

Sugarmill Woods Bulletin

March 12, 2010

Dear Residents,

I have enclosed a brief update on recycling and a reminder of scheduled Community Outreach Program meetings that are coming up over the next few months.

Sugarmill Woods Residential Recycling

I just received an update from F.D.S. Disposal with the collection results for the first day of residential pick up of recyclables on Friday, March 5. Beginning March 1, Cypress Village, Oak Village, Chassahowitzka, and Riverhaven joined Southern Woods as partner communities supporting the residential pick up program. Last Friday, F.D.S. Disposal collected **15 tons (30,000 pounds)** of recyclables which far exceeded their expectations for the first day of collection. This means that the partner communities eliminated 15 tons of waste from being added to the Citrus County landfill in just one day.

Over the course of a year, this adds up to 780 tons or 1.56 million pounds of recyclables that will be eliminated from the landfill. Just think if everyone in Citrus County recycled.

As I have stated before, it is your decision as a resident of Sugarmill Woods and Citrus County which garbage hauler you choose. However, I am asking all SMW residents to please actively participate in a Recycling Program.

The simple facts are we can reduce our household waste volume going to the landfill by 50 to 60% or more if we recycle, the more we recycle the longer we can extend the life of our current landfill, extending the life of our landfill delays the time before we will have to start transporting our garbage out of the county and forcing us to look for someone else to take it, the longer we can delay this action we hold down future costs for all of us.

If you don't recycle yet, I strongly urge you to please re-consider and start recycling now. If you do recycle, thank you for doing so. I hope you encourage all of your friends and neighbors to recycle as well.

If your waste hauler of choice does not support residential pickup of recyclables, please make arrangements to take your recyclables to one of the Citrus County Recycling Drop Off Centers (i.e. Lion's Club in Homosassa Springs) or to the Hernando County Waste Management Facility on US 98.

If your waste hauler of choice does support residential pickup of recyclables, please take advantage of the service offering and use it.

We all need to do our part to protect our environment for future generations. Your support and cooperation will be appreciated.

Community Outreach Program Meetings

The Sugarmill Woods Civic Association has scheduled a number of Community Outreach Program meetings through May, 2010. We are working on the meetings for June and July now. We encourage you to participate and take advantage of the opportunity to meet these community leaders. It is a great learning experience about how government is working for you. Please note the dates and times on your calendar and try to attend.

Tuesday, March 30, 2010 - **Citrus County Commissioner Dennis Damato, District 1**, is the guest speaker from **6:30 PM to 7:45 PM at the Sugarmill Woods Country Club.**

Wednesday, April 14, 2010 - **Citrus County Water Resources and UF/IFAS Extension** officials will be hosting a Water Conservation and Management Workshop from **1:00 PM to 4:00 PM at the Sugarmill Woods Country Club.**

Tuesday, April 20, 2010 - **Citrus County Sheriff Jeff Dawsy** is the guest speaker from **6:30 PM to 7:45 PM at the Sugarmill Woods Country Club.** Also on hand will be the **Sugarmill Woods Crime Watch** team to give a brief talk about their volunteer organization and how you can help.

Tuesday, May 4, 2010 - **Citrus County Supervisor of Elections, Susan Gill**, is the guest speaker from **6:30 PM to 7:45 PM at the Sugarmill Woods Country Club.**

Tuesday, May 18, 2010 - **Citrus County Emergency Operations Center Director, Captain Joseph Eckstein** is the guest speaker from **6:30 PM to 7:45 PM at the Sugarmill Woods Country Club.** He will address Hurricane Preparedness among other things to help get us prepared in case a disaster strikes. Also on hand will be the **Sugarmill Woods Community Emergency Response Team (CERT)** to give a brief talk about their volunteer organization and how you can help.

Please encourage your friends and neighbors to attend with you to meet these community leaders and learn more about Citrus County and the organizations that provide services to you. We hope to see you there.

Sincerely,

Duane Dueker, President, Sugarmill Woods Civic Association

cc: Cypress Village POA, Oak Village Association, Southern Woods POA