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# District Weekly Bulletin



#### **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 temporarily closed or have scheduled maintenance:

#### ⇒ Atlas Dog Park

The Atlas Dog Park will be closed for quarterly maintenance November 26th through November 30th.

#### **⇒ Hibiscus Pickleball Courts**

The Hibiscus Pickleball Courts will be closed for maintenance on November 19th.

#### ⇒ Virginia Trace Pool

The Virginia Trace Pool will be closed for maintenance on November 27th.

#### ⇒ Lake Shore Cottages Pool

The Lake Shore Cottages Pool will be closed for maintenance on November 30th.

#### ⇒ Canal Street Recreation Center

The Canal Street Recreation Center will be closed for maintenance on November 17th.

#### ⇒ Truman Recreation Center

The Truman Recreation Center will be closed for quarterly cleaning on November 24th.

#### ⇒ Bradenton Family Pool

The Bradenton Family Pool will be closed for cleaning and maintenance on November 16th.

#### ⇒ Bradenton Recreation Center

The Bradenton Recreation Center will be closed for quarterly cleaning on November 18th.

#### ⇒ Fenney Fire Pit

The Fenney Fire Pit will be closed for maintenance November 19th through November 21st.

# **Holiday Information**



#### **Thanksgiving Holiday Information**

The District Customer Service Center and all District administrative offices will be closed on Thursday, November 22, 2018 and Friday, November 23, 2018 in observance of Thanksgiving. We will resume normal business hours on Monday, November 26th. In addition, the following cancellation will take place:

CDD Orientation is cancelled on Thursday, November 22nd

If you have any questions or would like additional information, please contact the District Customer Service Center at (352) 753-4508. We hope you have a safe and Happy Thanksgiving!

#### **Holiday Sanitation Information**

#### **Village Community Development Districts 1-11**

If you live in Village Community Development Districts 1-11 in the Sumter County, Marion County or Fruitland Park portions of The Villages, there will not be sanitation collection on Thursday, November 22, 2018. For those with Thursday trash and/or recycling, collection will occur on **Saturday, November 24th.** Please have your bags out no later than 6:00 a.m. All others will follow your normal collection schedule.

#### Village Community Development District No. 12

If your sanitation collection is serviced by Waste Management in District 12, you will not have sanitation collection service on Thursday, November 23rd. Collection will occur on your next normally scheduled collection day.

If you live in the Lake County portion of The Villages, please contact Lake County Solid Waste at (352) 343-3776 for information on your sanitation schedule. If you live in the Lady Lake portion of The Villages, please contact Waste Management at (352) 787-4416 for additional information.

### **Information Provided by...**



The District Boards have adopted the following Holiday Decoration Policy to allow Gate Houses and Village/Villa entry sign walls to be decorated by resident groups. For additional information, please contact District Property Management at (352) 753-4022.

#### HOLIDAY DECORATION POLICY

**OVERVIEW:** The District will allow the Gate Houses and Village/Villa entry sign walls to be decorated by resident groups. This excludes postal stations. Residents must submit a design to District Property Management, 1071 Canal Street, prior to installation. Once approval has been given, decorations can be installed no earlier than December 1<sup>st</sup> each year.

#### Specifications for Village/Villa Entry Wall Decorations:

- ⇒ Green garland, green wreaths (maximum 3' in width, not to obscure sign wall lettering) and red bows are acceptable decorations.
- ⇒ Only wire, rope or cord can be used to display holiday decorations from entry walls.
- ⇒ No nails, screws, tape or any other material that would break, peel or penetrate the surface, lights (electric or battery), statues or colored ribbon other than red are permitted.

#### **Specifications for Gate House Decorations:**

- ⇒ One green wreath with a red bow (maximum 3' in width) may be placed on the entrance and exit side of the Gate House.
- ⇒ No nails, screws, tape or any other material that would break, peel or penetrate the surface, or lights (electric or battery) are permitted.



#### **Did You Know??**



For your safety from snakes, alligators and other hazards, ball-hawking on the golf courses is prohibited. Due to the steepness of the water basin banks, we ask that you stay on the golf course side margin of the red or yellow hazard stakes. We encourage each golfer to put safety first as it would be very easy to slip and fall due to the current low water level.







It's that time of year to spread your wings!



Angels of The Villages®

#### November 5 – December 5

Pick up an angel at these recreation centers:
Colony Cottage • Eisenhower
La Hacienda • Lake Miona • Laurel Manor
Mulberry Grove • Rohan • Fenney
For more information call 352-750-3525

Benefiting: Lake/Sumter Families Foster/Adoptions Inc.



Spread happiness this holiday season to a child who may not have a present to open this year.

The Villages
Recreation & Parks

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### **Information Provided by...**





#### **Recreation Center Emergency Address Information**

Our dedicated staff is here to help you get the most out of your unique Villages lifestyle. When enjoying your choice of activities, we ask that you remember participating in recreational activities always involves some degree of risk. Participants assume full responsibility for risk of bodily injury arising out of or in any way connected with participation or involvement in or presence at the activity or program. To assist you with emergency situations, the recreation department has provided all outside recreation areas with a bulletin board that has important 911 information including the address/county/phone number you are calling from. Emergency 911 phones are located at all equipment buildings and pools with pertinent emergency information. We encourage all residents to become familiar with their recreation centers and 911 information. When visiting any recreation center or swimming pool, please take a moment to locate these helpful areas.





#### Save the Date

The Amenity Authority Committee (AAC) directed Staff to receive input from residents and Resident Lifestyle Volunteer Groups for both internal and external recreation center features, such as meeting space, storage, restrooms, facility enhancements, type of pool and other considerations for the property located at the First Baptist Church, 16985 SE 79th Clearview Ave., The Villages in Marion County. On January 7, 2019, the survey will be posted online at www.DistrictGov.org and will be available at all recreation centers. For additional information, please contact Recreation Administration at (352) 674-1800.

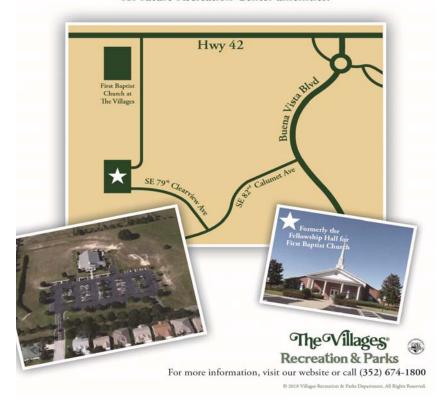
# SAVE the DATE

#### January 7th

Visit www.DistrictGov.org and fill out the The Villages of Marion, Village Community Development District

#### CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT SURVEY

for future Recreation Center amenities.



### **Information Provided by...**



Office of Management and Budget

#### **Tax Bill: District Maintenance and Bond Assessments**

By now you should have received your annual tax bill from your County's Tax Collector's Office. On your tax bill under the Non-Ad Valorem section there may be two lines listed that pertain to your residential district: Bond assessment and Maintenance assessment.

If a Bond/Debt line appears on your tax bill then you are paying your bond assessment in annual installments versus prepaying the total bond assessment. Your District's Board of Supervisors issued bonds to pay for the infrastructure required for the development of your district. You may view your bond amortization schedule, learn how to pay off your bond and read answers to frequently-asked questions on the District website — <a href="https://www.Districtgov.org">www.Districtgov.org</a> or contact the Finance Department at 352-751-3900.

The second line relates to your maintenance (mait) assessment which provides the funds for the operations of your district, including the maintenance and replacement of the infrastructure purchased with the bond issue mentioned above. These costs include items such as landscaping, deed compliance, road maintenance, wetlands and preserves, water retention areas, storm/gutter facilities, right-of-ways, transportation paths, walls, fences, utilities, insurance, etc. along with setting aside reserve funds for future projects.

The annual maintenance assessment is determined during the budget process by each district's Board of Supervisors after reviewing the budget, capital improvement plan, funds availability during public budget workshops and board meetings throughout the annual budget process. You may view your district's recently approved Fiscal Year 2018-19 Budget and maintenance assessment schedule on the District's website. These assessments are based on a methodology utilizing your unit's acreage and number of lots to determine your proportionate share of the costs.

If you have any questions regarding your District's maintenance assessment, please call the Office of Management and Budget at 352-751-3939. If you have questions regarding any other tax items on your bill, please contact the taxing authority listed.

# What's Happening in Your District...

#### **2018 Landowner Results**

Village Center Community Development District Steve Kurtz – 4 year term Robert Chandler, IV – 4 year term Art Rowe – 2 year term



**Sumter Landing Community Development District** 

Joe Nisbett – 4 year term Dr. Randy McDaniel – 4 year term Mike Berning – 2 year term



**Brownwood Community Development District** 

Lester Coggins – 4 year term Ken Stoff – 4 year term Gerry Andrews – 2 year term



**Village Community Development District** 

No. 11
Allen Vanover – 4 year term
Don Brozick – 4 year term
Jim Covert – 2 year term



<u>Village Community Development District</u> <u>No. 12</u>

 $Don\ Levens-4\ year\ term$ 

The Villages

Community Development Districts

District 12

# What's Happening in Your District...

#### **2018 Qualified Voter Results**

Village Community Development District

No. 5, Seat 2

Jerry Knoll – 4 year term

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District 5

Village Community Development District

No. 6, Seat 1

Andrew Curtis – 4 year term

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**Village Community Development District** 

No. 9, Seat 4

Donald Hickman – 4 year term

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No. 9, Seat 5

Stephen Brown – 4 year term

District 9

**Village Community Development District** 

No. 10, Seat 2

Kenneth Lieberman – 4 year term

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No. 10, Seat 3

Donald Wiley – 4 year term

District 10

Village Community Development District

No. 10, Seat 5

Christine Bradshaw – 4 year term

Village Community Development District

No. 12, Seat 4

Andrew Bilardello – 4 year term

**Community Development Districts** 

District 12

North Sumter County Utility Dependent District

Seat 5

Matthew Friedland - 4 year term

**North Sumter County** Dependent District

North Sumter County Utility Dependent District

Seat 6

Richard Rademacher -- 4 year term

#### A Year in Review

With the recent elections that took place on Tuesday, November 6<sup>th</sup>, the District would like to take the opportunity to recognize and thank the following individuals for their past contributions as elected officials in the community. Your time and dedication truly enhanced the quality of life in The Villages!

#### **Former Elected Officials**

#### Village Community Development District No. 2

**Marty Rothbard** 

#### Village Community Development District No. 3

Marie McAvoy unexpectedly passed while serving her term as a VCDD No. 3 Supervisor. Her presence and contributions to the community are missed by all.

#### Village Community Development District No. 4

**Paul Kelly** 

Jim Brockman

#### Village Community Development District No. 6

Sally Moss

#### Village Community Development District No. 10

J.R. Rebecky

**Joyce Edmonds** 

#### Village Community Development District No. 11

**Dan Sprung** 

Mackie McCabe

#### Village Community Development District No. 12

Joan Steep

#### **North Sumter County Utility Dependent District**

**Gary Davis** 

**Gary Sorenson** 

Patricia Francis

#### **Village Center Community Development District**

Steve Drake

### **Safety First!**



#### **Safety Reminders for the Holidays**

Community Watch will be working around the clock throughout the holidays. We will be at full staffing levels in all phases of our operation: patrol, gate attendants, dispatch and gate ops.

A couple of safety reminders:

- If you will be away for the holidays, Community Watch offers a house check program for your consideration. For a small fee, a CW patrol driver will walk the perimeter of your home 3 times per week. If anything is not as it should be, we will contact you, your neighbor, or law enforcement if necessary. At the very least, have a neighbor keep an eye on your home while you are away.
- Indoor lights on timers are a great way to give the impression that someone is home.



- Cancel paper delivers or have your neighbor pick up your papers from the driveway.
- Track the delivery of your packages to be delivered to your home. Don't leave your packages sitting on your front doorstep for very long.

If you are having guests for the holidays that may be unfamiliar with The Villages, let them know that they can get assistance in the form of "word map directions" from any of our manned gates. The attendants also have word map directions to neighborhoods behind unmanned gates. For additional information, please contact Community Watch at (352) 753-0550.



#### **Annual Re-Plantings**

Landscape workers are in the process of replacing annual beds and performing landscape maintenance in areas throughout The Villages Community. For the safety of everyone, please use caution and pay attention to all workers and directional signage as you travel throughout the community.



- Stay in the kitchen when you are cooking on the stovetop so you can keep an eye on the food.
- Stay in the home when cooking your turkey and check on it frequently.
- Keep children away from the stove. The stove will be hot and kids should stay 3 feet away.
- Make sure kids stay away from hot food and liquids.
   The steam or splash from vegetables, gravy or coffee could cause serious burns.
- Keep the floor clear so you don't trip over kids, toys, pocketbooks or bags.
- Keep knives out of the reach of children.
- Be sure electric cords from an electric knife, coffee maker, plate warmer or mixer are not dangling off the counter within easy reach of a child.
- Keep matches and utility lighters out of the reach of children — up high in a locked cabinet.
- Never leave children alone in room with a lit candle.
- Make sure your smoke alarms are working. Test them by pushing the test button.



#### Have activities that

keep kids out of the kitchen during this busy time. Games, puzzles or books can keep them busy. Kids can get involved in Thanksgiving preparations with recipes that can be done outside the kitchen.



NATIONAL FIRE PROTECTION ASSOCIATION

The leading information and knowledge resource on fire, electrical and related hazards



#### **Did You Know??**



#### **Sumter County Roundabout Brochure**

The Sumter County Board of County Commissioners in cooperation with the Sumter County Sheriff's Office developed an educational guide to navigating the roundabouts in Sumter County. This brochure is located on www.DistrictGov.org or can be obtained at the District Customer Service Center located at 984 Old Mill Run in Lake Sumter Landing.



#### **Rules of the Road and Safety Tips**

The safety of residents and guests in the community is a high priority for the District Government. You can help do your part by adhering to the following rules of the road when traversing the community in your golf cart;

- ⋄ Obey all traffic laws, signs and signals
- ♦ Come to a complete stop at stop signs/stop bars and proceed with caution
- Do not exceed 20 mph in your golf cart
- Avoid distractions while driving such as texting

We encourage everyone to slow down and enjoy the ride! For additional safety tips and to view a golf cart safety video please visit

www.DistrictGov.org.



#### Please Join Us!!



# You're Invited

# ADVANCED WASTEWATER TREATMENT WORKSHOP

Are you interested in environmental stewardship?

Are you aware of how wastewater is treated and used throughout The Villages\* Community?

Join us for the second workshop in a series designed to inform residents of water resources and environmental stewardship in The Villages community!

JANUARY 14, 2019 • 10<sub>AM</sub>

ROHAN RECREATION CENTER - 850 KRISTINE WAY

or

January 17, 2019 • 10<sub>AM</sub>

SAVANNAH CENTER - 1545 BUENA VISTA BOULEVARD

#### FREE EVENT - TICKETS REQUIRED

Tickets will be available November 15, 2018 at all of The Villages Box Office locations and at www.TheVillagesEntertainment.com

Staff and a consultant team of water resource engineers will be available to address your questions after each presentation. The material at each workshop will be identical. Hope to see you there!
For additional information, please contact
The District Customer Service Center
(352) 753-4508

#### WEBSITE

To learn about these events and others, please visit our website. You can also learn about what's happening, obtain contact information and other helpful information.

#### E-Notifications



Sign up for email notifications – Would you like us to notify you when events such as these occur? Are you interested

in finding out other important community information? If so, sign up for E-Notifications!

Need help signing up? Please contact our office Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. for assistance.





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# The Villages

**Community Development Districts** 

Office of Management and Budget

The Amenity Authority Committee (AAC) has scheduled a Capital Projects Budget Workshop for Wednesday, January 23, 2019 at 1:30 p.m. in the District Board Room. The workshop agenda includes the discussion of the scope, schedule and budget for the recently acquired First Baptist Church Fellowship Hall/acreage and the Paradise Recreation Center. Other topics include aquatic chair lifts and the Del Mar gate in addition to a review of financial and budgetary information.

Mark your calendars and join us on January 23, 2019 for the AAC Capital Projects Budget Workshop!

#### **Did You Know??**

Based on the area in The Villages in which you reside, your sanitation/recycling may be handled in several ways:

#### <u>Village Community Development Districts 1-11</u> <u>Sumter County, Marion County & The Villages of Fruitland Park</u>

#### **Single Stream Recycling Materials Guidelines**

Single Stream refers to a system that takes two recycling "streams" — mixed paper and acceptable containers — and puts them together. No sorting needed! ALL your recyclable items MUST be in a clear plastic bag. This increases the ease and convenience of recycling so more people participate and more resources are saved.



#### Village Community Development Districts - South of SR 44

For those Villages residents residing South of State Road 44, sanitation services are provided by Covanta by Tri-County Sanitation.

#### **ENERGY FROM WASTE**

All waste is transported to the Covanta Energy From Waste Plant. Household waste is turned into electricity, which powers homes locally. Sanitation services are provided by cleaner and quieter collection vehicles powered by Compressed National Gas engines. Our collection vehicles provide minimal noise and cleaner emissions enhance and protect our environment. By having more efficient services it reduces carbon footprint, reduces wear and tear on roads, less fuel is used, and minimizes traffic in your quiet neighborhood.

For additional information, please visit www.DistrictGov.org!



**Community Development Districts** 

# www.DistrictGov.org

Do you want to know what's happening with the Districts in The Villages community? Are you interested in learning about recreation center closures, road closures, Recreation Lifestyle Events and more? Visit our website, www.DistrictGov.org where you can do the following:

#### JOIN OUR TEAM

Would you like to be a part of the District team? Current employment opportunities can be found on our website!

#### APPLY FOR GUEST IDS

Apply for guest IDs online and pick them up at the regional recreation center of your choice!

#### OBTAIN CONTACT INFORMATION

Obtain contact information for all District departments – contact us 24/7 with questions, comments or suggestions.





#### **OBTAIN HELPFUL INFORMATION**

- What district do I live in?
- What are the guidelines to post information on the bulletin board located at my postal facility?
- View area and recreation maps
- Download your Declaration of Covenants and Restrictions
- · Sign up for E-Billing

#### Your District

- District Facts
- Board of Supervisor Information
- Budget & Financial Information
- Board Meeting Information, Agendas & Minutes

For questions on the website or how to access specific information, please contact the District Customer Service Center at (352) 753-4508.

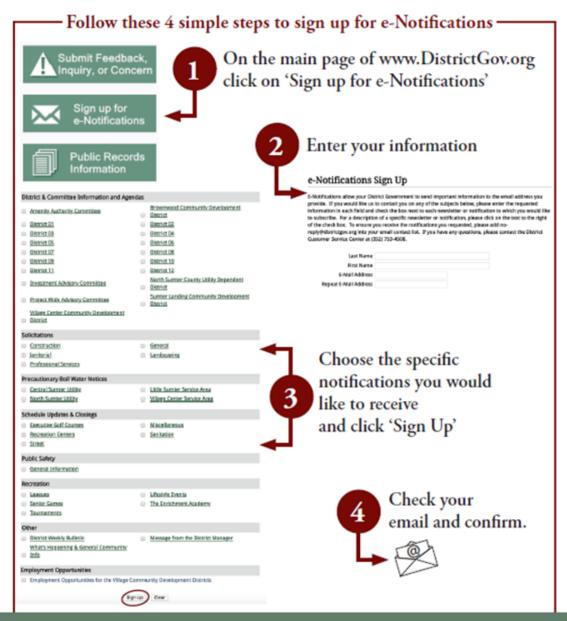
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#### Sign up for e-Notifications



e-Notifications provide a valuable tool in which we email you information based on what is important to you. Would you like us to notify you when important things occur in your area? Sign up for e-Notifications for the following subjects and we will contact you!

- District Board Meeting & General District Information
- Recreation Center & Road Closures
- Employment Opportunities
- Precautionary Boil Water Notices
- Recreation Lifestyle Events and Much More!



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