

The Villages®

Community Development Districts

January 27, 2016

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**

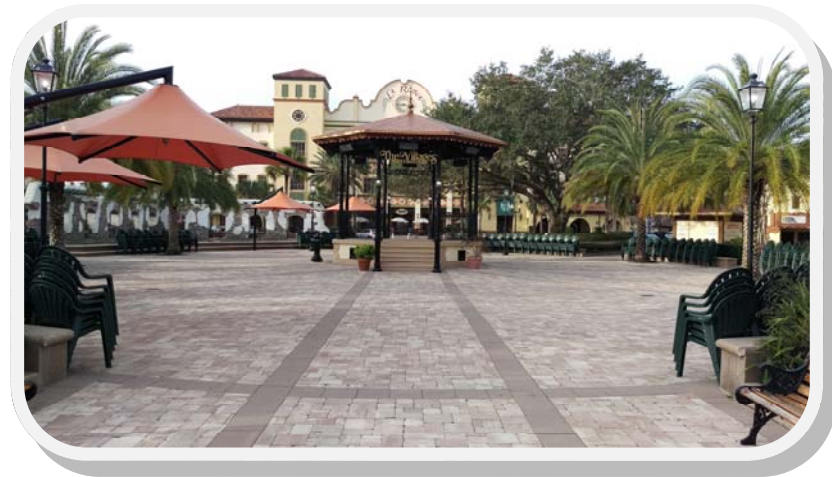
**Human Resources
(352) 674-1905**

**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:

⇒ **Buffalo Glen Softball Complex**

The Buffalo Glen Softball Complex is now closing one field after the completion of scheduled games for maintenance and upkeep. Three fields will remain open and be available for open practice during this afternoon closure.

⇒ **Chula Vista & Mira Mesa Golf Course Closure**

The Chula Vista & Mira Mesa courses will be closed January 29th through February 7th while a mainline section of the 12" water supply line is replaced along Rio Grande Avenue.

⇒ **Silver Lake Recreation Center**

The Jackie Gleason Billiards Room will be closed for table recovering until Thursday, January 28th.

⇒ **Laurel Manor Sports Pool**

The ladies' locker room and restroom at the Laurel Manor Sports Pool will be closed on Thursday, January 28th for maintenance. The men's locker room and restroom will be closed on Friday, January 29th.

Tunnel Closure

Tunnel B5 located under El Camino Real near the Savannah Center is closed for stucco replacement and maintenance until February 22, 2016. This schedule may be adjusted due to unforeseen circumstances, including weather. Please use caution and pay attention to all directional and detour signage. For additional information, please contact District Property Management at (352) 753-4022.

County Road 468 Bridge Construction – Turnpike Traffic Detour Information

NB Detour Dates: February 8– 9, 2016 NB Detour Hours: 10:00 PM – 6:00 AM

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Hours: 10:00 PM – 6:00 AM

NB Traffic along the Florida Turnpike Enterprise will be detoured 2/8 – 2/9. Southbound Turnpike Traffic to Remain open. Traffic heading North along the Turnpike will be detoured at MP 298 CR-470 exit along the below routes:

Northbound Turnpike Detour:

1. Exit Turnpike at Mile post 298 – (CR-470)
2. Follow Detour along 470 W to 48
3. Cont. along 48 to 27-N
4. Cont. along 27- N to 44 Westbound
5. Left on South Main St.
6. End Detour

Local Traffic Detours:

1. Exit Turnpike at Mile Post 298 –(CR-470)
2. Follow Local Traffic Detour along E CR-470
3. Turn right heading North along CR-501
4. Turn right onto CR-468
5. Cont. along CR-468 to 44- Westbound.



County Road 468 Bridge Construction – Turnpike Traffic Detour Information

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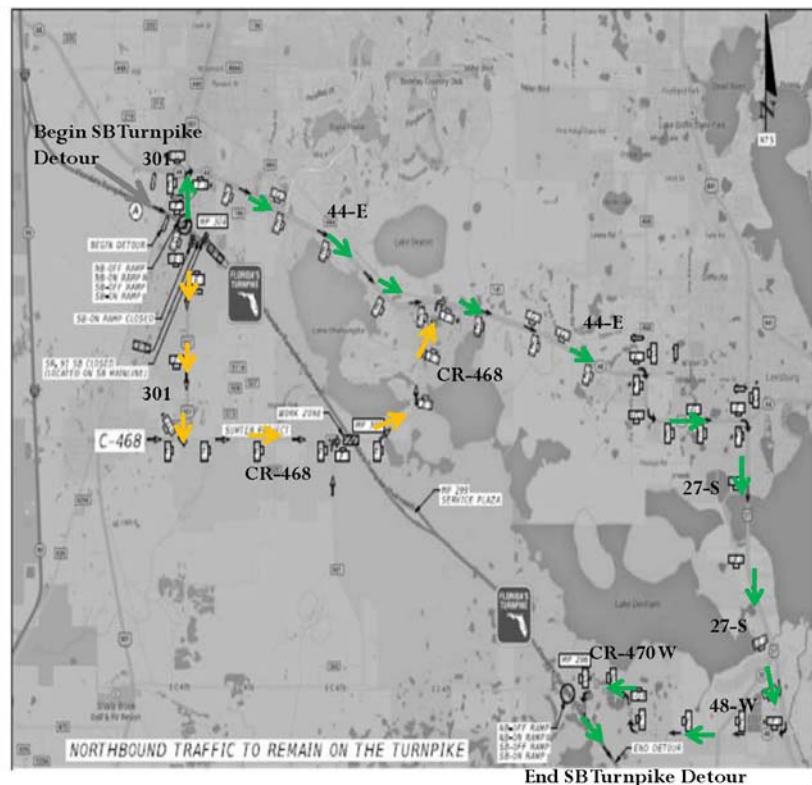
SB Traffic along the Florida Turnpike Enterprise will be detoured 2/10 – 2/11. Northbound Turnpike Traffic to Remain open. Traffic heading South along the Turnpike will be detoured at 301 near Mile post 304 along the below routes:

Southbound Turnpike Detour:

1. Exit Turnpike at 301 Near Mile Post 304
2. Follow Detour along 301 to 44 Eastbound
3. Cont. along 44 Eastbound to 27-S
4. Cont. along 27-S to 48 Westbound
5. Cont. along 48 W to CR-470W
6. Take CR-470W to Turnpike
7. End Detour

Local Traffic Detour:

1. Exit Turnpike at 301 Near Mile Post 304
2. Follow Local Traffic Detour along 301-S
3. Turn onto CR-468
4. Cont. along CR-468W to 44- Westbound.



A Message From...

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Finance

The annual financial audit for the Fiscal Year 2014-2015 has been completed. The external audit firm of Purvis Gray & Company has completed their “field work” and the Finance staff members are working in conjunction with the auditors to finalize the audited financial statements. The audited financial statements for Fiscal Year 2014-2015 will be presented to each of the 15 District Boards during the February Board meetings.

Golf Cart Safety Video

To promote golf cart safety in The Villages, The Villages Homeowners Association created a video that can be supplemented with their monthly Golf Cart Safety Clinic. The Golf Cart Safety Clinic is held at 9:00 a.m. on the third (3rd) Wednesday each month at Colony Cottage Recreation Center. To view the video, please click on the following link:
<http://www.thevha.net/golf-cart-safety/>



A Message From...

The Villages®
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Recreation

Friday  **January 29**
GRAND OPENING

Burnsed Village Recreation Center

RIBBON CUTTING
10:00am

Tour this beautiful new facility
Attend the expo and learn about
various resident lifestyle groups
See what this facility has
to offer you!

4019 Deskin Lane
352-674-8430

Morse Blvd. south of 466A to
the Village of Osceola Hills

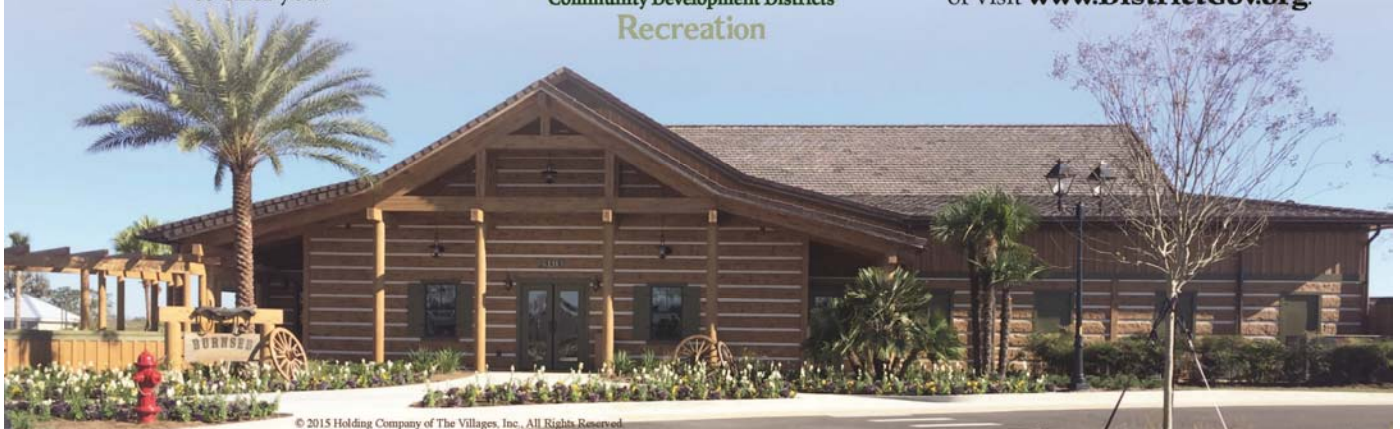
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MUSIC & TRIVIA!
Provided by
DJ Ric Mitchell

Light refreshments provided

For more information call
(352) 674-1800

or visit www.DistrictGov.org



**Recreation Facilities & Lake Sumter
Line Boat Tours—
Inclement Weather**

Did you know that the recreation department has
an inclement weather policy pertaining to
extreme temperatures and other weather events?
Please visit the Recreation page of the District
website, www.DistrictGov.org to review this
policy.



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Recreation

**League Dates:
February 8th – April 3rd**

**Billiards ~ Bocce (Bowling & Golf) ~ Corn Hole ~
Dart Baseball ~ Horsehoes ~ Pickleball ~ Short Court
Tennis ~ Shuffleboard ~ Shufflepin ~ Tennis**



Winter

SOCIAL LEAGUES

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Recreation
www.districtgov.org



Peak Participation Program

Due to the popularity of certain resident volunteer led activities, some programs experience increased participation during the fall and winter months. When a resident lifestyle volunteer led activity is nearing full participation, the recreation department implements the peak participation program in an effort to assist the volunteers and participants in ensuring a safe and enjoyable experience. Please visit our website for a complete copy of the guidelines.

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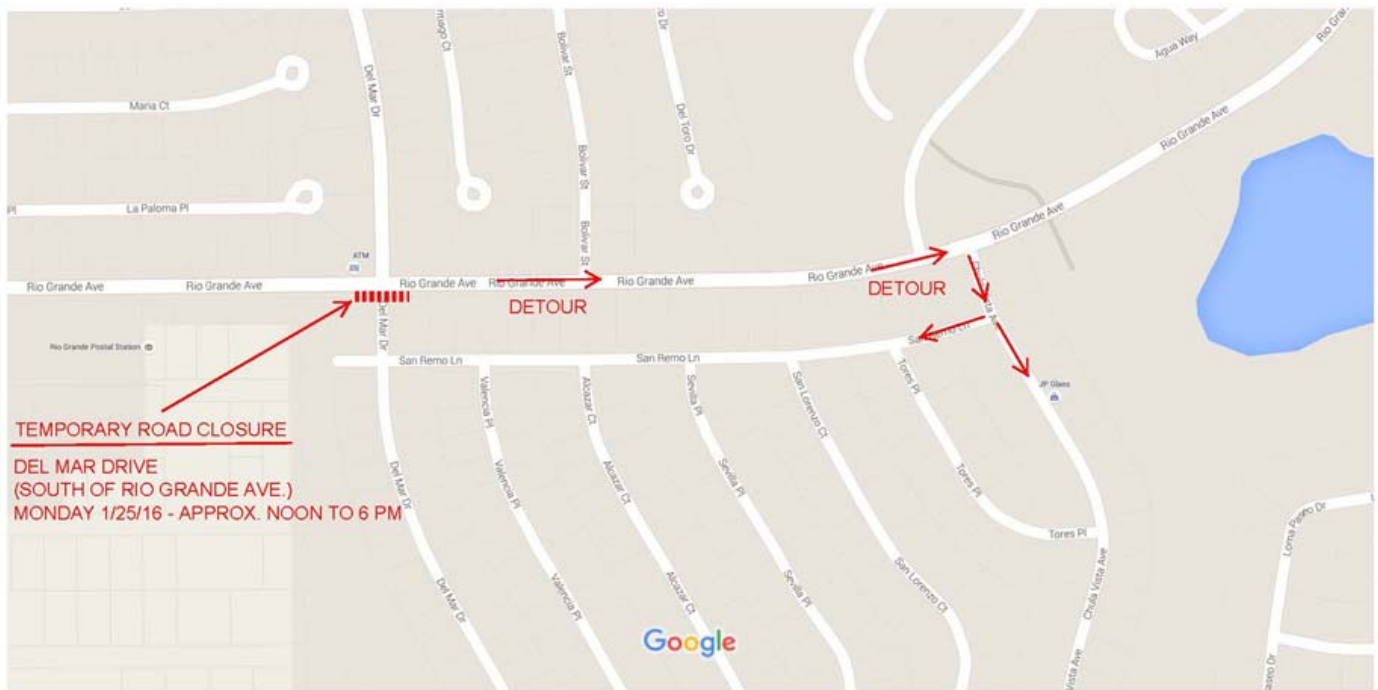


Del Mar Drive Road Closure

Del Mar Drive just south of Rio Grande Avenue will be temporarily closed on Thursday, January 28, 2016 for approximately six (6) hours. A copy of the detour is below for your reference. The beginning and ending times for the detour are tentative and will not be determined until the day of the closure. For your safety and the safety of the workers, please follow the posted MOT Detour Signs. This project, contracted by Murphy Pipeline, is for needed upgrades on the Effluent Main. The construction will be within utility easements and will not infringe on any residential property. Residential potable water, residential irrigation, and fire protection will not be affected in any way.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Customer Service at 352-753-4508.

Google Maps



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What's Happening in Your District...



NOTICE OF VACANCY VILLAGE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT NO. 1 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

The Village Community Development District No. 1 Board of Supervisors is seeking applicants who are interested in filling Seat 4, which 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 application on the www.districtgov.org website.

**Applications must be submitted to the District Clerk no later than
5 p.m. on Tuesday, February 2, 2016
at the District Office, 984 Old Mill Run, The Villages.**

The Board of Supervisors will interview applicants at their regularly scheduled Board Meeting to be held on **Friday, February 12, 2016 at 8:00 a.m.** in the **Ashley Wilkes Room of the Savannah Center Regional Recreation Center, 1545 Buena Vista Boulevard, The Villages, FL.**

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.

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**Applications must be submitted to the District Clerk no later than
5 p.m. on Thursday, 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.**

What's Happening in Your District...

Town Hall Meetings

Two Village Community Development Districts will be hosting Town Hall meetings . The Town Hall meetings provide residents an opportunity to learn interesting facts about the District and ask questions of the District Supervisors. The meetings are open to the public and will be conducted in accordance with provisions of Florida Law for Community Development Districts.



**March 31, 2016 at 6:00
p.m. at La Hacienda
Recreation Center**



**February 18, 2016 at 6:00
p.m. at Laurel Manor
Recreation Center**

VHA North and South Region Presentations

Janet Y. Tutt, District Manager for the Village Community Development Districts, will be presenting at two VHA meetings in February on the topic of: "Where Does Our Money Go?" Some of the topics that will be covered include a detailed review of your monthly Amenity Fee and annual Maintenance Assessment. While each presentation is tailored to the area that Village residents reside in, all residents are invited to attend.

VHA South Region:

February 11, 2016

Rohan Regional Recreation Center

6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

VHA North Region:

February 16, 2016

Savannah Regional Recreation Center

6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

A message from the District Manager...

The Villages® Community Development Districts

To: All Candidates for Election
From: Janet Y. Tutt, District Manager
Date: January 18, 2016
Subject: Political Campaign Activities



Each election period raises questions about allowable campaign activities within the Village Community Development Districts. To help all candidates, we have prepared the following overview. However, any questions with regard to activities allowed or prohibited should be directed to Janet Tutt, District Manager or Diane Tucker, Administrative Operations Manager at (352)-751-3939.

Signs:

1. As it relates to political signage, the Declaration of Restrictions provide that no exterior signs will be permitted without the express written consent of the Developer. The Developer has provided consent for properties north of C.R. 466 for the placement of one (1) professionally prepared sign not exceeding 24"x24" affixed to an exterior window of a residence.
2. Signs may not be affixed to the exterior walls of District owned property.
3. Signs may be affixed to golf carts or Low Speed Vehicles or held by candidates or their supporters.
4. Signs may not be placed on District property. Signs placed on District property will be removed. The District is not liable for return or destruction of the signs removed.

Election Day Polling Places:

1. All activity at any polling place shall be in accordance with the interpretation of state statute or local ordinance by the applicable Supervisor of Elections. The Supervisor of Elections is the entity to interpret the statutes and local ordinance.
2. On any District property, persons in support of candidates or issues shall not interfere with any member of the public accessing/using District property or voters attempting to enter a polling place located on District property.

Community Development District Public Facilities

1. Candidates and their supporters are allowed to stand on the exterior of District owned facility property (i.e. postal facilities, recreation centers and at public events) in compliance with the Rules of the District.
2. Candidates and their supporters are not allowed to interfere with persons attempting to access District facilities and activities.
3. Candidates and their supporters are not allowed to implant or affix, in any way, any signage at these facilities. Signs may be affixed to golf carts, Low Speed Vehicles or held by candidates or their supporters.

Choose One Word to Guide Your Plans for the New Year

I have written this, and you are reading this – so clearly neither of us won last Wednesday's Powerball! "Powerball" – the word alone evokes images of paid mortgages, dream cars bought, extended vacations to be scheduled, family members and friends helped, charities donated to, indulgences in unlimited chocolate and weeks at health spas to make up for it, shopping at Neiman Marcus without looking at price tags ... sorry, I digress!

Much as stating "Powerball" evokes a reaction, there is power in all words. Words stir up memories, restore faith, conjure emotion, inspire a thought, provide comfort, create a belief, cause hurt and call us to action – "Four score and seven years ago, our fathers brought forth on this continent a new nation ..."; "A Book of Verses underneath the Bough, A Jug of Wine, a Loaf of Bread – and Thou..."; "One small step for man; one giant leap for mankind ..."; "...to have and to hold from this day forward ..." "Half a league, half a league, Half a league onward, All in the valley of Death Rode the six hundred" – and their impact on us may last seconds, or a lifetime.

Jon Gordon, an American business consultant and motivational speaker, collaborated with Dan Britton and Jimmy Page to produce "One Word that Will Change Your Life." Simply stated, they challenge us to forget making New Year's resolutions (not a new idea) and instead choose one word for the year to provide focus to your life for that year – mentally, physically, emotionally, relationally, spiritually and financially.

Sounds pretty cool, right? What words come to mind?

Patience? As in "being patient with yourself and others" and as in "slow down." Our amenity

to the dull and the ignorant; they too have their story.

"Avoid loud and aggressive persons; they are vexations to the spirit. If you compare yourself with others, you may become vain or bitter, for always there will be greater and lesser persons than yourself.

"Enjoy your achievements as well as your plans. Keep interested in your own career, however humble; it is a real possession in the changing fortunes of time.

"Exercise caution in your business affairs, for the world is full of trickery. But let this not blind you to what virtue there is; many persons strive for high ideals, and everywhere life is full of heroism.

"Be yourself. Especially, do not feign affection. Neither be cynical about love; for in the face of all aridity and disenchantment, it is as perennial as the grass.

"Take kindly the counsel of the years, gracefully surrendering the things of youth.

"Nurture strength of spirit to shield you in sudden misfortune. But do not distress yourself with dark imaginings. Many fears are born of fatigue and loneliness.



DEBORAH
FRANKLIN
COLUMNIST

fees cover a lot – but they will not cover the cost of damages you've incurred to District or private property, or people, that could have been prevented by just taking a few more minutes: to leave early instead of rushing, to look both ways instead of jutting out into traffic, to reduce speed around bends so pets or passengers are not jettisoned out of your golf cart, to remember to keep legs and arms inside the cart, to slow down as others approach from the opposite direction. We care about each of you, and would truly like you to be here to enjoy yourselves and others as long as possible!

Gratitude? A shout out to our awesome staff for working to meet residents' and guests' needs, answer questions, solve problems, find solutions and do it as efficiently and seamlessly as possible, basing all actions on our core values.

But that gratitude goes both ways, because it takes a village to run The Villages. So a big thank you, too, to those who contact Customer Service with safety concerns. Our village is made up of all of us – residents, guests, vendors, District staff, local businesses, etc. We all have an ownership stake in the longevity of our environment.

So when you think "Why hasn't someone done something about (fill in the blank)?" – call and let us know so that we can take care of it. As one of my favorite quotes states, "You can't complain about the dark if you

aren't lighting any candles."

Another way to show gratitude is by participating and giving back – become a District employee (more than 80 percent of our 1,000-plus employees are residents!) or a board supervisor, a resident lifestyle volunteer group leader, or attend a Resident Academy or Welcome Wednesday meeting. Check our District website for more details – districtgov.org.

Tolerance? This community is a melting pot that continues to grow and bubble. We came from the North, South, East, West, and everywhere-in-between areas of our nation, as well as from all over this small planet.

We were waitresses, lawyers, truck drivers, generals, secretaries and bank officers, to name a very few careers represented here. Our combined life experiences alone should temper our quickness to judge, complain or criticize, knowing that those providing services to us are committed to making this continue to be a great place to live.

We may not do it as fast or perfect as one may expect, but we are doing it a lot better than any other government entity I have ever experienced.

The poem "Desiderata" by Max Ehrmann speaks to tolerance and "keeping it in perspective." Although written in 1927 and not becoming widely known until the early 1970s, it is timeless – maybe you recall it?

"Go placidly amid the noise and the haste, and remember what peace there may be in silence. As far as possible, without surrender, be on good terms with all persons.

"Speak your truth quietly and clearly; and listen to others, even

for a second, but our impact ripples through time." Our words – written or spoken – cause ripple effects wider than we can imagine and in ways we may never know.

Be kind to each other, have patience and be thankful for each moment that is gifted to us, and be tolerant – especially when it is most trying. With all of our perceived differences, we are not so very different at all. We all do really want the same thing – to be happy.

So, I have written many words today to simply say, until we meet again at Our Place, what someone else stated better than

I: "Watch your thoughts, for they become words; Watch your words, for they become actions; Watch your actions, for they become habits; Watch your habits, for they become character. Watch your character, for it becomes your destiny."

I challenge you to choose your word for the year, and may that choice result in your best year ever.

Deborah Franklin is director of human resources. She can be reached at deborah.franklin@districtgov.org.

Information Provided by The Villages Home Owners Association

The Villages Home Owners Association



Presents a **“FREE”**
COMMUNITY ELECTRONIC RECYCLING EVENT
Saturday, February 20, 2016
9:00 AM – 3:00 PM

Please bring all items to the drop off area in the parking lot of Winn Dixie at Lake Sumter

Items Accepted:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Video Game Systems/Consoles, Controllers✓ Camera (Photo/Video Equipment)✓ Network Equipment (Routers, Modems, Servers, etc.)✓ Digital TV Boxes (TIVO, Direct TV, etc.)✓ Stereo Systems (Speakers, Amplifiers, etc.)✓ Radios, Tape Players✓ VCR's, DVD Players, Blu-Ray Players✓ Musical Equipment (Guitar/Bass Amplifiers & Effects, etc.)✓ All Types of Wire, Cables, Cords, Connectors & Adapters✓ Microwaves, Small Household Appliances✓ Commercial Copiers✓ Fitness Equipment✓ Batteries, Uninterrupted Power Supplies (personal & network) NO ALKALINE BATTERIES ACCEPTED! | <ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Flat Screen Monitors✓ LCD & Plasma TV's✓ Computers (Desktops and Laptops)✓ Computer components (Mice, Keyboards, Speakers, External Drives, Cards, etc.)✓ Main Frames, Servers, Docking Stations, Network Hubs✓ Chargers for Laptop Computers, Digital Cameras, etc.)✓ Printers, Fax Machines, Scanners and Copiers✓ Toner/Ink Cartridges (contained within equipment or unit)✓ Telephones, Cell Phones & Desk Phones (and telecom equipment)✓ MP3 Players, Ipods, etc.✓ PA Systems, Loud Speakers, etc.✓ Electronic Circuit Boards and Components |
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*Please note that we **DO NOT accept Hazardous Materials** such as: **HID or Fluorescent Light Bulbs, Liquids of any kind, Fuel-containing devices, Fluid-containing devices, Pressurized Tanks, Radioactive Materials, CRT TV's, CRT Monitors, Floppy Disks or CD's, Alkaline Batteries!***

Services are provided by **MPact Services, LLC**. For more information regarding this event and/or acceptable items, please contact: **Matt McCarty @ 813-601-6221, mmccarty1029@gmail.com** or visit our website @ www.mpactservicesusa.com.



Information Provided by Sumter County

Sumter County Public Works
Household Electronics & Hazardous Waste

MOBILE COLLECTION



Saturday, April 2, 2016


9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

located at

Lake Okahumpka Park

6085 E. SR 44, Wildwood 34785

What to bring

- 
- Automotive fluids
 - Automotive batteries
 - Cleaners
 - Fertilizers
 - Fluorescent lamps and Mercury containing devices
 - Fungicides
 - Wood preservatives
 - Herbicides
 - Household batteries - rechargeable
 - Household electronics (TVs, VCRs, computers, etc.)
 - Latex & oil based paints
 - Paint removers
 - Paint thinners
 - Pesticides
 - Pool chemicals
 - Smoke detectors
 - Solvents
 - Propane tanks (25lbs)



What not to bring

- Biological/Infectious waste
- Explosives
- Radioactive waste
- Empty paint cans

HOW TO PACKAGE AND TRANSPORT CHEMICALS

- (1) Do NOT mix chemicals together.
- (2) Keep products in original labeled containers if possible.
- (3) Place containers into cardboard boxes to prevent breakage.
- (4) Place leaky container in clear plastic bag and transport in box with newspaper.
- (5) Put boxes in trunk or in back of vehicle away from passengers.

Businesses may arrange for drop off and payment by calling Perma-Fix for hazardous waste at 800-365-6066 and A1 Assets at 407-339-7030 for electronic waste.



For more information on this and other mobile collections, contact Sumter County Public Works at 352-569-6700.