



Summer 2013

SMOKE SIGNALS

VILLAGE OF TEQUESTA
NEWSLETTER

From the Desk of Abby Brennan

Mayor



What is Tequesta?
Where is Tequesta?
Why do you live in Tequesta?

Perhaps you have been asked at least one of these questions since living in the Village. I certainly have, and the answers I often give are... "It's a lovely little Village," "It's located in

the northeast corner of Palm Beach County," and if I still get that blank stare, I might add "near Jupiter." Why do I live in Tequesta? "Because I love it here and I can't imagine living anywhere else." But what does that really mean?

The Village of Tequesta is "naturally beautiful." It's bordered by Jonathan Dickinson State Park to the north, the Intracoastal Waterway and Atlantic Ocean to the east and the Loxahatchee River to the south and west. Tequesta's close proximity to international airports, major universities and world-class medical care facilities allows easy access to these vital services and presents options found in much larger cities. Within minutes of our homes, we boat, fish, camp, worship, dine, attend A-rated schools, take acting classes, watch performing arts and enjoy an array of water sports. The list goes on and on.

In the Village, we are cared for by highly skilled and dedicated fire/rescue professionals with the best response time in the County. In addition to protecting our homes and families, members of our police department stop to chat with residents and take time to get to know our kids. Our parks and recreation department produces events that appeal to all ages and surpass those held in much larger communities. Classes, camps and park amenities are first-rate and highly attended. Our water plant provides ultra-high quality water that assures we will have an adequate supply of the most precious and endangered natural resource in the State. Staff members in every department are committed to excellence and to serving us with enthusiasm and the highest levels of professionalism. Yet...

I live in the Village because it is an extraordinary community of individuals who care. We care about each other and we care about Tequesta. We come from all walks of life and from age ranges that span a century. We live in "real" neighborhoods and we know each other's names and, most likely, the dog's name too. We walk, run and bike with our families. We stroll over the Tequesta Drive Bridge and play in the parks. We know it's unlikely to get a quick trip into Publix since we're sure to run into people we know and stop to chat. And we like it that way because...

THIS IS TEQUESTA.

Abby Brennan
Mayor

TEQUESTA'S SUNSHINE

Under the theme "You are Tequesta's sunshine," 114 volunteers and the Wild 95.5 Morning Show were recognized by the Village on April 25th for their unwavering support of Village events and activities. Volunteer service ranged from sitting on various boards and assisting departments, to providing help at events such as Tequesta Fest and the Fire Department's annual Chili cook-off. The event was flawless, the weather was beautiful, and the volunteers left the event with no doubts about how special they are to the Village. John Terzakis from the Public Safety pension board was inspired to send the organizers the following note:



"I would like to take a moment to thank the Mayor, the Village and those of you who helped put on the Volunteer Appreciation Event last week at Constitution Park. Everything was great; the food, the desserts, and of course the 'family' spirit. I do realize how much work goes into these events, even though you and your team make it appear like a 'snap'. I can't begin to tell you how much that gesture of appreciation means to the many people that give of their time willingly and unselfishly to benefit the town they love. It was quite evident as I looked around and saw all the smiles and laughter from those who attended."

But who are these individuals and groups of people and why do they volunteer? They range in age from as young as "twens" to whatever age they feel they are still able to provide a service. They include residents who simply have a desire to give back to their community, non-residents who identify and support Village undertakings, students needing community service hours, employees and their families, and many others. We invite you to meet David & Victorea Worley, a pair of twins who began volunteering for Parks & Recreation at 10



years old, while still in fifth grade. Along with their dad, also David, they have been stalwarts for the Village. Mom, Kathleen works for the Parks & Recreation department and she describes them as her "right and left hands at the recreation events, camps and other programs."



They have only kept records of their volunteer hours since starting high school in 2010, and in just 3 years David has logged over 400 hours and Victorea, almost 300! Both have ridden as elves for the Santa Ride, volunteered at the summer and winter camps and helped set up and clean up for events. David has also been the Easter Bunny at the Bunny Hop 4 times but has logged most of his hours in the concession stand at events, making popcorn, cooking hot dogs, selling candy, snow cones and chips. His twin sister, Victorea has been a photographer at events, helped in the concession, volunteered in the craft areas and helped children write letters to Santa at the annual Holiday in the Park event. Kathleen, who just began her tenth year with the department, says plainly, "I couldn't have done my job without the help of my husband David and my two children. Our volunteers are the legs we stand on...not just my husband and kids...but all of our volunteers are immensely important to making it possible for our paid staff to do their job."

The names of all our current volunteers are printed on the next page and residents are asked to say a few words of appreciation to them if you recognize them, as many of the departments could not offer the level of service, and stage the number of activities that they currently do, without their invaluable assistance.

PHOTOS: **Top Right:** David Worley receives his sunshine certificate from Mayor Abby Brennan. **Top Middle:** Chief Elg greets a future volunteer. **Lower Top Right:** Carl Hansen from the General Employee Pension Board receives his sunshine certificate from Mayor Brennan while Council member Steve Okun looks on. **Bottom Left:** Citizen on Patrol (COP) volunteer Ethel Gravett and Mayor Brennan. **Bottom Middle Right:** At Egg Hunt 2013, 16 year old David played the Easter Bunny and is seen posing with twin sister Victorea and mom Kathleen, with Donald & Daisy in the background. **Bottom Left:** David and Victoria volunteering as elves at age 12.

Safer Homes, Fewer Burns



On Thursday June 6th from 8am-4pm, Tequesta Fire-Rescue will be conducting one of its many public outreach programs to help residents understand the potential hazards that can lead to fire and burn-related injuries. They have teamed up with Florida Power & Light (FPL), Palm Beach County Fire Rescue, and Jupiter Medical Center (JMC) for this program called "Safer Homes, Fewer Burns." Due to the amount of area needed for equipment staging and media coverage, they will be staging this affair at Burt Reynolds Park located at 805 N. U.S. Highway 1, Jupiter. A number of elected officials and managers will also be on hand to meet, greet and assist residents.

Letters are being sent to homes in a geographical area of Tequesta and Jupiter and the first 50 residents to respond will also get a sweep (inspection) of their homes. The inspection teams will consist of four persons (two FPL representatives, one fire-rescue inspector and one local electrician). FPL representatives will check for electrical hazards, hot water heater temps, and shrubbery removal while our fire-rescue personnel will install smoke detectors & fire extinguishers (all donated), and JMC will be providing hospital personnel to educate on the treatment of burns. Tequesta Fire-Rescue remains steadfast in its commitment to keeping our residents safe!

Spay/Neuter Animals and SaveAPet



SaveAPet.com is an organization that traps, neuters, vaccinates, chips and marks cats who are located within certified feral cat colonies in Village. This group will do this for free and is willing to come out to area Home Owners Associations and other associations to discuss their feral cat concerns and explain how they can assist.



POPPY AWARENESS

In their desire to educate the public of the meaning of the Poppy, the American Legion Auxiliary Unit 271, located at 775 U.S. HWY 1, honored our veterans on May 4th and 5th by presenting the Poppy (the Memorial Flower) to the public at various store locations. Unit 271 also has a "Little Miss Poppy," 9-year old Kayle Van Balveren, who passed out poppies and is scheduled to march in the parade on Memorial Day at Riverside Memorial Cemetery.

The Poppy is distributed to the public under the supervision of the American Legion Auxiliary by approximately 125,000 volunteer workers who receive no compensation. Every penny received from the Poppy distributions goes to the veterans and their families.

TEQUESTA'S SUNSHINE VOLUNTEERS

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Volunteers

Parks & Recreation

Heather Vaughn
Luke Ackerman
Robin Arena
Vince Arena, Jr.
Chris Banker
Malina Bartoletti
Richard Black
Kailee Castillo
Ed Charmack
Linda Charmack

Austin Cooper
Chandler England
Haley Fekete
Caroline Hinterberger
William Kelly
Jack Krasulak
Cassie Lofquist
Christley McGirt
Isabella Murgio
Sarah Newcomm
Marcia Nielson
Nadia Ponce
Mackenzie Ranger
Tyler Sansone
Christina Schuler
Powell Smith
Smykowski
Carol Smykowski
Michelle Smykowski
Riley Snowney
Kathy Townsend*

Clay Tress
Nicole Valli
Michelle Vanore
Heather Vaughn
David C. Worley
David W. Worley
Victoria Worley

Chaplains

Pastor Paul Beresford
Pastor Kieron Sharpe

General Overall

Jim Humpage

Village Clerk's Office

Nick McWilliams

Police Department

Monica Ayer
Ethel Gravett
Sharon Kachur
William Plank
Terri Saunders
Barbara Scully
Raymond Thomas

Fire Department

Peter Allen
Scott Bass
Tom Berg
Joanne Burnsed
Tara Cardoso
Travis Coyne
Adam Evans
Mark Fives
Cheryl Foley
Gary Harris
Lisa Hygma

Steve Jerauld

Josh Kitti
John Kostyo
John Landess
Shelli Lockhart
(WPBF 25)

Bo Major
Nikki Major
Dave McGovern
Pat Nawrocki

Mark Palmieri

Emily Pantelides

(CBS 12)

Kait Parker
Luann Roberts
Neil Robinson
Angie Schumacher
Dennis Schumacher
Travis Heltra
Mary Spreigl
Adam Stark
Steven Talpesh

Sarah Taylor
Van Tilles
Kathy Townsend*
James Tribe
Diego Valencia
Carmen Weinand
Emily Weinand
James Weinand
Will 95.5

Morning Show
Kris Wilhelm
Paul Young

Board of

Adjustment

Matt Belger
Ward Berthoff
Paul Brienza (Vice-Chair)
Leslie Dasher
Randy Kage
Jon Newman
Dr. Steve Pullon (Chair)

Planning & Zoning

Steven Eagen
James Hackett (Chair)
Eric Jolly
Sebastian Loaita
Elizabeth Schauer
Michael Schmidt
Janet Strand

General Employee

Pension

Carl Hansen
Cary Levine
Michael Rhodes (Chair)

Public Safety Pension

Ed Sabin (Chair)
John Terrakis
Robert Young

History

Pattie Campbell
Bethany Humpage (Chair)
Pauline Hutchinson
Bob Jacks
Leo Resnik

Tequesta Resident Roy Thomas Receives Master Florist Award

Everyone hears about Tiger Woods winning trophies or the Maltz Jupiter Theatre winning Caribonell awards; however, in the world of flowers, Tequesta has its very own award winning designer. Roy Thomas, owner of Anna Flowers of Jupiter, recently received the designation of being a Master Florist by Florist's Transworld Delivery (FTD). Out of over 20,000 FTD florists around the nation, only 208 received this honor. This is not the first award the creative floral designer has received. Within the past several years, he has also been recognized by Teleflora as a TOP 2000 designer nationwide in 2010 and 2011. FTD also selected Thomas and his creative designers as one of its Top 1000 members in the United States in 2010.

"The annual rankings are based on quantity of sales, quality of products and services, and overall customer satisfaction" said Thomas. The comments can range from freshness of the flowers to delivery problems. We strive to create an exact replica of the arrangements that are displayed online and produce it with fresh flowers that are delivered daily. These are well recognized floral displays for every occasion that our designers hand arrange in keepsake vases, knowing that the end result is bound to please the recipients. This is especially reassuring for customers calling from out of town. However, many of our local customers love to select their own flowers for our team to create for weddings or any occasion.



Thomas is also known for his personally designed creations including a wide range of floral cakes for all occasions, dish gardens and fanciful wedding designs. "When my daughter, Megan, got married, I selected a Florida color scheme and Roy created floral center pieces and bridal party bouquets that were just perfect," said local Tequesta resident, Donnie Quigley. He recently created fantastic arrangements and corsages for the Gala 10-year Anniversary Celebration for the Maltz Jupiter Theatre. Floral arrangements can be selected online at annaflowersjupiter.com or by calling 561 746-1288.

Got a Question? Find contact information at:

tequesta.org

Visit the "Document Imaging Center" located via the Website to see the following agenda items in their entirety.



Hurricane Season Tips from Tequesta Fire Rescue

Hurricane season officially begins on June 1st and continues through Nov 30th. While Tequesta Fire-Rescue works hard to guarantee that we remain ready at all times for our residents, we take this time of year to ensure that all of our plans are up-to-date and our equipment is ready to go.

We encourage all of our residents to do the same. Some of the things that you should consider when updating your hurricane plans are:

- Make a family communications plan
- Learn the flood areas and when you would evacuate
- Inspect and inventory hurricane shutters
- Trim trees and shrubs to make them more wind resistant
- Clear rain gutters and downspouts
- Service and test your generator if you have one
- Determine how and where to secure your boat
- Photograph, video tape and inventory your valuables
- Find a secure place for your important papers
- Ensure that you have a plan for your pets if you need to evacuate
- Have a way to backup your computer and be able to take that backup with you

A well thought out plan will reduce anxiety and stress before the event and ensure that you will be able to recover more quickly afterwards. While the Tequesta Fire-Rescue Department stands ready to assist, the responsibility for preparing for this year's hurricane season lies with you. For more information you can contact the Fire Department at (561) 768-0550 or view our hurricane information at www.tequesta.org.

Palm Beach County Special Needs Shelter

As residents begin preparing for another Hurricane Season, Tequesta's Fire-Rescue Department would like to make our residents aware of the County's Special Needs Shelter, operated by Palm Beach County for persons with special medical needs including those who require medical equipment dependent on electricity, insulin dependent diabetics, those who are immobile and those with chronic stable illnesses. Pre-registration is required and we are asking our residents to apply as soon as possible.

To apply or obtain further information please contact Palm Beach County Emergency Management at (561) 712-6400. Applicants will receive a form that needs to be completed and signed by your physician and returned to Emergency Management. Residents will then be contacted by Palm Beach County Emergency Management and advised if they qualify and how the program works. Transportation to the shelter, if needed, is provided by Palm Beach County Emergency Management.

Additionally, Palm Tran operates a program called the Disabled Transportation Assistance Program for those who do not qualify for a Special Needs Shelter but are otherwise disabled and live in an evacuation zone, which includes all of Tequesta. Those residents can arrange for transportation to a regular Red Cross Shelter by contacting Palm Tran Connection at (561) 649-9838. We urge you to register now.



Melanie McDonald is a 7 year old first grader at Good Shepherd School who felt inspired to share her feelings about Constitution Park. Her piece was entitled - "Thanks for making this such a great place"



PRESENTATIONS / PROCLAMATIONS

- Palm Beach County Commissioner Hal Valeche, District 1
- Public Safety Pension Board on Funding Status and performance
- Military Family and Community Covenant Day
- National Public Safety Telecommunications Week

AGREEMENTS

- Terracon Services, Inc. Contract to provide mowing, fertilization, pest management, trimming and detail maintenance services for South Beach Road/Southside
- Software One, Inc., software licensing renewal agreement to open a new vendor account for I.T
- Palm Beach County Law Enforcement Agencies Combined Operational Assistance and Voluntary Cooperation Mutual Aid Agreement
- Altec Roofing, Inc. Contract/Proposal for roofing repairs at 465 Seabrook, Fire Station 11
- Security 101 Alarm Monitoring Options Agreement for the Water Treatment Plant
- TAW Power Systems Group Proposal for Generator Maintenance for Public Safety
- Florida Department of Health, EMS Matching Grant Application with the Village of Tequesta
- Dailey and Associates, Inc. services related to Annexation
- ICMA's 401a Administrative Services Agreements

ORDINANCES

- Ordinance 1-13, Adopted a Small Scale Amendment to its Comprehensive Development Plan in Accordance with the Mandates set forth in Section 163.3187, Et. Seq., F.S. Pursuant to a Village Initiated Amendment No. LUPA 1-13, which Provides for an Amendment to the Future Land Use Map, Designating Zero Point Seven Three (0.73) Acres More or Less of Land Recently Annexed into the Village Located at 19578, 19590, and 19600 U.S. Highway #1, as "Commercial"
- Ordinance 2-13, Provided for the Re-zoning of Certain Real Property within the Corporate Limits of the Village of Tequesta, Florida; which Property Consists of Zero Point Seven Three (0.73) Acres More or Less of Land Recently Annexed into the Village Located at 19578, 19590, and 19600 U.S. Highway #1; Providing that this Real Property which is more Specifically Described herein shall be Assigned the Village Zoning Designation of "C-2 Community Commercial District"
- Ordinance 3-13, Updated the Village's Comprehensive Development Plan Capital Improvements Element Five Year Capital Improvements Schedule in Accordance with Section 163.3177(3)(b), F.S. Providing that the Text, as Amended or Revised, shall be Substituted for and Replace in Full the Existing Text in the Adopted Capital Improvements Element
- Ordinance 4-13, Amended the Village Code of Ordinances at Chapter 1. General Provisions by Amending Sec. 1-14 General Penalty; Continuing Violations. To Eliminate Reference to Imprisonment and by Conforming this Section to the Penalties Otherwise Imposed Pursuant to the Village's Code Enforcement Process
- Ordinance 5-13, Revised Permitted Hours of Operation for Businesses that Sell Alcoholic Beverages for On-Site Consumption; Cross Referencing Location Requirements for such Businesses with Chapter 78. Zoning; Clarifying the Variance Process for such Locations; and Revising Public Consumption Permit Requirements in Association with Village Sponsored Events
- Ordinance 8-13, Second Reading, Amended the Village Code of Ordinances by Creating an Entirely New Chapter 4. Alarms. Relocating Code Regarding Alarm Systems Previously Contained in Chapter 26. Emergency Services; and by Eliminating Annual Alarm Registration Fees
- Ordinance 9-13, Second Reading, Amended the Village Code of Ordinances at Chapter 26. Emergency Services, by Repealing this Chapter in its Entirety and Re-adopting it with a New Title "Emergency Management" to provide for Emergency Management of Natural, Technological and other Emergencies and Disasters, as well as Management of Civil Disturbances and Disorders; Providing that each and every other Section and Subsection of Chapter 26. Shall Remain in Full Force and Effect as Previously Adopted
- Ordinance 10-13, Second Reading, Amended the Village Code of Ordinances at Chapter 18. Civil Emergencies, by Repealing this Chapter in its Entirety

RESOLUTIONS

- Resolution 3-13, Appropriated Funds in the Amount of \$130,002.81 for FEC Railroad Crossing Maintenance at Tequesta
- Drive, Milepost 281+4096
- Resolution 4-13, Amended the Fiscal Year 2013 General Fund #001 and Water Fund #401 Budgets to Recognize Revenue from FMIT and Fund A Beautification/Branding Project

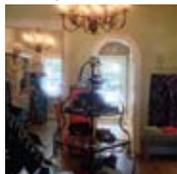
MISC

- Approved:
 - Personnel Policy – Student Internship Program
 - Consideration of Jupiter High School Project Graduation's Donation Request
- Reorganized Council and nominated New Mayor
- Held welcome reception for newly hired Police Chief Elg
- Discussed:
 - Annexation Processes for:
 - Area C Residents
 - Sandpointe Bay
 - 2012/2013 Budget
 - 2013/2014 Budget
 - Florida Municipal Insurance Rebate
 - Right-of-Way Improvements and Code Compliance Issues
 - Suppression of Feral Cats
 - Procuring Grants
 - Branding Efforts
 - Beautification League
 - Tequesta Charter School
 - Changes of Authority in the Planning and Zoning Board
 - Volunteer Appreciation Event
- Ordinance 6-13, Amended the Village Code of Ordinances at Chapter 10. Animals, by Revising the Definition of "At Large" and Providing a New Definition for the Term "Feral Cat", and Prohibiting the Feeding of Feral Cats; Further Revising the Code Regarding Number of Household Pets, and by Creating a New Classification and Certain Requirements for Aggressive, Dangerous and Vicious Dogs; Providing that each and every other Section and Subsection of Chapter 10. Animals. Shall Remain in Full Force and effect as Previously Adopted - Council will be re-addressing this ordinance on 2nd reading during the May Council Meeting.

Open NEW TEQUESTA BUSINESSES

12 new businesses opened in Tequesta over the last quarter, with 4 accepting our invitation to be featured. The other 8 were AVV Marine Service, Harlow in Paris, JBS Construction Inc., Julie Burkard Interiors, MMAP, Marsh Lawn & Landscaping LLC, Seymour Clearly LLC, and Sue Fazio Art Gallery.

Envy of Palm Beach Inc.



Envy of Palm Beach Inc is a quaint boutique featuring ladies clothing, accessories and gifts for all ages! We specialize in small designers to offer our customers exclusive and unique finds. Envy recently relocated to beautiful Tequesta from the island of Palm Beach. We are located at 376 Tequesta Drive in Gallery Square South and look forward to meeting our neighbors. Visit us Monday through Saturday from 10-5, or call for an appointment. Join our mailing list to be the first to know about our trunk shows, special events and sales. Envyofpalmbeach.com; (561) 744-9700.

Bamboo You, LLC Inc.



Want to try something new? Why not try Bamboo; Bamboo Massage that is. Local resident, Stephanie Wilson, has merged the past with the present in her new practice. Heated Bamboo Massage is a technique for anyone wanting a relaxing and luxurious spa massage or for persons desiring serious deep-tissue work. Throughout the massage, several different heated pieces of compressed bamboo are used to work the tension out of each muscle, with long fluid strokes used to stretch and compress both muscle and tissue. Stephanie combines the modalities of Swedish, Deep Tissue, Lymphatic Drainage and Neuromuscular

Therapy to relax your sore muscles and relieve the day's stresses. Whether you prefer our tranquil spa setting or the convenience of your home, we will tailor a session to meet your needs. Call (561) 221-6099 to book an appointment and remember to ask about our introductory special.

Gun Ho! Mikelen SA



Gun Ho! is proud to announce the opening of its new showroom and retail store located at 255 S.US HWY 1 in the Village Square Plaza. The new state of the art store has all the latest gear for law enforcement, sports enthusiasts, collectors and security professionals. Gun Ho! is a family owned and operated company founded in 1998 as an export/import arms dealer catering to gun collectors and Museums worldwide. Throughout the years, in order to meet the needs of local and state law enforcement agencies, we expanded the business to include our new retail location. Gun Ho! is a division of

MIKELN SA, named to better represent our business to our retail clientele. As class III dealers, in addition to our wide selection of pistols, revolvers and machine guns, we also offer concealed weapons classes and individual training as NRA certified instructors along with offer special pricing for our neighbors.

Pages and Stories, LLC



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Spotlight on RESTAURANTS



"We are so excited to be nearing Hog Snappers' 4th Anniversary in our Tequesta location. It's hard to believe it has been so long since we first opened our doors! It seems like just yesterday. It certainly hasn't been the easiest of roads, with the most recent economic recession impacting everyone, but we were blessed to be able to carry the restaurant through it all, and couldn't have done it without the dedicated loyalty of our local patrons."

When Hog Snappers opened in August of 2009, it occupied a single 1,700 sq ft. bay in the Village Square Shopping Center. Before they knew it, owners Chef Arthur and Melanie besieged their space and when the tenant beside them vacated in April 2012, they knocked down the walls and acquired another 1,000 sq ft. of breathing room. Through many trials and tribulations, they were able to stay open throughout the renovation project and at the one-year anniversary of the expansion, they now feel like they are "dialed in" with what they feel creates a nice home-grown atmosphere for their guests.

"I first met my wife, and co-owner, Melanie while serving as executive Chef at the old Carmine's Ocean Grill in Palm Beach Gardens. Combining our distinct love to create and serve exquisite dishes, we felt called to begin Hog Snappers and although we have owned and operated in Tequesta for 4 years, we became full-time residents of the Village in late 2012. We absolutely love everything about the community and we look forward to being here for a long time."



A character from carnival in Colombia, painted by Arthur's brother. All the paintings at the restaurant are done by his brother Yaso, and father Armondo.

For those unfamiliar with the Hog Snappers menu, they offer a cuisine with a wide variety of inspiration. There is a fusion inspired by Arthur's native Colombian culinary foundation, coupled with his training at the French Culinary Institute in New York. Finally, they top it off with an Asian component highlighted by a selection of sushi dishes that they've crafted themselves. The menu constantly evolves with the idea to create a dining experience offering something for everyone, no matter what kind of mood they are in. For more menu detail, peruse their website: www.hogsnappers.com.

Chef Rivaldo and Hog Snappers are making waves in the Tequesta philanthropic scene as well, partnering up with the Connor Moran Foundation to form "Hog Me," an entity dedicated to providing meals to those less fortunate in the Palm Beach and Martin County areas. He is also in the planning stages of another restaurant concept, opening not far from Hog Snappers in November of 2013. Stay tuned!

"We are excited to see what the future holds for both our restaurant, and our family. We truly thank the Village of Tequesta from the bottom of our hearts for all our success. We owe it all to our friends and patrons who continue to make the experience what it is today. As truly a "Mom and Pop" organization, there's no place we'd rather be. Stop on by....we hope to serve you soon!"

SUMMER STUDENT INTERNSHIP

The Village of Tequesta's student internship program is designed to provide for the training needs of the intern, while at the same time meeting the organizational needs of the Village of Tequesta. Interns make a short-term commitment to work at the Village in order to achieve learning goals and gain experience and exposure in their field of interest. The Village of Tequesta in turn, commits to providing the intern with a learning experience, specific work assignments, and training. We currently have openings in the following departments:

- ADMINISTRATION
- HUMAN RESOURCES
- INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
- POLICE
- VILLAGE CLERK

Visit
www.tequesta.org
to learn more.

THE VILLAGE OF TEQUESTA BEAUTIFICATION LEAGUE



Residents Invited To Join!

Advantages For Students:

Earn Community Service hours by planting flowers.

Contact:

Janet McCorkle • 561-768-0482 • jmccorkle@tequesta.org

EMPLOYEE MOVEMENTS March 2013 - April 2013

JOINING US

Name	Department	Position	Starting Date
John Lundgren	Public Works	P/T Maintenance Worker	3/11/2013

LEAVING US

Name	Department	Position	Departure Date
Russell White	Public Works/Water Dist.	Public Services Manager	3/16/2013

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Village of Tequesta Flood Protection Information

Important note: Any alteration to your building or land requires a permit from the Community Development Department. Even regrading or filling in the floodplain requires a permit.

If you know a flood is coming, you should shut off the gas and electricity and move valuable contents upstairs or to higher elevations. It is unlikely that you will get much warning so a detailed checklist prepared in advance would help ensure that you don't forget anything.

Flooding in our Village can come from different sources: Tidal surges associated with Hurricanes, South Florida heavy storms, blocked or clogged drainage pipes and ditches. Floodwaters can span many blocks at one time covering streets, yards, garages, cars and lower floor levels. Flooding can come with little warning; a stalled frontal system dropped over 15 inches of rain on Tequesta over a 39-hour period in October 1995. On Saturday January 2, 1999, a cold front stalled over the northern part of Palm Beach County and produced an intense rain event. Between 18 and 22 inches of rain fell in the northern third of the county over a 12 to 18-hour period. Your property may be high enough that it was not flooded during these events. However, it can still be flooded in the future because the next flood could be worse. If you are in the floodplain, the odds are that someday your property will be damaged. Please read on for some ideas of what you can do to protect yourself.

Village Flood Information:

The first thing you should do is check your flood hazard. Flood maps and flood protection references are available at the Public Library. You can also visit the Community Development Department at Village Hall to see if you are in a mapped floodplain. If so, they can give you more information, such as depth of flooding over a building's first floor, past flood problems in the area, and copies of elevation certificates on buildings built in the floodplain since 1991. Even if you are not in a floodplain, there still may be some risk of flooding. If requested, the Community Development personnel will visit your property to review its potential flood problems and explain ways to stop flooding or prevent flood damage. Call the Department at 561-768-0450. These services are free. If you are in a floodplain or have had a flood, drainage or sewer backup problem, check out these sources of assistance.

What You Can Do:

Several of the Village's efforts depend on your cooperation and assistance. Here is how you can help:

1. Do not dump or throw anything into the ditches or storm drains. Dumping in our ditches and storm drains is a violation of Village of Tequesta Code of Ordinances section 74-242. Even grass clippings and branches can accumulate and plug drainage facilities. A plugged drainage facility cannot carry water and when it rains the water has to go somewhere. Every piece of trash contributes to flooding.
2. If your property is next to a ditch or drainage facility, please do your part and keep the banks clear of brush and debris. The Village has a storm water maintenance program which can help remove major blockages such as downed trees.
3. If you see dumping or debris in the ditches or streams, contact the Public Works Department at 561-768-0483.
4. Always check with the Building Department before you build on, alter, regrade, or fill on your property. A permit may be needed to ensure that projects do not cause problems on other properties.
5. If you see building or filling without a permit sign posted, contact the Building Dept. at 561-768-0450.
6. Check out the following information on flood proofing, flood insurance and flood safety.

Flood Proofing:

There are several different ways to protect a building from flood damage. One way is to keep the water away by regrading your lot or building a small floodwall or earthen berm. These methods work if your lot is large enough, if flooding is not too deep, and if your property is not in the floodway. The Community Development Department can provide this information. Another approach is to make your walls waterproof and place watertight closures over the doorways. This method is not recommended for houses if water will get over two feet deep. A third approach is to raise the house above flood levels. Many houses, even those not in the floodplain, have sewers that back up during heavy rains. Talk to a plumber about a plug or standpipe, overhead sewers or a backup valve which can stop this from occurring. These measures are called flood proofing or retrofitting. More information is available on line from FEMA's website or at the Public Library.

Flood Insurance:

If you don't have flood insurance, talk to your insurance agent. Homeowner's insurance policies do not cover damage from floods. However, because the Village of Tequesta participates in the National Flood Insurance Program you can purchase a separate flood insurance policy. This insurance is backed by the Federal government and is available to everyone, even for properties that have been flooded. Some people have purchased flood insurance because it was required by the bank when they got a mortgage or home improvement loan. Usually these policies just cover the building's structure and not the contents. During the kind of flooding that happens in Tequesta, there is usually more damage to the furniture and contents than there is to the structure. If you are covered, double-check that the building coverage is adequate and make sure you have contents coverage.

Remember: Even if the last flood missed you or you have done some flood proofing, the next flood could be worse. Flood insurance covers all surface floods.

Don't wait for the next flood to buy insurance:

Don't wait for the next flood to buy insurance protection: There is a 30-day waiting period before National Flood Insurance Program coverage takes effect. Contact your insurance agent for more information on rates and coverage.



FLOOD SAFETY

Do not walk through flowing water. Drowning is the number one cause of flood deaths, mostly during flash floods. Currents can be deceptive; six inches of moving water can knock you off your feet. If you walk in standing water, use a pole or stick to ensure that the ground is still there.

Do not drive through a flooded area. More people drown in their cars than anywhere else. Don't drive around road barriers; the road or bridge may be washed out.

Stay away from power lines and electrical wires. The number two flood killer after drowning is electrocution. Electrical current can travel through water. Report downed power lines to the Power Company or the Tequesta Police Department.

Have your electricity turned off by the Power Company. Some appliances, such as television sets, keep electrical charges even after they have been unplugged. Don't use appliances or motors that have gotten wet unless they have been taken apart, cleaned, and dried.

Look before you step. After a flood, the ground and floors are covered with debris including broken bottles and nails. Floors and stairs that have been covered with mud can be very slippery.

Be alert for gas leaks. Use a flashlight to inspect for damage. Don't smoke or use candles, lanterns, or open flames unless you know the gas has been turned off and the area has been ventilated.

ANNEXATION SPECIAL ELECTION

The Village of Tequesta is reaching out to residents of select neighboring communities with an invitation to join our Village. This continuous open dialogue process enables us to be sensitive to resident's concerns, supply critical decision-making information, and provide a forum for Village Council members and Staff to address questions and concerns about the process of joining the Village.

As a follow-up to the dialogue that we started last year, The Village will conduct an

Annexation Special Election on August 27, 2013.

Which unincorporated areas are included in the Annexation Special Election?

- Sandpointe Bay Condominium
- River Pines
- Riverside Pines (Colette Drive and Nicole Circle)
- Select Unplatted Area
- Riverside on the Loxahatchee

What are Important Upcoming Dates?

- June 13, 2013 - First Reading of Annexation Ordinance
- July 11, 2013 - Second Reading of Annexation Ordinance
- August 27, 2013 - Annexation Special Election (Referendum)

How can I get an Absentee ballot?

Absentee ballots are obtained by calling Palm Beach County Supervisor of Election 561-656-6200 or through their website www.pbcelections.org
OFFICE HOURS: 8:30 AM - 5:00 PM - Monday-Friday

What is the Deadline to Request an Absentee ballot?

August 21, 2013

What is the Deadline to Return an Absentee ballot?

August 27, 2013

Where?

Supervisor of Election office by 7:00 PM
240 South Military Trail, West Palm Beach, FL 33415

Mail to: P.O. Box 22309 West Palm Beach, FL 33416-2309
Satellite office by 5:00 PM

The nearest branch office is located at North County Courthouse
3188 PGA Blvd. Room 2401, Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33410.

What is Annexation?

Annexation is when neighboring communities join a municipality to enjoy the many benefits and amenities that are provided to its residents. The Village of Tequesta has initiated an open dialogue with neighboring communities about the advantages of joining the Tequesta Family.

Questions about Annexation?

Contact Nilza Zacarias, AICP, Director of Community Development Department
561.768.0457 • nzacarias@tequesta.org

Benefits & Advantages of Joining the Village of Tequesta



- Around-the-clock Neighborhood Police Patrols – 24/7/365
- Response-Time for Tequesta Police: 3-Minutes or Less
- Average PBC Sheriff Response-Time: 15 Minutes or More
- Stealth Police Bike-Patrols provide quiet watchful oversight
- Around-the-clock neighborhood vigilance through Village-wide Citizens-Watch
- While-you-are-away, closed-home safeguard check-ups by Tequesta Police
- Elimination of County MSTU Tax for Fire-Rescue Services
- Quickest Fire-Rescue response time in Palm Beach County
- Emergency cardiac response time & proficiency second-to-none!
- 60-seconds or less response-time for Sandpointe Bay Condominium
- Free preferred-access to park & recreation events
- Lower water utility fees for Residents – Non-residents pay a 25% surcharge while Residents pay only 9%.
- Quick access to local permitting and inspections. Minutes, not hours!
- Strong local government presence with quick and easy face-to-face dialog with Village Officials

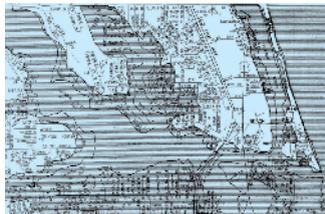
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About the Mandatory Purchase of Flood Insurance Requirement

The Village of Tequesta participates in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP), which makes federally backed flood insurance available for all eligible buildings, whether they are in a floodplain or not. Flood insurance covers direct losses caused by surface flooding, including a river flowing over its banks, ocean storm, and local drainage problems.

The NFIP insures buildings, including mobile homes, with two types of coverage: building and contents. Building coverage is for the walls, floors, insulation, furnace, and other items permanently attached to the structure. Contents coverage may be purchased separately, if the contents are in an insurable building.

Mandatory Purchase Requirement: The Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 and the National Flood Insurance Reform Act of 1994 made the purchase of flood insurance mandatory for federally backed mortgages on buildings located in Special Flood Hazard Areas (SFHAs). It also affects all forms of Federal or Federally related financial assistance for buildings located in SFHAs. The SFHA is the base (100-year) floodplain mapped on a Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM). It is shown as one or more zones that begin with the letter "A" or "V."



The rule applies to secured mortgage loans from such financial institutions as commercial lenders, savings and loan associations, savings banks, and credit unions that are regulated, supervised, or insured by Federal agencies such as the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation and the Office of Thrift Supervision. It also applies to all mortgage loans purchased by Fannie Mae or Freddie Mac in the secondary mortgage market.

Federal financial assistance programs affected by the laws include loans and grants from agencies such as the Department of Veterans Affairs, Farmers Home Administration, Federal Housing Administration, Small Business Administration, and the Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

How it Works: Lenders are required to complete a Standard Flood Hazard Determination (SFHD) form whenever they make, increase, extend or renew a mortgage, home equity, home improvement, commercial, or farm credit loan to determine if the building or manufactured (mobile) home is in an SFHA. It is the Federal agency's or the lender's responsibility to check the current Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) to determine if the building is in an SFHA. Copies of the FIRM are available for review in most local government building or planning departments. Lenders may also have copies or they use a flood zone determination company to provide the SFHD form.

The maps above illustrate potential flooding conditions associated with Hurricane storm surge.

If the building is in a SFHA, the Federal agency or lender is required by law to require the recipient to purchase a flood insurance policy on the building. Federal regulations require building coverage equal to the amount of the loan (excluding appraised value of the land) or the maximum amount of insurance available from the NFIP, whichever is less. The maximum amount available for a single-family residence is \$250,000. Government sponsored enterprises, such as Freddie Mac and Fannie Mae, have stricter requirements.

The mandatory purchase requirement does not affect loans or financial assistance for items that are not covered by a flood insurance policy, such as vehicles, business expenses, landscaping, and vacant lots. It does not affect loans for buildings that are not in an SFHA, even though a portion of the lot may be. While not mandated by law, a lender may require a flood insurance policy, as a condition of a loan, for a property in any zone on a FIRM.

If a person feels that a SFHD form incorrectly places the property in the SFHA, he or she may request a Letter of Determination Review from FEMA. This must be submitted within 45 days of the determination. More information can be found at:

http://www.fema.gov/plan/prevent/fhm/fq_gen11.shtm.

Flood insurance Map information from the NFIP is available for any property in the Village of Tequesta. More information on flood insurance is attached. This office has copies of FEMA Elevation Certificates for all buildings constructed in the SFHA since 1990. Questions on this letter and the Village's floodplain management program are welcome by visiting the Village of Tequesta, Community Development Department, located at 345 Tequesta Drive, Tequesta, FL, 33469 or by calling 561-768-0450. The Village's Community Development Number is 120228.



If the main building on your property is located in a Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA), Federal law requires that a flood zone determination be done as a condition of a federally backed mortgage to determine if the structure is in an SFHA and if so, to require flood insurance. It is up to the lender to determine whether flood insurance is required for a property.

If the main building on your property is not located in a Special Flood Hazard Area, the property may still be subject to local drainage problems or other unmapped flood hazard. Flood insurance from the NFIP is available at non-floodplain rates. A flood insurance policy can still be required by a lender.

NOTE: This notice does not imply that the referenced property will or will not be free from flooding or damage. A property not located in a Special Flood Hazard Area may be damaged by a flood greater than that predicted on the FIRM or from a local drainage problem not shown on the map. Everyone is entitled to Flood Insurance Protection even if your lender does not require it.