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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.

CDD Orientation is cancelled on Thursday, December 27th, and

January 3rd





The following facilities will be temporarily closed or have scheduled maintenance:

⇒ Paradise Dog Park

The Paradise Dog Park will be closed for quarterly maintenance December 4th through December 22nd.

⇒ Savannah Regional Recreation Center

The Savannah Regional Recreation Center will be closed for quarterly cleaning on December 29th.

⇒ Mulberry Grove Recreation Center

The Mulberry Grove Recreation Center will be closed for quarterly cleaning on December 22nd. The Fitness Club and all outdoor facilities will remain open.

⇒ Allamanda Pickleball & Tennis Courts

The Allamanda Pickleball and Tennis Courts will be closed for resurfacing December 16th through December 19th.



Amberwood Executive Golf Course

In our efforts to keep the infrastructure protected and functioning correctly, we utilize our executive golf courses for water management and movement. The District Executive Golf Management Team will temporarily close the Amberwood Golf Course starting Tuesday, December 18, 2018 until further notice for the water dumping needs of weather related recovery. This schedule may be adjusted due to unforeseen circumstances, including weather. We apologize for the inconvenience. If you have any questions or need additional information on this dumping, please contact the District Executive Golf Offices at 352-751-3939.



Registration for Monthly Socials Available Online

The Villages Recreation & Parks Department offers monthly socials to help Villagers enjoy the companionship of others in a friendly, fun atmosphere, as well as fulfilling the recreational, educational, emotional or physical needs of the participants. Beginning December 27, 2018, registration for the monthly socials will be available online, in addition to walk-in registration at all regional recreation centers.

For online registration follow these easy steps:

- 1. Go to www.DistrictGov.org.
- 2. Click on Departments.
- 3. Click on Recreation.
- 4. Click on the Socials (on the right hand side).
- 5. Click on Registration.
- 6. View the month's social offerings.
- 7. Create an account or login.
- 8. Register for the socials of your choosing.

For questions or assistance, please call Recreation Administration at 352-674-1800.

What's Happening in Your District...

Board Meeting Updates

Meeting Cancellation

The following District Boards have cancelled their December 20, 2018 meetings:

North Sumter County Utility Dependent District (NSCUDD)



• Brownwood Community Development District



• Village Community Development District No. 9



For additional information or to view the entire District Board Meeting Schedule, please visit www.DistrictGov.org.





Holiday Closures and Cancellations

The District Customer Service Center and all District Administrative offices will be closed on Monday, December 24, 2018, Tuesday, December 25, 2018 and Tuesday, January 1, 2019 to celebrate the holidays. In addition, please note the following holiday changes:

• CDD Orientation is cancelled on Thursday, December 27th and January 3rd.



Architectural Review Committee Date Changes

While the ARC normally meets every Wednesday at 8:00 a.m., the meeting on Wednesday, December 26, 2018 is cancelled. If you plan on submitting an application that will need to be reviewed during this time, your application must be received by the following dates:

Friday, December 15, 2018 at noon is the application deadline for the ARC meeting that will be held on Wednesday, December 19, 2018.

Wednesday, December 26, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. is the application deadline for the ARC meeting that will be held on Wednesday, January 2, 2019.

From our District family to yours, we wish you a safe and happy holiday!!







Recreation Center Holiday Closings

Monday, December 24, 2018— All recreation offices will be closed. The fitness clubs will be open from 6:30 am until 1 pm. Trail fee, guest ID & activity registration services will be available from 8 am until 12 pm at La Hacienda, Lake Miona, Eisenhower & Rohan. Recreation centers will close at 6 pm.

Tuesday, December 25, 2018- All recreation centers and offices will be closed. All outdoor facilities and swimming pools will remain open for your enjoyment.

Monday, December 31, 2018- All recreation centers will be open as usual from 7 am until 10 pm. Fitness clubs will be open from 6:30 am until 1 pm. Resident lifestyle group meetings will end at 1 pm in preparation for New Year's Eve Celebrations.

Tuesday, January 1, 2019- All recreation centers and offices will be closed. All outdoor facilities and swimming pools will remain open for your enjoyment. Regular services will resume Wednesday, January 2, 2019.

From our District family to yours, we wish you a safe and happy holiday!!



Holiday Sanitation Information

<u>Village Community Development Districts 1-11</u>

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 Tuesday, December 25, 2018. For those with Tuesday trash and/or recycling, collection will occur on **Saturday, December 22nd.** Please have your bags out no later than 6:00 a.m. All others will follow your normal collection schedule.

There will not be sanitation collection on Tuesday, January 1, 2019. For those with Tuesday trash and/or recycling, collection will occur on **Saturday, December 29th.** 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 the Villages of Fenney, DeSota, and McClure, you will not have sanitation collection service on Tuesday, December 25th or Tuesday, January 1st. 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.





Not only do the gates throughout the community serve as a traffic control device, they also serve as an important safety feature.

The entry and exit lanes at the gates houses have cameras installed that are monitored 24/7/365 by the Gate Operations division of Community Watch. Their primary responsibilities are to remotely monitor all live video feeds from gate cameras to ensure efficient gate operations and to allow remote access through the gates for our residents and visitors.

There are over 80 gate entries throughout the community with well over 500 cameras. The community is effectively monitored and the District government maintains a positive working relationship with the local law enforcement agencies to provide for the well-being and safety of the residents.





Del Mar Gate Operation Changes

Based on direction from the Amenity Authority Committee (AAC) at the November 2018 meeting, residents will begin to see operational changes at the Del Mar gate during the week of December 17, 2018 to improve the overall functionality of the gate. Some of the changes you may begin to see include:

- December 19, 2018 through January 6, 2019 the gate will operate as a "visitor lane" style gate in which the Gate Attendant will open the gate for all users. The Gate Attendant will NOT use a hand held stop sign or be stationed on the sidewalk near the roadway. The gate arm activation switch is located in the gatehouse where the attendant will be located. The Gate Attendant will have discretion to lock the gate in the "up" position during heavy traffic, as necessary.
- <u>January 7, 2019 through January 26, 2019</u> the gate will be operated in "automatic open mode". The Gate Attendant will be stationed in the doorway to provide customer service and greet users. As users approach the gate, the arm will automatically open WITHOUT the use of a gate access card or push of the button. The Gate Attendant will have the discretion to lock the gate in the "up" position during heavy traffic, as necessary.

We appreciate your patience as we attempt to improve the functionality and customer service provided at the Del Mar Gate. Please use caution and reduce your speed when approaching the gate and pay attention to all directions provided by the Gate Attendant. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Community Watch at (352) 753-0550.

Congratulations!

Division Chief Robert Ramage received an award for "Firefighter of the Year" from Restoration Specialists today. There were 43 nominees in total from several surrounding counties. We are very honored to have Division Chief Ramage as part of our team.





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Utilities

DRAINING YOUR SWIIMMING POOL?

If maintenance on your pool requires the water to be drained, please know that swimming pool discharges can be a source of illicit discharges in municipal separate storm sewer systems. The Village Community Development Districts are required by the Clean Water Act to comply with the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit program. The District also has a policy that prohibits unauthorized connections and discharges of any kind to the storm drain system. An illicit connection is any connection that allows any non-storm water discharge to enter the storm drain system. Chlorine and other chemicals used in maintaining pools and spas, which often include acidic or alkaline cleaning compounds, can have a negative impact on the plant and aquatic life in surface waters.

To help protect Florida's environment, the following practices should be followed when draining pools or spas or discharging filter backwash into the environment:

- Only drain your pool when necessary. Avoid draining during periods of drought and during significant rainfall events. Do not drain your pools when watering restrictions are in place.
- Before draining your pool, allow the water to stand for at least 48 hours after the last addition of chlorine or until the free chlorine residual is < 0.01 mg/l. If you need to drain your pool quickly, chlorine-neutralizing chemicals such as sodium thiosulfate can be purchased at your local pool supply company.
- Test the free chlorine residual before discharging. A free chlorine residual should <u>not</u> be detected. This can be accomplished by using a standard pool test kit.
- The pH must be between 6.0 and 8.5 before it is discharged.
- The water should be clear of any solids.
- Algaecides containing copper or silver can interrupt normal algae and plant growth in surface water bodies and should be used with caution. Follow the manufacturer's instructions before discharging water that has had an algaecide added recently.
- Water should never be discharged directly into the storm water system drain.
 Direct the discharge over a vegetated surface so that a level of filtration can occur.
- Control the rate of discharge across your property to avoid erosion and nuisance conditions for neighboring properties. Nuisance conditions such as the creation of odors, mosquito breeding, or flooding can occur when water is ponded for a prolonged period.

Do not discharge on areas recently treated with herbicides or pesticides. More information can be found on the District's website, www.DistrictGov.org, and clicking on The Villages Water Wisdom link.

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 • 10AM

ROHAN RECREATION CENTER - 850 KRISTINE WAY

or

January 17, 2019 • 10_{AM}

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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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!