The Villages® Community Development Districts

March 4, 2020

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District Weekly Bulletin



This photo was submitted by Debra LoMonaco, Recreation Department, as part of the photo contest for the cover of the annual Village Center Community Development District Audit Report. To view the entire audit report for Village Center or any of The Village Community Development Districts, please visit www.DistrictGov.org.

CDD Orientation

This valuable program is held each Thursday at 10:00 a.m. at the District office located at 984 Old Mill Run in Lake Sumter Landing. For additional information, please contact the District Customer Service Center at 352-753-4508.

www.DistrictGov.org





Community Development Districts Property Management

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

⇒ La Hacienda Recreation Center & Sports Pool

The La Hacienda Recreation Center and Sports Pool will be closed for quarterly cleaning on March 8th.

⇒ Chatham Recreation Center

The Chatham Recreation Center will be closed for cleaning on March 14th.

⇒ Chatham Recreation Center Billiards Hall

The Chatham Recreation Center Billiards Hall will be closed for table maintenance March 18th through March 20th.

⇒ Mulberry Grove Recreation Center

The Mulberry Grove Recreation Center, Fitness Center and Sports Pool will be closed for quarterly cleaning and maintenance on March 21st.

⇒ Lake Miona Recreation Center Outdoor Courts and Sports Pool

The Lake Miona Recreation Center Outdoor Courts and Sports Pool will be closed March 14th until 4 pm for the Spring Craft Fair.

\Rightarrow Ashland Neighborhood Pool

The Ashland Neighborhood Pool will be closed for maintenance March 2nd through March 13th.

⇒ Odell Recreation Center Billiards Hall

The Odell Recreation Center Billiards Hall will be closed for table maintenance March 11th through March 13th.

⇒ Odell Recreation Center

The Odell Recreation Center will be closed for cleaning on March 7th.

⇒ SeaBreeze Recreation Center Outdoor Courts and Sports Pool

The SeaBreeze Recreation Center Outdoor Courts and Sports Pool will be closed on March 14th until 4 pm for the Spring Craft Fair.





Community Development Districts Property Management

⇒ Pennecamp Neighborhood Pool and Outdoor Facilities

The Pennecamp Neighborhood Pool and Outdoor Facilities will be closed for maintenance March 2nd through March 4th.

\Rightarrow St. James Neighborhood Adult Pool Parking Lot

The St. James Neighborhood Adult Pool Parking Lot will be closed in sections for sealcoating March 9th through March 12th.

\Rightarrow Tamarind Grove Neighborhood Adult Pool Parking Lot

The Tamarind Grove Neighborhood Adult Pool Parking Lot will be closed in sections for sealcoating March 9th through March 12th.

⇒ Captiva Recreation Center

The Captiva Recreation Center will be closed for cleaning on March 7th.

⇒ Burnsed Recreation Center

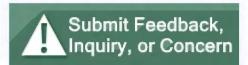
The Burnsed Recreation Center will be closed for maintenance on March 8th.

\Rightarrow Eisenhower Recreation Center Outdoor Courts and Sports Pool

The Eisenhower Recreation Center Outdoor Courts and Sports Pool will be closed March 14th until 4 pm for the Spring Craft Fair.



Frequently Asked Questions and Answers





Community Development Districts

When is the deadline to purchase a Veterans Memorial Brick for it to be included in the November 11, 2020 ceremony?

All bricks must be purchased by **March 31, 2020** to be included in this year's ceremony. Bricks are placed at the Veterans Memorial Park located near Spanish Springs Town Square, each Veterans Day – November 11th. You can purchase a brick at one of the Customer Service Center locations- 984 Old Mill Run or 4856 South Morse Boulevard, mail the form with a check to 984 Old Mill Run, The Villages, FL 32162 or drop it in your amenity box with a check at the postal station. Bricks cost \$55.00. For a copy of the order form, see the next page or visit www.DistrictGov.org.

All bricks purchased after March 31st will be included in the following year's ceremony.





* * * * * *	Brick No.
	Veterans Memoríal Park Dedicated to Veterans – Past and Present
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In 1998 a beautiful park was designed to pay tribute to the many men and women who have served their country and provided us with the most precious gift of all - freedom.

Bricks are designed to pay tribute to our loved ones who have served in one of the branches of the United States Armed Services. What better way to pay tribute than by furthering an endeavor that will have an impact today and in the lives of future generations?

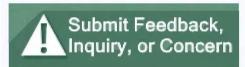
March 31, 2020 is the Deadline for the Dedication Ceremony on Veterans Day November 11, 2020

VETERANS MEMORIAL PARK ORDER FORM

ORDER PLACED BY (Please print):

_ State Zip				
Date of Order				
I certify that the information below is to appear on the brick as printed and is correct				
y (H) In Honor				
Middle Initial Last Name				
Information for Book				
Branch:				
Years of Service (example 1940-1948):				
Check Make checks payable to: <u>VCCDD</u>				
Forward order form and payment to: Village Community Development District 984 Old Mill Run The Villages, FL 32162				

Frequently Asked Questions and Answers





Utilities

Did you know there are procedures to follow if you need to drain your swimming 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 into 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 pool 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. 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 algal 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, <u>www.DistrictGov.org</u> or by clicking on The Villages Water Wisdom link.

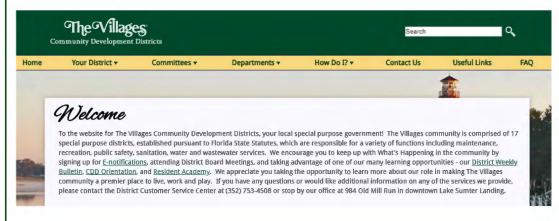
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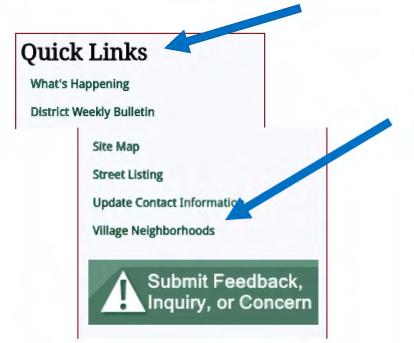
Community Development Districts

Where can I find the list of Village Neighborhoods in The Villages?

Visit www.DistrictGov.org.



Under Quick Links on the left hand side of the screen, scroll to the bottom and click on Villages Neighborhoods.



From this page, you will view all of The Villages neighborhoods by county.

Sports Pool Scheduling

Community Development Districts Recreation & Parks

The Villages.

The Recreation & Parks department is currently planning for the Spring/Summer Sports Pool Season (April 1 – September 30). The different types of sports pool programming include lap swimming, combo swim, open exercise & walk, water volleyball and water exercise. Requests for additional programming is now being accepted. Please see the Recreation Facilities Manager at your nearest Regional Recreation Center.

3,100+ Resident Lifestyle Volunteer Clubs & Activities

The Recreation & Parks department in cooperation with many resident volunteers currently have 3,100+ clubs and activities. To find the complete alphabetical listing including the club name, contact and phone number, visit www.Districtgov.org and click on Recreation under Departments. On the left hand side of the recreation page, click on the Resident Lifestyle Clubs and contact quick link. Once on the page hit control F and the search box will appear, type in any key word of your area of interest and you'll be taken to that listing. We encourage you to check with the prospective group about the group's expectations, membership requirements, dues and other fees, etc., prior to attending a club or activity.





Bond Payoffs— Important March date to remember

A property owner can prepay their bond assessment in full by check or money order at any time of the year. However, you are not required to pay off this assessment in advance.

If a bond is paid off anytime from now until 5pm on **March 16, 2020,** the payoff amount will be adjusted to reflect a credit for half of the year's interest paid on the November 2019 tax bill.

All amortization schedules are available on the District's website. To view the outstanding balance of the bonds at www.DistrictGov.org, under Quick Links click on Residential Bond Assessment Information.

Please remember though, even when the bond assessment is paid off, there will continue to be an annual maintenance assessment on your County's tax bill which pays for ongoing costs to maintain the infrastructure of your District.

Please contact the Bond Office at 352-751-3900 with any questions.



Ribbon Cutting...

A Ribbon Cutting was held at Station 40 on February 26, 2020 to celebrate the completion of renovations at the Station. Located at 2455 Parr Drive in the Villages, the station is over 11,000 square feet in size. It has been designed with the future in mind and will



be able to expand with the future growth of the area. In addition, improvements were made so that the staff could exit the station with minimal delays and provide them with a home away from home during their 24 hour shifts.

The addition added 4,000 square feet to the station which will have a 95 foot Aerial truck.



Information Provided by Sumter County Solid Waste

Sumter County Solid Waste is hosting a Household Electronics & Hazardous Waste Mobile Collection - Amnesty Day on Saturday April 4, 2020 from 9 AM to 3 PM at Lake Okahumpka Park, 6085 E. SR 44, Wildwood 34785.

What to Bring:

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

What not to bring:

Biological/Infectious waste
Radioactive waste

Explosives Empty paint cans

HOW TO PACKAGE AND TRANSPORT CHEMICALS

Do NOT mix chemicals together.

Keep products in original labeled containers if possible.

Place containers into cardboard boxes to prevent breakage.

Place leaky container in clear plastic bag and transport in box with newspaper.

Put boxes in trunk or in back of vehicle away from passengers.

For more information, visit their website at <u>https://sumtercountyfl.gov/1236/</u> <u>Household-Electronics-Hazardous-Waste-Mo</u>.

Ron DeSantis Governor

Scott A. Rivkees, MD State Surgeon General

Mission: To protect, promote & improve the health of all people in Florida through integrated state, county & community efforts.



Vision: To be the Healthiest State in the Nation

STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH DECLARATION OF PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) is a severe acute respiratory illness that appears to occur through respiratory transmission and presents with symptoms similar to those of influenza; and

WHEREAS, as of February 29, 2020, COVID-19 has spread throughout China and to 67 other countries and territories, including 62 cases within the United States; and

WHEREAS, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommends that all states and territories implement aggressive measures to slow and contain transmission of COVID-19 in the United States; and

WHEREAS, on January 30, 2020, the World Health Organization declared a public health emergency of international concern related to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on January 31, 2020, the United States Department of Health and Human Services declared that a public health emergency exists nationwide as a result of confirmed cases of COVID-19 in the United States; and

WHEREAS, one Hillsborough County resident and one Manatee County resident have tested presumptively positive for COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on March 1, 2020, Governor Ron DeSantis issued Executive Order 20-51, declaring that appropriate measures to control the spread of COVID-19 in the State of Florida are necessary, and therefore directed that a Public Health Emergency be declared in the State of Florida; and

WHEREAS, implementation of basic precautions of infection control and prevention, including staying at home when ill and practicing respiratory and hand hygiene are necessary to slow or prevent the spread of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, COVID-19 is a communicable disease with significant morbidity and mortality, and presents a severe danger to public health; and

WHEREAS, COVID-19 is a threat to public health in Florida.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Scott A. Rivkees, M.D., State Surgeon General and State Health Officer, by virtue of Executive Order Number 20-51 issued by Governor Ron DeSantis, the authority vested in me by section 381.00315, Florida Statutes, and after consultation with

Florida Department of Health Office of the State Surgeon General 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Bin A-00 • Tallahassee, FL 32399 PHONE: 850-245-4210 • FAX: 850-922-9453 FloridaHealth.gov



A B Public Health Accreditation Board

Governor Ron DeSantis and public health officials within the Department of Health, do hereby declare that a public health emergency exists in the State of Florida. In order to respond to this emergency, the following shall commence:

Section 1. In order to protect public health, I find it is necessary for the Florida Department of Health to request assistance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to address this public health emergency.

Section 2. In order to protect public health, I find it is necessary to advise individuals in the State of Florida that have traveled to an area that the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention has issued a Warning Level 3 or Alert Level 2 Travel Health Notice, or have been in close contact with an individual that has traveled to such an area, that develop symptoms of fever, cough, shortness of breath, or difficulty breathing within 14 days of such travel or close contact should immediately contact the Florida Department of Health in their current county and self-isolate until cleared by the Florida Department of Health.

Section 3. In order to protect public health, I find it is necessary to advise any individuals who believe they may have been exposed to COVID-19 to contact their local county health department **prior to** travelling to any physician's office, emergency department, hospital, or urgent care center, to ensure proper protective measures are taken to prevent further risk of spread to others.

Section 4. In order to protect public health, I find it is necessary to remind health care providers, hospitals, and labs that they are required to immediately report all suspected cases of COVID-19 to the local county health department to ensure a prompt public health response to prevent disease among close contacts.

Section 5. In order to protect public health, the Florida Department of Health will maintain an Incident Management Team to coordinate the public health response for the State of Florida.

Section 6. In order to protect public health, the Florida Department of Health, at such time when necessary, may take actions to protect the public health, pursnant to the authority of section 381.00315, Florida Statutes, including quarantine, isolation and other interventions.

Issued this 1st day of March 2020, in Department of Health offices, Tallahassee, Leon County, Florida.

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Scott A. Rivkees, M.D. State Surgeon General

How is COVID-19 spread?

- Easily spread via person-to-person contact,
- Close contact (within 6 feet)
- Airborne respiratory droplets
- Coughing
- Sneezing
- Possibly from contact with infected surfaces or objects then touching own mouth, nose, or eyes.
- Spread when the person is the most symptomatic (sickest)
- Symptoms may last up to 14-days.

Prevention

- Limit non-essential travel outside of the U.S. to affected areas
- If sick, reduce interaction with the public
- Utilize telemedicine
- Encourage sick employees to stay home until they are free of fever (100.4 degrees F) without the use of antipyretics (Tylenol, Motrin, etc.)
- If a sick employee arrives to work, separate the sick employee from others and send them home
- If you must go out in public, wear a simple face mask to help prevent spread of disease, including flu-like symptoms
- Practice good hygiene
- #1 HAND WASHING!
- Cough in sleeve, not in hands
- Use hand sanitizer when water is not available
- Perform routine environmental cleaning
- Clean door handles, workstations, countertops, and bathrooms using a regular household detergent and water, then disinfect (see next page for cleaners)
- Provide disposable wipes so employee can wipe down surfaces

For specific COVID-19 questions, you can contact the Florida Department of Health at 866-779-6121. The phones are answered by trained health professionals Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. until 7 p.m.

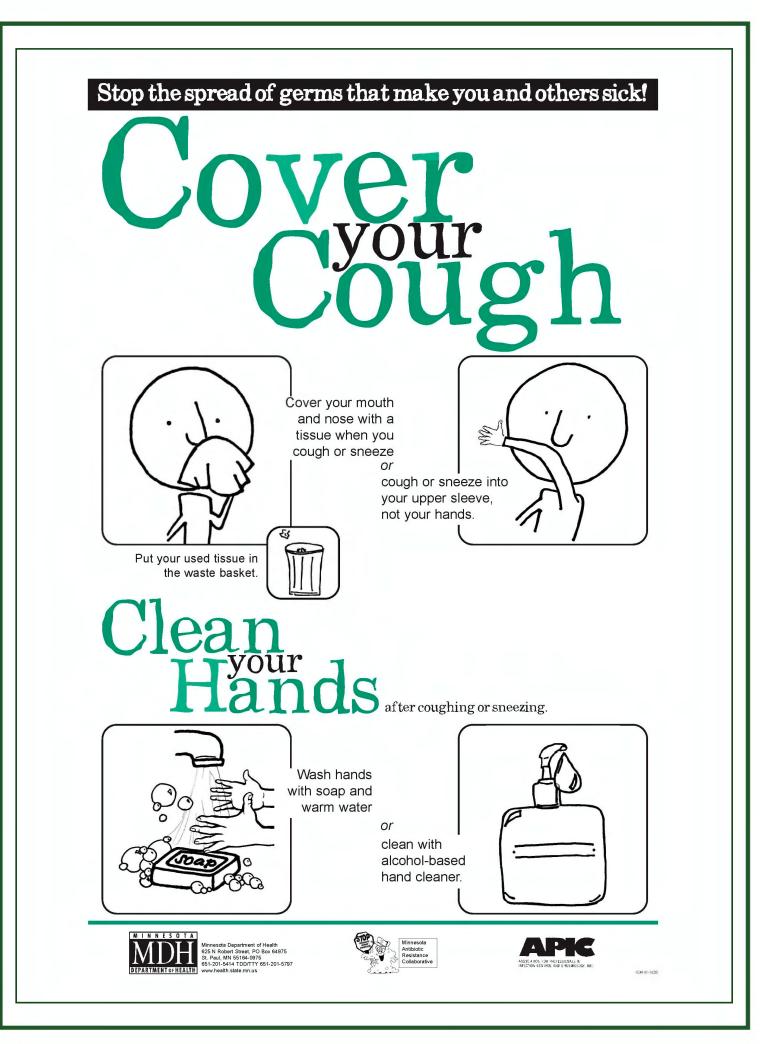
CENTERS FOR DISEASE

CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION

The Villages® Community Development Districts District Management

Members of District senior staff and The Villages Public Safety Department participated in a teleconference Tuesday, March 3, 2020 with the medical team working with Sumter County Health Department Director, Dr. Zelnick. He reaffirmed that the cleaning procedures of District facilities, including recreation centers and administrative offices, were in keeping with recommended standards for the COVID-19 virus.





The Villages® Community Development Districts 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 Infrastructure.

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

3/5 - 1029 Sayle Street 3/10 - 17664 SE 84th Peyton Court 3/11 - 1338 Augustine Drive



MISSION STATEMENT

The Customer Service Centers are dedicated to providing each resident with friendly, accurate and quality customer service. Known as the Districts' "One Stop" location, residents can access general information about the community and District government by calling, stopping in or visiting us on the website.



The Villages[®] Resident ID Cards

- 30-day Temporary ID Cards Issued to residents who may have temporarily misplaced their permanent ID Card.
- Replacement ID Cards For lost, stolen or damaged cards.
- Non-owner ID Cards Issued to permanent residents not listed on the deed of the home who meet eligibility requirements.

Gate Access Cards

- Replace lost, stolen or damaged cards.
- Purchase additional cards.
- When inquiring on gate cards, please bring all cards issued to your home, so we may better assist you.

Executive Trail Fees and Guest IDs

• Executive Trail Fees and Guest IDs can be issued at the Customer Service Centers, as well as any Regional Recreation Center.

Recreational Vehicle (RV) Storage Space Rental

• Homeowners have the opportunity to rent parking spaces at our two RV storage facilities. The rental fee will appear on your monthly Utility/Amenity bill.

www.DistrictGov.org

Veterans Memorial Bricks

• Bricks can be purchased to commemorate U.S. Veterans, both past and present. Bricks are placed at the Veterans Memorial Park located near Spanish Springs Town Square^{*}.

Adopt-A-Bench

• Benches are placed throughout the community to honor a loved one or to recognize a club or organization's participation in our community. The benches are for the use and enjoyment of all residents in the community.



Postal Facility Bulletin Boards

• The postal facility bulletin boards provide a valuable communication resource for residents of The Villages' and District Government for neighborhood and District sponsored community-wide events and information. Guidelines for posting material on the postal facility bulletin boards can be obtained at the Customer Service Centers or by visiting www.DistrictGov.org.

Register for Community Watch Programs

• Stop by one of our offices to register for Resident Out of Area, Adult Watch or House Check. For additional information on these valuable programs, please contact us or visit www.DistrictGov.org.

For information about your monthly Utility/Amenity bill or questions pertaining to the bond on your home, please contact the Finance Customer Service Department at (352) 750-0000 or visit a representative at one of our Customer Service Center locations.

(352) 753-4508

District Office: 984 Old Mill Run in Lake Sumter Landing Satellite Office: 4856 South Morse Boulevard - just south of SR 44

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