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DISTRICT WEEKLY BULLETIN

June 12, 2025

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT UPDATE



The Paradise Regional Recreation Center will undergo an 18-month Demolition and Rebuild Project starting in August 2025. The surrounding areas will be home to numerous construction vehicles, equipment, and personnel throughout the project.

Out of an abundance of caution and to ensure everyone's safety, certain areas of the Paradise Recreation Complex will be closed for varying periods. Please see below the current projected timeline for events, closures, and re-openings.

Paradise Recreation Center Swimming Pool and Adjacent Amenities will be Closing on August 15, 2025, for the duration of the Rebuild Project.

Projected Opening of Paradise Recreation Center Spring 2027

Read Below Additional Information:

Mark Twain Library: Closing on July 25, 2025, for the duration of the Rebuild Project.

Knudson Softball Complex, Basketball, Pickleball, and all other Sports Courts Please notify the Recreation Staff by July 11 if your outdoor group is interested in playing at an alternative outdoor facility.

Indoor Resident Lifestyle Volunteer Groups (RLVG)

Beginning July 11, 2025, Resident Lifestyle Volunteer Leaders will be notified by Recreation Staff regarding an alternate meeting location for their club or activity. Please reply to Recreation Staff by July 25, 2025, regarding this new location. Your revised facility use permit will be sent to the Volunteer leader by August 15, 2025. The starting date for the new location will be the week of September 8, 2025.

The Paradise Archery Range, Fitness Park, and Dog Park will remain open but may experience intermittent closures during the project's duration.

A "Walk Down Memory Lane" Social Event will be hosted on July 22, 2025 – more information to follow!

Thank you again – we are very excited about what's to come at Paradise Recreation! More updates throughout the Rebuild Project will be provided in The Daily Sun and online at DistrictGov.Org. If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact us by email <u>at RecreationDepartment@DistrictGov.org</u> or by phone at 352-674-1800.

What does the ARC Committee do?



The purpose of the Architectural Review Committee is to maintain the high quality and consistency of the aesthetics and design of the residences and home sites found throughout The Villages.

Whether it is a pool addition, landscaping, painted driveway, porch enclosure, coloring of walks and/or driveways, arbors, pergolas or trellises, it is necessary to submit a Modification/Alteration Form for approval.

ARC Vacant Volunteer Positions

- District 1 Primary
- District 5 Alternate
- District 8 Alternate
- District 10 Primary



The District Customer Service Center located at Brownwood Paddock Square has released an updated map emphasizing resident parking & entrance— **<u>download it here</u>**

If you have any inquiries or need further information, please reach out to the District Customer Service Center at 352-753-4508.



We are baking up some goodness on June 12 for National Peanut Butter Cookie Day! This delicious food holiday allows cookie lovers and peanut butter lovers to step away from the pies and cakes to indulge in a little peanut butter and cookie therapy.

Alabama's American agricultural extension educator, George Washington Carver, promoted the peanut extensively. Well-known for his promotions, Carver compiled 105 peanut recipes from various cookbooks, agricultural bulletins, and other sources. In 1916, he created a Research Bulletin called How to Grow the Peanut and 105 Ways of Preparing it for Human Consumption. The bulletin included three recipes calling for crushed or chopped peanuts as one of its ingredients. However, peanut butter cookies were not one of them.

Incidentally, the peanut butter we know and love today didn't become commercially available until the 1920s. In 1922, Joseph Rosefield kept the peanut oil from separating from the solids through this process. Afterward, he patented the process of homogenization and sold it to a company that began making a peanut butter called Peter Pan.

No one knows why we press criss-crossed fork marks into our peanut butter cookies before baking. However, homemade peanut butter cookies would just not be the same without a bit of decoration.

The best way to celebrate this cookie holiday is with some homemade peanut butter cookies, a glass of milk, and a friend. If you don't feel like baking in the summer heat, visit your favorite baker and grab a dozen. Don't forget to give them a shout-out and let them know how much you appreciate their mad cookie baking skills!

Share your peanut butter cookie recipe on social media using the hashtag #NationalPeanutButterCookieDay.



Recipies to try:

<u>3-Ingredient Peanut Butter Cookie Recipe</u>

Chunky Peanut Butter Cookie Recipe



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The Villages® Community Development Districts Executive Golf



To ensure the Executive Golf courses are kept in optimal condition the following courses are under refurbishment. Please note, this scheduled closure may be adjusted due to unforeseen circumstances, including but not limited to weather and materials supply.

We apologize for the inconvenience this may cause. For any further information, please contact District's Executive Golf Maintenance at (352) 674-1885 or <u>executivegolfmaintenance@districtgov.org</u>.



Executive Course Closures

Complete Course Renovation

- Bacall
- Bogart
- De La Vista
- Pelican reopening 7/3/25
- Walnut Grove

Bunker Sand Renovation

- Mangrove
- Palmetto
- Sweetgum



Neighborhood Recreation Area Sports Courts

Have fun playing bocce, shuffleboard or corn toss at your local neighborhood recreation area. The recreation sports equipment is available inside the pool in the equipment room - please return the equipment after use. Don't know the rules, copies can be found in the equipment room as well. These areas are open 7:00 a.m. to dusk, enjoy at your own risk and please carry your resident ID or guest ID with a photo ID with you.



St. Tropez Village Recreation Center

Join us at the Grand Opening Ribbon Cutting of the St. Tropez Village Recreation Center on Thursday, June 19 at 9am to experience the charm of the French Riviera right here in The Villages. St. Tropez is at 6341 McNeill Drive in the Village of Well Point.



Vietnam Veterans Memorial Monument Unveiling

Everyone is invited to join the Vietnam Veterans of America, Chapter 1036, for the dedication ceremony of the Vietnam Veterans Monument on Saturday, June 21st at 10am at the Veterans Memorial Park. The park is located on Paige Place between La Hacienda Recreation Center and Spanish Springs Town Square.



Camp Village Registration For Weeks 5-9

Registration for Camp Villages weeks 5-9 begins Thursday, June 19th at 8:30am. Register online at DistrictGov.org or any At Your Service location.





Outdoor Water Conservation Tips



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.

Follow Florida Friendly Landscaping Principles - visit <u>FloridaYards.org</u> Cut your grass at the highest recommended height (4" for St. Augustine or Bahia, 2" for Empire Zoysia).

Keep mower blades sharp. Dull blades tear grass, opening it to disease and causing grass to appear tan and ragged.

Mow regularly, cutting no more than 1/3 of the grass length.

Visit TheVillagesWaterWisdom.com for more conservation tips!

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FACILITY CLOSURES

- Allamanda Recreation Indoor Facilities, Outdoor Facilities and Family Pool
 Friday, June 20
- Bridgeport Recreation Billiards Hall, table recovering
 Wednesday, June 25 Friday, June 27
- Buffalo Glen Softball Complex Field 1, outfield renovation
 Sunday, June 1 Sunday, August 31
- Chatham Recreation Shuffleboard Courts, resurfacing
 Monday, July 7 Monday, July 21
- Creekside Neighborhood Recreation Area and Family Pool, pool refurbishment
 Friday, May 16 Friday, June 13
- Fernandina Neighborhood Recreation Area Adult Pool, refurbishment
 Friday, June 27 Friday, July 18
- Fish Hawk Recreation Billiards Hall, table recovering
 Wednesday, June 18 Friday, June 20
- Hibiscus Recreation Indoor Facilities, Outdoor Facilities and Family Pool
 Monday, June 16
- Hibiscus Recreation Indoor Facilities, wallpapering and lighting
 Monday, May 26 Saturday, June 21
- La Hacienda Regional Recreation Center, HVAC replacement
 Friday, April 4 Until Further Notice
- Miona Shores Neighborhood Recreation Area Outdoor Facilities and Adult Pool
 Monday, June 16 Monday, June 23
- Mission Hills Neighborhood Recreation Area Outdoor Facilities and Adult Pool, parking lot mill and overlay
 - Thursday, June 12 Thursday, June 19
- Mulberry Grove Recreation Indoor Facilities, Fit Club, Outdoor Facilities and Sports Pool
 Tuesday, June 17
- Odell Recreation Indoor Facilities, Outdoor Facilities and Family Pool
 - Tuesday, June 24
- Paradise Recreation Dog Park
 - Monday, June 16 Friday, June 20
- Paradise Recreation Indoor Facilities, Outdoor Facilities and Family Pool
 Wednesday, June 18
- Saddlebrook Recreation Indoor Facilities and Adult Pool
 Monday, June 2 Friday, June 20, Billiards Hall will remain open
- Truman Recreation Family Pool
 - Wednesday, June 18 Thursday, June 19

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CURRENT OPEN POSITIONS

Are you looking for employment?

If so, look no further than the Villages Community Development District.

All of our current job openings are listed on through our website by visiting <u>www.DistrictGov.org</u> > Contact Us > Careers > See All Openings.

Or **CLICK HERE** to view the latest openings

You can contact us Monday-Friday 8a-5p with any questions or inquires, at 352-674-1905.



Scan the QR code to apply online or visit DistrictGov.org > Contact Us>Careers



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