass	2nd & 4th Tuesday
Turtle Mound	2nd & 4th Monday	El Diablo	2nd & 4th Tuesday
		Mangrove	2nd & 4th Tuesday
Amberwood	1st & 3rd Wednesday	Chula Vista	1st & 3rd Thursday
Belmont	1st & 3rd Wednesday	Heron	1st & 3rd Thursday
Truman	1st & 3rd Wednesday	Sarasota	1st & 3rd Thursday
Oakleigh	2nd & 4th Wednesday	Escambia	2nd & 4th Thursday
Pimlico	2nd & 4th Wednesday	Mira Mesa	2nd & 4th Thursday
Roosevelt	2nd & 4th Wednesday	Pelican	2nd & 4th Thursday
		Tarpon Boil	2nd & 4th Thursday
Briarwood	1st & 3rd Friday		
De La Vista	1st & 3rd Friday		
Palmetto	1st & 3rd Friday		
Yankee Clipper	1st & 3rd Friday		
Church Hill	2nd & 4th Friday		
Southern Star	2nd & 4th Friday		
Volusia	2nd & 4th Friday		
Walnut Grove	2nd & 4th Friday		

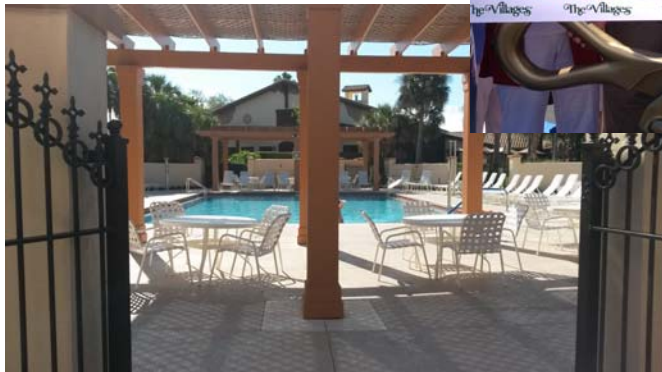
Schedule is subject to Change





## **Tierra Del Sol Village Recreation Center is Now Open!**

We would like to thank everyone that came out to be a part of the Grand Re-Opening of Tierra Del Sol Village Recreation Center! If you have not taken the opportunity to see this beautiful new facility, we urge you to stop in! This upgraded facility is located at 808 San Marino Drive—next to the Tierra Del Sol Country Club. We look forward to seeing you there!



# A Message From...



## **Architectural Review Committee—NEW MEETING TIME!!**

Due to the increase in the number of applications reviewed each week by the Architectural Review Committee the meeting time will change. **Beginning Wednesday, May 20, 2015 the weekly meetings will begin at 8:00 a.m.** The meeting location will remain the same—984 Old Mill Run.

**Deed Compliance**—Pursuant to Chapter 190, the District has the authority and option to adopt Rules necessary for the District to enforce certain external deed restrictions pertaining to the use and operation of real property.

- Each District that adopted a Deed Compliance Rule determined that deed violations would be handled with a complaint driven process.
- Complaints can be made to the Community Standards department and can be anonymous.
- Copies of your deed restrictions can be found on [www.DistrictGov.org](http://www.DistrictGov.org) or by contacting the Community Standards department at (352) 751-3912.

## **Architectural Review Committee is seeking an *alternate* committee member for Village Community Development Districts 1 and 3.**

The applicant must be a full time resident of District 1 or 3 and have lived in The Villages for at least one year. Candidates are recommended to have education and/or experience in any of the following areas: architecture, ability to read site plans, residential/commercial construction, building management, deed restricted communities, landscaping, county code enforcement, etc; however, this is not required. The Committee meets weekly, on Wednesdays, for approximately 3 hours (8:30 a.m. until 11:30 a.m.).

If you are interested in becoming an alternate representative for District 1 or 3, the required attendance for the alternate is to attend an Architectural Review Meeting each week for four (4) weeks and then once a month thereafter.

For additional information or a copy of the application, please contact the Community Standards Department at 751-3912.

**UPDATE: District 1 received several application over the previous week and will conduct interviews during their June meeting on June 12, 2015. If you are interested in applying, please make sure your application is received by the Community Standards Department by June 1st.**

# Did You Know...



Several Budget Workshops will be held during the month of May as part of the FY15-16 Budget process. The Board Supervisors will review the budget by line item, the capital improvement plan, working capital/reserve balances and the proposed maintenance assessment rates.

As always these workshops are open to the public and will be held at the District Office – Large Conference Room located at 984 Old Mill Run. The schedule for the May Budget Workshops is below:

## Thursday, May 14<sup>th</sup>

SLCDD – Immediately following regular Board Meeting that starts @ 10:00 a.m.

## Tuesday, May 19<sup>th</sup>

District # 5 - 8:00 a.m.

District # 8 - 2:00 p.m.

District # 6 - 9:30 a.m.

District # 9 - 3:00 p.m.

District # 7 - 11:00 a.m.

District #10 - 4:00 p.m.

## Wednesday, May 20<sup>th</sup>

Amenity Authority Committee - 1:30 p.m.

## Thursday, May 21<sup>st</sup>

District # 3 - 2:00 p.m.

Residents are encouraged to provide input during the Budget Process. You can do so by attending any of the Budget workshops, monthly board meetings, contacting a Board member or contacting Janet Tutt or Barbara Kays, Budget Director at 751-3939 or email Barbara at [Barbara.Kays@Districtgov.org](mailto:Barbara.Kays@Districtgov.org).

# Did You Know...

**Multi-Modal Path Discussion Group**—After the initial meeting on May 5, 2015, it was determined that the multi-modal path discussion group would meet again to discuss moving forward with a scope of service regarding center island marking and side marking. This meeting will take place on May 18, 2015 at 9:00am at the Savannah Center and will consist of representation from Districts 1-10 and the Amenity Authority Committee.

**District Election Information**—When a Community Development District (CDD) is initially established, the Board of Supervisors is elected through a Landowner Election process as prescribed by Chapter 190 of Florida State Statutes.

Each land owner is entitled to one vote per acre or part thereof and is not required to be a registered voter in the State of Florida. In the case of the CDDs in The Villages, at the time of inception, the Developer is the primary landowner. The Landowner Election is advertised and held by the District Government and requires proof of ownership within the District that the vote is being cast.

When a CDD reaches six (6) years of existence and has at least 250 residents registered to vote in the State of Florida, the seats on the Board begin the transition to a qualified elected seat in staggered terms. Candidates for contested qualified seats show up on the General Election ballot along with congressional and presidential candidates.

During the time of transition from landowner to qualified seats, the number of residents in the CDD significantly increases. As a result, the landowners who cast a vote during this transition time are actually residents. For example, as early as 2010 there were three residents that campaigned for a landowner seat in VCDD No. 6 and a Supervisor elected with 424 total landowner (resident) votes.

Following is a current breakdown Qualified vs. Landowner elected CDD Supervisors in The Villages:

Districts 1-8:	All Qualified Elected Supervisors
District 9:	4 Qualified and 1 Landowner Elected Supervisors
District 10:	2 Qualified and 3 Landowner Elected Supervisors
District 11:	5 Landowner Elected Supervisors (begin transition in 2020 after 6 years and 250 qualified electors)





# What's Happening in Your District...



On May 12, 2015 the VCDD No. 4 Board of Supervisors held a Budget Workshop to review the recommended Budget for Fiscal Year 2015-2016 and the updated 5 year Capital Improvement Plan (CIP). The Capital Improvement Plan is a five-year plan outlining the replacement and major maintenance projects for the District's roads, fences, irrigation, etc. along with the funding sources.

To continue with the existing level of service and to maintain the longevity and integrity of the infrastructure in VCDD No. 4, the Board is proposing a 20% increase to the annual Maintenance Assessment paid by the residents. This would be the first increase in six years. The Maintenance Assessment is the annual fee that is paid on your Marion County tax bill each year.

**This proposed annual Maintenance Assessment increase is *NOT* associated with your monthly Amenity Fee.**

The increase is attributable to an additional \$100,000 in landscaping costs due to the new landscape contract, the CIP and future road projects such as rejuvenator application, resurfacing, mill and overlay for the collector, residential and villa roadways that VCDD No. 4 is responsible for maintaining.

The average annual proposed increase per household will be \$48.47 for villa units and \$81.67 for other units.

During the summer, VCDD No. 4 residents will be receiving a mailed notification outlining the reasons for the proposed increase and providing a date and time of the public hearing in September when the increase will be considered. If you have questions at any time, you may contact Barbara Kays, Janet Tutt or any of the VCDD No. 4 Board Supervisors.

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# Information Provided to you by the Sumter County Sheriff's Office...

## CODE RED

CodeRED Emergency Notification System is a high volume - high speed communication service available for mass emergency notifications for Sumter County residents. It can deliver 60,000 calls per hour.

CodeRED employs a one-of-a-kind internet mapping capability for geographic targeting of calls, coupled with a high speed telephone calling system capable of delivering customized pre-recorded emergency messages directly to Sumter County homes and businesses.

In addition to emergency notifications for missing persons, natural disasters, manmade disasters, and criminal activity, CodeRED offers severe weather warnings that can be sent directly to your home phone and/or cell phone.

There are two ways to sign up for severe weather notifications

- 1.) go to [www.sumtercountysheriff.org](http://www.sumtercountysheriff.org). Go to the bottom of the page, click on the red and black CodeRed icon and follow the instructions.
- 2.) call Sumter County Emergency Management at 352-569-1660.