



Welcome Wednesday

December 10, 2014 – 8:00am

- **District Holiday Closures** - The District Customer Service Center and all District Administrative Offices will be closed on Thursday, December 25th and Friday, December 26th for Christmas. We will also be closed on Thursday, January 1, 2015. In addition to these closures, the Recreation Department will also have the following closures:
 - Wednesday, December 24th - Fitness Clubs close at 1:00pm; Recreation Centers close at 6:00pm
 - Thursday, December 25th - Closed
 - Friday, December 26th – Recreation Center operations as usual, recreation administration offices closed
 - Wednesday, December 31st – Recreation Center operations as usual, no Resident Lifestyle Volunteer group meetings will be held after 1:00pm; Fitness Clubs close at 1:00pm
 - Thursday, January 1st - Closed

Although the recreation centers are closed, the outdoor facilities, swimming pools and the Silver Lake and Saddlebrook Billiards halls will remain open for your enjoyment.

The following sites are available for Guest ID cards & Executive Trail Fee Services on December 26th, 27th & 28th from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. during the holidays: La Hacienda, Lake Miona and Eisenhower Regional Recreation Centers

Guest ID card & Executive Trail Fee services will not be available Thursday, December 25, 2014 & Thursday, January 1, 2015.

All regular services and business hours will resume on Friday, January 2, 2015. For additional information, please contact the Customer Service Center at 753-4508. For further information on Recreation services and hours, please stop by or call your nearest Regional Recreation Center or call Recreation Administration at 674-1800.

- **District Holiday Cancellations:** Several reoccurring District programs will be cancelled during December due to the holidays:
 - Welcome Wednesday will be cancelled on the following dates:
 - December 24, 2014
 - December 31, 2014
 - CDD Orientation will be cancelled on the following dates:
 - December 25, 2014



- January 1, 2014

With the exceptions above, Welcome Wednesday is held each Wednesday at 8:00am and CDD Orientation is held each Thursday at 10:00am. Both programs are held in the District office located at 984 Old Mill Run. If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact the Customer Service Center at 753-4508. We wish you and your family a wonderful holiday season!

- **Holiday Decorations**

- The District Boards have adopted a Holiday Decoration Policy for District owned entry wall signs and gate houses in the community. For additional information, please visit www.DistrictGov.org, contact District Property Management at 753-4022 or view the policy below.

- **Adopt-A-Bench Holiday Decorations**

- During the holidays, many residents wish to decorate the benches they adopted throughout the community. While the District encourages a personal experience for each individual who purchased a bench, decorating guidelines have been established to maintain the aesthetic quality of the community. Please note that decorations are NOT permitted on any benches located on the Executive Golf Courses at any time.
 - Seasonal decorations may be displayed for special occasions, not to exceed 14-days.
 - Decorations must not impede full use of the bench.
- For additional information or to view the full decorating guidelines, please contact the Customer Service Center at 753-4508.

- **Holiday Sanitation Collection** - Due to the upcoming holidays, the following holiday collection schedule will occur in the Sumter and Marion county portion of The Villages:

- There will be no residential trash collection on Thursday, December 25, 2014. If your recyclables are normally collected on Thursday, you will have a special pickup for **recyclables only** on Saturday, December 27th.
- There will be no residential trash collection on Thursday, January 1, 2015. If your recyclables are normally collected on Thursday, you will have a special pickup for **recyclables only** on Saturday, January 3rd.
- If you live in the Lady Lake portion of The Villages, please contact Waste Management at 787-4416 for your collection information. If you live in the Lake County portion of The Villages, please contact Lake County Solid Waste at 343-3776 for your collection information. For additional information, please visit www.DistrictGov.org.

- **Public Safety**

- We would like to welcome Deputy Chief Ivan Mustafa and 3 new firefighter / paramedics to The Villages Public Safety Department.

- **Spanish Springs Paver Project** – the new pavers are now installed at Spanish Springs Town Square and this project is complete!
- **Paradise Park** – the landscape and recreation improvements to Paradise Park Area B are underway! This project began with the completion of Area A in January 2014. The first walk-through for Area B is complete and we are looking forward to a January 2015 opening.
- **Tierra Del Sol Update** - The Tierra Del Sol Recreation Center has been “topped out” which means that the roof is now on. This is a construction tradition which is depicted in the picture below. Typically they cut down an entire tree, but in this case the crew held up branches.



- **December Board Meeting Information:**
 - The following Boards have cancelled their December Board Meetings:
 - Districts 1-3 and 5-10
 - Sumter Landing CDD
 - Brownwood CDD
 - Board Meetings that will be held:
 - Wednesday, December 10, 2014
 - Amenity Authority Committee at 9:00 a.m. at Savannah Regional Recreation Center
 - Village Center CDD at 1:30 p.m. at the District Office, Large Conference Room
 - District 11 at 3:00 p.m. at the District Office, Large Conference Room
 - Friday, December 12, 2014
 - District 4 at 1:30 p.m. at Savannah Regional Recreation Center
 - Thursday, December 18, 2014
 - North Sumter County Utility Dependent District at 8:30 a.m. at the District Office, Large Conference Room



- **Finance** - Fitch rating agency is currently performing a review of the rating of the District 5 bond issues. They have just completed the review of the ratings for District 6 and NSCUDD and there was no change to those ratings (both District 6 and NSCUDD maintained an “A” rating with a stable outlook).
- **Finance** - Staff members from the external audit firm of Purvis Gray & Company arrived in the Finance Department on December 8th to conduct their annual external audit of District financial statements. They will be performing their work during the months of December and January to complete the audit of 14 district governments (Districts 1-10, VCCDD, SLRDD, BCDD, and NSCUDD). No audit is required of District 11 for the 2013-2014 fiscal year due to the small dollar amount of transactions during that fiscal year.

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, 2014.

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.