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HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

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The 2013 Annual Montverde Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony was held on December 14. The Montverde Academy band performed Christmas songs, refreshments were served, and there was a very special visit from Santa Claus.

Immediately following the Tree Lighting, the movie *Elf* was shown at the Kirk Park Stage. Residents enjoyed a beautiful night watching a movie under the stars. Special thanks to the Montverde Volunteer Fire Department for serving hot dogs, chips, and hot cocoa.

And good news for Town residents: The Movies in the Park have been so successful, that it was decided to have two additional Movies in the Park in the early Spring. The Music in the Park Concert Series will still occur in late Spring. Be sure to come to these fantastic events in the Park!



Photo courtesy of Janet Davis, Montverde resident

MONTVERDE'S NEWEST RESTAURANT SET TO OPEN JANUARY 1

Beginning January 1, there will be another dining option in Montverde. NOLA on Da Geaux will feature authentic New Orleans-style Cajun cuisine, and will be located at 17436 Seventh Street. The business will begin operations as a food truck, but once renovations are complete in the building, operations will move inside. NOLA on Da Geaux will be open on Tuesdays thru Saturdays, 11 am to 7pm.

SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

There will be a Special Council meeting on January 2 at 6pm. The purpose of the meeting is for Council to select a new Town Engineer. Town Staff advertised a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for engineering work for water systems, development review assistance, master planning, designing and permitting services, and construction services.

The Town received two responses to the RFQ. At the Special Council meeting, Council will approve the selection of the proposed Engineer, and then authorize the Mayor to negotiate a contract.

The meeting will take place in the Town Hall Auditorium; residents are welcome to attend.

TOWN NEWS

- ◆ Mayor Troy Bennett is looking for volunteers to serve on committees during the 2014 year. The committees are the Cemetery Committee, Library Committee, Visioning Committee, Parks and Recreation Committee, and Public Safety Committee. Those interested in serving on a committee should contact Town Hall at 407.469.2681.
- ◆ There is a longtime Montverde resident who picks up discarded Christmas trees to create mulch. He is asking that residents please put their discarded Christmas tree by the road the night before garbage collection, and he will collect them for mulch.
- ◆ A set of keys was found in Truskett Park over the December 27th weekend. The keys were attached to a blue lanyard. Please call Town Hall at 407.469.2681 for more information.
- ◆ Mayor Bennett and Town Hall staff are asking for your help this holiday season for a child in need. Andrew has Burkitts Lymphoma, and the family is raising funds to cover his medical expenses. They are selling several different varieties of pound cake for \$25 with 100% of the proceeds going to cover the medical expenses of little Andrew. For more information, please contact Lori Gifford at 321.436.4768 or email at poundcakecure@gmail.com. Best wishes to Andrew and his family for a very speedy recovery!
- ◆ There will be a Super Seniors meeting on January 16 at 1:30pm in the Community Building. And this month's BINGO night is scheduled for January 17 at 7:00pm in the Community Building.

NEXT COUNCIL MEETING

The next Council meeting will be on January 14th at 7pm. Some of the key issues set for discussion are:

- ◆ Proposed Golf Cart Ordinance
- ◆ Resolution for Mayor to Negotiate Bulk Sale Agreement with Clermont
- ◆ Discussion of Ordinance Prohibiting Gated Communities

All residents are encouraged to attend the Council meeting; public comment is permitted at the start of every meeting. For further information on any of these topics, please contact Town Hall at 407.469.2681.