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Welcome Wednesday News



Lake Sumter Landing

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:

⇒ **Southside Adult Pool**

The Southside Adult Pool will be partially closed for shade structure improvements until August 3rd.

⇒ **Paradise Tennis Courts**

The Paradise Tennis Courts will be closed for court resurfacing until August 26th.

⇒ **Springdale Neighborhood Pool**

The Springdale Neighborhood Pool will be closed for maintenance August 1st through August 19th.

⇒ **Laurel Manor Sports Pool**

The Laurel Manor Sports Pool will be closed for maintenance until July 31st.

⇒ **Allamanda Recreation Center**

The Allamanda Recreation Center will be closed Monday, July 25th through Friday, July 29th.

⇒ **Canal Street Pickleball and Tennis Court**

The Canal Street Pickleball and Tennis Courts will be closed for resurfacing July 26th to August 1st.

⇒ **Virginia Trace Pool**

The Virginia Trace Pool will be closed for maintenance August 15th through August 21st.

Street Lighting Maintenance

Beginning Monday, July 18, 2016, SECO Energy began performing maintenance on the street lighting along Buena Vista Boulevard in Marion County. The majority of this work is being performed at night and consists of painting the poles.

Update!!

Golf View Dock Replacement

The installation of the railing system is near completion. The roofing on the pavilion is underway and the new approach sidewalk connector is complete. This project is scheduled to be complete August 2016.



Construction of Boone & Del Mar Gate House Restrooms

The concrete floor slabs and masonry are now complete and the roof framings will be constructed shortly. The restrooms will be for use by the gate attendants working at those locations.



Boone Gate



Del Mar Gate

Due to remodeling projects currently underway at the Boone and Del Mar Gates, the assigned gate attendant operations have been suspended until such time that they can safely resume their operation. The estimated time for construction work at the two gates is three to four weeks. During this time, residents and guests will be able to access Villages communities via the gates by using the Resident lane and activating the gate arms with the resident gate card or by pressing the red button.

Additionally, Community Watch will be increasing their patrols of the Villages communities in those areas.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Community Watch Division Chief, Bill Elliott, at 352-750-8201.

A Message From...

The Villages®
Community Development Districts

On Tuesday, July 26, 2016 the Multi-Modal Path Discussion Group (MMPDG) met to discuss signage on the paths. The discussion addressed signage consistency, visibility, directional information and safety with input from the representatives and the audience members in attendance. Following a thorough discussion, the MMPDG requested staff prepare a scope of work that included the input from the meeting to pursue obtaining a consultant to review the existing signage on the paths and make recommendations. Staff anticipates providing a proposal in draft format to the MMPDG in October or November for comment, and then present the information to the Amenity Authority Committee and residential Boards for input and direction.

During Supervisor Comments, the members concurred to include the topic of speed bumps/humps on the next MMPDG agenda for discussion and to receive public comment.

The Villages®
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Finance

The conversion to our new Utility Billing software took place over the 4th of July weekend. Along with the new billing system we have a new on-line payment system. You are now able to pay on-line with an electronic check. The convenience fee for paying in this manner is \$1 which goes directly to the third party provider (Point & Pay). The fee for on-line payment with debit or credit card has been reduced from 2.4% to 2.3% or a minimum of \$2 (reduced from a minimum of \$3).

Next on the horizon is the most requested service we receive for utility bills, electronic billing! It is currently in the beta test mode with just a few customers. This is the next step in our implementation and will be available to residents in the very near future. Watch for information on how to sign up for this “paperless” option coming soon to the District website, Welcome Wednesday, and other media outlets. If you have any questions, you may contact our Utility Billing and Customer Service Division at 352-750-0000.

The Villages®
Community Development Districts
Executive Golf

In our efforts to keep the infrastructure for our executive golf courses operating and functioning correctly for years to come, we are taking full advantage of the planned bi-weekly golf closures this summer. These extra closure times in summer allow courses to recover and give contractors additional opportunities to complete necessary work that otherwise could not take place without causing golfer inconveniences. For a full list of closures, please visit www.DistrictGov.org or www.GolfTheVillages.com.

The El Santiago course renovations continue to stay on track and all bunkers were completed. Grass on the new greens have received their third cut and will be rolled again by the end of this week.

If you have any additional questions, need updates on courses, or have concerns, please contact Eric Van Gorder, Director of Executive Golf Maintenance at 352-753-3396.



A Message From...

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Recreation

Renew & Replacement

Out with the old and in with the new! As we continue to keep the recreation facilities in optimal condition, we are happy to announce the Allamanda and Pimlico Recreation Centers have been outfitted with 250 new chairs at each center.



Facility Permits – Resident Lifestyle Volunteer Groups

Resident Lifestyle Volunteer Group facility use permits for 2017 have been completed. All resident lifestyle volunteer group contacts are asked to stop by their respective regional recreation centers to sign their 2017 permits. The facility use permits are the club's contract for the use of Recreation Department facilities.



The following two pages include additional opportunities we put together as part of Camp Villages for the remaining weeks in August!

PLEASE NOTE: registration for the mini golf and fairy/pirate gardens will be at ALL Regional Recreation Centers – same as socials. The Planet Earth series of videos requires no sign up as it will be open seating in the theater of Savannah Center.

The same format applies that at least one grandparent/adult must accompany the child and ID's will be checked. Age recommendations, time and pricing are listed as well. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Recreation Administration at 352-674-1800.

WE WANT MORE SUMMER!



We were having such a good time we added 7 more days and 3 new activities! Sign up now at all Regional Recreation Centers!

MONDAY
AUGUST

8

1:30pm or 3:00pm GLOW IN THE DARK MINI GOLF

Test your skills on our glowing indoor course! Bright colors and obstacles light the way to summer fun!

LOCATION: Savannah Regional Recreation Center

COST: \$5 per grandchild MAX: 18 grandchildren per session (Ages 5-12)

WEDNESDAY
AUGUST

10

PLANET EARTH - As You've Never Seen It Before

Come join us for this epic BBC series celebrating the Earth as never before. These stunning videos, each one-hour long, captures rare action, impossible locations and intimate moments with our planet's best-loved, wildest, and most elusive creatures. From the highest mountains to the deepest rivers, "Planet Earth" takes you to places you've never been to experience sights and sounds never before captured on film.

The videos will be shown on the big screen in the Scarlett O'Hara Theater at the Savannah Regional Recreation Center. Open seating; no refreshments provided but feel free to bring your own snacks and beverages. Free of charge!

LOCATION: Scarlett O'Hara Theater at the Savannah Center

10:00am - 11:00am: From Pole to Pole

1:00pm - 2:00pm: Mountains

3:00pm - 4:00pm: Fresh Water

MONDAY
AUGUST

15

10:00am or 11:30am or 1:00pm GLOW IN THE DARK MINI GOLF

Test your skills on our glowing indoor course! Bright colors and obstacles light the way to summer fun!

LOCATION: Savannah Regional Recreation Center

COST: \$5 per grandchild MAX: 18 grandchildren per session (Ages 5-12)

2:30pm - 4:30pm FAIRY & PIRATE GARDENS

Create a magical mystery garden for fairies and pirates. Design your own miniature world using seasonal plants native to Florida.

LOCATION: Eisenhower Regional Recreation Center

COST: \$18 per grandchild MAX: 20 grandchildren (Ages 5+)

WEDNESDAY
AUGUST

17

10:00am SPEED QUIZZING - Trivia:

Here's a chance to show your grandchildren how tech savvy you are even if you aren't...all you need to know is how to turn on your phone or tablet!

Kids and adults team up with other table mates to play. Ric Mitchell will guide you through age-appropriate questions from a variety of subjects. Each question will be displayed on screen while the possible answers appear on your device. If you don't have a tablet or smartphone, a limited supply is available. This is truly a fun, fast moving way to bond with your grandchild.

LOCATION: La Hacienda Regional Recreation Center

COST: \$3 per grandchild MAX: 144 total participants (Ages 11+)

MONDAY
AUGUST

22

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TUESDAY
AUGUST

23

PLANET EARTH - As You've Never Seen It Before:

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LOCATION: Scarlett O'Hara Theater at the Savannah Regional Recreation Center

10:00am - 11:00am: Caves

1:00pm - 2:00pm: Deserts

3:00pm - 4:00pm: Ice Worlds

WEDNESDAY
AUGUST

31

PLANET EARTH - As You've Never Seen It Before

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LOCATION: Scarlett O'Hara Theater at the Savannah Regional Recreation Center

10:00am - 11:00am: Great Plains

1:00pm - 2:00pm: Jungles

3:00pm - 4:00pm: Shallow Seas

Save the Date!

Household Hazardous Waste & Electronics Mobile Collection



Saturday, August 20, 2016

8:00 am–2:00 pm

**Downtown Sumter Landing–South
Parking Lot, Between Old Mill Run
& Old Camp**

ITEMS TO BRING:

Automotive Fluids, Automotive & Household Batteries (including rechargeable), Household Cleaners, Fertilizer, Florescent & Mercury Containing Light Bulbs, Fungicides, Wood Preservatives, Herbicides, Household Electronics (TV's, VCR's, Computers, etc.), Latex & Oil Based Paints, Paint Removers, Paint Thinners, Pesticides, Pool Chemicals, Solvents, Propane Tanks

UNACCEPTABLE ITEMS

No Sharps Containers or Needles, Medications, Biological/Infectious Waste, Explosives, Ammunition, Radioactive Waste, Smoke Alarms, Tires, Appliances, Household Trash or Debris

No Need To Leave Your Vehicle!

Items will be removed from your trunk or Golf Cart and disposed of by the staff of PermaFix Environmental Services.

**GOLF CARTS
WELCOME!**

FOR YOUR PROTECTION & THE PROTECTION OF OTHERS:

Do NOT mix chemicals together
Keep products in original labeled containers
Place containers into cardboard boxes to prevent breakage
Place leaky containers in clear plastic bag and transport with newspaper
Put boxes in trunk or in back of vehicle

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