



**HAPPY NEW YEAR!!! January 2022 Newsletter HAPPY NEW YEAR!!!**

**Town Hall Closings**

**Town Hall will be closed on  
Thursday, December 30, 2021  
Monday, January 3, 2022  
Monday, January 17, 2022**

**News from the Library**

I want to send a heartfelt thank you to everyone that helped make our annual Angel Tree Christmas Program a huge success! The Library staff was overwhelmed by your generosity and kindness during this holiday season. 73 angels were filled and will be distributed to local children. Most of all remember to make **READING** part of your New Year's Resolution! We are accepting applications for volunteers if you would like to participate, please stop by the library.

Thank you! Kathleen and Mary



A longtime Montverde resident will pick up discarded Christmas trees to create mulch for the Town. Please put your Christmas Tree by the road the night before garbage pick up day and the tree will be picked up.

Town Council meetings for the month of January will be on Tuesday January 11, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. and a Council Workshop on Tuesday January 18, 2022 at 6:30 p.m.

Hello,

I hope you and your family are doing well and staying safe.

I also hope you enjoyed the holidays and were able to attend your Light Up Montverde event. 2022 is going to be a busy year for Montverde. A couple updates, first the speeding in our area. We have been working with Lake County to address the county roads in Montverde which are Rt 455, Ridgewood and Fosgate to come up with a few different solutions. I feel we will be able to get an agreement on what is needed to slow down speeding vehicles soon. There are a few options and a decision needs to be made ASAP.

Second, an update on the tremendous building of new homes going on in our area. Our County Commissioner Sean Park was able to get the first (of Many) meetings together with all the area cities and towns attending in January. The Mayors and City/Town Managers from each City/Town will represent their area. The only purpose of these meeting is to discuss how Lake County will communicate with each City/Town when a development is being purposed near the City or Town. You would have thought this would be in place but I am here to tell you it is not and we want this to happen. A couple recent examples of this not happening in our area are. The 25 acres on Fosgate the dirt road part going towards the Turnpike on the left at the top of the hill. Lake County approved 4 homes per acre before we knew a meeting was even happening. Also the 165 acres that YWAM has next to the Woodland Church on Rt 455 that goes all the way back to Blackstill Lake Road was approved for YWAM to increase their student residence to 2500. We didn't find out about this meeting until the day before, which only a handful of people attended to express their concerns. This is a top priority for me because of how it effects Montverde.

Please come to our Town Council meetings are the second Tuesday of the month at 7:00 pm. You can review the topics and also get information from the Town's webpage at [mymontverde.com](http://mymontverde.com). Join us virtually using ZOOM if you cannot attend.

Many Thanks,

Joe Wynkoop 407-496-1673

I can't believe we are starting a new year. I hope you are enjoying time with family and appreciating the beautiful winter weather in Florida. I am aware of the speeding concerns that have been plaguing our town, especially on the weekends. I have been in conversation with the Highway Patrol to increase enforcement of the town speeding laws. I am also in discussions with Lake County to see if we can come up with some other solutions to help encourage people to follow the speed limits.

I want to thank everyone who supported the "Angel Tree" program to assist families by providing Christmas presents to area children in need. Thank you to our library staff for sponsoring this annual event. Your donations helped us to bless over 70 angels this year.

The Montverde area will have many road improvement activities under construction in 2022 and 2023. Lake County has Ridgewood Avenue scheduled to be repaved this year. The turnpike will start working on the bridge which will extend Fosgate over the turnpike. The current bridge over Hwy 455 near Publix in Clermont will be closed and replaced. In addition, Orange County will be making improvements to the Old 50 intersection near Killarney Station. All of these improvements will eventually lead to a better transportation network for our area, please be patience during the process.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to call the staff at Town Hall or reach out to your elected officials. Have a great new year.

Paul Larino, Town Manager



#### YARD DEBRIS PROCEDURES

Place garden and yard trash - including tree and shrub trimmings, grass clippings, palm fronds, & small tree branches either in a 32 gallon trash can or commingled with garbage in a 96 gallon container, or in a suitable plastic bag. Shrubs, branches, limbs and palm fronds should not exceed four feet in length, and must be bundled and tied. No single item, can, bag or tied bundle should exceed 50 pounds in weight, other than the 96 gallon container. No more than four cans, bags or bundles may be set out for collection at one time. **Excessive amounts or bulk yard trash items:** If more than four cans, bags or tied bundles of yard trash need to be set out, or piles of heavy logs and/or stacks of wood fencing, please contact Waste Pro at **352-366-0352** to schedule a quote.

The town has volunteer opportunities. The library needs help in many areas; shelving materials, social media projects, kids crafts, summer reading program to name a few. We need additional volunteers in Public Safety patrolling neighborhoods and parks. Contact Sandy Johnson, Town Clerk at 407/469-2681 if interested.



## Montverde Saturday Market

January 8 2022

10 am - 3pm

**We have over 40 vendors, Delicious food trucks, Honey, Jams, Baked goods, Fresh Produce, Handmade Soaps, Candles, Crafts and more!**  
**Live Music and Pony Rides**  
**Bring the family out for a Beautiful Day in the Park!!**

For More Info Contact Jennifer @  
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