

June 2009

# Adopt-a-Road

The Montverde Visioning Committee had a successful turnout of volunteers for their May 9th Adopt-a-Road commitment. Special thanks go out to:

- Sharon & Wayne Gey (who generously allowed use of their ATVs!)
- Gary, Cyndi, & Kurt Schindele
- Patty & Tanner Thomas
- Nancy Fishinger
- Candi & John Keyes
- Vicky& Cody Atwater
- Jane Tomlinson

Together they cleaned Ridgewood, Fosgate, Lake, Highland, CR 455 from Fosgate down to the SW city limit, and Patty & son Tanner did a section of the overwhelmingly littered Blackstill Lake Road (which needs a bigger crew!)

Thank you to all for their incredible community service, and caring about our environment.

# **New Credit Card Accepted**

Effective June 15, 2009, Town Hall will start accepting Discover Card in addition to MasterCard and Visa for payment of utility bills and fees. Cards can be used in Town Hall, or on the eBill Pay site.

# eBill and Online Bill Pay Users

If you recently used either the Town's eBill Pay or your bank's online bill pay to pay your fire assessment, please remember to change your account number back to you water account. Town Hall has received a number of checks lately that have resident fire assessment account numbers noted instead of their water accounts. This problem causes payments to be applied to the wrong account and could result in water service disconnection if it is not corrected.

### **Citizens on Patrol Coming Soon!**

The Montverde Public Safety Committee has been successful in obtaining a car for the Citizens on Patrol (COP) program. If you are interested in volunteering for this program, please contact Town Hall as soon as possible.

# **Stetcher Property Project**

On Saturday, June 13, 2009 at 8:00 AM, the Town Council will be hosting a conceptual design charette to discuss proposed uses for the Stecher Property. Some ideas that have been suggested are a new town cemetery, a solar energy farm, a flea market, sports fields and a new town well. If you have ideas and would like to be involved in planning for the property, you are invited to attend and share your thoughts. The meeting will start at 8:00 AM at the Stecher Property, located at 17800 County Road 455. The meeting will move to the Town Hall Auditorium after the site visit.

# **Special Notice Regarding Water Rates**

On Tuesday, June 9, 2009, at 7:00 p.m. and on Tuesday, June 23, 2009, at 7:00 p.m. at Town Hall located at 17404 Sixth Street, Montverde, Florida, Town Council will consider adjustments to water rates for users located outside Town limits.

# Let's Play Ball!!!

Do you like to play baseball?? Well...join us for a game starting June 12<sup>th</sup> through July 31<sup>st</sup>, every Friday from 9 to 11 AM at the Kirk Park Baseball Field. All kids ages 7 through 12 are welcome to come and play. Volunteers are also needed to help coach the kids, so if you are interested in coaching or playing please contact Tracy Eldridge at 407-312-4385 or Connie at 407-469-3142.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
31	1 Children's Storytime Historical Committee	2	3	4 Old Fogies Meeting	5	6
7	8 Children's Storytime	9 Town Council Meeting	10	11 Old Fogies Meeting Scenic Byway Meeting	12 SourceLink Grand Ope Visioning Committee Community Dinner	13 Stecher Property Con
14	15 Children' <del>s</del> Storytime	16	17	18 Old Fogies Meeting	19	20
21	22 Children's Storytime Historical Committee	23 Special Town Council	24 P & Z Board Meeting	25 Old Fogies Meeting	26	27
28	29 Children's Storytime	30	1	2	3	4

Dear Citizens of Montverde,

On behalf of the Montverde Town Council and the staff, I would like to say thank you for all of your support and patience during the beatification process of your new Town Center. I am greatly honored to announce that this \$646,000 project is now open. I invite you to come and see the new look and witness how the vision and planning of countless members of our community came together to form our new town center into one convenient and beautiful location. I feel proud of what your tax dollars have done. I'm sure you will too. Part of this project includes your new post office which is now open after \$400,000 of improvements paid for by the United States Postal Service. It looks fabulous and we should applaud the USPS and our postmaster, Joe Morabito, for the incredible investment they have made in our town. As a whole, the project is designed for residents to pick up or drop off mail, walk down our beautiful brick sidewalk to either Town Hall to pay a water bill or reserve the baseball field or to the library to check out a book or movie or maybe just surf the internet and check your email on one of our computers donated by the Lake County Library System.

The landscaping is all drought tolerant and we even have a rain barrel on display to demonstrate what you can do, as a homeowner, to help conserve water in our community. All the plants and equipment on display can be resourced in town hall to make it easier for you to do your part in helping conserve our natural resources. Just stop by and we will be glad to assist you.

Our next project is already underway. The old fire station on Seventh Street (CR455) is being renovated. It will be the new home of our Public Works office/storage, along with the newest addition to our town, a Lake County Sheriff substation. Starting around June 15<sup>th</sup> you will start to see construction at this site. In conjunction with the new substation, the Montverde Public Safety Committee, led by Chairman Jim Ley, has obtained a Citizen on Patrol (COP) car donated to the town by Sheriff Borders, which will soon be present in the area continuously. We need volunteers to participate in this endeavor, so please call and check on it with the staff and consider donating a few hours a week to this wonderful program to make our community safer.

I trust all of you that attended any of our three concerts in Kirk Park enjoyed yourselves and felt the same great community togetherness that I did. It was great to see such a wonderful turn out! We will have more *exciting* activities coming in the fall, after the rainy season ends. Just let us know if you have any suggestions on what you would like to see or hear, or if you know someone who would like to perform on our stage. I would like to extend an invitation to everyone to come and watch your government at work at our next council meeting. They are held the second Tuesday of every month. Also, you can check out our website at <u>www.mymontverde.com</u> for up and coming events and council agendas, or just give us a call. We would love to hear from you on what you see happening around town, along with any suggestion you might have.

Thanks for entrusting me to be your mayor,

Troy A. Bennett Mayor of Montverde



SourceLink Communications is proud to announce our Ribbon Cutting Ceremony and Grand Opening Celebration to the residents of Montverde on June 12, 2009.

The Mayor, Mr. Troy Bennett and the President of SourceLink, Mr. Mark Sulak will be opening the building to the public at the Ribbon Cutting Ceremony.

The Grand Opening Celebration will immediately follow with food, drinks and fun.

Please stop by and see the changes that SourceLink has completed and help us celebrate our formal introduction to the community.

Ribbon Cutting: 10am Grand Opening: 10:30am – 4:30pm Any questions, please call: (407) 654-2400 7521 County Road 455, Montverde, FL 34756