



**Welcome Wednesday**

**December 17, 2014 – 8:00am**

- **District Holiday Closures** - The District Customer Service Center and all District Administrative Offices will be closed on Thursday, December 25<sup>th</sup> and Friday, December 26<sup>th</sup> 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 24<sup>th</sup> - Fitness Clubs close at 1:00pm; Recreation Centers close at 6:00pm
  - Thursday, December 25<sup>th</sup> - Closed
  - Friday, December 26<sup>th</sup> – Recreation Center operations as usual, recreation administration offices closed
  - Wednesday, December 31<sup>st</sup> – 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 1<sup>st</sup> - 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 26<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> 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 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 27<sup>th</sup>.
  - 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 3<sup>rd</sup>.
  - Both live and artificial Christmas trees that are placed curbside will be collected on your regular trash collection day. Live trees will also be collected on Wednesdays during your normal yard waste collection.
  - 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](http://www.DistrictGov.org).
  
- **Public Safety** – Please join the The Villages Public Safety Department at Fire Station #44 (3035 S. Morse Blvd.) on Friday, December 19, 2014 at 2:00 for the pinning ceremony for the following new members of the Public Safety Department:
  - Deputy Chief Ivan Mustafa
  - Battalion Chief Mike DiStefano
  - Lieutenant Kevin Ratzmann
  - Lieutenant Corey McCaulley
  - Lieutenant Brian Twiss
  - FF/PM Chelsea Illeck
  - FF/PM Hugo Muller
  - FF/PM Eric Williamson
  
- **Bright at Night** – The Community Improvement Council (CIC) will have their safety flashers available this Thursday, December 18<sup>th</sup> from 5:00-7:00pm at Lake Sumter Landing Market Square. The cost of the flasher is \$3.00 and the money is used to purchase additional flashers. These flashers have three different light patterns all designed to make residents more visible at night.



- **Recreation** – Did you know??? Residents and their guests can enjoy all outdoor facilities including pools and pickleball 365 days a year!
- **District Property Management** – Our Core Value of Stewardship at work! The District Property Management is now using a new and improved bollard throughout The Villages. The cost of the new bollard style is \$163.00 which includes the bollard, receiver and shipping. While the old style bollards needed to be changed out weekly in some high traffic areas, this new bollard has been installed for over 4 months. As the inventory of the old bollards runs out, you will begin seeing this new style throughout the community.