

THE VILLAGE

Emergency Management Edition

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Official Newsletter of The Village of Four Seasons

Summer 2021

A Message From Camden County Sheriff Tony Helms...

On August 3rd, 2021, the Camden County Sheriff's Office is asking the community to pass a 1/4 cent sales tax. This tax is specifically for the Sheriff's Office to fulfill a higher wage for the deputies, hire additional personnel and obtain equipment. The Sheriff's Office has and continues to struggle with recruitment and retention. We are a first-class county within the state of Missouri and continue to grow, but the current wage our deputies receive is at or below a 3rd class county wage. The need for additional funding is vital to continue and maintain a first-class department so we can continue to serve the community's needs. I would appreciate your support on August 3rd, 2021.

Camden County Emergency Response Team (CERT)

The CERT program educates volunteers about disaster preparedness for the hazards that may impact their area and trains them in basic disaster response skills such as fire safety, light search and rescue, team organization and disaster medical operations.

Any adult, group, or business can join. There is a teen program too!

You would not be an intentional first responder. CERT training does tell you what to do if you happen upon an accident, natural disaster or other emergency that takes place in your community until first responders arrive.

If you are interested in joining, training or for more details go to comocert.com.

New VFS EM Coordinator...

The Village of Four Seasons is so pleased to announce the new Emergency Management Coordinator Jerry Rader! He has over 20 years of EM experience in two cities in Illinois and 35 years as a Amateur Radio Operator!

He has recruited some outstanding volunteers from the Village including: Paul Rader who has over 20 years of EM experience in two cities in Illinois and 30 years as a Amateur Radio Operator also!

John McDonald who has 6 years in the US Army Reserve and worked in the medical division at Hewlett Packard and founded GMS Medical!

Susan Rader who has a public relations background and has volunteered for EM in Illinois in a clerical capacity!

Paulette Horr who has a background as a public information officer for a busy Colorado sheriff's dept. She has certifications in NIMS I200, I300, &1400 and has submitted a PIO Type 3 Task Book.!

We are so fortunate for these volunteers!

If you are interested in volunteering for the VFS EM please send an email to info@villageoffourseasons.com.

A Message From Lake Ozark Fire Protection District Chief Mark Amsinger...

When we are dispatched to an emergency, we are given the address. However, some of the time we run into the issue of not being able to locate the address because it is not posted where we can see it. This can delay our response to the incident.

Here are some tips that you can do to make sure we can find you if you have an emergency:

- Make sure that your residence has the correct address. This can be done by checking with the county.
- Make sure that the address is visible from the road. There are numerous homes that sit a distance from the road that may have the address on them, however we cannot see them from the road. This can be an issue where several homes use a common driveway but there is nothing at the top showing what addresses are down the driveway.
- When calling 911 from a cell phone, the address where you are calling from will not automatically come up for the dispatcher, so make sure you tell the dispatcher your address. The only time that the dispatcher will get the address of the caller is when someone uses a land line to call 911.
- Make sure that addresses on mailboxes are printed on each side, can be seen in the dark and bad weather; be sure the mailbox is in front of the right house or apartment.
- Place house numbers in areas uncovered by shrubs or trees and where the numbers stand out from the background.

Please help us help you. If you have any questions on addressing, please contact the district office at 573-365-3380 and we will be glad to help you!

A Message From Camden County Emergency Management Agency Deputy Director Samantha Henley...

Hello Village of Four Seasons Residents!

My name is Sam Henley and I'm the Deputy Director of Camden County, MO Emergency Management Agency. I have been working with the Village of Four Seasons, and a quickly-evolving team of your fellow residents to help prepare you for potential large-scale emergency situations! Some of your fellow residents have already taken or will be taking our Community Emergency Response Team training in August. We welcome anyone and everyone with the prerequisites to attend this free class as well!

Our goal is to assist you in preparing to care for yourselves, your families, and your neighbors for the first 72 hours of any large-scale emergencies. This will give overwhelmed first responders a chance to physically get to your location to provide support. As expected, first responders are focused on life safety first, so all of their initial efforts are geared to saving lives. This means minor injuries can be handled by our trained CERTs and others who will be your immediate support in your neighborhoods while you wait for the second wave of responders. We are also available to teach preparedness classes and give talks or lectures on preparedness in Camden County! The EMA's office is located at 12 VFW Rd. Camdenton, MO 65020 and we are open from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm, Monday-Friday. Please feel free to reach out to us at 573-346-7108, via email at sam_henley@camdenmo.org and through our website emacamdenmo.org with any questions or to access great information! We look forward to working with you!

What Can You Do To Be Prepared...

The Village of Four Seasons has promulgated with Camden County Emergency Management Agency and will operate under Camden Counties Emergency Plan. It is a real possibility that during a major event Federal, State and County aid may not be able to assist for three days depending on the circumstance. Furthermore due to having only one ingress/egress point on Horseshoe Bend we have started developing a plan to assist our residents during this time. The Village realizes that regardless of how prepared we are, it is unrealistic to be able to assist all residents and visitors no matter what time of year. It is our hope you will take steps to prepare your home, car and family. If you are prepared, this would allow the volunteers to focus on the elderly, sick, injured and other emergency needs that could occur. Here are some suggestions on how you can do this:

- Pick up an Emergency Preparedness Quick Chart at the Village Hall at 133 Cherokee Road, Four Seasons, MO showing how to prepare/react to natural disasters and who to contact for assistance.
- Stay at home until instructed otherwise. (Take pets with you if possible if you do leave)
- Listen to local news tv and radio (a battery powered or hand crank radio with extra batteries is a good thing to have on hand in the event of a power failure)
- In an emergency situation, texts may go thru when calls will not.
- Sign up for emergency alerts: Text your zip code to 888777 / Text LOFIRE to 59925
- Have a basic emergency kit ready.

Basic Emergency Kit For Your Home:

Water - one gallon of water per person per day, to last three days. Don't forget pets! Non perishable food—three-day supply of food per person. Dried or canned food with knife and can opener that doesn't need to be cooked. For infants, include formula and baby food. Food for pets and extra litter for cats.

Important documents (Identification tags and up-to-date vaccinations records for pets) Hand crank or battery-powered radio with extra batteries.

Flashlight with extra batteries.

List of prescription medications

First-aid kit including masks

Small fire extinguisher

Waterproof matches in waterproof container

Money, cash may be all that can be accepted

Change of clothes Household Bleach

Safety Notes:

Never use a generator indoors.

Install CO detectors throughout home.

Change batteries on CO and smoke detectors twice a year.

Basic Emergency Kit For Your Car:

Same as home kit and

Blankets

Sleeping bags

Shovel

Road Maps

Tow chain, cable or straps

Road flares

Jumper Cables

Whistle

Emergency Preparedness Quick-Chart

The Village of Four Seasons has a new reference chart with how to prepare/react in natural disasters and who to contact if you need assistance.

The goal of putting one in each condo unit located in the Village has accomplished four of the six projects to date! If you would like to do a neighborhood effort to get one in every home in your subdivision or on your street please email the clerk at info@villageoffourseasons.com.

THE VILLAGE OF FOUR SEASONS

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Board of Trustee Meetings

Regular Session Schedule 5:30 pm - 2nd Wednesday of the Month

Check our website for any possible changes at www.villageoffourseasons.com

Wednesday, January 13, 2021
Wednesday, February 10, 2021
Wednesday, March 10, 2021
Wednesday, April 14, 2021
Wednesday, May 12, 2021
Wednesday, June 9, 2021
Wednesday, July 14, 2021
Wednesday, August 11, 2021
Wednesday, September 8, 2021
Wednesday, October 13, 2021
Wednesday, November 10, 2021
Wednesday December 8, 2021

Board of Trustees

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"We, the Trustees believe it is important for all property owners in the Village of Four Seasons to be kept informed. Our goal is to offer you clear and accurate information so that you have all the facts regarding new ordinances, amenities and improvements as well as studies and plans for the future that may affect you and your property."

Town Hall Hours

Monday – Friday 8am – 4pm (Lunch 12pm-1pm) Inspectors Hours Mon—Tues—Thurs 8am- 3:30 pm Wednesday 8am—3:00pm Friday 8am - 12pm 573-365-3833 / Fax 573-365-5292