



FALL 2024

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THEY'RE FINALLY HERE!

A project we've been working on for over a year has finally come to fruition. We have installed all new signs at the entrances to Chalet Village as well as at each clubhouse. Everyone that has seen them really thinks they look great. Thank you to all that helped make this happen!



FALL GET TOGETHER

We are planning a fall get together for our owners. The date will be November 9th from 6 to 8 pm at the South Clubhouse. Light hors d'oeuvres will be served along with beer and wine. If you are interested in coming to network with other property owners in Chalet Village, the cost will be \$25 per couple/\$15 for singles. We hope to have one of our homeowners, who is a professional musician, perform. We must have at **least 50 paid** RSVP reservations by September 30th in order to make sure there is enough interest to put this together. Please email us at cvowners@aol.com, if you would like to attend and/or mail a check for the appropriate amounts above so we can plan this event.

2025 ANNUAL MEETING AND INVOICING

Mark your calendars, our annual meeting will be held on Saturday, April 26, 2025 at 10AM at the South Baden Clubhouse. More details will follow when bills for the annual fees go out in late January.

BEARS, BEARS, BEARS AND TRASH

2024 has certainly been an active year for the bears. They have been at and in every pool, and I'm sure at many of your properties, too. The guests love seeing them, but they do not understand that they are not "teddy bears" that can be petted. They are extremely quick and very quiet when approaching. As they have become more accustomed to being near humans, many of them have lost their fear.

Thanks to a \$3 million dollar investment by the City of Gatlinburg to replace all of the commercial dumpsters in the city, it has become almost impossible for the bears to ravage thru the dumpsters for "people" food. You can read about this program at: <https://www.gatlinburgtn.gov/article/1687915>. This program has caused the bears to look for easier sources of food like individual garbage can holders which are easier targets.

The City of Gatlinburg, the Smokies BearWise Task Force, and the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency recently hosted an Open House to educate the public and businesses on bear management practices. I attended along with several others from our Chalet Village Community. If you rent your property, you can get some very useful information from <https://bearwise.org/> and can purchase or download information to send to your guests or place in your property.

It is now the responsibility of individual homeowners to make sure the bears do not get in their individual garbage cans looking for food. We have been advised that we can no longer have garbage cans on our pool decks unless they are bear proof so we have removed all garbage cans from the pool decks and put them inside. Please do your part as property owners and make sure your garbage can holders are secure so that the bears don't get in them. People think just feeding the bears won't harm anything. That is wrong! **A Fed Bear is a Dead Bear!!!** It is illegal to feed bears in the city limits of Gatlinburg. We saw some renters get fined recently for feeding bears. Several bears in and around Gatlinburg have been euthanized this summer due to their interaction with people.

For those property owners in the County section of Chalet Village (which is mainly Chalet Village North) below are the new rules for overnight/short term trash disposal in the county and the location where overnight rental properties can dispose of their garbage.

Per Resolution 2023-10-03, which the Sevier County Board of Commissioners passed in October 2023, all short-term rental unit cleaning companies must pay a fee to dispose of the waste generated at the overnight rental units they clean. The fees for short-term rental unit cleaners at this site are broken down into three (3) levels:

- **Level 1 (\$10):** Pickup Truck Full Load, Short Trailer Full Load, Long Trailer Half Load, and Half Load Pickup Truck and Half Load Short Trailer
- **Level 2 (\$15):** Pickup Truck Over Limit, Short Trailer Over Limit, Long Trailer Full Load, and Pickup Truck Full Load and Short Trailer Full Load
- **Level 3 (\$20):** Pickup Truck with Rails, Short Trailer with Rails, and Pickup Truck Full Load and Long Trailer Full Load
- **Location and Hours of Operation**
Monday - Saturday: 9:00 AM - 7:00 PM
Sunday: 1:00 PM - 7:00 PM

Center View (Multipurpose) - Reopening Monday, August 26, 2024

951 Center View Road, Sevierville

More information on the County Trash Disposal can be found at:

https://www.seviercountyttn.gov/government/departments/services/solid_waste.php#:~:text=5%2DBag%20Limit%3A%20Each%20resident,family%20gatherings%2C%20or%20extensive%20cleaning.

If your property is located within the City Limits of Gatlinburg (within Chalet Village), your garbage is picked up three times per week by the City. You are also required to have an animal/bear proof container anywhere in Chalet Village if you put garbage out for collection. You can check your water bill from Gatlinburg to make sure you have garbage pickup services as it is billed on your water bill under Sanitation.

GATLINBURG LAUNCHES APP

The City of Gatlinburg is proud to announce the launch of its new mobile app, designed to enhance communication with residents and visitors, as well as provide seamless access to essential information.

The Gatlinburg mobile app is a one-stop resource for information to the City's operations. Users will find detailed information from all City departments, ensuring they have access to the latest updates, services, and resources at their fingertips.

The app is available for free for on both Apple's iOS and Google's Android platforms and can be downloaded in the Apple App Store or the Google Play Store.

To download the Apple iOS version of the app, please visit <https://apps.apple.com/.../city-of-gatlinburg/id6450066307>.

To download the Google Android version of the app, please visit <https://play.google.com/store/apps/details...>

Key features of the app include:

- **City Information:** Users can easily navigate through information from all City departments, ensuring they stay informed about key information, services, and initiatives. Users can also navigate the app to view information about each of the City's Departments, find live parking information at the City's two municipal parking garages, view jobs available within the City of Gatlinburg,
- **Push Notifications:** Users can stay updated with real-time push notifications for important information and alerts, including emergency communications. Whether it's a road closure, emergency alert, weather alert, or community event, users will receive timely updates directly on their mobile devices.
- **Bill Payment:** In addition to paying bills on the City of Gatlinburg's website, users of the mobile app can also make Utility Payments, Court Payments, Parking Tickets, and Property Taxes via the platform, which redirects users to the appropriate websites.
- **Dedicated Sections for Police and Fire Departments:** Gatlinburg's mobile app includes specialized sections for the Gatlinburg Police Department and the Gatlinburg Fire Department. Users can access important information regarding these departments, including safety information, community involvement, safety tips, and avenues for the public to commend personnel.
- **Enhanced Communication:** The app serves as a powerful tool for the city to communicate directly with its citizens and visitors. Through the app, individuals can communicate with the City to address issues – such as potholes, utility service problems, or other concerns.
- **Visitor Information:** The app also features a dedicated space for visitor information, which includes information on Trolleys, Parking, the Gatlinburg Convention and Visitors Bureau

(GCVB). The Visitor's Information Section also includes Gatlinburg's Visitors Guide, which is published by the GCVB, and Relocation Information.

FRAUD ALERT

Recently, I was made aware of a fraudulent sale of a piece of property in Chalet Village. This subject has been getting more attention in the news lately. Through our local Register of Deeds office, you can register to get alerts if anything is filed with the Sevier County Register of Deeds office that has your name on it. It's a free service. You just have to register your name with them at the link below:

https://www.seviercountyttn.gov/government/county_officials/register_of_deeds.php.

Scroll down to the "Fraud Alert" picture and click on it.

CLUB IMPROVEMENTS

The year started off with us replacing the pavers around the pools at the Alpine and South Baden Clubhouses. This was a very labor intensive process. We did a great deal of painting at all three of our facilities before we opened this year. Hopefully, you've been able to see how nice each of the 3 areas looked during this season. We also resurfaced the tennis courts at the North Clubhouse and turned one of the tennis courts into 2 pickleball courts. We have also added a permanent professional basketball goal to the tennis/pickleball courts at the North Clubhouse. Starting the week of September 9th, the North Clubhouse pools will get new tile and resurfaced. Many things that are done at the 3 facilities aren't "seen" but are necessary to maintain our properties. As budgeting allows, the board of directors plans to continue making upgrades where they can.

CHALET VILLAGE OWNERS

CLUB

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