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DISTRICT WEEKLY BULLETIN

August 1, 2024



OUTDOOR WATER CONSERVATION

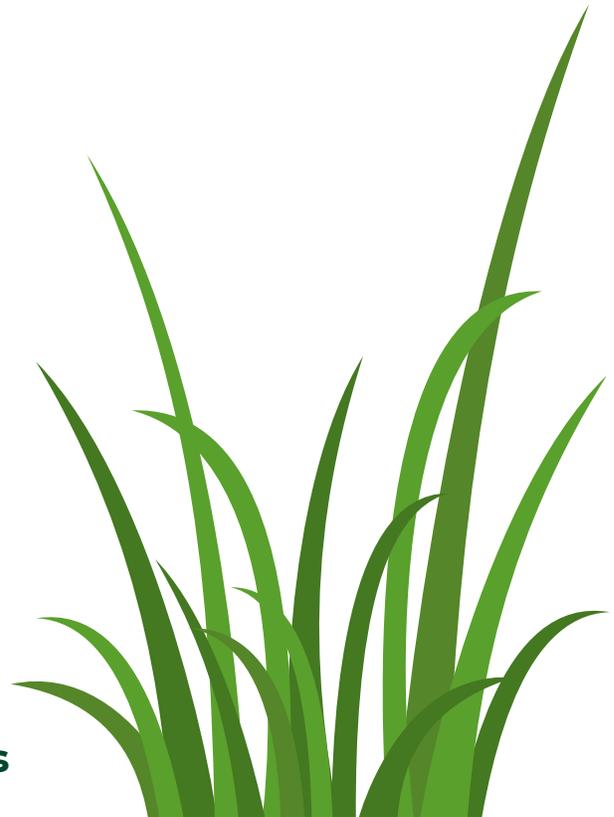
It is important to remember not to irrigate just because it is your scheduled day. Irrigation systems should only be operated when the lawn begins to show signs of stress, some examples are:

- Lingering footprints or mower tracks
- Grass blades or leaf blades begin to close lengthwise
- The top inches of soil feel dry

The amount of irrigation varies depending on the time of year, rainfall and soil conditions.

Turn your irrigation timer off after rainfall events and let your lawn “tell” you when you need to turn the timer back on.

If a particular zone begins to show signs of stress, only set the irrigation system to irrigate the stressed zone, don’t run the entire system.



Recommended Zone Run Times

Irrigation Zone Type	Winter Dec–Feb		Spring & Summer March–Sept		Fall Oct–Nov	
	Run Time	Frequency	Run Time	Frequency	Run Time	Frequency
Plants	OFF	OFF	15 min	1/week	10 min	1/week
Turf by Rotors	30 min	1/week	40 min	1/week	30 min	1/week
Turf by Sprays	15min	1/week	25min	1/week	15min	1/week



OUTDOOR WATER CONSERVATION

- Use a hose with an automatic shut-off nozzle to water flower beds and dry spots.
- Learn to operate your irrigation system properly and check your settings monthly to be sure that it is operating on the right day and time. Also, verify that no extra start times are turned on.
- Check rain sensors monthly to ensure they're not clogged.
- Follow Florida Friendly Landscaping Principles - visit FloridaYards.org.
- Cut your grass at the highest recommended height (4" for St. Augustine or Bahia, 2" for Empire Zoysia).
- Mow regularly, cutting no more than 1/3 of the grass length.
- Keep mower blades sharp. Dull blades tear grass, opening it to disease and causing grass to appear tan and ragged.

Visit TheVillagesWaterWisdom.com for more conservation tips!





Information Provided by Sumter County

**Sumter County Residents Only:
Household Electronics & Hazardous Waste
Mobile Collection - Amnesty Day**
Saturday, August 24, 2024 — 8 AM to 2 PM
Sumter County Public Works
319 East Anderson Ave, Bushnell, FL 33513

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

What not to bring:		
Biological/Infectious waste	Explosives	Radioactive waste
Empty paint cans	Tires	

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 <https://sumtercountyfl.gov/1236/Household-Electronics-Hazardous-Waste-Mo>.



Household Hazardous Waste

Do you have old paint sitting in the garage? An old empty propane tank? Leftover gasoline or used motor oil?

If so, these and other hazardous chemicals and items should not be placed in your regular household trash. The following locations will accept these items and more. Please contact the appropriate disposal site for full details.

MARION COUNTY

Marion County Marion County residents can dispose of the following items at any of the county's 18 recycling centers.

- Used motor oil & oil filters up to five gallons per day
- Fire extinguishers
- Latex paint up to five gallons per day
- Chemicals, gasoline, pesticides can be disposed of at the Baseline facility's Household Hazardous Waste area.
- Household electronics (accepted at Baseline, Dunnellon, Forest Corners, Fort McCoy, Martel, Newton, and Weirsdale (13535 SE 164th ST) recycling centers in the big green compactor boxes labeled "electronics recycling")

In addition, there are four special household electronics recycling events held at the McPherson Complex in Ocala throughout the year. The calendar of dates can be found at **[Solid Waste | Marion County, FL \(marionfl.org\)](https://www.marionfl.org)**

LAKE COUNTY

Lake County Lake County residents can dispose of hazardous waste at the Household Hazardous Waste Center located at 13130 County Landfill Road, County Road 561, Tavares with proof of residency. There are also Mobile Unit Events held throughout the year in various Lake County locations.

- Automotive fluids (Antifreeze, Gasoline, Motor Oil, etc.)
- Paint Products
- Lawn/Garden (Fertilizers, Insecticides, Pesticides, etc)

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Household Hazardous Waste

- Propane Cylinders
- Fluorescent lamps
- Household batteries (including rechargeable)
- Pool chemicals

A complete list of acceptable items and the schedule of Mobile Unit Events can be found at <https://lakecountyfl.gov/trash-recycling/hazardous-waste>.

SUMTER COUNTY

Sumter County Solid Waste does provide a Citizen's Drop-Off Area (CDA) at 819 CR 529, Lake Panasoffkee, FL 33538 for residents to drop off the following acceptable items:

- Residential/Household Class 1 Waste/Garbage
- Residential Recyclable Materials – No Charge
- Plastics #1 through #7
- Aluminum, Tin, and Steel Cans
- Mixed Paper (Magazines, Newsprint, Office Paper,
- Phone Books, Catalogs)
- Clean Paper Bags
- Waste Tires
- Batteries, Car, rechargeable, normal household batteries
- Scrap Metal
- Cardboard
- Brush, Construction, and Demolition Debris
- Electronics
- Furniture
- Fire Extinguisher

Sumter County hosts two Household Electronics and Hazardous Waste Mobile Collection events a year. For more information, please visit [Solid Waste | Sumter County, FL - Official Website \(sumtercountyfl.gov\)](https://www.sumtercountyfl.gov/solid-waste).

I BET YOU

Didn't know

I always talk about how lucky I am to live and work here in The Villages. Here is just another example of a great Saturday event available to all, it is the Farmers Market at Brownwood Paddock Square.

I had the best day shopping at the Farmers Market. There are so many vendors and so much to choose from. A few items for purchase are fresh produce, plants, clothing, jewelry, fresh bread, fresh salsa, pickles, pastries, candy, fresh seafood, and so much more! I always go for the lettuce, tomatoes, and fresh fruit. The produce is amazing. Watermelon is in season, so I had to purchase one of those as well as bell peppers and cucumbers. I made the best BLTs with the delicious lettuce and tomatoes I purchased from the Farmers Market. I encourage everyone to visit the Saturday **Farmers Market at Brownwood Paddock Square** and support our local farmers who bring fresh items directly to The Villages, it is worth the trip.



Contributed By Tamara Hyder
**Executive Assistant to the District
Manager and Resident of The Villages**





CLOSURES & RE-OPENINGS

Amberwood and Chula Vista

The Amberwood and Chula Vista Executive Golf Courses will be closed until year-end 2024, weather permitting, as part of an approved capital improvement project for new greens, fairways, bunker sand, and updated landscaping.

Pelican and Pimlico

Pelican and Pimlico Executive courses are undergoing a full renovation including new greens, tees, fairways, bunker sand and course enhancements with a tentative re-opening at the start of 2025.

Truman and Roosevelt

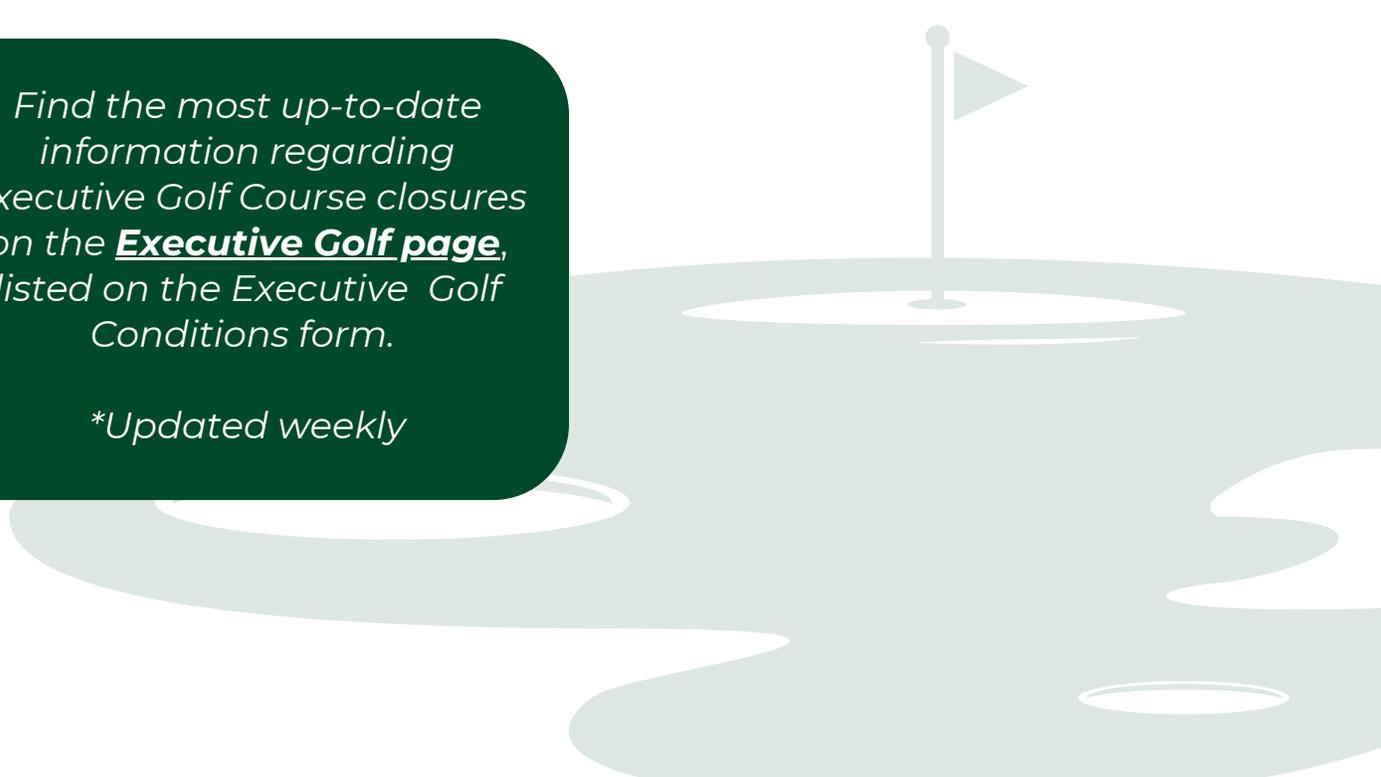
Truman and Roosevelt Executive Golf courses are closed until mid-August 2024 weather permitting, for rest and rehabilitation.

Saddlebrook and Sandhill

Saddlebrook and Sandhill Executive courses are closed for aerification.

*Find the most up-to-date information regarding Executive Golf Course closures on the **Executive Golf page**, listed on the Executive Golf Conditions form.*

**Updated weekly*





FACILITY CLOSURES

- **Atlas Canine Recreation Park**
 - Monday, August 5 – Friday, August 9
- **Bacall Recreation Large Meeting Room (Key Largo):** *hearing loop system install*
 - Monday, August 5 – Thursday, August 6
- **Bradenton Recreation Indoor Facilities, Outdoor Facilities, and Family Pool**
 - Tuesday, August 6
- **Chatham Recreation Indoor Facilities, Outdoor Facilities and Family Pool:** *parking lot mill & overlay*
 - Tuesday, August 13 – Thursday, August 15
- **Chula Vista Recreation Pickleball and Tennis Courts:** *fence replacement*
 - Monday, August 5 – Saturday, September 7
- **Eisenhower Recreation Platform Tennis Courts:** *court relocation & resurfacing*
 - Closed until further notice
- **Eisenhower Recreation Shuffleboard Courts:** *resurfacing*
 - Tuesday, July 30 - Friday, August 9
- **Everglades Recreation Sports Pool**
 - Thursday, August 8
- **First Responders Recreation Stars and Strips Putting Course:** *aerification*
 - Monday, August 12 – Wednesday, August 14
- **First Responders Recreation Lawn Bowling/Croquet Field:** *aerification*
 - Tuesday, August 6
- **Knudson, Soaring Eagle, Saddlebrook, Buffalo Glen, and Everglades Softball Complexes**
 - Sunday, August 11 – Sunday, August 25
- **Lake Miona Recreation Theatre Room (Enterprise):** *installation of hearing loop system*
 - Wednesday, August 7 – Friday, August 9
- **Manatee Recreation Card Room (Biscayne Bay):** *new floor installation*
 - Wednesday, August 14 – Thursday, August 15
- **Manatee Recreation Shuffleboard Courts:** *resurfacing*
 - Monday, August 12 – Friday, August 23
- **Moyer Recreation Indoor Facilities, Outdoor Facilities, and Family Pool**
 - Thursday, August 8
- **Odell Recreation Billiards Room (Kenya):** *table covering*
 - Wednesday, August 7- Friday, August 9
- **Pennecamp Recreation Area Parking Lot:** *seal and stripe*
 - Monday, August 12 - Thursday, August 15
- **SeaBreeze Recreation Parking:** *seal and stripe*
 - Monday, August 5 – Friday, August 9
- **Tierra Del Sol Recreation Tennis Courts:** *fence replacement*
 - Monday, July 22 – Friday August 23
- **Water Lily Recreation Pickleball Courts:** *resurfacing*
 - Monday, July 29 – Monday, August 12



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\$100 SUMMER SPECIAL!

3 MONTHS

JUNE THROUGH AUGUST

RESIDENTS ONLY



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VISIT ONE OF THESE FIT CLUBS TO **SIGN UP TODAY!**

COLONY COTTAGE 352-750-5282	EZELL 352-674-1859	FENNEY 352-674-8460	LAUREL MANOR 352-751-7101	MULBERRY GROVE 352-674-1829	ROHAN 352-674-8404	SEABREEZE 352-750-0237
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FOR MORE INFORMATION: DistrictGov.org | [352-674-1800](tel:352-674-1800) | RecreationDepartment@DistrictGov.org

Recreation **Code of Conduct**

Recreation is an integral part of the lifestyle of The Villages community, providing our residents with outlets for leisure, exercise, socializing and entertainment. So that your programs and activities remain enjoyable for everyone, it is important that we respect our recreation facilities and fellow residents who utilize them. When using the recreation facilities, we share with you the recreation code of conduct. If any issues arise, we ask that you work towards a resolution, taking advantage of the following mechanisms which are in place to help you with any issues.

- The use of obscenity, profanity or vulgarity in any conversations involving participants or department staff will not be tolerated.
- It is everyone’s responsibility to maintain a safe, pleasant, and comfortable playing atmosphere.
- Every individual who participates in any program has the right to be treated with respect. The Golden Rule, “Do unto others as you would have them do unto you,” prevails.



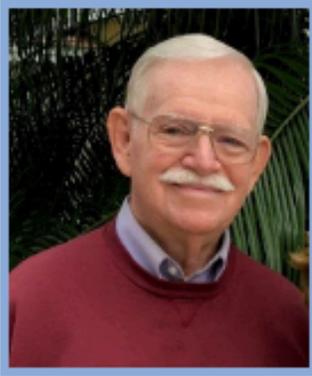
TEMPORARY TUNNEL CLOSURE

Beginning at 7 AM on Monday, July 22, 2024, and ending at approximately 5 PM on Tuesday, August 6, 2024, Tunnel M-18, located in District 13 to the North of the Morse Boulevard and Meggison Road intersection, will undergo maintenance.

The “Phase 3” multi-modal path closure will be in effect from approximately 8 AM to 9 AM today, Thursday, August 1st.

For more detailed information and frequent updates, visit DistrictGov.org/happening/ or call District Property Management (DPM) at 352-753-4022.

We appreciate your patience and understanding as DPM performs the required maintenance of Tunnel M-18.



Don Deakin

The **Q&A** Meeting

Monday, August 5th, 2024

7:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Mulberry Grove Recreation Center

This month's meeting will be hosted by Don Deakin, who has been involved with government in The Villages for over 20 years.

Seven (7) years ago, on May 1, 2017, Don started hosting **Q&A Meetings** at the Mulberry Grove Recreation Center at night in order to improve communications between local government & the residents.

Although most of us are retired, our active schedules make it difficult for some residents to attend District Board meetings during the day; so, the **Q&A** meetings are held in the evenings, starting at 7:00 pm. Arrive when you can, and depart when you need to.

These **Q&A** meetings provide an informal setting with no agenda, no speaking time limits, no microphones, but may sometimes include scheduled guest speakers.

The purpose of **Q&A** meetings is to provide residents with opportunities to ask questions, get answers, share their concerns, offer suggestions, and address rumors.

Q&A meetings are open to the public. A variety of topics will be on the table, including but not limited to:

- District 4
- Amenity Authority Committee (AAC)
- The Villages
- Marion County

Because residents choose the topics, each **Q&A** meeting will be different. The discussions are informative and often entertaining.

So, plan on coming, and bring your family and neighbors with you. (And, come prepared to make new friends.)

"I hope to see you there and look forward to meeting you, if we haven't already." said Supervisor Deakin.

For more information: Call Supervisor Don Deakin at (352) 445-0181; or send an Email to DRDeakin@aol.com



FIBER OPTIC UTILITY EASEMENT WORK

Please be advised that fiber optic utility easement work will be taking place in Village Community Development District No. 7 over the coming weeks and months.

The location of utility easements varies throughout the community, and work may be conducted in closer proximity to some residences compared to others.

Residents in affected areas will receive door hangers with additional information approximately 60 days before work begins in their specific location.

If you have any questions or concerns about the work, please contact the telephone number provided on the door hanger: 1-888-705-4339.

District Staff will be closely monitoring the project to ensure any impacts to District infrastructure are minimized and properly addressed.

The utility provider has furnished the following estimated completion dates (ECD) for work in each affected area:

Street Location	Estimated Completion Date
1140 Eureka Mill Run, The Villages	ECD 7/25/24
1109 Nash Loop, The Villages	ECD 7/24/24
862 Bartlet Lane, The Villages	ECD 8/26/24
707 Chapman Loop, The Villages	ECD 9/25/24
1178 James Island Street, The Villages	ECD 10/22/24
2403 St George Avenue, The Villages	ECD 10/24/24
1029 Nash Loop, The Villages	ECD 9/11/24



VCCDD Board will hold a Public Hearing to discuss Amending and Restating the Rule to Bring about Deed Compliance for the Lady Lake and Lake County portions of The Villages; specifically pertaining to:

To enforce specific deed restrictions related to businesses operating from residential properties (Homesites/Lots). These restrictions pertain to external appearances or uses only.

The Public Hearing will be held at the Savannah Recreation Center, on August 7, at 3:30 pm.

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Current Open Positions

* Part time position

GOLF OPERATIONS

- Outside Staff - Tierra Del Sol *
- Cleaner - Tierra Del Sol Golf *
- Cleaner - Glenview Golf *
- Cleaner - Havana Golf *
- Range Associate - Sarasota Golf Practice Center *
- Golf Shop Sales Associate - Mallory Hills *

PROPERTY MANAGEMENT

- Supervisor DPM - Infrastructure
- Senior Construction Manager
- Assistant Director

RECREATION & PARKS

- Recreation Assistant*

PUBLIC SAFETY

- Firefighter EMT
- Firefighter Paramedic
- Single Cert Paramedic FF Trainee
- Single Cert EMT FF Trainee

EXECUTIVE GOLF

- Supervisor Executive Golf-Maintenance

CUSTOMER SERVICE

- Utility Billing Supervisor
- Customer & Admin. Support Rep. Customer Service



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