

The Villages®

Community Development Districts

December 9, 2015

11:00 A.M.

Welcome Wednesday News

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**



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.



The following facilities will be closed or have scheduled maintenance on the dates noted this week:

⇒ **Paradise Fitness Trail**

Oak Loop at the Paradise Fitness Trail and Equipment will be closed December 14th through December 18th for maintenance.

⇒ **Hibiscus Recreation Center**

The Hibiscus Recreation Center will be closed for quarterly maintenance on December 13th.

Bridge Closure

The bridge on the multimodal path along Glenview Drive is currently closed for repairs. Please use Glenview Drive while the work is completed. Please use caution in this area and contact District Property Management with any questions or concerns.

Villa Road Resurfacing

Resurfacing will be taking place on many of the villa roads in Districts 5 & 6. A tentative work schedule can be found below. This schedule may be adjusted due to unforeseen circumstances, including weather. Each home impacted by this work will be notified exactly when the work is scheduled to take place in their area along with specific safety instructions. Please use caution and follow all directional signage and workers.

Alexa & Audrey – March 7 – 11, 2016

Cherry Vale & Heritage – March 14 – 18, 2016

Ezell & Inglewood – January 11 – 15, 2016

Cherry Hill & Hialeah – January 18 - 22, 2016

Clifton – January 25 - 29, 2016

Clayton & Swainwood – February 8 - 12, 2016

Bellamy & Jasper – February 15 - 19, 2016

Chesterfield & Mount Vernon – February 22 - 29, 2016

Eagle Ridge – February 22 - 29, 2016

Holiday Closures and Cancellations

- ◇ The District Customer Service Center , District Administrative offices and recreation centers will be closed on Friday, December 25, 2015 and Friday, January 1, 2016. All recreation outdoor facilities will remain open for your enjoyment.
- ◇ Welcome Wednesday is cancelled on December 23, 2015 and December 30, 2015
- ◇ CDD Orientation is cancelled on December 24, 2015 and December 31, 2015



- ◇ Residents who reside in the Sumter County, Marion County and Fruitland Park portions of The Villages will not have sanitation collection on Friday, December 25, 2015 or Friday, January 1, 2016.

Household trash and recycling (for those residents with Friday trash and/or recycling collection) will be collected on **Saturday, December 26th and Saturday, January 2nd**. Please have your bags out no later than 6:00am. All others will follow your normal collection schedule. For additional information, please visit www.DistrictGov.org.

*** We wish you a safe & happy holiday!! ***



Did You Know...

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Office of Management and Budget

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As our FY14-15 Budget process winds to an end, we will be providing carryforward resolutions in December and January to the pertinent District Boards for adoption. The carryforward process allows the District to move unspent appropriated funds for approved items or projects that were not completed or entirely paid for in FY2014-15 to FY2015-16.

TURTLE MOUND WATER STORAGE TANK PRESSURE WASHING AND PAINTING



The District Utilities Department, contracting with Utility Service Group, began pressure washing and painting the water tower located at 2649 Buena Vista Boulevard (Turtle Mound) on December 1, 2015. This is anticipated to be complete on December 11, 2015. Work will begin on the tower located on Laurel Manor Drive on December 12, 2015.

Pressure washing will involve water only; however a very mild non-harmful chlorine solution may be utilized to eliminate existing algae. This is non-hazardous to the public or surroundings and is 100% Biodegradable. Painting will involve a special type of rolling procedure, no spraying of paint will be allowed.

For your safety, please refrain from accessing any District property near this location while this work is being completed.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Terry Austin in District Administration at 352-751-3939 or email Terry.Austin@districtgov.org.

What's Happening in Your District...



NOTICE OF VACANCIES VILLAGE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT NO. 6 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

The Village Community Development District No. 6 Board of Supervisors is seeking applicants who are interested in filling two vacant seats on the District Board:

Seat 3 was recently vacated due to the resignation of an existing Board Supervisor. The remainder of the existing four (4) year term for the vacated Seat will expire in November 2016.

Seat 4 was recently vacated due to the resignation of an existing Board Supervisor. The remainder of the existing four (4) year term for the vacated Seat will expire in November 2018.

Any interested applicants must be a qualified elector which is defined by Florida Statute 190 as "any person at least 18 years of age who is a citizen of the United States, a legal resident of Florida and of the district, and who registers to vote with the Supervisor of Elections in the county in which the district land is located". To obtain additional information or request an application you may contact Jennifer McQueary, District Clerk at (352) 751-3939 or obtain a copy of the applications on the www.districtgov.org website.

**Applications must be submitted to the District Clerk no later than
5 p.m. on Tuesday, January 28, 2016
at the District Office, 984 Old Mill Run, The Villages.**

****Please note: If you are interested in submitting your name for both vacant seats an application for each seat must be submitted to the District Clerk.****

The Board of Supervisors will interview applicants at a Special Board Meeting to be held on Friday, February 5, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. in the **District Office Board Room, 984 Old Mill Run, The Villages, FL.**

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Executive Golf Trail

The Thanksgiving Holiday has passed with much fan fare and we are sledding straight into December.

November brought some cooler weather and positive playing conditions entering into the winter months after the fall overseeding.

During the month of December, we will be implementing the bi weekly golf course closure schedule. The success we achieved last year with this program will continue for this month. These short closures will allow the contractors to do the extra necessary maintenance and to help maintain quality conditions throughout the winter months during these full tee times.

In addition these closure days in December will ensure the best playing conditions for all of you and your guests throughout your holiday season.

Frost delays have not been implemented so far this year and we are thankful for this. Please be aware, however when we do have frost delays on courses this is strictly to protect the plants from desiccation and permanent damage.

Remaining off the playing surface is extremely important. Please be patient and wait for your starters to give the all clear before proceeding onto any turf surfaces.

December Turf Talk



Silver Lake
Hill Top
De La Vista
Chula Vista
Mira Mesa
El Diablo
El Santiago
Saddlebrook
Hawks Bay
Walnut Grove
Briarwood
Amberwood
Oakleigh
Pimlico
Churchill
Belmont

Yankee Clipper
Southern Star
Bonita Pass
Red Fish Run
Tarpon Boil
Heron
Pelican
Bogart
Bacall
Sandhill
Turtle Mound
Truman
Roosevelt
Palmetto
Sweetgum
Mangrove
Volusia
Sarasota
Escambia
Okeechobee

TURF TIP:

Over seeding-

The process of planting seed into existing warm season turf grass.

We use this process to establish cool season grasses that grow better in and during cooler temperatures than our warm season grasses here in Florida.

This enhances your playing satisfaction by supplying smoother playing surfaces and more colorful playing conditions.

Executive Golf Course Up-Dates and News December 2015
Turf Talk by Eric Van Gorder Director of Executive Golf Maintenance
352-753-3396 • Eric.VanGorder@Districtgov.org
www.Districtgov.org • www.GolfTheVillages.com

Please Join Us!

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Recreation

GRAND OPENING

El Santiago Village Recreation Center

Wednesday December 16th

Ribbon Cutting 2pm

- Tour This Beautiful New Facility
- Attend the EXPO and Learn About Various Resident Lifestyle Groups
- See What This Facility Has to Offer You!



Sock Hop 3pm - 5pm

- Take Off Your Shoes, Leave Your Socks On & Dance Away to the Music of DJ Ric Mitchell
- Light Refreshments Provided

For More Information
Call (352)674-1800
or visit www.DistrictGov.org

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A Message From...

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Outdoor Pool Furniture Neighborhood Recreation Centers

Ashland, Bonnybrook, Calumet Grove and Summerhill Neighborhood Recreation Centers have all new pool furniture ready to enjoy. Its winter, but here in Florida residents and their guests can relax and enjoy pool facilities all year around.



Bonnybrook Neighborhood Recreation Center



Summerhill Neighborhood Recreation Center



Ashland Neighborhood Recreation Center



Calumet Grove Neighborhood Recreation Center

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The Villages® Christmas Parade

JOIN YOUR NEIGHBORS AND CELEBRATE THE SEASON

A SPECIAL HOLIDAY TRADITION
PROUDLY SPONSORED BY

The Villages®
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OVER

50

Parade Groups &
Floats

Everyone is
welcome!

Admission is Free!

Photos with Mr. &
Mrs. Claus

Games, Clowns &
More

FREE! Park & Ride
Shuttle Service
compliments of

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TRANSPORTATION



PARADE AT THE VILLAGES® POLO CLUB

GATES OPEN AT IOAM PARADE STARTS AT NOON MUSIC FROM IOAM-NOON

Golf cars and carpooling encouraged. Every seat along the parade route has a great view! Great food from Good Tyme Kerdecorn, JNB, Bobalou's BBQ, Hadley Family Concession, Polka Dog and more.



Donation Drop Off Location – Your generous donation of a new, unwrapped toy this holiday season for infants to 12 years old will be gladly accepted at the collection boxes.

FREE! Park & Ride Shuttle Service – Catch a shuttle at the SAVANNAH or LAUREL MANOR Regional Recreation Centers. Service starts at 9:15am with the last shuttle before parade at 11:15pm. Last Shuttle after parade is 2:15pm.

Sat., December 12

For more parade information call 753-1716 or visit www.districtgov.org

In our efforts to keep the recreation facilities in optimal condition, the Saddlebrook Softball Facility received 10 new picnic tables which are located throughout the softball complex.



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Finance

Scam Alert:

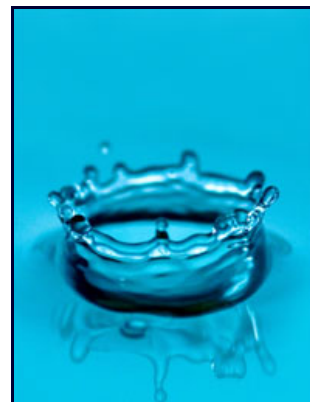
Please be advised that we have received reports of a person claiming to be from the District Water/Sewer Department attempting to collect payment for residents Water/Sewer bill by walking door to door. The District would NEVER send anyone to your home to collect funds for any reason.

The only way to make payments are via check (mail, drop box, or in person delivery to the District office), on our website, www.districtgov.org, or with a credit card payment by phone to us directly at 352-750-0000.

All of our field employees are contracted through CH2M Hill and will always be wearing their company logo shirt and carrying company photo identification.

If you ever have a question about whether or not a technician should be on your property, please feel free to call us at 352-750-0000 to confirm the reason/necessity of their visit.

If someone claiming to be a representative of any of the District water/sewer companies attempts to collect a payment from you in person, cash or otherwise, please contact your local law enforcement.



North Sumter Utility (NSU) Customers – Return Envelopes

NSU customers will notice that in either November or December their return envelope color will change. The color in the past was Golden Rod and they are changing to Pink in order to provide a better quality return envelope for our homeowners.

To be in line with our goal of stewardship, we will be using all of the Golden Rod envelopes and finish the cycle with the new Pink envelopes. This means that we will have some customers that will get Golden Rod envelopes and others who will get the new Pink envelopes. Going forward from now, all NSU customers will have pink return envelopes.

If there are any questions regarding the new envelopes, please contact our Billing and Customer Service Team at 352-750-0000.



Adoption of final yearly budgets is my favorite time of the year

I love this time of year! I bet you think I'm going to say I love it because of the holiday season, with Christmas trees, lights and decorations; cookies; holiday music; and cooler weather.

Well, I do love all of those things, but I also love that the new fiscal year budgets have been adopted and are now in place, since the fiscal year started Oct. 1.

It also means that we have finalized last year's budget adjustments and in a few weeks we will start focusing on next year's budget preparation process.

It is also the time of year when I provide you with a brief overview of the new fiscal year budget. Over the last nine months, the districts' elected boards and staff have been working hard to create the fiscal year 2015-16 budgets.

These budgets were adopted during the September board meetings for the start of the new fiscal year on Oct. 1. The budgets are posted on the District's website, districtgov.org, for you to view. On the website you can click on the tabs for the individual districts to view their line-item budgets, capital outlay lists and maintenance assessment schedules for that district's funds.

The total fiscal year 2015-16 adopted budgets for all 48 funds in our 15 Districts is \$270,705,980. The board of supervisors for each district is responsible for the adoption of its budgets, so a recap by each district is provided below.

The Village Center Community Development District Board approved the fiscal



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COLUMNIST

year 2015-16 Village Center final adopted budgets for 10 funds for a total budget of \$94,893,917. One of the 10 funds is the Recreation Amenities Division Fund that accounts for amenity fee revenue and expenditures north of County Road 466.

The RAD total budget is \$40,695,445. The Amenity Authority Committee worked with staff and residents during the budget process to develop a RAD budget that includes numerous capital projects. The Amenity Authority Committee then recommended the RAD budget to the VCCDD board for adoption.

The remaining budgets approved by the VCCDD Board are the General Fund (\$23,594,693), the Village Center Service Area Utilities Fund (\$6,355,067), the Little Sumter Service Area Utilities Fund (\$9,806,040), Department of Public Safety Fund (\$11,919,976), Village Center Road Maintenance Fund (\$14,555), Village of Spanish Springs Fund (\$1,508,133), Rolling Acres Plaza Fund (\$108,987), Mulberry Fitness Center Fund (\$152,815) and the Community Standards Fund (\$738,206).

The Sumter Landing Community Development District Board approved the fiscal year 2015-16 final adopted budgets for four funds that total \$34,505,385. The four funds

consist of the Lake Sumter Landing Fund (\$1,847,995), Project Wide Fund (\$10,847,631), Sumter Landing Fitness Fund (\$764,917) and the Sumter Landing Recreation Amenities Division Fund (\$21,044,842). The SLAD Fund accounts for the amenity fee revenue and expenditures south of CR466.

The North Sumter County Utility Dependent District Board is responsible for approving proposed budgets for two funds and since it is a dependent district, the final budgets actually are adopted by the Sumter County Board of Commissioners. The two funds consist of the North Sumter Utility Fund (\$20,647,279) and the Sumter Sanitation Fund (\$11,402,488) for a total of \$32,049,767.

The Brownwood Community Development District Board approved the fiscal year 2015-16 final adopted budget for the Brownwood Fund for a total budget of \$1,342,828.

Each of the 11 numbered districts has a budget and the total adopted budget for all 11 districts is \$107,914,083, including \$27,767,829 for the numbered districts' general (operating) funds and \$80,146,254 for the Debt Service/Capital Projects Funds.

The major source of revenue for the numbered districts' general funds is from the annual maintenance assessments. The maintenance assessment is paid by residents once a year and billed on your annual tax bill. You should have received your tax bill a few weeks ago upon which your maintenance assessment amount is

diligently to be the best stewards of the District's funds to ensure that the current level of service is maintained not only for this fiscal year but also for future years.

Now that the holiday season officially has begun,

please look on the District's website, districtgov.org, for the sanitation holiday pick-up schedule, holiday closures and meeting schedules. If you are having holiday guests, please obtain their guest passes as soon as possible to

avoid the rush.

I know you will be busy with all of the holiday activities, but please be sure to meet us back here next week at Our Place. We wish you a happy and healthy holiday season!

Barbara Kays is the budget director for the District Office of Management and Budget. She can be reached at barbara.kays@districtgov.org.

reflected under the non-advolorem section.

The boards and the District's team continue to work

Information provided by Marion County Sheriff's Office

MARION COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

2015

TOWN HALL

Meeting

Please join Marion County's Sheriff Chris Blair at one of our upcoming Town Hall Meetings to learn about current happenings with Your Sheriff's Office!

Thursday, December 10th at 6:00 p.m.
Villages Mulberry Recreation Center
8445 SE 165th Mulberry Lane, The Villages, FL

Please contact Jenifer Lowe for more information
Ph: (352) 368-3598 / Cell: (352) 843-3823
jlowe@marionso.com



*Meetings are free and open to the public
unless otherwise noted.*

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