

## **Montverde Day Schedule of Events**

Montverde Day will kick off promptly at 8:00am at the center stage in Kirk Park. Following the opening ceremony, we will have various local entertainers performing. The follow schedule is subject to change.

8:00AM	Mayoral welcome, ROTC flag detail,		
	Pledge, Prayer, Amazing Grace sung by		
	Rob Nichols		

- 8:05AM "Hand Pick" Bluegrass
- 8:30AM Intermission
- 8:40AM First Baptist Church of Montverde
- 9:20AM Rob Nichols
- 10:00AM The Orlando Cloggers
- 10:35AM "Hand Pick" Bluegrass
- 11:10AM Rob Nichols
- 11:50AM The Astatula Elementary School Strumming Cats
- 12:30PM The Orlando Cloggers
- 1:05PM Grassy Lake Elementary School Chorus
- 1:45PM Montverde Academy Lower School Chorus
- 2:05PM "Hand Pick" Bluegrass
- 2:40PM The Orlando Cloggers
- 3:05PM Montverde Academy Upper School Fine Arts
- 3:40PM "Hand Pick" Bluegrass



## **Reminders:**

Past due fire assessments. There is a \$5 late fee for every month you don't pay. If you don't know if you owe, call Town Hall.

Water restrictions are still in place. Two days per week only. Even or no address can water on Sundays & Thursdays. Odd addresses can water on Wednesdays and Saturdays. NO watering between the hours of 10 AM and 4 PM.

To aid the efficiency of emergency vehicles, please make sure trees **and** shrubs are trimmed in all "rightof-way" areas.

## **Councilman's Corner**



Hello! My name is Joe Wynkoop and it has been my privilege to serve as your councilman for the past two years. Before that I served on your planning and zoning board for seven years. My personal motivation for getting involved with town government is to help the

town move forward with different projects that our town needs.

I wanted to give everyone an update on the different town initiatives, projects and tasks that have been completed, and on those that are in the works as of today. The Town Council, along with your mayor, boards, committees and your administrative staff at Town Hall, has been very busy over the past couple of years.

Your town government was able to complete and submit the town's Comprehensive Plan to Lake County and the State of Florida. This is a very detailed plan which shows what the Town of Montverde is planning to do in many areas, such as buildings, roads, growth etc. during the next 20 years. You can view this information for yourself on the town web site at <u>www.mymontverde.com</u>.

Other significant Town Council projects that have been completed or are under way:

- The town web site was created at <u>www.mymontverde.com</u>. The site includes Ebilling for water bills; town monthly financial statements and monthly check registers for everyone to review; easy to access applications for things like re-zoning, variances, site plan documents etc.; minutes from workshops and meetings at Town Hall; and much, much more. The site has received over 51,000 hits since it launched only 7 months ago, and there is more information being posted regularly.
- New lighting for our baseball field is being installed.

- A new pier is being installed in Truskett Park.
- A new entertainment stage for community use is being built in Kirk Park.
- The Green Mountain Scenic Byway Master Plan has been completed. (Available for review on <u>www.mymontverde.com</u>.)
- A code enforcement officer position has been created and all existing ordinances were reviewed and agreed upon.
- The relocation of the Montverde Post Office is underway with the USPS (soon to come),
- New terms and conditions have been negotiated with the Lake County Sheriff for our new deputy and a Sheriff's sub-station will be completed soon on CR 455 in our downtown area.
- A balanced budget (that can be reviewed on the Web site) which includes \$122,000.00 for road repairs for 09.
- An action plan has been put together and funding secured to clean up Lake Florence.

I could go on listing items, but I think you can see for yourself many of these projects completed and underway around the town. I bring this all to your attention at this time so you are fully aware that your town government is working for you everyday, making sure the Town of Montverde is dealing with issues that are of interest or concern to our residents, yet always trying to preserve the unique character of Montverde, which is why we all choose to live here. I also want to invite you and your family to the 29<sup>th</sup> Montverde Day on Saturday, November 1<sup>st,</sup> where you can enjoy good barbecue, live music, rides for the kids, and good fun and games with your neighbors. Hope you can make it. I look forward to seeing you there!

Please...always feel free to call your town hall with any issues you may need help with, and if you would like, feel free to call me personally at 407-496-1673 if I may be of service to you. With everyone's help and input, we will stay focused on bringing an even brighter future to Montverde.

Many Thanks,

Councilman Joe Wynkoop

## **Election Day: Town Council Candidate Profiles**

There are currently two seats up for election this year. Joe Wynkoop and Mike Davis are running for re-election while Helen Pearce and Laura Eldridge are challenging them for these seats. See you at the polls!

Name:	Joe Wynkoop (I)	Mike Davis (I)	Helen Pearce	Laura Eldridge
Age:	50	50	78	53
Occupation:	Realtor	Truck driver for Progress Energy	Retired Montverde worker and official.	Owns her own business
Education and employment history:	Served on Town Council since 2006; bachelor's degree in business from State University of New York in New Paltz; former regional manager for a rent-a-car business. "I've had hands-on experience for over 30 years."	Served on Town Council since 2006, currently vice president. Davis was a Marine Corps engineer, worked as a lineman for Progress Energy.	Worked as Montverde Town Clerk from 1989 to 1997; served on Montverde Town Council in 1999; elected mayor in 2000; served as mayor for 5 1/2 years	Served on Town Council from 2002 to 2004. "The experiences I'm taking with me in running a business is that in the council you're watching over what government's doing. Running a business is like running a city."
Family:	Married, no children.	Married, three stepchildren, seven grandchildren	Widow; seven children, 16 grandchildren and seven great- grandchildren	Married, two adult children
Key issue:	Wynkoop wants to keep doing what the current council has done to improve the town, including making services available online for residents. Wynkoop credits himself for the town's Web site, where residents can now pay their water bills via the Internet and the budget is posted online. "It's something that kind of opened the door."	The safety and security of the townspeople is a top priority. "I bring that up quite often because we do have a lot of elderly residents. I tell them that if they have any problems to call me first. I can help them feel more secure. You're a lot more secure when there's a friend there with you no matter who it is."	She wants to use her expertise to help residents. "A lot of people in town know me, and if they came to town hall with a problem, I always tried to help them" as mayor. Pearce also wants to be mindful of spending. "If it's needed, do it, if it's not then save the money. With the economy, I see the need to conserve within Montverde."	Aims to maintain and help with the current administration. "I want to add to the expertise. I want to help what's already in place. Other issues include helping to manage drainage issues better.
Why are you running?	"The most important thing is to keep the character of the town the way it is and not ruin the character. We've worked hard with land- development regulations. We spent many meetings doing town ordinances to keep the character of the town the way that it is. I very much enjoy being a councilman and helping the town with their initiatives."	"I'm running because I can help make a difference in the best interest of this town. I feel that I have helped in these past two years. The reason I feel that way is because people [come up] to me in the street thanking me for different things I've done at council meetings. They're thanking me for the different things we've done.	"I think the town needs my expertise. I know how to get things done, how to please people and to be truthful to them. I want to do the best I can for the town. When I left as mayor, our budget showed a little over \$2 million in reserves, and we still have just about that much."	"I've kept an interest in the town. I stay involved as part of the Montverde Day committee and the [town's] visioning committee. I want to keep preserving our town as being the type of community it is. I want to preserve what we already have in our way of life."