



# NEWSLETTER

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## ADD A BUCK PROGRAM

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We would like to start 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 many people that could use a helping hand. Many Thanks for your help with this effort....together we make a difference.

## COUNCIL POSITION

The Town is required to fill the Council position vacated by Joe Wynkoop which will be for the remainder of the term ending November 8, 2016. Applicants must be a US citizen and have been a resident of the Town for a period exceeding six months. Please submit a letter requesting consideration along with a short bio to the Mayor at Town Hall. Final applications must be received by 12 noon on January 5, 2016. The position will be appointed by Council at the Council meeting on January 12, 2016.

## BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

There are still opportunities to serve your Town in 2016 on various Boards and Committees. If you are interested in volunteering your time then please pick up an application form from Town Hall. A brief overview of the role that each Board and Committee plays is shown below. Applications must be received by 12 noon Tuesday January 5, 2016. Appointments will be made at the Regular Council Meeting on January 12, 2016

**Planning and Zoning Board** – Review of Zoning Changes, Comprehensive Plan Amendments, Site Plans, Conditional use permits and Variance's and making recommendation to Council.

**Code Enforcement Board** - Enforcement of Violations of the Town's Code of Ordinances.

**Cemetery Board** - Advisory to the Council on issues of Rules, Regulations and Management of Cemetery.  
*(Board members must reside within the limits of the Town)*

**Parks and Recreation Committee** - Includes organization of Montverde Day and other Town events.

**Visioning Committee** - To continue Montverde's Vision of History, Traditional Values, Safety, Community and Environmental health to ensure the quality of life that we wish to enjoy.

**Library Committee** - To assist the Librarian and staff with Special Events and Projects.

**Public Safety Committee** - To look at ways to improve the safety and security of the Town's Residents.

**Historical Committee** - To Research and Document the History of Montverde for Future Generations.  
*(Voting members of any committee must reside within the Town's 180-degree utility services district)*

**A board member may also serve on a committee and committee members may serve on two committees.**

## FRIENDS OF MONTVERDE

The Friends of Montverde monthly Bingo Game will take place on Friday January 15, 2016 at 7 pm and the monthly meeting followed by Game Night is on Tuesday January 19, 2016 at 6:00 pm. Both meetings take place in the Kirk Park Community Building. Everyone is Welcome.

## TOWN HALL CLOSED FOR NEW YEAR

Town Hall will be open on New Years Eve until 12:00 pm and will be closed on New Years Day Friday January 1, 2016. As always, residents can leave any correspondence in the green utility box in the Town Hall parking lot.

## NEWS FROM THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

Happy New Year to Our Supportive Residents, It's that time of year again, the firefighters will be conducting annual flow testing of our fire hydrants 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. Flow testing will begin the week of January 4, 2016 and will continue throughout the month.

As a reminder, your Fire Department is staffed 24/7/365 with dedicated Professional VOLUNTEER Firefighters who are proud to protect the Residents of the great Town of Montverde. Have a safe New Year.

## CHRISTMAS ANGEL TREE A GREAT SUCCESS



The Montverde Angel Tree was a huge success. All 30 angels on the tree were granted their Christmas wishes. We can not thank everyone enough for their overwhelming generosity. We had such a great response that we were able to surprise eight more Nigel's for Christmas. A huge thank you to everyone who donated to our cause.

You are wished a Happy New Year from all the staff and volunteers of The Montverde Library and It's All Good 4H Club.

## LIBRARY NEWS

Ringling out the old and bringing in the new! 2015 has been a great year for the Montverde library. We have had a lot of successful events and programs for adults and children. Hitting all the holidays we ended the year with a big Christmas celebration. Santa, rein-donkeys, and the snow sisters visited the library bringing cookies and smiles to our big crowd turn-out. We have also been improving the library inside and out. With new inventory and a huge increase in DVDs we have made the shelves easier to navigate and organize. Outside we took out the old bushes and added bright and colorful plants. We are excited to plan bigger and better events for next year and hope to see you there! Best wishes from Kathleen and Erin.



## NEXT COUNCIL MEETING

The next Council meeting will be on January 12, 2016 at 7pm. Key issues for discussion are:

- Rezoning Application from Arellano Realty and Investments and Small Scale Comprehensive Plan Amendment.
- Election and swearing in of the new Council Member and the selection of new Board and Committee Members for 2016.

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

## OTHER TOWN NEWS AND INFORMATON

A longtime Montverde resident will pick up discarded Christmas trees to create mulch for the Town. He is asking that residents please put their discarded Christmas tree by the road the night before garbage collection, and he will collect them.

**Mayor Joe Wynkoop and Town Hall staff wish everyone a Happy, Healthy and Prosperous New Year!**