

Department: Mayor's Office

Joe Wynkoop (Mayor)

Originally from upstate New York, Joe has been a Florida resident for over twenty six years and lived in Montverde since 1994.

He has witnessed first-hand the changes in Lake County with growth and development. Joe was elected to Montverde Town Council in 2006 and has served continuously following seven years on the Planning and Zoning Board. He has sat on the on the MPO Board (Lake County Metropolitan Planning Organization) for over eight years which plans all new roads, railroads and biking trails for all of Lake County. He is also a member of the Lake County Elderly Affairs Board representing District II. The board directs all services in Lake County for the Elderly.

He is actively involved in the South Lake Community Foundation. This is an organization that helps fund different grants and puts together programs such as "backpack", which provides school supplies to students and also food during the summer months when they are out of school. Joe was recently recognized by the Board of Commissioners with their appreciation for the many hours of service he has volunteered to the Arts and Cultural Alliance Organization in Lake County. He is active in Montverde where he leads the Friends and Families of Montverde. The group helps to encourage local people to come out and get involved with local community events. Favorites of the group are the regular meetings, monthly Bingo plus events like Trunk or Treat, Valentine's Day Dance and the annual Flea Market.

In addition to his political responsibilities, Joe is an experienced businessman with over thirty years as Vice President with a major national corporation. He is now the owner of two local businesses. He is an active member of his church and volunteers with several local charities. In his leisure time he likes to play golf.