



NEWSLETTER

February 2016

WELCOME NEW COUNCILMAN

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The Town Council position vacated by Joe Wynkoop was filled by former Councilman Jim Peacock, who was elected by the other Council Members at the January 12, 2016 Regular Council Meeting. Jim is a lifelong Florida resident and has lived in Montverde for the past twenty years. He has been married to Robin for twenty-six years and has two daughters, Bethany and Cassie. Jim has had an extensive career in Commercial Construction for over forty years. He performs monthly water sampling from Lake Florence for the UF Lakewatch program and also maintains the aeration system in the lake. His hobbies include water skiing and woodworking.

ADD A BUCK PROGRAM

We would like to remind you that we have started back up the "ADD A BUCK " program to help our local food drives. This is where, if you are able you can add a buck to your water bill when you send in your payment. Town hall will then take all the extra " BUCKS " and send them to the South Lake Community Foundation. They will then MATCH the amount and send the money to our in Town Food Drive partners who then purchase food from the Second Food Harvest for under .20 cents a pound and distribute the food to the many people that could use a helping hand. Many Thanks for your help with this effort....together we can make a difference.

BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

We are really excited that over thirty residents have stepped up to serve on the Town's Boards and Committees. There will be an orientation meeting for all Board and Committee members on Tuesday February 2, 2016 in the Town Hall Auditorium at 6:30 pm. At this meeting the Mayor will go over the role of the Boards and Committees and it will provide an opportunity to meet and chat with other members.

FRIENDS OF MONTVERDE



The Friends of Montverde monthly Bingo Game will take place on Friday February 19, 2016 at 7 pm and the monthly meeting followed by Game Night is on Tuesday February 16, 2016 at 6:00 pm.

Both meetings take place in the Kirk Park Community Building. Everyone is Welcome.

There will be a Valentines Dance Evening Saturday February 13, 2016 at 6:30 pm at the Kirk Park Community Building.. Everyone is welcome. Please feel free to bring Hors d'oeuvres or an appetizer dish to share.



TOWN HALL CLOSED FOR PRESIDENTS' DAY

Town Hall will be closed on February 15, 2016 in observance of Presidents' Day.
As always, residents can leave any correspondence in the green utility box in the Town Hall parking lot.

PAY YOUR UTILITY BILL ONLINE

Take the hassle out of paying your bill.
Pay your Town of Montverde Utility Bill online



If you would like to be able to pay your water bill online, go to the Town's website www.mymontverde.com and click on the banner at the top of the home page. This will take you to a page that will enable you to register. They will send a verification to your email address, which is required to complete the registration. Please note that you will not be able to pay your current bill, but once you have registered, future bills can be paid online. When the new bill is posted you will receive an email informing that you have an e-bill ready to view and pay online. Once you are set up for e-bill, you will no longer get a paper bill in the mail unless you request it.

To request a paper bill or if you have any difficulty setting e-billing up then please call Stephanie at Town Hall, (407) 469-2681.

NEWS FROM THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

Due to technical difficulties the firefighters were not able to conduct the annual flow testing of our fire hydrants in January. The task will now be done during February to ensure that they are providing the required water flow in the event of a fire. If a resident has any special requests while we are flowing water please contact Chief Kevin Rausch, 407-312-2106.

LIBRARY NEWS

Wow! We can't believe how fast January has gone by. We have been working hard to update the library for another great year, inside and out. With newly planted flowers outside we aim to make the library more attractive and inviting to patrons. Inside we are ready to share the love of reading for Valentine's Day, so come check us out if you haven't yet! The 4H club has a new fundraiser now, selling fresh eggs from the chicks they've raised. You can help the 4H club by purchasing a dozen eggs for \$3 each. Order at the library or email itsallgood4hclub@gmail.com. Don't forget Easter is right around the corner, so stay tuned for the big event! Thank you. Kathleen and Erin.

OUTSIDE THE BOX—NEW PLAY STARTS FEBRUARY 19, 2016

STEEL MAGNOLIAS is the story of six women of different ages, different backgrounds and different societal standings who form a makeshift family. They laugh with each other, they laugh at each other, and they love each other through all of the hopes and tragedies that make up a life. STEEL MAGNOLIAS opens Friday, February 19, at the Franklin Pearce Jr. Auditorium in Montverde, and runs for three weekends. Performances will be at 8pm on Friday & Saturday evenings and 2pm on Sunday afternoons.

For additional information, call Andre Provencher @ 321-663-2608 or e-mail Outside.The.Box.FL@gmail.com.

OTHER TOWN NEWS AND INFORMATION



The Town is proud to welcome new Sheriff's Deputy Danny Young who takes over from Andrea McKane as our full time Deputy. Danny, a 43 year old grandfather and former Baptist Pastor has been in law enforcement for fifteen years and is used to working in a small town environment. He will be a great asset to the Town. We would like to thank Andrea for her service to the town over the past five years and wish her the very best.



NEXT COUNCIL MEETING

The next Council meeting will be on February 9, 2016 at 7pm. Key issues for discussion are:

- Second Reading of Ordinance 2016-01 - Creating an Invocation Policy for Town meetings.
- Second Reading of Ordinance 2016-03 - Amending the Code for Setbacks for Screened Enclosures.
- Second Reading of Ordinance 2015-04 - Proposed changes to the Code for Fences.
- Second Reading of Ordinance 2015-05 - Proposed Amendment to Chapter 6 changing the Designation of the Cemetery Board to a Committee.

All residents are encouraged to attend the Council meeting; public comment is permitted at the beginning of every meeting.