

NEWS FROM MAYOR JOE

Hello I would like to take a minute of your time and talk about a few topics. First topic is our local food bank has had recent difficulties with their grant and find themselves in need of local support to keep things moving forward. The **ADD A BUCK PROGRAM** we have had in place where people paying their water bill will add what they can afford to help this cause has been a success and I want to thank you for your help. There are many people that need a little extra help once in awhile. It is seniors, working folks, folks that have come down with a medical problem, folks that have a large auto mobile repair bill, young families and folks with unexpected issues which I am sure we all find ourselves facing now and again. Please remember to ADD A BUCK (or two) when you are paying your water bill if possible. Second topic, your Council Woman and Men and the Townhall Staff have done a great job with working to keep expenses low and I am happy to tell you that the millage rate will not change for the tax bill. Even with property taxable values going up over 7% this would make you think the Town would collect 7% more, but most of our properties in Montverde are Homesteaded so it really didn't bring in much more in. Last topic... I am happy to say that the two seats that were going to be on the ballot this year where not challenged so Jim Peacock and Billy Bates will remain on Council. They both have done and I am sure will do a great job going forward.

Join us for a FREE DINNER at 5:30 before the Council Meeting in the Mayor's Office. Dinner will be Beef Enchiladas with Mexican Rice & Chopped Salad, Fresh Fruit Salad, Tres Leches Cake and Cookies



urday, November 10TH. The festivities begin Friday from 4 PM—10 PM with live music and a carnival. Food, beer and wine will also be available for purchase. Saturday will be a fun filled day with the festivities beginning at 9 AM. There will be a Classic Car Show with over 100 cars and vintage tractors as well as entertainment and activities throughout the day for all ages. The Town is taking reservations for vendor booths which are going quick. Reserve your booth now to avoid disappointment. Sponsorship opportunities are also available to promote your business both on the day of the and also in the Montverde Day Festival event brochure. The brochure is a 12 page full color insert that is sent out with the Orlando Sentinel to over 40.000 homes. Sponsors will also benefit from internet exposure on many website prior to the event. For information contact Joe (407) 496-1673.

ADD A BUCK PROGRAM

Don't forget the "ADD A BUCK" program which helps our local food drive. If you are able you can add a "BUCK OR TWO" to your Water Bill when you make your payment, Town Hall will take all the extra "BUCKS" & send them to our Local Food Bank ACCOUNT at Second Food Harvest. The food is distributed to many people that could use a helping hand. Many Thanks for your help with this effort, together we can make a difference.

*****NEW UTILITY BILL ONLINE PAYMENT PROCESS*****

The Town of Montverde is pleased to offer a new and improved process to pay your Utility Bill Online. Go to <u>www.mymontverde.com</u> and click on the Water Faucet. This will bring you to a new page and in the lower left hand of the page, enter your WEB ID, which is located on your bill (Town Hall can provide your WEB ID if needed) on the next line enter the first four (4) letters of the Last Name of the Account Holder then hit Next. This will take you to your account page and you will be able to review your bill and make your payment. If you have saved the old payment site in your favorites, please delete it and save the new site address. Should you need further assistance, please contact Town Hall at (407) 469-2681.

FRIENDS OF MONTVERDE BINGO

Bingo is back beginning September 21st. Make sure you come early to get a seat!! Dinner begins at 5:30 & pulled pork, baked beans & coleslaw for \$7 will be served. Desserts and assorted drinks will be available for purchase. BINGO starts at 7:00 so come on over to the Community Building for a great dinner and lots of fun and laughs!! Please call Joe at (407) 496-1673 for more information.

*** IT'S HURRICANE SEASON!! ARE YOU PREPARED? ***

Have you signed up for the Town's new Notification System CODERED? If not, please register your cell phone, home phone and/or email with CODE RED for General and Emergency Communications. If you need assistance, please contact Brenda at Town Hall (407) 469-2681 and she will be happy to assist you. You can also sign up today by using the following link: https://public.coderedweb.com/cne/en-US/BF66D3536CDB

MID-WEEK MARKET AT MONTVERDE OPENS BACK UP WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5TH

The Mid-Week Market at Montverde resumes Wednesday, September 5th from 11 am—6 pm. The Market is located at Kirk Park, 17436 Division St. The Market is now accepting Crafters and Artists. For Information, contact Ron Smart (405) 204-0839 or email ron.smart@adcommcreative.com. Come out and check out the fresh fish, large produce selection, baked goods, eggs, cheeses, made to order edibles and treats and one a kind items from crafters and artists.

TOWN HALL AND TOWN SERVICES WILL BE CLOSED FOR LABOR DAY

YARD DEBRIS PROCEDURES

Place all garden & yard trash, including tree & shrub trimmings, grass clippings, small tree branches in a 32 gal trash can or commingled with garbage the 96 gal container, or in a lawn bag. Yard cannot exceed four ft in length and must be bundled & tied. No item, can, bag or tied/bundled can exceed 50 lbs. in weight. No more than four cans, bags or bundles may be set out for collection at one time. If more than four cans, bags or bundles of yard trash need to be set out, or piles of heavy logs and/or stacks of wood or fencing, please contact Waste Pro at (352) 366-0352 to schedule a quote. Once payment is received, WastePro will schedule a vehicle to collect the material.