

## **Community Development Districts**

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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:

#### **⇒ Paradise Recreation Center**

The Paradise Recreation Center will be closed for maintenance August 31st.

#### ⇒ Paradise Archery Range

The Paradise Archery Range will be closed for maintenance September 3rd through 24th.

## **⇒ Mulberry Grove Sports Pool**

The Mulberry Grove Sports Pool will be closed for aquatic access lift installation August 26th through August 30th.

#### ⇒ Allamanda Recreation Center

The Allamanda Recreation Center will be closed September 1st through September 30th.

#### **⇒ Coconut Cove Tennis Courts**

The Coconut Cove Tennis Courts will be closed for maintenance until further notice.

#### ⇒ Odell Recreation Center Pickleball and Tennis Courts

The Odell Recreation Center Pickleball and Tennis Courts will be closed for maintenance August 26th through September 1st.

## ⇒ Colony Cottage Recreation Center Theater

The Colony Cottage Recreation Center Theater will be closed for maintenance August 12th through September 1st.

#### ⇒ Eisenhower Recreation Center

The Eisenhower Recreation Center will be closed for maintenance September 1st.

#### ⇒ Rohan Recreation Center and Sports Pool

The Rohan Recreation Center and Sports Pool will be closed September 7th.



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

#### **⇒ Burnsed Recreation Center**

The Burnsed Recreation Center will be closed for maintenance September 8th.

## ⇒ Moyer Recreation Billiards Hall

The Moyer Recreation Billiards Hall will be closed for maintenance August 28th through August 30th.

## ⇒ Fenney Recreation Parking Lot

Sections of the Fenney Recreation Parking Lot will be closed from August 28th through September 10th.

## **⇒ Spanish Moss Recreation Area Parking Lot**

Sections of the Spanish Moss Recreation Area Parking Lot will be closed August 28th through August 31st.

## ⇒ Sugar Cane Recreation Area Parking Lot

Sections of the Sugar Cane Recreation Area Parking Lot will be closed August 26th through August 31st.

#### **⇒ Dudley Canine Park and Archery Range Parking Lot**

Sections of the Dudley Canine Park and Archery Range Parking Lot will be closed August 26th through August 31st.



#### **Help Prevent Street Flooding**

With Tropical Storm Dorian heading towards Florida, please take a few minutes and check the storm water inlets close to your home. If there is debris or blockage, please remove it if you can. If you cannot, please contact District Customer Service at 352-753-4508 so the debris can be removed.





## Did You Know??

# The Villages® Community Development Districts

Did you know that the District has over a dozen different types of Stormwater ponds? Some ponds serve as primary fire flow ponds, some ponds are interconnected within sub-basins, while others are isolated only receiving overland runoff as their water supply source. Our ponds and all golf courses serve as vital links in the management of our Stormwater. The golf courses are an especially important piece of the floodplain and management system as they have dual roles. One role is recreation for golfers and the other role is vital soil interstitial storage area for runoff, as well as millions of cubic feet of storage volume. For more information, please see the link to our Stormwater Workshops at www.DistrictGov.org.

#### **Emergency Management & Shelters**

The District is currently receiving calls regarding the location of potential shelters in The Villages. All emergency management related to the preparation of severe weather falls under the purview of the county in which you live. It will be up to the determination of the county if shelters will be utilized and where they will be located.

None of the recreation centers within The Villages were constructed to be hurricane shelters. If you would like information on shelters within your county, please click on the links below or contact your county's emergency management department.

**Lake County - Emergency Management**: (352) 343-9420 or visit www.lakecountyfl.gov/offices/emergency management

Marion County - Emergency Management: (352) 732-8181 or visit <a href="http://www.marionso.com/emergency-management">http://www.marionso.com/emergency-management</a>

**Sumter County—Emergency Management:** (352) 689-4400 or visit <a href="http://sumtercountyfl.gov/718/Emergency-Management">http://sumtercountyfl.gov/718/Emergency-Management</a>

#### State & Federal Severe Weather Information -

Local weather: <a href="http://www.weather.gov">http://www.weather.gov</a>

Tropical weather: <a href="http://www.nhc.noaa.gov">http://www.nhc.noaa.gov</a>

State Emergency Management: www.floridadisaster.org



## **Information Provided by The Daily Sun**

## 2019 Hurricane Preparedness Guide

Hurricane season in Florida began on June 1st and ends on November 30th. To help you prepare, The Daily Sun created a 2019 Hurricane Preparedness Guide.

The guide includes important phone numbers, a map for tracking storms, supply kit essentials and more! To view a copy of the 2019 Hurricane Preparedness Guide, please visit the following link.

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## **Did You Know??**



#### **Labor Day Holiday**

All recreation offices will be closed on Labor Day, Monday, September 2, 2019. The recreation centers, outdoor facilities, swimming pools and fitness clubs will be open for your enjoyment.

Guest ID Cards, Executive Trail Fees and Activity Registration will be available at La Hacienda, Lake Miona, Eisenhower and Rohan Regional Recreation Centers from 8:00 am to 12:00 pm on Monday, September 2, 2019.

Regular office hours will resume Tuesday, September 3, 2019. Enjoy your Labor Day! If you have any questions or need further information contact your nearest recreation center or call 352-674-1800.

## **Camp Villages Participants**

We'd like to hear from you! How were this summer's Camp Villages, Just For Teen and Camp Buckaroos activities? We value your input. Please visit Districtgov.org – Recreation Department to complete an evaluation for the 2019 Camp Villages program. The Evaluation Survey will be available through Friday, September 13, 2019. Thank you!



## **Fall Social Leagues**

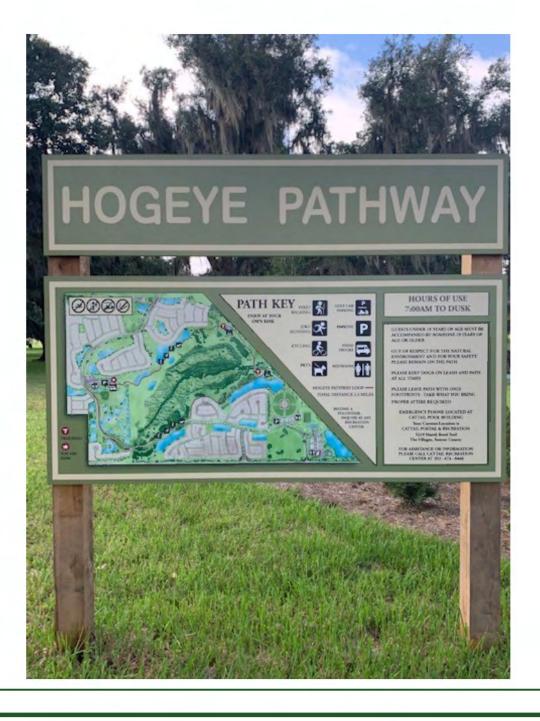
It's about time to join you friends and neighbors at one of the many social leagues. League brochures will be available Thursday, September 12th, with registration running through Friday, September 27th. Watch the Recreation & Parks News and District website for more information.

## **Did You Know??**



## **Hogeye Preserve Pathway**

The Hogeye Preserve Pathway winds through the neighborhoods and amenities near the Cattail Recreation Area and Pitch & Putt. This pathway was created for Villagers to take a walk, wander over to a local recreation center, jog through their favorite park or go for a bike ride. Please refrain from driving golf cars on the pathway as it was not designed for this purpose.



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## **Executive Golf**

### **Executive Golf Course Closings**

Due to the 25 inches of rain we have received in the past two months, there are 15 Executive Golf Courses closed to aid in moving water and lowering storm water basin levels. This is part of the planned infrastructure for storm water management. The following courses are closed until further notice while our efforts continue for public safety.

- Hill Top
- Silver Lake
- Palmetto
- Sweetgum
- Sandhill
- Turtle Mound
- Amberwood
- Heron
- Pelican
- Chula Vista
- Mira Mesa
- Volusia will reopen Monday, September 2, 2019
- Oakleigh
- De La Vista

If you have any questions or need additional information, please call the District Executive Golf Maintenance Office at 352-674-1885. We appreciate your patience and understanding.

## September 11 Events

The Veteran's Memorial Park group will be holding a ceremony starting at 10am at Station 44 at 3035 S. Morse Boulevard in the Villages. There will be a wreath presentation at the 911 memorial located at the front entrance of the building with a rifle salute and presentation of U.S. Flags and the September 11<sup>th</sup> Flag.

The FDNY343 club will be holding a ceremony at St. Mark's The Evangelist Church located at 7081 SE Hwy 42 in Summerfield. The ceremony will start at 10am. There will be readings of all the names of the Fire personnel and Police personnel who lost their lives on or due to the 911 attack.

The Villages Firefighter Inaugural Golf Tournament was held Saturday, August 24, 2019 at the Bonifay Golf and Country Club. Over 170 golfers participated to raise money to send a graduating high school senior through Fire/EMT school. Below are photos from the event. The winning team was the Knights of Fenney (Team members were Jon Roudabush, Norb Abraham, Dale Richter and Darwin Settles.) After everyone played they enjoyed a lunch buffet as well as raffles, silent auction and mini games.

The event was a huge success.











On Saturday, August 24, 2019, The Inaugural Firefighter Scholarship Golf Tournament was held at the Bonifay Golf and Country Club.



We would like to extend out thanks to all who participated and those who donated gift baskets and raffle prizes. The event was so successful that there was enough money raised to send more than one graduating high school senior through Firefighting/EMT school.

In particular we would like to thank all of our sponsors:

American Janitorial Incorporated

Andreyev Engineering, Inc.

**Arnett Environmental** 

**ASG Solutions** 

**Attorney Andrew Curtis** 

**BANG** energy Drinks

Bell & Roper, P.A.

BENCOR, Inc.

**Bennett Fire Products** 

Brionez and Brionez, P.A.

**Brightview Golf Maintenance** 

**BS&A Software** 

Cepra Landscape

City Fire American Oven & Bar

Disaster Law and Consulting, LLC

District 4 Supervisor Don Deakin

Earthscapes Unlimited, Inc.

Farner Barley & Associates

FDNY343 Memorial Club

**Grant Electric** 

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ReadyAlert Services

REV - E-One

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Ten-8 Fire Equipment

The Shepherd's Landscaping

The Architectural Review Committee

The Villages Parrotheads

Tri-Co Communications, Inc.

Utility Technicians, Inc.

Valerie Fuchs, Attorney at Law

Village Community Development Districts

Villages Technology Solutions Group

Water & Walker Investment



## **Did You Know??**

# The Villages® Community Development Districts Utilities

Trash, trash! Where do we put it all and at what cost? This was the main topic at the second in a series of interactive Solid Waste Workshops presented by North Sumter County Utility Dependent District (NSCUDD) and Jacobs formerly CH2M, the waste hauler for Districts 1-11, at the Mulberry Grove Recreation Center on August  $22^{nd}$ .

In 2018, the amount of waste collected by Jacobs was 47,500 tons, consisting of 22,000 tons of household solid waste, 11,120 tons of recyclables, 6,780 tons of yard waste, and 7,600 tons of commercial waste. All of this is taken to the Waste Management tipping station in Wildwood where it is then separated for transport to Waste Management's landfill in Georgia for household waste, Materials Recovery Facility (MRF) in Tampa for recyclables, and Energy from Waste Facility in Lake County for yard waste.

The workshop provided an overview of the first meeting including the policies and restrictions China has placed on the import of recyclables, primarily due to contamination. This has had a major effect on most communities who are now changing the way they treat recyclables. They have removed some materials from their programs or are sending all to the landfill due to no market for the materials and the higher costs to process.

In this workshop we asked for your input and with the use of electronic survey clickers we got it! This information will be used to create goals for the District's Solid Waste Management Plan. The District, with Jacobs, will then prepare a plan that identifies options to manage solid waste and recyclables. The survey started with a series of "practice questions" to become accustomed to the clickers. From the practice questions it was determined that most of the audience has lived in The Villages for more than four years, their favorite thing to do includes social events, and WOW do they like broccoli (87%)! On a more serious note, the majority feels there is no need to change the solid waste collection process and are very satisfied with the service that is provided. The participating residents also indicated a willingness to pay slightly more per month to maintain the current solid waste and recycling program. Education was a strong need identified from the residents not only in what can be recycled but also service information in general.

## **Did You Know Continued**



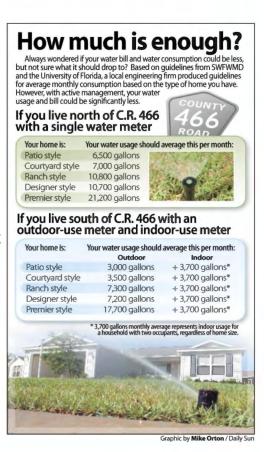
Once the Solid Waste Management Plan has been prepared, another workshop will be held in late October to discuss draft recommendations and solicit resident input once again. Budget requirements reflecting market conditions and desired level of service will be identified, and if needed, the plan will be adjusted at that time.

Both workshop presentations with audio are available on the District website at <a href="https://www.districtgov.org">www.districtgov.org</a> for your review. We look forward to meeting again in October!

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

Lawn and Landscaping watering is limited to two days per week during the hours of 12:00 AM—10:00 AM or 4:00 PM—12:00 AM. To find the correct irrigation schedule for your residence please visit www.DistrictGov.org and click on the Water Wisdom icon on the lower right of the screen.

Know and follow your watering restrictions and don't water just because it's your day! Irrigate your lawn only when it shows signs of stress from lack of water, such as grass blades that do not spring back leaving footprints on the lawn for several minutes after walking on it. Other signs could be grass blades that appear blue-grey or the top of the soil feels dry.





Utilities

Preventative maintenance is occurring on the potable water system field valves throughout many areas of The Villages. Those customers serviced by Village Center Service Area (VCSA), Little Sumter Service Area (LSSA) and North Sumter Utilities (NSU) that will be impacted will be notified 24 hours in advance of a temporary interruption in service and will receive the following notification:

THE PUBLIC DRINKING WATER MAINS IN YOUR AREA WILL BE SHUT DOWN TEMPORARILY FOR NEEDED MAINTENANCE.

AS A PRECAUTION, UPON RETURN OF WATER SERVICE, WE ADVISE THAT ALL WATER USED FOR **DRINKING**, **MAKING ICE**, **AND COOKING BE BOILED, FOR ALL OTHER HOUSE HOLD USES THE WATER IS ACCEPTABLE**. A ROLLING BOIL OF ONE MINUTE IS SUFFICIENT. AS AN ALTERNATIVE, BOTTLED WATER MAY BE USED.

THIS "PRECAUTIONARY BOIL WATER NOTICE" WILL REMAIN IN EFFECT UNTIL THE MAINTENANCE TASK HAS BEEN COMPLETED AND A BACTERIOLOGICAL SURVEY SHOWS THAT THE WATER IS SAFE TO DRINK.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, YOU MAY CONTACT DEANNA SIMMONS, FROM THE WATER DEPARTMENT AT (352) 259-2802 (NSU WWTP).

A notice with the addresses of the affected area along with this information will be left at the door of all impacted addresses. We appreciate your patience and cooperation in order to maintain the continued integrity and safety of the District

A tentative schedule of the areas impacted in the upcoming week:

9/4/19 - 363 & 339 Odyssey PL

## **Construction Update**



## The Villages Public Safety Department Fire Station #40 located at 2455 Parr Drive:

The exterior and interior painting at the new wing is near completion. Electrical fixtures, control systems and doors are being installed. The temporary quarters that will house the crew while we renovate the existing structure is nearing

completion.











District Field Ops Facility for District Property Management (DPM), Community Watch and South Sumter Utilities (SSU) located at 4890 Morse Boulevard:

The roof is near completion on the South Sumter Utilities office and the rough ins for the mechanical, electrical, plumbing are complete.

## **Did You Know?**

# The Villages Community Development Districts Customer Service

The first ever Customer Service Center Satellite Office opened on Tuesday, July 9, 2019 at 4856 South Morse Boulevard. Since the opening, residents have stopped by to welcome us to the neighborhood, check out the new offices, pay their Utility/ Amenity bill, and ask questions about their bonds, sign up for Community Watch programs and obtain information on a variety of other subjects.

- 32 temporary, replacement or new ID cards have been issued
- 66 gate card transactions have taken place
- 35 guest passes have been issued
- 8 Community Watch Program applications have been processed
- 8 trail fees have been purchased
- Over 1,300 telephone calls have been answered.



Please stop by and see us! We are just south of Rohan Recreation Center on South Morse Boulevard. For additional information, please contact us at 352-753-4508.

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Risk Management

#### Welcome!

We are happy to introduce our new Risk Management Generalist, Brittany Wilkinson. She came to our department on August 12 from Community Watch. Please feel free to stop by and meet our newest staff member.



## **Did You Know Continued...**



## On Labor Day and everyday: Remember the Importance of Workplace Safety!

Labor Day is a U.S. national holiday held on the first Monday of September and pays tribute to the contributions and achievements of American workers – from teachers to retail workers, from stockbrokers to commercial fisherman – for their contribution to America's strength and prosperity.

Labor Day is also a great time to remember the importance of workplace safety. Most of us show up to work each day and we take it for granted that we will return home safely. Sadly, that is not always the case. The fact is – according to the National Safety Council – every 7 seconds, a worker is injured on the job – and each injury is preventable.

Whether you work in an office, on a construction site, or behind the wheel of a truck, safety should be an important part of every workday. Likewise, the best way we can honor workers today and throughout the year, is to ensure safe and healthful working conditions for every man and woman – young and old alike.

Throughout history, workers have overcome many challenge. In this modern era, safety and health shouldn't be one of them. That is why on Labor Day, and every day, we should endeavor to ensure all workers have a safe and healthy workplace.



https://trainandcert.com/articles/worker-safety-articles/on-labor-day-remember-the-importance-of-workplace-safety/



## Office of Management and Budget Office of IV

Office of Management and Budget

The Districts will be adopting their FY19-20 Final Budgets and maintenance assessments rates at their September Board meetings. Florida State Statutes require that a Final Budget and Final Maintenance Assessments be approved no later than September 15<sup>th</sup> of each year.

District 12 final platted acreage and the addition of Phase III assessable acreage required adjustments to the maintenance assessment rates for Fiscal Year 2019-20. Most of the units had a **DECREASE** to their maintenance assessment rates! However a few residential units within Phase II had an increase to their final platted acreage resulting in a slight increase in the annual Maintenance Assessment from last year.

Although most homeowners received a decrease, a notice was mailed on August 19, 2019 to all homeowners in District 12, to notify them of the proposed acreage changes, rate adjustments and the date/time of the public hearing when the maintenance assessment will be adopted. The Florida State Statutes require these letters along with a large ad which was published on August 20, 2019 in the Daily Sun. The notice to homeowners consisted of a letter that is personalized for each unit/lot that includes the required legal verbiage, purpose of the adjustment, the current rate, the proposed rate, and proposed annual amounts, along with a Frequently Asked Questions information page. This adjustment <u>DOES NOT</u> pertain at all to your monthly amenity fees that are billed on your utility bill. The maintenance assessments are paid only once a year on your annual tax bill.

During the September Board meetings, the District Board of Supervisors will conduct public hearings to accept public input and then adopt the Final FY19-20 Budget and maintenance assessment rates. The public hearing will take place during the District Board meetings as listed below and continued on the next page:

#### Thursday, September 5th @ District - Large Conference Room

SLCDD 10:00 a.m. BCDD 11:00 a.m. District 9 1:30 p.m. District 10 3:00 p.m.



## Office of Management and Budget

### Friday, September 6th @ District - Large Conference Room

District 5 8:00 a.m.

District 6 9:30 a.m.

District 8 11:30 a.m.

## Wednesday, September 11<sup>th</sup> @ District – Large Conference Room

VCCDD 3:30 p.m.

## Thursday, September 12th @ District - Large Conference Room

District 7 8:00 a.m.

District 12 9:30 a.m.

District 11 11:00 a.m.

District 13 1:30 p.m.

## Friday, September 13th @ District - Large Conference Room

District 1 8:00 a.m.

District 2 9:30 a.m.

District 3 11:00 a.m.

## Friday, September 13th @ Savannah Recreation Center

District 4 1:30 p.m.

During the AAC and PWAC September meetings, the related budgets will be reviewed followed by a recommendation for approval of those budgets.

## Tuesday, September 3<sup>rd</sup> @ District – Large Conference Room

PWAC 8:30 a.m.

## Wednesday, September 11th @ Savannah Recreation Center

AAC 9:00 a.m.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Barbara Kays, Budget Director at 352-751-3939 or email at Barbara.Kays@Districtgov.org.



#### ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

Is seeking a **primary** and **alternate** volunteer committee member for Village Community Development District No. 1

Village Community Development District No. 1 (District 1) is seeking a primary representative and an alternate representative on the Architectural Review Committee (ARC).

The **primary applicant** must be a full time resident of District No. 1 and have lived in The Villages for at least one year.

The <u>alternate applicant</u> must be a full time resident of District No. 1 and have lived in The Villages for at least one year. This position requires attendance at the ARC meeting every week for the first four (4) weeks and once every month thereafter.

Candidates are recommended to have education and/or experience in any of the following areas: architecture, ability to read site plans, residential/commercial construction, building management, deed restricted communities, landscaping, county code enforcement, etc; however, this is not required. The Committee meets weekly, on Wednesdays, for approximately 4 hours (8:00 a.m. until noon).

If you are interested in becoming a primary or alternate volunteer representative for District No. 1, please contact the Community Standards Department at 751-3912.



#### ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

Is seeking an alternate committee member for Village Community Development District No. 4

Village Community Development District No. 4 (District 4) is seeking an alternate representative to fill a vacancy on the Architectural Review Committee to complete the term which expires on March 31, 2023.

The applicant must be a full time resident of District 4 and have lived in The Villages for at least one year. Candidates are recommended to have education and/or experience in any of the following areas: architecture, ability to read site plans, residential/commercial construction, building management, deed restricted communities, landscaping, county code enforcement, etc; however, this is not required. The Committee meets weekly, on Wednesdays, for approximately 4 hours (8:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m.).

If you are interested in becoming an alternate representative for District No. 4, applications are available on the website <a href="https://www.DistrictGov.org">www.DistrictGov.org</a> or you may contact the Community Standards Department, 984 Old Mill Run, The Villages, Florida, at 751-3912. Applications must be received by the Community Standards Department no later than 5:00 p.m. on September 15, 2019.

## Did you know???



#### **Road Closure**

The right turn lane from Main Street to U.S. Hwy 441 at Spanish Springs Town Square will remain closed to allow for the temporary bypass of the stormwater system. Please use caution in this area and pay attention to all traffic control devices installed including directional and detour signage. If you have any questions, please contact District Property Management at 352-753-4022. Please stay tuned to www.DistrictGov.org for additional updates.

#### **Tunnel Closure**



Painting is scheduled to take place on the inside of the tunnel located underneath Buena Vista Boulevard at Laurel Manor Drive. The tunnel is scheduled to be closed from 11:00 p.m. until 6:00 a.m. on Tuesday, August 27<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday, August 28<sup>th</sup>. Please use caution in this area and pay attention to all directional signage. If you have any questions or need clarification, please contact District Property Management at (352) 753-4022. To view a map of the location, please visit www.DistrictGov.org.

#### **Information Provided by Sumter County Public Works Department**

The traffic signal at Morse Boulevard and Rio Grande Avenue will be in flash mode from 10:00 p.m. until 6:00 a.m. beginning August 9, 2019. It will flash yellow for through traffic on Morse Blvd. and red on Rio Grande Ave. for the side street. It will be in this mode during night time operations only and return to its normal function during the day beginning at 6:00 a.m. If you have any questions, please call 352-689-4400.