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Holiday office closures

Villages business offices will be closed Friday, January 1 for the New Year's holiday.

Hot Tickets

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Community TV channels: CHANNEL 26: Club & Event notices

CHANNEL 27: Currently playing: · General Manager's December News Report with Darren Shaw featuring guest speaker Director of Food and Beverage John Yu daily at 12, 3, 6 and 9 a.m./p.m. Town Hall Meeting (Life at the Villages: Survey Results) 1:10, 4:10, 7:10 and 10:10 a.m./p.m.

· Aerial Views of the Villages 2:25, 5:25, 8:25 and 11:25

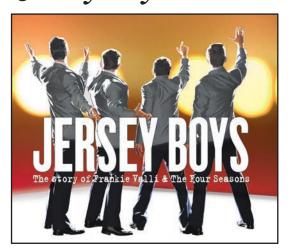
a.m./p.m. All programs showing Monday through

(You can now access the monthly General Manager's Report with the link on Fast Lane.)

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'Jersey Boys' return!



"Jersey Boys" is coming back to the Orpheum Theatre in San Francisco and we are going Sunday, January 24, for the 1 p.m. matinee! If you have not seen this musical you must, if you have you need to see it again!

How did four blue-collar kids become one of the greatest successes in pop music history? Find out at the runaway smash-hit, "Jersey Boys". Winner of the Best Musical Tony Award® on Broadway, in London and Australia, this blockbuster phenomenon takes you up the charts, across the country and behind the music of Frankie Valli and The Four Seasons. Experience electrifying performances of the golden greats that took these guys all the way to the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame: "Sherry," "Big Girls Don't Cry," "Can't Take My Eyes Off You," "Dawn," "My Eyes Adored You," and more. Don't miss the international sensation that's a Broadway triumph, was named the number one show in Las Vegas and continues to break records in cities across America,

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Winter begins with frosty weather



Heavy frost covered roof materials the morning of December 26 in Highland Village where roofs are being replaced as part of a Village-wide project. Late fall and early winter temperatures in central California have dipped into the 30s for several days. **Photo by Lou Alexander**

See two Readers' Theatre plays at Cribari Auditorium

The Villages Amateur Theatre invites you to attend two plays on Friday, January 15 at 1:30 p.m. in the Cribari Auditorium. This is a great opportunity to get away from your usual routine and be entertained, meet new people, and consider adding theater to your "bucket list".

The two plays are a Readers Theatre adaptation by Larry Miller of Tom Stoppard's "Rough Crossing," and "Our Villages" by our own Nancy Carson.

In Tom Stoppard's brilliantly funny play "Rough Crossing," the cast is rehearsing for a musical on a boat. Natasha has a last involvement with an old love Ivor. Their romantic conversation, unbeknownst to them, is overheard by the rest of the cast including her new love Adam, who is very upset. The playwrights Turai and Gal come up with a plan. They will rewrite the ending, which needed rewriting, to incorporate the romantic conversation to try to convince Adam that what he heard was a rehearsal.

Dvornichek is a waiter who manages somehow to drink the drinks he is supposed to be delivering. And Adam has a speech impediment that involves a several-second delay before he can speak, which makes for funny conversations.

In Nancy Carson's "Our Villages," a stage manager and supporting cast try to convince AI and Lois, two visitors, of the benefits of living in The Villages. Parts of the play are clever words sung to well-known songs.

The cast for "Rough Crossing" is Tom Carson as Ivor, Nancy Keane as Natasha, Tom McLaughlin as Turai, Bill Rodman as Adam, Doug Turner as Gal, Marilyn Rodman as Narrator, and Nick Yannaccone as Dvornichek. The cast for "Our Villages" is Tom Carson as Stage Manager, Nancy Keane, Elsa McLaughlin as Lois, Tom McLaughlin as Al, Nancy Miller, Bill Rodman, Marilyn Rodman, Doug Turner, and Madie Yannaccone. Both plays are directed by Larry Miller. At this stage in our lives, the Villages Amateur Theatre provides something for everyone who enjoys community theater whether you are on stage, back stage, or simply watching the stage. Join us and have some fun. Free light refreshments will be served. This makes for a nice opportunity to chat with the actors and meet new people.

Community News

PULSE

Dear Readers: The Villager welcomes everyone's voice sharing ideas, opinions and accounts of life in The Villages in the Pulse column. Please follow the guidelines carefully.

Pulse deadline is 11 a.m. on Friday of the week prior to publication.

Pulse letters will be published in complete or abridged form at the discretion of the Publisher and in accordance with the editorial policies and rules established by the Club Board of Directors. (See VGCC Rule 1.30.) Opinions expressed by Pulse letter authors do not necessarily reflect the opinions of The Villager Publisher, staff, boards of directors or management.

All Pulse letters must be 200 words or fewer on a single topic relating to life in the Villages. Each letter must also include name, address, phone number, date and number of words.

Typed or legibly written letters must include your signature and may be hand delivered to the Pulse mailbox in Administration Building B or by mailing to the Communications Advisory Committee, 5000 Cribari Lane, San Jose, CA 95135.

E-mailed letters must include the text within the body of the e-mail and the subject line must read PULSE LETTER. Submit to: shinrichs@the-villages.com.

0 Pulse letters received this week.

- 0 Pulse letters not meeting Pulse Letter Guidelines.
- 0 Pulse letters published this week.

2015/2016 Christmas tree pickup schedule

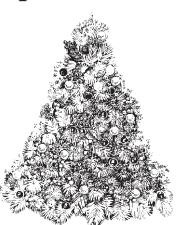
The last opportunities for Christmas tree pickup will be on the following days:

· Monday, January 4 and Tuesday, January 5

Place the tree at curbside no more than 24 hours before pickup day and note the following before putting out your tree:

- 1. All tinsel, ornaments, garland, etc. must be removed.
- 2. All metal/plastic stands or buckets must be removed.
- 3. Wood stands are acceptable.
- 4. Trees should be cut to no longer than 5 feet lengths.

Valley Crest will recycle all trees, except those that are flocked. Flocked trees cannot be recycled, but will be properly disposed. If you have any questions you can call Customer Service at 408-223-4670.



POST OFFICE NOTICE

On Friday, January 1, the Villages Post Office will be closed in observance of New Year's Day. Normal business hours will resume the following Monday, 9 a.m. to noon. The Post Office staff wishes you a Happy New Year.

Villages 2016 Telephone Directory distribution

The 2016 Villages Telephone Directory is being published and is projected to be delivered during January (weather permitting).

If you do not receive your telephone directory, or you find that it is damaged, you may get a replacement at the Community Resource Center in the Building B lobby.

Missed or damaged books may be replaced without charge until Friday, January 29. After that date, Villages residents may purchase a telephone directory (or extra directories) for \$10 each.

To make changes to your directory listing, call or drop by the Public Safety Administration office in Building C. Telephone number is 408-239-5246.

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43" Flat Panel TV Giveaway!









IN MEMORIAM

Betty Jane "BJ" Smith May 27, 1922 to December 18, 2015

(Please see obituary in the Classified Advertising section.)

Kathleen F. Hansell April 27, 1936 to December 4, 2015

There will be a celebration of the life of Kathleen Hansell on Sunday, January 10, at 3 p.m. in the Clubhouse.

Roy Allen Smith May 6, 1930 to December 29, 2015

There will be a celebration of the life of Roy Allen Smith on Saturday, January 9 at 3 p.m. in Cribari Auditorium.

DEADLINES

General Copy: All general copy, other than sports, is due by 4:30 p.m. Thursday, seven days prior to publication. For editorial information call 408-754-1341 or 408-223-4655.

Sports: Sports copy is acceptable after deadline only by permission of the Managing Editor, 223-4655.

Classified Ads: Classified ads, renewals, cancellations and changes are due by 10 a.m. on the Monday before publication. Holiday deadlines differ. All classified ads must be in writing. You may fax classified ads to 408-274-2843 or e-mail to: ktran@the-villages.com. For more information, please call 408-754-1341 or 408-223-4655.

Display Ads: Display ad rates and placement may be arranged by calling Mario at 223-4657. Display advertising information is available on The Villages web site at: www.thevillagesgcc.com.

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Call 408-223-4655 to report missed deliveries.

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All copy is subject to editing and must be submitted with that understanding. *The Villager* reserves the right to reject or discontinue advertising or articles that are deemed unsuitable.

The Villagers Communications Advisory Committee "To inform and connect Villagers" develops operational plans, reviews rules and policies, and advises the General Manager and Club Board on issues pertaining to The Villager, including Pulse letters, Channel 26, Fast Lane and the web site. Residents having relevant concerns may attend meetings or call committee members by phone: Chair Nick Yannaccone 408-440-1765, Kathy Beymer 408-238-1697, Ray Brown 408-528-7170, John Eige 408-223-8787, John Brueck 408-409-2489, Molly Jackson 408-270-2958, and Larry Miller 408-238-1030.

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The Villager editorial and classified advertising hours are: Monday through Friday 8:30 a.m. to to 4:30 p.m. The Villager display advertising office hours are by appointment. Call 223-4657 to schedule.

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GOVERNANCE MEETINGS

CLUB COMMITTEES

Marketing Committee meeting

The Marketing Committee meets the first Wednesday of the month at 1 p.m. in Building A.

General Plan Committee

The General Plan Committee meets weekly, every Thursday at 4 p.m. The Thursday, January 7 meeting will be held in Building A.

THE DACs

Olivas DAC to meet January 11

The Olivas DAC will hold a meeting on Monday, January 11 at 1:30 p.m. in the Building A conference room.

Heights DAC to meet January 11

The next Heights DAC meeting will be Monday, January 11 at 6 p.m. at Montgomery Center.

Del Lago DAC to meet January 14

Let's start 2016 off great—del Lago residents are encouraged to attend our del Lago DAC meeting Thursday, January 14 at 9:30 a.m. in Montgomery Center. Hope to see you.

BOARD MEETINGS

The Villages Golf & Country Club Board of Directors Executive Session Re: Personnel will be held Tuesday, January 5, at 10 a.m. in Building A

(The following are open meetings. All Villagers are invited and encouraged to attend.)

Association

The Villages Association Board of Directors Study Session Tuesday, January 12, 2016, at 9:30 a.m. in Foothill Center

The Villages Association Board of Directors Regular Monthly Meeting Tuesday, January 26, 2016, at 9:30 a.m. in the Clubhouse

Club

The Villages Golf & Country Club Board of Directors Special Open Meeting Re: Club Budget Objectives will be held Monday, January 11, at 1:30 p.m. in Montgomery Center

The Villages Golf & Country Club Board of Directors Study Session Tuesday, January 12, 2106, at 1:30 p.m. in Foothill Center

The Villages Golf & Country Club Board of Directors Regular Monthly Meeting Tuesday, January 26, 2016, at 1:30 p.m. in the Clubhouse

New Resident Orientation Meeting

The next New Resident Orientation will be held at 3:30 p.m. in the Fairway Room at the Clubhouse on Wednesday, January 6, 2016.

New residents must attend the orientation. Be sure to sign in at the meeting, with your name and address, to confirm your attendance.

For more information, call the Public Safety Administration office at 408-239-5246.

Management

GENERAL MANAGER'S PERSPECTIVES

By Villages General Manager Darren Shaw

Looking ahead at 2016, there are a number of Club-related projects in the planning stage, which are of interest to the membership. These projects and initiatives are part of the Club's Three-Year Strategic Plan.

First up is the RV Lot solar-array project. After more than a year, the project has finally received planning approval from the City of San Jose. The final hurdle was overcoming a storm water concern that, after completing a comprehensive evaluation process, the city eventually waived. The project is now in the queue with the City's Building Department and the project team is optimistic that a permit will be issued by the end of February. If that's the case, the project should be complete by May/June, allowing the community to benefit from the summer sun.

In January, the Board will evaluate a plan to install video security equipment at the Fitness Center and Cribari Center. Currently, the Clubhouse complex is the only facility that has a video recording system.

A number of projects and initiatives will be considered by the Board in February. Food and Beverage Director John Yu and his project team have been working with an architectural firm the last four months to identify efficiency-related improvements to the Clubhouse. Roughly \$150,000 has been allocated for these projects. Also related to the Clubhouse, the audio/visual system is scheduled for an upgrade. The new IT Committee will evaluate options presented by an outside expert, and will make its recommendation to the Club Board.

At Cribari Center, the Board is interested in making the new plaza area more usable for members during the warm months of the year. This can be accomplished with shading structures/products/devices. There are many options that range in cost and durability. While there is no funding in this year's reserve, the plan is to evaluate shading structures/products/devices and then if a suitable product is identified, funding could be set aside in next year's reserve, effective July 1, 2016.

It seems that every couple of years, the necessity for swimming pool covers is evaluated for energy efficiency purposes. And every couple of years, it's determined that the return on investment, primarily due to the labor costs involved with putting them on and taking them off, makes it difficult to justify the capital expense outlay. This year, the Board will reconsider pool covers; however, its consideration will be influenced by a study now being conducted by Cal Poly State University in San Luis Obispo. The study's results are expected in January.

The Utilities Cost Containment Committee will then evaluate these results and, if deemed prudent, the matter will be brought to the February study session.

Finally in February, the Board will discuss moving forward with a master plan improvement project for Gazebo Park. The objective is to develop requirements to improve the bocce court area and Gazebo Park. This plan will focus on walk-

ways, parking, shade and other improvements to enhance the area's appeal while creating safer access opportunities for users. The Board intends to conduct a town hall meeting in the near future so that member input can be garnered prior to formally considering a direction.

In March, the Board will discuss the purchase of storage units that can be used by community clubs and organizations—one such container is now in use. It is stored at the Corporation Yard and is rented by the Jewish organizations. Villages Medical Auxiliary and Villages Evergreen Foundation look to team up on another storage container that will be purchased in January. For a reasonable monthly fee of \$25 an organization can share half a container.

Also slated for discussion in March is the prospective development of pick-leball courts or a pickleball program. Due to the popularity of pickleball in active 55+ communities, the Board feels that it should carefully consider the need for a pickleball program. Later in the year, two long-awaited projects will be formally considered: one of which is the replacement of the golf course irrigation system, and the other is a permanent bathroom facility to replace the porta-potty located in the proximity of the 15th green. The irrigation project is scheduled to begin September 2016. The cost of this project is estimated at \$2 to \$2.5 million for which reserves have been set aside. A project team has met on this project for months and plans to request formal bids for the project in the spring, bringing a recommendation to the Board in June. The work could take six months, or more.

A permanent restroom facility has been proposed for at least a decade. The estimated cost for a pre-fabricated structure is roughly \$200,000, installed. There are some concerns related to future funding of this project-there are limited funds currently set aside. Because the irrigation system replacement project will impact play for six months or so, it seems reasonable to think that during this period, if there is other construction that needs to take place, the timing would be right.

These 2016 Club projects and initiatives are important ones that will improve the community. Members are encouraged to attend these board meetings, not only to observe the dynamics of the Board, but to become better informed about ongoing community projects and to provide input to the Board.

In the coming weeks, I will provide an update on all of the Association projects scheduled in 2016.

More BOARDS & COMMITTEES and COMMUNITY NOTICES on pages 4, 5, 6, 7, 11, 14 & 23

BOARDS & COMMITTEES

Club and Association Boards met for regularly scheduled November/December meetings

The Villages Association and Club Boards of Directors met Tuesday, December 15 for their combined November/December meetings in the Villages Clubhouse. Numerous items of business were discussed and voted upon.

Association Treasurer's Report For the month of October 2015

Association Operating Results:

October Expenditure: Expenses were below budget by \$152,800, mostly due to water, which is \$103,900 below budget. The expenses have been adjusted for the actual bill received for August/September, where a 75-percent accrual of budget was made. Similraly as we are only billed every two months, an accrual of 60 percent of the budget for October has been assumed. The last bill we received showed we were using 45 percent less water by volume in FY16 than we were in FY14. Also favorable to budget were: Landscape expense (+\$38,100), Professional fees (+\$5,000, no deer program expenses this fall), Electricity (+\$4,600 California Climate Credit), Trash expense (+\$3,500, offset by trash credits on the revenue side).

YTD Revenue & Expenditure (4 months of operation): Year-to-date revenue is below budget by \$14,700 primarily due to trash credits, which are offset on the expense side by below budget trash expenses. Expenses favorable to budget are: Water (+\$490,700), Landscape expenses (+\$137,100), due primarily to timing, Legal/Professional Fees (+\$8,100), Total Maintenance (+\$5,300).

Year to date net positive budget variance of \$644,000.

Accounts Receivable: As of November 20, there was \$60,020 in resident/member accounts receivable more than 60 days late (up \$1,350 from the prior month).

Association Replacement Reserve Plan: Year-to-date expenditure of the reserves total \$1,673,000, which is 7.1 percent of the budget. Principal expenditures for October include: Deck Entry Coat in Cribari - \$81,000, Painting in The Heights and Hermosa - \$68,000, Building Components - \$72,000.

The Reserve Portfolio balance as of 31 October 2015 was \$10,766,000. The average interest rate on this investment has increased to 1.05 percent.

-E. J. Neill, Association Board Treasurer

Club Financial Report
Operating Financial Commentary for the month of October 2015

Financial Operating Statement Review

For the month of October, total revenue was \$5,000 favorable to budget Significant positive contributors on the revenue side were lessons/classes +\$8,900 (timing related), food sales +\$5,000, bar sales +\$3,700 and advertising income +\$2,700, all of which were partially offset by billable services -\$8,500 (timing related), green fees -\$4,200, Pro Shop merchandise sales -\$3,200 and resident activities income -\$2,100. Eighteen-hole golf play was up by 103 rounds compared to last October but nine-hole play was down by 74 rounds. On the bright side, total green fee income for the month was higher than last October (by \$4,600) mostly due to more outside tournament play and unaccompanied guest play on weekends. Higher than budgeted food sales in the café +\$4,600 and Bistro +\$3,200 made up for the below-budget performance in banquet food sales -\$2,800.

Total expenditures were \$41,000 favorable to budget for October. The largest favorable expense category was water +\$30,000. The water expense posted in the October financials reflects the actual August/September two-month bill plus September's accruals reversed and an accrual amount for October (100 percent of golf course budget and 60 percent for all other Club properties). Other favorable expense categories were total landscape +\$8,000, employee expense +\$5,700 (mostly health expense and 401(k) plan), food cost +\$4,800 and supplies/ maintenance +\$2,900. Food cost at 32.3 percent performed better than the budget of 36 percent. Bar cost was also favorable to budget (23.2 percent vs. 26.0 percent). Pro Shop cost of sales was 112 percent due to an inventory adjustment following a complete audit of the Pro Shop inventory by the Finance Committee. The total services category was unfavorable to budget by -\$6,200 with professional fees higher than planned for the month due to the timing of expenses associated with the community survey. The net positive budget variance for the month was \$46,000.

Year-to-date revenue is \$61,000 favorable to budget. Directory income +\$33,100, billable services +\$14,700 and lessons/classes +\$15,400 account for most of the favorable variance, but it's important to note that timing can play a role for these categories. Other favorable revenue contributors are advertising income +\$13,700, interest income/late fees +\$12,000, food/bar sales +\$9,900 and golf cart rentals +\$8,000. Unfavorable revenue contributors are green fees -\$25,100. Pro Shop merchandise sales -\$14,700, driving range income -\$6,100 and lessons/classes -\$5,100.

Year-to-date expenditures are \$224,000 favorable to budget with water being the largest contributor at +\$111,000. Total landscape expense is favorable to budget by +\$38,000 (timing related), as well as employee expense +\$36,400 (health expense and employee development), supplies/maintenance +\$28,900 and total cost of sales +\$26,500. Electricity expense is tracking unfavorable to budget at -\$15,600. The year-to-date net positive budget variance is \$285,000.

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Actual	Budget	Variance	Actual	Budget	Variance
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\$ 952,000	\$ 993,000	\$41,000	\$4,032,000	\$4,256,000	\$224,000
\$ 2,000	\$ 44,000	\$46,000	\$ 218,000	\$ -67,000	\$285,000
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Homeowners' December 17 Quarterly **Board Meeting Report**

October Financial Operating Statement Review: Homeowners' revenue was on budget for October. Expenditures for the month were \$528 favorable to budget due to less than planned legal fees and professional fees (Deer Management Program). The year-to-date net positive budget variance is \$778.

Estates revenue was unfavorable to budget for the month by \$2,441 due to trash credits given to owners with individual trash cart service. There is an offset in the trash expense since The Villages no longer pays the trash bills for Estates owners (it's now part of the owners property tax bill). Expenditures for the month were \$7,110 favorable to budget. The largest favorable category is water expense at +\$3,158. Also favorable for the month were landscape +\$1,300, legal fees +\$213 and professional fees +\$60. The year-to-date net positive budget variance is \$16,848.

Meeting Reports and Decisions

The December Quarterly Meeting of the Board of Directors of The Villages Homeowners' Corporation was held on Thursday, December 17 at 9:30 a.m. at the Foothill Center.

Directors present: G. Burt Lancaster, President; Teddy Morse, Vice President and Architectural Control Committee (ACC) Liaison; Julian Rodriguez, Secretary; Gary Margoles, Treasurer; and Greg Stewart, Assistant Treasurer and Assistant ACC Liaison

Reports: Reports were presented by President G. Burt Lancaster, Assistant General Manager Julia Meadows, ACC Chair Jane Hoff, Fire Safety Chair Steve Bosma, and Estates DAC Chair Jeff Schlageter.

President's Report Summary - Mr. Lancaster commended directors for their work on the Board, noting the comprehensive Homeowners Board E-Newsletter distributed quarterly and the increased member participation with the program.

Manager's Report Summary - Ms. Meadows reported on the financials for the period ending October 31, 2015.

ACC Report Summary - Ms. Hoff reported on recent activities of the ACC, the committee's recommendation for appointments, status of Verano paint colors and a Homeowners' red cones, and the committee's recommendation for guidelines for artificial turf installation.

Fire Safety Report Summary - Mr. Bosma briefly reported on the committee's activities over the past year, on the status of the remaining wood shake shingle roofs, the predicted high vegetation growth due to the predicated El Niño rainfall, relayed the suggestion to consider using goats to help eliminate excess vegetation growth, and the recommendation that all homeowners clear their downspouts and gutters.

Estates DAC Summary - Mr. Schlageter reported that the Estates DAC plans on conducting a survey vote of Estates Homeowners regarding their opinions of artificial turf installation in the Estates.

Minutes: Minutes of the board meetings held since the last quarterly meeting were approved.

Agenda Items:

- 1. Approved the following appointments to the Architectural Control Committee: Burt Polishook, voting member, term ending January 1, 2018; Ron Steckel, voting member, term ending January 1, 2017; Jeannie Omel, voting member, term ending January 1, 2019; and Mike Kane and Nadine Margoles as associate members.
- 2. Approved Artificial Turf Guidelines as recommend by the Homeowners' Architectural Control Committee.
- 3. Ratified the appointment of Steve Bosma, Victor Morse and Dennis Lempert to the Fire Safety Committee.
- 4. Approved agreement with Hughes, Gill, Cochrane for review and update of the governing documents at a total cost of \$6,450.
 - 5. Approved FY 2016/2017 Budget Preparation Timeline.
 - 6. Discussed Winter E-Newsletter.
- 7. Discussed and agreed by consensus to continue with current Deer Management Plan and to utilize the services of Villages' volunteers to conduct counts of the deer population.
- 8. Discussed and agreed by consensus to wait to discuss developing a rule for drones until after the FAA's rules take effect in 2016.
- 9. Agreed to discuss the management agreement between the Homeowners' Corporation and the Club Corporation at the March Quarterly Meeting.

Association Board Meeting Actions for December 2015 November 10, 2015 Study Session and December 10, 2015 Board Meeting **Board Members*** Comments Costs Action Items JC JN RB PΝ BW SB November 10 Study Session At its April 28, 2015 board meeting, the Board suspended all landscape renovation projects due to watering restrictions. Because these types of renovation Reactivation of Landscape Renovation Projects Α programs pertain to landscape bed renovation, which \$0.00 includes drip irrigation (not restricted), and due to the fact that the summer season has passed, the suspension was lifted. At its March 31, 2015 board meeting, the Association Board approved this project. At its April 28, 2015 board meeting, the Board suspended all landscape renovation projects due to watering restrictions. Because these Hermosa Landscape Renovation Program \$74,803 types of renovation programs pertain to landscape bed renovation, which includes drip irrigation (not restricted), and upon DAC recommendation, the project was re-approved. This maintenance program takes place generally every two years. This year, in advance of the predicted El Preventative Roof Maintenance Program А Nino, nine of the 12 districts will be inspected and \$125,495 preventative measures to mitigate roof related water intrusion will be implemented. The discussion centered on the Board taking a formal position on whether to allow member initiated installs. The question was asked if the Board wanted to continue Installation of Solar Power Generating Systems Ν Ν Ν \$0 moving towards establishing a member install program. The vote tied at 3 -3 (failed), which means the matter, at this time, is no longer an active one. December 15 Board Meeting San Jose Municipal Water intends to change out most of its meters starting in January, moving from manual read meters to radio read meters. Roughly 80 locations were identified as suitable candidates for downsizing, which in turn would reduce annual meter charges, which are Downsizing of Water Meters \$0 based on the size of the meters. Due to the cost to retrofit the connection points and to replace existing services to the main line, by consensus, the Board directed staff to take no further action on this initiative. Revisions to this rule were approved by the Board in April 2015. The proposed revisions were published in The Villager for at least 30 days. A motion was made, Proposed Changes to Rule 2.14 (Washing of Vehicles and Equipment) seconded and approved to adopt the revisions and to \$0 extend the ban on car washing and the washing down of patios and sidewalks until drought conditions are lifted This rule was brought before the Board for the purpose of considering revisions. A motion to entertain revisions \$0 3 Rule 2.24 (Outside Holiday Decorations) - Discuss Revisions/Enforcem Ν Ν Ν to the rule failed. A motion was made, seconded and approved to allow a 30-day voting period extension because an insufficient amount of ballots were returned during the initial 30-Exclusionary Encroachment Vote Count (6081 Montgomery Court -\$0 concrete patio) day voting period. Conditional Approval Request for Exclusionary Encroachment (to A motion was made, seconded and approved to allow a \$0 extend the rear patio 5'x 23' into Project F-6 common area) project vote. Appointments: Barbara Young to the Highland DAC, Al Girolami to A motion was made, seconded and approved to appoint \$0 he Association Rules Committe A motion was made, seconded and approved to place a Resolutions to Record Liens for Delinquent Assessments (2) lien on two units. Total APPROVED Expenditures this meeting \$0 A = Absent | AB = Abstained | N = No Vote (does not vote in favor)| Y = Yes Vote (votes in favor)

* DH=Diane Hunter | JC=John Campbell |, JN=Jim Neill | RB=Roberta Berti | PN=Peter Nicholls | BW=Bob Wilk | SB=Sherry Benz

Club Board Meeting Actions for December 2015 December 15, 2015 Board Meeting **Board Members Action Items** BD DC JC JN HB MP ww Comments Costs Donation from Evergreen Villages Accepted with appreciation the donation of \$4,365.17 from Evergreen Villages Foundation to cover the cost of the purchase and installation of the Foundation to cover cost of Cardio Line Υ Υ Υ Υ Υ \$0.00 1 Υ TechnoGym upper body torso aerobic machine for the Fitness Center. Equipment for Fitness Center Purchase of Cardio Line Equipment for Approved purchase of TechnoGym upper body torso aerobic machined for Υ Υ Υ Υ Υ Υ \$0.00 Fitness Center installation at Fitness Center as a cost, including installation of \$4,365.17. Approve proposed change(s) to Policy CPo Υ Υ Υ Υ Υ Υ \$0.00 Purpose of the proposed change(s): to conform policy to practice. 3 206 - Policy Committee Purpose of the proposed change(s): to bring more consistency to committee charters in terms of number of voting members and associates; to conform Approve proposed change(s) to Policy CPo Υ Υ Υ Υ Υ policy to practice; to clarify some of the responsibilities; and to add \$0.00 207 - Communications Advisory Committee responsibility of Candidate's Night and Candidate's Questions in The Villager Approve proposed change(s) to Policy CPo Purpose of the proposed change(s): to conform policy to practice (add Υ Υ Υ Υ Υ Υ \$0.00 5 211 - Club Architectural Committee Board liaison, non-voting) and to clarify term limits. Approve proposed change(s) to Policy CPo Υ Υ Υ Υ Υ Υ Purpose of the proposed change(s): to conform policy to practice. \$0.00 215 - Board Disciplinary Appeal Committee Approve proposed change(s) to Policy CPo Purpose of the proposed change(s): to clarify who may be voting members, Υ Υ Υ Υ Υ Υ 7 \$0.00 219 - Facilities Projects Committee the number of associates, and to conform policy to practice. Purpose of the proposed change(s): to merge the policy and procedure; to Approve proposed change(s) to Policy CPo bring more consistency to committee charters in terms of number of voting Υ Υ Υ Υ Υ \$0.00 8 220 - Utilities Cost Containment Committee members, associates and number of terms; and to conform policy to practice. Purpose of the proposed change(s): to bring more consistency to committee Approve proposed change(s) to Policy CPo charters in terms of number of voting members, associates, and length and Υ Υ Υ Υ Υ Υ \$0.00 9 number of terms; to conform policy to practice; and to clarify and update 221 - Marketing Advisory Committee responsibilities of this committee. Approve proposed change(s) to Rule 1.19 Purpose of the proposed change(s): to reflect that access to the Fitness Υ Υ Υ Υ Υ 10 Υ \$0.00 Fitness Center Center requires an activated Resident Photo Identification Card. Approve proposed change(s) to Rule 1.40 Purpose of the proposed change(s): to reflect that Board recognized Villages Board Approved Clubs and Villages organizations and clubs should not distribute materials that include Υ Υ Υ Υ \$0.00 Υ Υ 11 Organizations and Rule 1.50 Signs, partisan political opinions or endorsements unless the club is a partisan Solicitations, and Materials Distribution political club. Purpose of proposed change(s): to make the following proposed major changes as recommended by the Communications Advisory Committee: Approved for 30-day publishing in *The* elimination of funeral home prohibition, expenditure paragraph for Villager Rule 1.30 The Villager and The Υ Υ Υ AB Υ Υ \$0.00 12 unapproved board projects, revision of fact checking wording, one person Pulse per week limit on letters, prohibit letters promoting non Villages goods and services and review Process description. Purpose of proposed change(s): will put all the enforcement and penalties Approved for 30-day publishing in *The* for traffic violation into a new section 5, thus making Rule 1.02 independent Villager Rule 1.02 Traffic Within The Υ Υ 13 Υ AB Υ Υ \$0.00 of Rule 1.71 Enforcement. It also separates penalties for residents and Villages guests from those for vendors and personal service providers. Approved for 30-day publishing in The Villager Proposed new Rule 1.22 Guest Υ Υ Υ AB Υ Υ Purpose of proposed rule to formalize a rule defining guest room use. \$0.00 14 Room Use Reappointed Greg Karayan, appointed Mary Wagle as voting member and Approved committee appointments and Υ AΒ Υ AΒ Υ Υ appointed Penny Barcellos and Melinda Dobbs associate members with terms \$0.00 15 reappointments to Architectural Committee ending December 2017. Approved committee appointments and Appointed Thomas Moore, Larry Miller and John Brueck as voting members reappointments to Communications Advisory Υ AΒ Υ AB Υ and Nicholas Yannaccone as associate member with terms ending December \$0.00 16 Υ Committee Approved committee appointments and Appointed Rajeev Singh, Norman Krishna, Nick Yannaccone, John Trudeau, reappointments to Ad-Hoc Information Υ AΒ Υ AB Υ Rick Casey and Syd Geraghty as voting members and Trudy Nicholls and \$0.00 17 Υ Claude Ashen as associate members. Technology Committee Approved committee appointments and Reappointed Mike Rosenblatt and Sterling Bundesen as voting members with reappointments to Emergency Preparedness AΒ Υ AB Υ Υ \$0.00 18 terms ending December 2018. Committee (EPC) Approved committee appointments and Reappointed Rod Murray and appointed Don Fernandez as voting members eappointments to Fitness Center Advisory and kay Gray and Phyllis bigelow as associate members with terms ending Committee December 2017. Approved committee appointments and Appointed Frank Veloz, Janet Atkins, Janet Mize, and Carmen Ackmann as reappointments to Swimming Pools Advisory AΒ Υ AB Υ \$0.00 20 voting members with terms ending December 2017. Committee Approved committee appointments and Appointed Stan Keller and Stan Funkhouser as voting members and John 21 reappointments to Utility Cost Containment AB Υ AB Υ Υ \$0.00 Navrides as associate member with terms ending December 2017. Committee

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22	Approved committee appointments and reappointments to Villages Finance Committee	Υ	АВ	Υ	АВ	Υ	Υ	A	Reappointed Tom Bleier and appointed Michael Falarski, Ron Gridley and Rick Casey as voting members with terms ending December 2018.	\$0.00
23	Approved committee appointments and reappointments to Villages Golf Committee	Υ	АВ	Υ	АВ	Υ	Υ	А	Appointed Ray Struck as Golf Course Committee Chair with term ending December 2018.	\$0.00
24	Approved committee appointments and reappointments to Facilities Projects Committee	Υ	АВ	Υ	АВ	Υ	Υ	A	Appointed John Paquette, Mickey Wagle and Betty Olson as voting members with terms ending December 2018.	\$0.00
25	Approved committee appointments and reappointments to Marketing Advisory Committee	Υ	АВ	Υ	АВ	Υ	Υ	А	Reappointed Morton Cordell, Rita Blumstein and Carter Elliot as voting members with terms ending December 2017.	\$0.00
26	Approved committee appointments to the Rules Committee	Υ	АВ	Υ	АВ	Υ	Υ	А	Appointed Marion Burry, Frank Landben and Kathy Scholosser as voting members and Ed Klein as associate member with terms ending December 2017.	\$0.00
27	Approved committee appointments to the Employee 401(k) Committee	Υ	АВ	Υ	АВ	Υ	Υ	А	Appointed Bob Semple to the 401 (k) Committee.	\$0.00
28	Workers' Compensation Renewal December 21, 2015 Executive Session	Υ	Υ	Υ	А	Υ	Υ	Υ	Approved to accept Workers' Compensation Renewal Proposal at a total premium cost of \$236,364.	
	Total APPROVED Expenditures									\$236,364.00
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PROPOSED CLUB RULES CHANGES

Notice of Proposed Rule Changes to Club Rules 1.30 The Villager and The Pulse, 1.02 Traffic Within The Villages and Proposed New Rule 1.22 Guest Room Use

At the December 15, 2015 Club Board meeting, the following proposed changes to the Club Rules 1.30 The Villager and The Pulse, 1.02 Traffic Within The Villages and proposed new Rule 1.22 Guest Room Use were approved by the Club Board of Directors for 30-day notice publication prior to formal approval consideration at the February 23, 2016, monthly board meeting. The Board will consider oral and written comments regarding the proposed changes at the February 9, 2016, study session (1:30 p.m. at Foothill Center). Response to the proposed rule changes may be made by one or more of the following methods: 1) Participation in the discussion of the change at the Club Board of Directors study session at which the proposed rule change will be considered, 2) via e-mail with comments sent to the General Manager's office at least seven (7) days prior to the Club Board of Directors study session (jmeadows@the-villages.com), and 3) via written comments to the General Manager's offices delivered at least seven (7) days prior to the Club Board of Directors study session.

Rule deletions are noted in strikethrough font, additions are underlined, and the purpose of the change is in italics.

Rule 1.30 The Villager and The Pulse

Purpose of proposed change(s): to make the following proposed major changes as recommended by the Communications Advisory Committee (CAC): elimination of funeral home prohibition, expenditure paragraph for unapproved board projects, revision of fact checking wording, one person per week limit on letters, prohibit letters promoting non Villages goods and services and review Process description.

Revision:

Rule 1.30 THE VILLAGER AND THE PULSE

Recommended Changes by CAC – October 2015.

- 1.30 THE VILLAGER AND THE PULSE
- 1. The Villager

The Villager is a newspaper published weekly by the Club Board for Villages residents. It has been designated by each Board as the authorized means of providing legal notice to residents and owners of record. The General Manager is the publisher. The Villager editors are authorized by the Board of Directors to exercise editorial judgment using the following guidelines:

A. No copy or advertisement will be accepted from any source that expresses partisan political opinions or endorsements pertaining to any election or ballot measure external to The Villages.

- B. No copy will be accepted that:
- (1) Is tactless or of questionable taste
- (2) May be injurious to personal reputations
- (3) Contains the intent to ridicule or shame a person
- (4) Expresses partisan political opinions or endorsements
- (5) Promotes religious or ethnic bias
- (6) Plagiarizes
- (7) Uses language that discriminates with regard to race, religion, ethnicity, gender, or sexual preference that may be deemed offensive.
- C. Advertising of patent medicine, medical "cure-all" or any other medical articles, except from Board approved organizations, will not be permitted.
- D. Political advertising will not be accepted. Candidates for Boards of Directors may advertise as permitted by Policy CPo 112.
 - E. Funeral home advertisements will not be accepted.
- F. Advertisements for the sale, lease, or rental of Villages property will be accepted.
- G. Advertisements for the sale, lease, or rental of real property outside The Villages will not be accepted from non-residents, except for retirement homes, life-care facilities, etc. However, a resident owner may advertise owned outside property.
- H. A resident's death may be published under the heading "In Memoriam." It will be limited to the resident's name, date of birth, and date of death.
- A memorial service held in The Villages, open to all residents, may announce the place, day, and time of service. Paid obituaries or death notices are allowed in the Villager. A family member, executor, or a designated resident may provide such information.
- I. Contributing writers providing editorial copy on behalf of their designated organizations, committee, or Board are to include only information in reference to the organization's activities, membership, and events.
- J. Articles may not promote expenditure of Villages Funds without stating such expenditures have not been approved by the relevant board if that is the case.

2. The Pulse

A Villages "Pulse" Letter serves as a vehicle for residents and non-resident owners to express opinions or to make suggestions or comments. Pulse letters may be emailed to the editor of The Villager, deposited in The Communications Advisory Committee mailbox in Building B or mailed to The Communications Advisory Committee, 5000 Cribari Lane, San Jose, CA 95135. To submit letters, follow the guidelines in the Pulse column published weekly in The Villager.

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LENDAR OF EVENT

Friday, January 1

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Game Day	SEQ
Game Day	RED
Collage Open Studio	AR
Pottery/Ceramics	CER
Quilters	Р
Hiking Club Social	FC
Table Tennis	MMP
Mex. Train Dominoes	MC
	Game Day Game Day Collage Open Studio Pottery/Ceramics Quilters Hiking Club Social Table Tennis

Saturday, January 2

10 a.m.	Table Tennis	_	MMP
10 a.m.	Dog Club		GP

Sunday, January 3

8:15 a.m.	Catholic Mass	Α
8:30 a.m.	Episcopal Services	MC
10 a.m.	Comm. Chapel Service	Α
10 a.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
11 a.m.	Chapel Fellowship	CR
5 p.m.	Catholic Choir Brunch	MC

Monday, January 4

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8:30 a.m.	Swingers Board Mtg.	MC
8:30 a.m.	Jazzercize	Α
9 a.m.	18 Hole Women Board Mtg.	Р
9 a.m.	Game Day	SEQ
9:30 a.m.	Search the Scriptures	FC
9:30 a.m.	Painting Open Studio	AR
9:30 a.m.	Pottery/Ceramics	CER
10 a.m.	Beginning Line Dance	MMP
10 a.m.	Republican Board Mtg.	CR
10 a.m.	Stretch & Tone	Α
11 a.m.	Fitness Center Comm.	F
11:15 a.m.	Stretch & Tone	Α
1 p.m.	Stitchery	F
1:30 p.m.	Table Tennis	MMP

COMMUNITY TV CHANNELS 26 & 27

CHANNEL 26: Club & Event notices **CHANNEL 27:** Currently playing:

· General Manager's December News Report with Darren Shaw featuring guest speaker Director of Food and Beverage John Yu daily at 12, 3, 6 and 9 a.m./p.m.

· Town Hall Meeting (Life at the Villages: Survey Results) 1:10, 4:10, 7:10 and 10:10 a.m./p.m. · Aerial Views of the Villages 2:25, 5:25,

8:25 and 11:25 a.m./p.m.

All programs showing Monday through Sunday.

(You can now access the monthly General Manager's Report with the link on Fast Lane.)

The Villages offers **COMPLIMENTARY WIFI SERVICE**



2 p.m.	Theater Rehearsal	Α
4 p.m.	Chapel Stephen Ministry	RED
7 p.m.	Duplicate Bridge	RED
7 p.m.	Camera Club	CR

Tuesday January 5

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8:30 a.m.	Men's Golf Board Mtg.	Р
9 a.m.	Game Day	SEQ
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED
9 a.m.	Men's Bible Study	RED
9:30 a.m.	Advanced Design	AR
9:30 a.m.	Line Dance	MMP
9:30 a.m.	Pottery/Ceramics	CER
10 a.m.	ADL/Parkinson Class	Α
10 a.m.	Club Rules Comm.	F
10 a.m.	Music Society Music	CR
10 a.m.	SIRs 114 Lunch	CH
11:30 a.m.	Walking Class	Α
2 p.m.	Piano Rehearsal	Α
2 p.m.	Yoga	MMP
4 p.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
7 p.m.	Catholic Council	MC
7 p.m.	Theater Rehearsal	Α
7 :30 p.m.	Astronomy Club	FC

Wednesday, January 6

8:30 a.m.	Jazzercise	Α
9 a.m.	VMA Board Mtg.	CR
9 a.m.	Game Day	SEQ
9:30 a.m.	Drawing Studio	AR
9:30 a.m.	Ladies Prayer/Bible Study	Р
9:30 a.m.	Democratic Club	FC
9:30 a.m.	Pottery/Ceramics	CER
10 a.m.	Blood Pressure Clinic	F
10 a.m.	Parkinson's Support Group	RED
10 a.m.	Tai Chi	MMP
10 a.m.	Stretch & Tone	Α
11:30 a.m.	Dippy Dolphins	MC
2 p.m.	Democratic Club Mtg.	FC
3:30 p.m.	Bingo	Α
3:30 p.m.	EVF Board Mtg.	Р
3:30 p.m.	New Resident Orientation	CH
6:15 p.m.	Mex. Train Dominoes	MC
6:30 p.m.	Zumba	MMP
7 p.m.	Duplicate Bridge	RED
7 p.m.	Global Village Comm.	CR
7 p.m.	Theater Rehearsal	Α

Thursday January 7

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9:30 a.m.	Drawing Studio	AR
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED
9 a.m.	Game Day	SEQ
9 a.m.	AC Association Landscape	MC
9 a.m.	Chapel Music	Р
9 a.m.	Utility Cost Savings Comm.	Bldg. A
9:30 a.m.	Pottery/Ceramics	CER
9:30 a.m.	Watercolor Class	AR
10 a.m.	Genealogy Club	CR
10:30 a.m.	Line Dance	MMP
10:30 a.m.	Walking Class	Α
11 a.m.	Brandeis Lecture/Potluck	FC
12:45 p.m.	18 Hole Women Lunch	CH
1 p.m.	Ukulele Club	CR
2 p.m.	Yoga	MMP
3 pm.	Chapel Choir Rehearsal	MC
3 p.m.	Homeowners ACC	CY
3:30 p.m.	Cribari DAC	Р
3:45 p.m.	General Plan Comm.	Bldg. A

MMP Table Tennis 4 p.m. 6 p.m. Bridge Club **RED** 7 p.m. Italian Club Board Mtg. Ρ Theater Rehearsal 7 p.m. Α

Friday, January 8

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8:30 a.m.	Jazzercise	Α
8:45 p.m.	Catholic Mass	CR
9 a.m.	Game Day	SEQ
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED
9:30 a.m.	Quilters	Р
9:30 a.m.	Collage Open Studio	AR
9:30 a.m.	Pottery/Ceramics	CER
10 a.m.	Brandeis Musical Program	FC
10 a.m.	Tai Chi	MC
10:30 a.m.	Line Dance	MMP
1 p.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
1:30 p.m.	Opera Movie	CR
2 p.m.	Readers Theatre Rehearsal	Α
3 p.m.	Handbell Rehearsal	AR
6:15 p.m.	Mex. Train Dominoes	MC
7 p.m.	Theatrr Rehearsal	Α
7 p.m.	Brandeis Trade Discuss.	RED

EVENT LOCATIONS

A AR BC	Auditorium Art Room Bocce Courts	(Cribari) (Cribari)
CER	Ceramics	(Cribari)
CCR CH	Cribari Club Rm. Clubhouse	
CR	Conference Rm.	(Cribari)
CY F	Corporation Yard Forum	(Cribari)
FC	Foothill Center	(Cribari)
GP	Gazebo	
L	Lobby	(Cribari)
SEQ	Sequoia	(Cribari)
MC	Montgomery Center	
MMP	Montgomery Multi-Purpose Room	
RED	Redwood	(Cribari)
Р	Patio Room	(Cribari)
TR	Terrace Room	(Cribari)
VC	Vineyard Center	



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Club Calendars



HIKING CLUB SCHEDULE

Information: president Dan Kato (408-300-0759), vice-president Sy Gelman (408-532-1239), http://villageshikingclub.blogspot.com

Friday, January 1: Annual hilltop New Year's celebration—Dan Kato will lead Long Hikers to the top of our hill for our annual New Year's celebration at 11:30 a.m. The hike departs at 10 a.m. from Foothill Center. Wendy Ledamun will lead Ramblers on the lower hill trails and will celebrate the New Year at the picnic area near the Skyway and Cougar trails. Please bring snacks and suitable libations to share with friends and fellow hikers. In case of bad weather the celebration will be held at Foothill Center at 11:30 a.m. For more information, refer to our article in the Villager's Clubs section, or contact Wendy Ledamun at www.wedamun49@gmail.com.

Wednesday, January 6 (Rambler Hike): Heller County Park/ Coyote Creek Trail Hike. Cookie Hunley (408-677-3349) and Caryl Swinyard, (408-270-3243) will lead a 4-mile hike along Coyote Creek within Hellyer County Park and beyond. The hike will begin at the Velodrome (bicycle racing arena) within the Park and continue north on the Coyote Creek Trail (out of the Park) to the Los Lagos Golf Course. We will then retrace our steps and return to our starting location. Please bring snacks or a light lunch to enjoy at one of the picnic areas near the end of our hike. Be sure to wear comfortable walking shoes and bring water.

Saturday, January 16: Wate and Johanna Bakker(223 2190) will lead rambler and long hikes on Pleasanton Ridge. The ramblers will hike about 4 miles with an elevation difference of about 800 ft. The long hikers can select between a 5 or an 11 mile hike with about 1000 ft elevation gain. Bring lunch and water. Dress seasonably. The views are great but it may be windy. Afterwards we will stop in Sunol for coffee or something stronger. Round trip car mileage about 75.

CAMERA CLUB

Monday, January 4: iPhone SIG (Special Interest Group) workshop on street photography in Cribari Conference room at 7 p.m. Contact Yvonne Camper at yvonnecamper@att.net or 408-238-9142.

Monday, January 18: Nature SIG program in Cribari Conference room at 7 p.m. Featured speaker is Paul Dileanis, a professional photographer and outdoor instructor with 35 years experience. See his biography at http://www.siliconvalleyimages.com/instructor-biography/

Tuesday, January 19-20: Field trip for the Nature SIG to San Luis and Merced National Wildlife Refuges is now open. In January the wetlands are fully flooded and the numbers peak for geese and ducks and lesser sandhill cranes. For details on the trip visit our website at www.villagescameraclub.com. You can register for the trip from the Activities tab.

ASTRONOMY CLUB

For more information, e-mail Barry Stein at b.stein@sbcglobal.net **Tuesday, January 5:** Observations at 6 p.m., weatherpermitting. Monthly meeting at Foothill Center at 7 p.m. Discussion on "Hubble" series.

VILLAGES AMATEUR THEATRE

Business/Social Meeting: Thursday, January 14 at 6 p.m., Foothill Center. See article in Clubs section.

Spring Production: Friday, March 4, and Saturday, March 5 at 7:30 p.m., and Sunday, March 6 at 2:30 p.m.

Contact Larry Miller at 408-238-1030 or larry.wm.miller@sbcglobal.net.

What's Happening in ARTS & CRAFTS?

All Villagers are invited to participate in Arts and Crafts Activities.

Website: www.villagesartsandcrafts.org

Contact: President Shanah Cole at shanahandken@hotmail.com

January 12: Adult Coloring Party. Art Room in Cribari. BYO coloring supplies, snacks, and beverage of choice. Free sample pictures available. Seating limited to 16. RSVP to Wendy Ledamun at wledamun49@gmail.com or 408 274-4215.

January 12: Art Film in Cribari Conference Room. 7 p.m.

January 13 to February 17: Acrylics and Oil Classes with Jane Hink, 9:30 a.m. to 12-noon. \$60. To register, call Barbara at 408-531-9402 or email barb.gottesman@gmail.com.

January 14 to February 18: Experimental Watercolor with Linda Sieker. 9:30 a.m. to 12 noon. \$60. To register, call Barbara at 408-531-9402 or email barb.gottesman@gmail.com.

Open studio: Mondays and Fridays 9 a.m. to 12 noon. Mondays with Jane Hink (408-270-8922). Fridays with Joan Fury (408-274-8728).

Boutique: Handcrafted items for sale, crafted by Villagers. Current showcase: Holiday gifts. Open weekdays 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., and Saturdays 9 a.m. to noon in Cribari Center. Contact Director Peggy Long at 408-223-8766.

Stitchery: Mondays at 1 p.m., Cribari Forum. Call Roberta at 408-270-0308.

Ceramics: Mondays 9:30 a.m. to 12 noon. Ceramics room. No fee. To join, call Jim Paradis at 408-223-8796.

POLE WALKERS CALENDAR

All walks start at 8:30 a.m. unless otherwise noted. For information, call Edith: 408-274-4712.

Friday, January 1, 2016: HAPPY NEW YEAR. No walks scheduled.

Monday, January 4: Meet at Gazebo.

Tuesday, January 5: 1:30 p.m. Bocce Practice. Refer to the Sports pages of this week's Villager for information on the Bocce Installation Dinner for February 6.

Wednesday, January 6: Carpool/walk to LaBou.

Thursday, January 7: 2 p.m. Games, Cribari.

Friday, January 8: Meet at Fairway and Hermosa.

Monday, January 11: Meet at Club parking lot for a walk in the park.

Tuesday, January 12: 1:30 p.m. Bocce Practice.

Wednesday, January 13: Meet at club parking lot to carpool/walk to Evergreen Plaza. Farmers Market.

Thursday, January 14: 2 p.m. Games at Cribari.

Friday, January 15: Meet at Montgomery center

SENIOR ACADEMY CALENDAR

There will be no Senior Academy sponsored events until the News Junkies meeting scheduled for January 25 followed by the Annual Members Meeting and Reception on January 28, 2016. Enjoy the holiday season.

New to the Villages? Want to exercise your brain and expand your horizons? Consider joining Senior Academy. We offer outstanding lectures and short courses at The Villages. Contact Ruth Gomes at 408-274-4904 for membership information.



MUSIC SOCIETY: TAKE NOTE

Save the Date: All concerts held at Cribari Auditorium

January 30, 2 pm.: Friends and Family Concert (TBA)

February 27, 2 pm.: Friends and Family Concert (TBA)

March 13, 2 p.m.: Villages Band Concert

March 31 & April 1, 7:30 p.m., April 2, 2:30 p.m.: Village Voices Spring Concert

April 10, 2:30 p.m.: Piano Club Concert

Rehearsal Schedules/Meetings:

Villages Concert Band: 7:15 p.m. Tuesday rehearsals at the Auditorium. New players welcome, no auditions required. Call Band President Larry Miller at 408-238-1030 for more information.

Villages Handbells: Ongoing Handbell rehearsals at 3 p.m., Fridays. For information, call Kathi or Earl Levin at 408-270-5458.

Piano Club: 2 p.m. Tuesdays in the Auditorium. For information, contact Celeste DiGenova, Piano Club President, at 408-531-9122.

Village Voices: 7 p.m. Wednesday rehearsals at Foothill. New singers are welcome, no auditions required. For information, call Membership Chairman Chris Leisy at 408-309-2757.

Donations gratefully accepted. Send checks to Music Society, 5000 Cribari Lane, San Jose, CA 95135. The Villages Music Society is a 501(c)(3) tax exempt nonprofit organization.

For Reservations or Information: 408-223-4687

2800 Villages Fairway Drive, San Jose CA 95135

All Clubhouse & Bistro menus can be found at www.thevillagesgcc.com

WHAT'S COOKING?

theclubhouse@the-villages.com

Happy Hour All Week Long: Happy Hour is available all week long from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m!

Come down and join us for a drink!

49ers Appetizer Specials: Come and join us from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturdays, Sundays and Mondays through the football season for specially priced appetizers. Please see the ad on the next page for more information.

Clubhouse **New Year's Day:**

Happy New Year! Friday January 1 Closed all day.

Bistro New Year's Day:

Happy New Year! Friday January 1 Closed all day.

Gift Cards available at the Clubhouse and Pro Shop!

\equiv CLUBHOUSE RESTAURANT \equiv

Monday Closed

Tuesday-Thursday Lunch: 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Dinner: 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Friday Brunch: 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday & Sunday Brunch: 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Dinner: 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Music Entertainment on Sunday Nights!

LUNCH SPECIALS SERVED ALL WEEK

Lunch Specials

Tuesday 1-5 to

Sunday 1-10

Stuffed Avocado Salad

\$10.95

Half Avocado stuffed with Chicken Salad, Toasted Almonds, Grape Tomato and Cucumber over Greens

Roast Pork Loin Sandwich Sliced Pork Loin, Chipotle Mayonnaise, Escabeche Onions, Tomato and Arugula on a French Roll

Trout Amandine \$12.95

Sautéed Boneless Trout with Beurre Blanc Sauce and Toasted Almonds

DAILY SOUP SPECIALS

Lunch specials are served with choice of soup or salad.

Soup: Cream of Tomato Tuesday, January 5 Wednesday, January 6 Beef Barley Soup: Thursday, January 7 Soup: Cream of Mushroom Friday, January 8 Clam Chowder Soup: Saturday, January 9 Chef's Choice Soup: Chef's Choice Sunday, January 10 Soup:



DINNER SPECIALS SERVED ALL WEEK

Dinner Specials Tuesday 1-5 to

Sunday 1-10

Sautéed Chicken Breast with a Portobello Mushroom and Marsala Wine Sauce

Mahi Mahi \$19.50

Chicken Marsala

Grilled Pacific Mahi Mahi with Roasted Pineapple and Ponzu Ginger Sauce

Venison Medallions

Market Price

\$16.95

New Zealand Venison Medallion Sautéed with Pearl Onions and a Rosemary Cabernet Sauce

Dinner specials are served with choice of soup or salad.

ACTIVITIES

Monday, January 4

No Events

Tuesday, January 5

• SIRs #114 Lunch—Sunset, Oak and Fairway Rooms-10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Wednesday, January 6

• New Resident orientation— Oak and Fairway Rooms - 3:30 o.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Thursday, January 7

- 18Hole Ladies Lunch—Oak and Fairway Rooms—12:45 p.m.
- Reservation—Sunset Room noon

Friday, January 8

• Private Fundraiser Dinner-Sunset, Oak and Fairway Rooms—5 p.m. to 10 p.m.

Saturday, January 9

•Private Birthday party—Sunset, Oak and Fairway Rooms - 5 p.m. to 11 p.m.

Sunday, January 10

• Private memorial service p.m. to 8 p.m.



More CLUBHOUSE ITEMS on next page

EVERGREEN VILLAGES FOUNDATION

Vacation Getaways Auction benefits the EVF

The Evergreen Villages Foundation is excited to announce a fundraising auction with 100 percent of proceeds going toward future Villages projects. Residents, employees, friends and families are welcome to bid.

Item #1- Little River Inn, Mendocino coast: 2 nights in Ocean view room w/fireplace, dinner, & golf w/cart for 2 plus champagne brunch for two at Elk Cove Inn. Value: \$686. Minimum bid: \$343. www.littleriverinn.com and www.elkcoveinn.com

Item #2- Brewery Gulch Inn, Mendocino: 2 nights with breakfast & buffet dinner for two. Value: \$800. Minimum bid: \$400. Rated by Conde-Nast Traveler as one of the top 150 lodging properties in the world. www.brewerygulchinn.com

Item #3- Constance Hotel in Pasadena: two nights in a deluxe suite with \$100 food credit. Value: \$580. Minimum bid: \$290. A beautiful historic property. www.constancehotel.com

Item #4- The Langham Huntington Hotel, Pasadena (formerly Ritz Carlton Huntington) one night stay, free parking, breakfast for two. Value: \$500. Minimum Bid:\$250. www.langhamhuntington.com

Item #5- King Frederick Inn, Solvang - 2 night stay for two includes continental breakfast, parking and wi-fi. Value- \$200. Minimum bid: \$100. www.kingfrederickinn.com

Item #6- Casa Munras, Monterey-one night midweek with dinner for 2 at Esteban. Value: \$275. Minimum bid: \$136. www.innsofmonterey.com

Here's how to bid:

- 1-E-mail your bid & item number to: auction@evfsj.com . Please be sure to include your full name, address, phone number.
 - 2-Bids must be at least for the minimum bid value.
 - 3-The auction will close on January 11, 2016.
 - 4- If your bid is not confirmed within 2 days after sending, please call 408-620-1195.
- 5- A WORD version of this article for you to forward to friends and family is available by request at auction@evfsj.com
 - 6-Check the EVF website for the status of bidding at www.evfsj.org.
 - 7-Bids to be raised in increments of \$10 minimum.

We are not responsible for Internet technical problems that may impact the pidding.

Thank you for considering this opportunity to help our Foundation and future Villages projects.



SENIOR RESOURCE SERVICES

New Social Security rules end key strategies

Congress is ending two Social Security (SS) filing strategies that many couples have used to maximize their retirement incomes. These two techniques were discussed in our SRS article for October 29.

File and suspend strategy: Currently a married person—typically the higher wage earner—if at least age 66 can file for his or her own SS benefits and then immediately suspend receiving those benefits personally. Meanwhile the spouse can file for spousal benefits from the partner's account. By doing this, the higher wage earner's benefits will grow significantly, as much as 8 percent per year. In the meantime, the couple does receive one SS payment monthly, and down the road the suspended spouse will be paid a higher benefit because of waiting to claim his or her SS.

When will the new law be activated? The file and suspend option is ending for new filers as of May 1, 2016. If you are interested in this technique and age 66 or more, now is the time to apply. Those already using this strategy will be grandfathered in until age 70.

Restricted application strategy: Currently individuals eligible for both a spousal benefit based on their spouse's work record and a retirement benefit based on their own work record could, at age 66, choose to elect only a spousal benefit—then at age 70 switch to their own higher benefit.

This new law started immediately on passage without a grace period. Now only those born January 1, 1954 or earlier can use the restricted application strategy. So if you are 62 or older at the end of 2015, you are grandfathered in to this strategy. Anyone younger will automatically just get the higher of the two benefits – i.e. your own benefit or your spousal benefit.

Note: The Senior Resource Services (SRS) office hours for drop-in assistance are Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 10 a.m. to noon. The SRS office is located in the Cribari Center across from the Post Office. You may also leave a message at 408-239-5253. The purpose of SRS is to provide education and general business and financial information. All assistance is free and confidential. You should ask your professional advisor about your individual situation.

<u>SRS Announcement:</u>

IRS mileage rates for 2016

Do you use your automobile for business use? The standard mileage rate for business is 54 cents-a-mile for 2016. This is a decrease from the 57.5 cents rate in 2015. The new mileage rate for deductible medical mileage expense is 19 cents-a-mile rather than 23 cents. The rate for providing services for charitable organizations is set by statute, not the IRS, and remains at 14 cents a mile.

More BOARDS and COMMUNITY NOTICES on pages 14 & 23

Villages Medical Auxiliary Since 1976

Office: 408-238-4230 Hours: Monday to Friday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Jendayi Santana, Service Coordinator: 408-238-4029



VMA served hundreds in 2015

Thanks to our volunteers and our professional services coordinator, the Villages Medical Auxiliary (VMA) helped hundreds of Villagers this year.

Our Professional Services Coordinator Jendayi Santana served 577 Villagers, providing 1,635 services including referrals for alternate transportation, caregivers, housekeepers and assisted living facilities, and aid to families after the death of a loved one and more. In addition, Santana organized workshops on Advance Care Planning, Bone Density Screening, Diabetes, and The Lifelong Athlete.

The VMA sponsors monthly support groups—Caregivers for Memory Support Group, Grief Support Group and Parkinson's support groups for Parkinson's patients and caregivers. The attendance at the Caregivers and Grief group sessions this year averaged less than 10 participants a session, so there is plenty of room for Villagers to take advantage of these services. Parkinson's groups average 15 participants a session.

Blood pressures were taken 475 times at the weekly free clinic.

Medical equipment delivery and pickup trips totaled 1,168 for the year.

Seventy-three trips were made taking Villagers to the process store and pharmacy.

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Trips to the doctor and dentist totaled 576 for the year.

Our partner Convalescent Home Ministry (CHM) delivered 103 lap blankets made by Villagers to convalescent homes and rehabilitation centers. In addition to the blankets, other handmade items and bingo prizes were distributed.

Senior Resource Services, another partner of VMA, provided professional counsels to 953 Villagers on topics such as taxes, Medicare, and insurance.

We look forward to 2016 with a renewed effort to serve Villagers in need and encourage Villagers to lend a helping hand by volunteering. Stop by the VMA office in Cribari Center (next to the post office) Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and pick up a volunteer application. A couple of hours of your time can make a big difference in the life of a fellow Villager.

49ERS APPETIZER SPECIALS



Saturdays, Sundays & Mondays 2pm to 6pm Throughout the Football Season!

Chicken Tenders
Calamari
Potato Skins
Angus Sliders
Buffalo Wings
Vegatarian Spring Rolls
Regular Nachos

\$4.90 Each

Plus Service Charge & Tax

UNITY ACTIVITI

The following events are sponsored by the Community Activities Department. Please telephone 223-4643 for additional information.

Board and Committee Meetings

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Date	Meeting	Time	Place
1/4	Fitness Center Comm.	11 a.m.	Forum
1/5	Club Rules Comm.	10 a.m.	Forum
1/7	AC Association/Landscape	9 a.m.	Montgomery Center
1/7	Utility Cost Containment Comm.	9 a.m.	Building A
1/7	Homeowners AC	3 p.m.	Corporation Yard
1/7	Cribari DAC	3:30 p.m.	Patio Room
1/7	General Plan Comm.	3:45 p.m.	Building A

The Choral Project and The King's Singers together for one special night!

The King's Singers are a British a cappella vocal ensemble founded in 1968. They are named after King's College in Cambridge, England, where the group was formed by six choral scholars.

The Villages is lucky enough to score tickets for Tuesday, February 23, at 7:30 p.m. at Cathedral Basilica of St. Joseph Church in San Jose, CA. Together for the first time, The Choral Project is honored to share the stage with the double Grammy® award-winning vocal ensemble, The King's Singers. The King's Singers are admired for their musical excellence and recognized as consummate entertainers – a class act with a delightfully British sense of humor. Their generous spirit and magical ability to move audiences have remained constant



since the group's formation in 1968. Cost is only \$55 per person! Depart the Villages from Cribari Center's east parking lot at 6:30 p.m. with estimated return time of 9 p.m.

Repertoire for this special performance features a world premiere by rising star composer Michael Ostrzyga as well as René Clausen's sublime "In Pace" and Latvian composer Juris Karlsons' virtuosic masterpiece "Neslegtais gredzens" (The Unclosed Ring). The program will also include several joint numbers including music by Bob Chilcott and Eric Whitacre. For the finale, The Choral Project, The King's Singers, and the San José State University Choraliers will combine to sing a special setting of the "Irish Blessing" by conductor Daniel Hughes. Tickets will sell out quickly for this one-night-only event, so order yours today.

Register in the Community Resource Center, Building B.

Give a gift of massage or personal training!

Back In Form is offering a variety of discounts to improve the way you look and feel. Personal Training: 2-4-1 is back! Sign up for four or eight sessions of Personal Fitness Training and bring a training partner for free!

Massage: Buy two massages and receive your third massage at 50 percent off!

Buy 10 get 10! If you buy 10 sessions of any of our services (Massage, Personal Training, Nutritional Counseling) you receive 10 percent off. You can mix and match those 10 sessions anyway you like! Back In Form Fitness and Wellness Gift Certificates make a great holiday gift! Call us to get your Health and Fitness program started today! Back In Form: 408-455-2887. Sponsored by Community Activities.

Jersey Boys...

(Continued from front page)

bringing countless audiences to their feet. As The New York Times said, "The crowd goes wild!" Arrive at the Redwood Room at 10:30 a.m. to check in and get your tickets. Depart from the east parking lot, Cribari Center, at 11 a.m. We will enjoy the 1 p.m. matinee with dinner following at Pompei's Grotto. The cost for this wonderful outing is only \$165. Register in the Community Resource Center, Building B.

Your entrée choices will be Grilled Salmon, Petite NY Steak or Shrimp Scampi at Pompei's Grotto. Dinner includes dessert, coffee, tea or soda. You can also enjoy a glass of house wine or draft beer. You can register in the Community Resource Center, Building B. All sales are final.

Community Events

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Date	Event	Sponsor	
1/5	SIRs 114 Lunch	Sons In Retirement	
1/6	Bingo	Arts & Crafts Assoc.	
1/6	New Resident Orientation	Management	
1/7	Brandeis Lecture/Potluck	Brandeis Committee	
1/7	18 Hole Women Lunch	18 Hole Women Golf	

Zumba Gold in January!

Zumba Gold takes the exciting Latin and International dance rhythms created in the original Zumba and brings them to the active older adult. This easy-to-follow class is an enjoyable Latin-inspired dance program which includes moves and music from Merenge, Salsa, Cha Cha, Cumbia, Belly Dance, Flamenco, Tango and Rock & Roll. Zumba Gold creates a party-like atmosphere. It's fun, different, easy and effective and great for the mind, body and soul!

David Monarrez is your instructor and he has as much fun teaching as you do learning! Join his class now!

All January classes are at 6:30 p.m. on Mondays in the Foothill Center. The class fee is \$21 (\$7 per class) for residents or \$27 (\$9 per class) for guests. Please register in class. Beginning in February the classes will be held on Wednesdays, at 6:30 p.m. in the Montgomery Multi Purpose Room (the former fitness center.)

Sign up in class and be sure to wear comfortable shoes and bring a hand towel and bottled water with you.

Tai Chi—healing martial arts

Tai Chi is part of the Traditional Chinese Medicine system that combines martial arts movements with (Qi) chi energy circulation, breathing and stretching techniques for the purpose of producing internal health and physical strength. The value of Tai Chi is that it has the potential to increase energy and repair the physical body to prevent and cure disease. Regular practice of Tai Chi has proven to increase balance, strengthen and improve quality of life. If you have an existing health challenge, Tai Chi may be able to help you regulate it before it becomes a major health problem. The cost is \$9 per class, billed monthly. This ongoing class is held Wednesdays and Fridays from 10 to 11 a.m. in the Vineyard Center. Register in Class! For information call Jane at (408) 315-1179. This class is sponsored by the Community Activities Office.

Walk your way to health

Our Walking for Better Balance class is designed to help participants improve their balance, strength and quality of life. Improve standing and walking skills and regain the confidence to move safely. Walking works on your body from head to toe. It reduces stress, decreases risk of heart attack, improves mental function and increases energy. Whether you are on a walker, in a wheelchair or just want to get some serious exercise this class is for you! The cost is \$9 per class, billed monthly. This ongoing class is held Tuesdays and Thursdays at 11:30 a.m. in the Cribari Auditorium. Register in Class! For information call Jane at (408) 315-1179. This Class is sponsored by the Community Activities Office.

RESIDENT EXCURSION PARTICIPATION GUIDELINES

The Community Activities office offers a wide variety of activities for the enjoyment of the Villages residents. As an active adult community, many meetings, events and appointments vie for your time. Please check your personal calendars

prior to committing to an event, class or trip. Once registered for an activity, you are responsible for the cost of the activity. All sales are final.

Management assumes residents and guests are able to participate in our sponsored

activities independently. We reserve the right to evaluate the participant's ability to participate based on each individual's physical abilities and/or demonstrated behaviors. You may always take a caregiver with you to help with your needs.

Employees are not permitted to provide physical assistance to participants. If personal assistance or a wheelchair is needed, the participant must arrange for a caregiver with paid reservation to accompany him/her.

Employees, residents and their guests represent the Villages Golf and Country Club off site. It is expected that all participants will conduct themselves in a dignified, cooperative and congenial manner.

Living with Parkinson's

Parkinson's is a neurological disease in which the brain stops producing the chemicals it needs to control movement, balance and coordination. It is a disease that affects every person differently. Most people living with PD are still able to think, remember, love and care. Once a person is diagnosed with the disease, it is their attitude, lifestyle, medication management and things they do to contribute that determines the direction their life takes. Research shows that a person living with PD can slow the progression of the disease when they exercise three times per week. The Villages Parkinson's Exercise Program offers three classes per week: Tuesdays 10 to 11 a.m. ADL Class in the Auditorium, Wednesdays 10 to 11 a.m. Tai Chi in the Vineyard Center, and Thursdays 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Walking for Better Balance class in the Auditorium. Register in Class! For information call Jane at (408) 315-1179. Class is sponsored by the Community Activities Office.

E-book and Kindle help

Need help downloading San Jose Public Library eBooks to your personal electronic device? Then you are in luck. Join librarian Amelia Vander Heide on Wednesday, February 10, 2016 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. or Alison de Geus on Wednesday, February 24, 2016 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. for individual help. Each participant will have 30 minutes to work one-on-one with a librarian in order to download an eBook to their personal device. Although not required, appointments are highly encouraged. Those without an appointment will be seen on first come first served basis within the time period allotted. Interested residents may make an appointment by calling the Evergreen Branch Library at 408-808-3060 during business hours.

Participants will need to bring the following: personal electronic device, San Jose Public Library card (or photo ID in lieu of card), and material for taking notes. Additional questions can be directed by e-mail to Amelia Vander Heide (amelia. vanderheide@sjlibrary.org) and Alison de Geus (alison.degeus@ sjlibrary.org) or by calling 408-808-3060.

Questions can also be directed to Ruth DePonzi in the Community Activities, 408-223-4644.

Redwood, Terrace, and Sequoia rooms available on weekends

The Sequoia Room and Terrace Room Lounge are drop-in game playing areas Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. and on Fridays 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. All other days and times, use is by reservation only. Please contact the Community Activities office at 408 223-4643 if you would like to use these facilities to play games or cards on a Friday evening, Saturday or Sunday. The reservation process is easy and ensures your uninterrupted use of the facility.

Yoga for graceful Living

Yoga is a way of living that simultaneously cultivates and maintains the body, mind and spirit. Yoga is not a religion; it is a way of doing life that can be practiced by anyone Christian, Buddhist, Jew. Muslim, Hindu or atheist. Yoga works for each individual because every person has to have the self-discipline to find his or her own path to health, happiness and inner peace. Regular practice of yoga will increase your flexibility, strengthen your body and bring harmony into your own life. The cost is \$72 for the full month of classes (both Tuesdays and Thursdays). The cost is \$45 if you wish to take only the Tuesday or the Thursday classes. Sign up in the Community Activities Office in Building B. This ongoing class is held Tuesdays and Thursdays from 2 to 3 p.m. in the Montgomery Center. This Class is sponsored by the Community Activities Office.

Resident sponsors must be present to use Club facility

The use of Club facilities is one of many privileges of living at The Villages. Since all of the Club facilities, with the exception of the Clubhouse, require a resident sponsor, it is important to remember the resident is required to be on site at all times the facility is in use. Residents often reserve facilities for family events, friends or an event involving outside clubs or businesses. Even though you may not be the event's primary organizer, you are The Villages' primary responsible party. Please be sure you are available to be at the facility you hold the reservation on for the entire event - setup through cleanup. The contract you signed to use the facility says you will.

Please remove decorations after events

There are facility use policies that get overlooked or forgotten come the day of the meeting or event. One of those policies is in regards to decorating. All decorations need to be free standing. Nothing is to be attached to the walls, windows, shutters, doors, etc. Staff finds tape remnants, thumbtacks, straight pins, and other objects that were used to adhere things to surfaces. Please use centerpieces, balloons with weights or easels to hold items for decorations. Your cooperation is appreciated.



Upcoming Movie

The following movie is shown free of charge in the Cribari Conference Room on the date designated. For additional information please contact the Community Activities office.

Tuesday, January 19 at 7 p.m.—"The Longest Ride": Starring Scott Eastwood and Britt Robertson, Told via concurrent stories that ultimately converge, this adaptation of the Nicholas Sparks novel follows an old man consoled by reminiscences of his late wife as he's trapped after a car crash, and a young couple falling in love in a nearby town.

ARBOR DENTAL GROUP

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More COMMUNITY NOTICES

THANK YOU

My family and I would like to thank our Village friends for their warm thoughts and condolescences on the passing of Larry Chong my beloved husband. Larry had a beautiful voice and loved to sing so whenever you hear a song think of him.

-Marie Chong

ABOVE & BEYOND

Kudos to Ken and Mary and the Communications Office for providing two days of nostalgic movies and special news clips and cartoons on Channel 27 over the Christmas holidays. The TV was on in the background as I was finishing some chores in my home and several times I was drawn to the sound of familiar voices in shows from yesteryear so I'd sit down and enjoy the broadcast. What a great idea—thank you so much for adding to our holiday entertainment, especially for shut-ins who weren't able to get out of their homes.

-Vera Buescher

EVF NEWS

Evergreen Villages Foundation projects completed in 2015

By John Stratakos, EVF Vice President

2015 was a busy year for the EVF. We had a successful fundraising year, revised our bylaws, added a website, started an online email (silent) auction, began The Circle of Friends, held the 4th annual clothing sale, and participated in funding a number of projects.

Cribari Patio was completed to provide a suitable venue for Villages events and provide ADA compliance for all areas. EVF contributed \$100,000 toward the total cost exceeding \$200,000.

The Bistro Plaza Fire Pit was recently completed that will provide a warm outdoor gathering place to promote Villager fellowship during the cool evenings. EVF contributed \$5,000 from the general fund and received donations of \$3,684 specifically earmarked for the project with the VGCC board paying the remainder.

The Memorabilia Cabinet in Cribari Center was recently constructed. This educational display tastefully presents the history of the area that includes The Villages. This was entirely funded by contributions by Annette Mach through the proceeds of her book, "Panorama of The Villages."

Planters were requested and installed by Melinda Dobbs and Penny Barcellos to beautify the Clubhouse entrance at a cost of \$800. The Foundation worked with Michael Rosenblatt to purchase an ergonomic upper body exercise machine for the Fitness Center with funds earmarked for this project. EVF contributed \$1,500 and earmarked donations were \$2,865.

Proposed projects are evaluated based on serving Villagers in one or more of categories: the following

- 1. Cultural/Social
- 2. Health, Wellness and General Well Being
- 3. Education
- Safety and Security
- 5. Resource conservation

All projects must have VGCC Board approval before pro-

We look forward to funding more projects this coming year to enrich and maintain our Villages amenities. With your support we can make 2016 our best year of fundraising and completing projects.

*The EVF is a 501 (c) (3) non-profit organization and all donations are tax deductible to the extent allowed by law.

Note: The EVF Board of Directors meets monthly on the second Wednesday of the month from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. in the Cribari Patio Room. You are always welcome to attend.

More BOARDS & COMMITTEES on page 23

PUBLIC SAFETY

Holiday courtesy rides

To many people, the holidays are synonymous with parties and drinking. While this is a time to celebrate with family and friends, it is also a time when some may overindulge. An error in judgment could mean that someone might not survive to see the New Year. For those who may have celebrated a little too much, Public Safety officers will provide courtesy rides home to residents who live within the Villages. Public Safety will additionally assist residents' quests in obtaining commercial means of transportation. Remember, you as a Villager are responsible for your guests while they are in the Villages.

The Department of Public Safety wishes you a joyous and safe holiday season.

Guest barcodes will be renewed

You are not required to fill out a new form for renewal of guest barcodes for 2016.

Your current guest bar codes will be automatically renewed, at a cost of \$5 each. The guest barcodes will be activated for the 2016 calendar year. You will see the billing on your statement in February 2016. If you do not want a guest barcode renewed, please contact the Public Safety Administration at 408-239-5246 by January 22, 2016.

If you have already notified us that you had a change before December 1, 2015, you do not need to notify us again.

Any change requests can be made with Public Safety Administration, Building C, Monday through Friday, 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. and 1 to 4 p.m.

As always, your resident barcode does not need to be renewed.

Clearing guests at the Plaza

In an effort to assist residents in clearing their guests at the community's entrance (the Plaza), Public Safety has some helpful hints.

- 1. If you are expecting a guest, please inform them that they will be asked for a house number by the Public Safety Officer when they approach the front gate. Most services we provide are tied to the house number. If your guest does not know your house number, there can be a delay, as we then need to search the system for your name.
- 2. Inform your guests that the left lane is for guests and the right lane is for residents. Often, guests will go to the shorter line, which is the residents' and cleared vendors' lane. When this occurs, traffic stops until we inform the guest to drive around the Plaza to enter the guest lane, so we can assist them.
- 3. The most convenient way to clear your guest is to enter their name(s) on your personal guest list via www.gateaccess.net. This expedites your guest being cleared. If they are not on your guest list, the Public Safety Officer must contact you to clear your guest. If you do not have access to a computer to clear your guest, please contact the Public Safety Plaza via telephone (408-223-4665) before your guest arrives and we will be happy to assist you in adding your guest to your guest list.

Additionally, in an effort to control traffic when a long line forms, we will stop traffic in one or the other lanes to reduce traffic in the other lane. Most of the time only one gate arm will open at a time, but there are times when both will open. It normally occurs when the barcode reader reads the barcode and the officer presses the guest lane button at the same time.

As we approach the holiday season, please drive safely and if you need a ride home from the Clubhouse or Bistro, contact the Public Safety Plaza.

Reflective clothing recommended for night walkers

As we are in the winter months, there are fewer hours of sunlight. Many of you enjoy walking after dinner or early in the morning. When you are out and about, please wear reflective clothing. Wearing reflective clothing can alert a driver of your presence. There are many different options of reflective clothing, vests or garments. Remember to watch out for drivers and pedestrians.





Maintenance Emergencies and/or Advice

The Maintenance Services Department's general work hours are Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. If you experience a maintenance emergency during those hours, please call the office right away at 408-223-4670. Even if you are certain the emergency is your responsibility, Maintenance Services can provide a list of contractors that are familiar with The Villages and may be helpful for the repair.

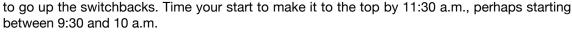
If a maintenance emergency occurs outside of the general work hours or during a holiday, please call Public Safety at 408-223-4665. The Public Safety Department will contact the Maintenance Area Supervisor and/or the appropriate contractor.

Clubs & Events

Join Hiking Club's New Year hikes and celebration SIR 114 to present Tech

The Hiking Club will once again celebrate New Year's Day at the top of our tallest hill, at 2,300-feet elevation. Dan Kato will lead the long hikers to the top, starting from Foothill Center, leaving at 10 a.m. It will take from 1 to 1 1/2 hours to make it to the top, so the celebration will officially start at 11:30 a.m. at the top of the hill. Please bring snacks and suitable libations to share with friends and fellow hikers.

To make it to the top at a more leisurely pace and a slightly shorter distance, hikers may start at the upper garden parking lot instead. From there, the easiest route is Skyway trail to Indian trail to Rawhide trail then, where Rawhide trail splits, taking a left onto alt Rawhide

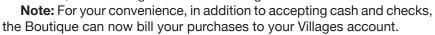


Wendy Ledamun will lead the Ramblers on the lower hill trails, covering some of the new trails put in place this year. The Ramblers will meet at the cul-de-sac at the top of Valle Vista at 9:45 a.m., and will finish at the picnic area about 11:15 a.m. for their New Year's celebration. In case of bad weather the celebration will be held at Foothill Center at 11:30 a.m. For more information, please contact Wendy Ledamun at wledamun49@gmail.com.

It's a brand new day at the Boutique

By Mary Wollesen

The Boutique reopens Monday, January 4 with a fresh new look. Come by and see what we've done. Remember for all your shopping needs, check the Boutique in Cribari Center, where everything is not just made in America, it's made right here in The Villages.





Magical Doll Group creates Raggedy Anns

The Magical Doll Group met for their annual Christmas brunch on December 14 at the home of Jean Corrigan. She served a delightful champagne brunch with everyone contributing their favorite dish. This year's challenge was to make a Raggedy Ann doll.

2015 marks the 100th anniversary of Raggedy Ann. Raggedy Ann is a character created by the American writer Johnny Gruelle. He wrote and illustrated a series of children's books about Raggedy Ann and Raggedy Andy. As the story goes, he wrote the original stories for his daughter who brought her rag doll to show to him. She did not have a face, so he painted one on the doll. The unique features of the dolls are red yarn for hair and a triangle nose.

The stories and rag dolls still remain popular with young children. As you can see in the picture, we had a variety of Raggedy Anns, which is what makes this group so much fun.

The dolls pictured below were made by Jean Corrigan, Joan Fury, Jean Gillette, Pam Hanssen, Annette Mach and Roberta Pabst. Marilyn Buckler's was missing from the photo.



Villages Dog Club to meet at Gazebo

The Villages Dog Club with dogs and doggies will meet—weather permitting—at 10 a.m. Saturday, January 2 at the Gazebo. We will discuss the suggested rule change and plan future activities for the Villages Dog Club. Come join us whether you are a member or not and get to know each other better. We welcome all Villagers. Normally we meet with dogs and doggies at 10 a.m. at the Gazebo the first Saturday of each month. Questions? Contact Larry Miller at 408-238-1030 or at larry.wm.miller@sbcglobal.net.

SIR 114 to present Tech Museum's Talance Orme

By Don Norling

For our January 5 luncheon meeting, Sons in Retirement Branch 114 will be welcoming Talance Orme, the Senior Manager of Volunteer Services and Training at The Tech Museum of Innovation. He brings over 17 years of people management experience as a Human Resources Director (DAJA International, LLC) and Human Resources Manager (Raging Waters Waterpark). He has a degree in Human Resource Management from San Jose State University and has been very active in the local community as a volunteer. Talance brings his passion and enthusiasm to the Tech and believes in its mission to inspire the innovator in everyone.

Talance will talk about the history, impact and mission of The Tech. He will also discuss the new exhibits at the Tech and the major yearly events: the Tech Awards and the Tech Challenges.

There will be an opportunity for members and guests to visit The Tech as a group later in the month of January.

Members fellowship will begin at 11 a.m. followed by lunch at noon. Guests should plan to arrive by 12:30 p.m. We will be meeting at the Clubhouse.

First Bingo of the year!

Let's have some fun at our first Bingo of 2016 on Wednesday, January 6 in the Cribari Auditorium. Play starts at 3:30 p.m. Come early and enjoy some coffee and cookies. You must be 18 or older to play. First time players receive one free card. Any questions? Call Betty Stednitz at 408-274-2010.

Democratic Club to present Terry Christensen, Ph.D

On Wednesday, January 6 at the Foothill Center, the Democratic Club will hear a presentation from Terry Christensen, Ph.D.

Terry is a specialist on state and local politics. He currently is a professor at San Jose State University, and in 1998 was named the University's Outstanding Professor. His teaching focused on local government and politics, and has been the author or coauthor of nine books.

Terry will speak on his insight into the 2016 Presidential campaign, as well as possible state initiatives, such as the Right to Know Act (Disclose Act) and Pension Reform.

All Villagers are invited to join Club Members for the Discussion Group at 2 p.m. and social time at 3 p.m. for coffee, tea, and cookies. Mr. Christensen will then speak at 3:30 p.m.

Global Village Club to discuss topic of 'Faith'

By Manjula Bhagi

The next Global Village Club meeting will take place on Wednesday, January 6 at the Cribari conference room opposite auditorium at 7 p.m.

Faith is strong belief or trust on someone or something.

"Faith is taking the first step even when you don't see the whole staircase", said Martin Luther King Jr.

"There is nothing that wastes the body like worry, and one who has any faith in God should be ashamed to worry about anything whatsoever," said Mahatma Gandhi.

Until we take action our "faith" is just a bunch of words. On the other hand, belief can survive without actions.

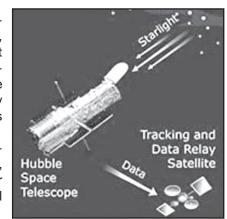
Manjula Bhagi will share some of the Faith based anecdotes. It is a dialogue session. We welcome people from all walks of life to share their experiences.

Astronomy Club to present 'Hubble' telescope series

By William Swintek

Join the Villages Astronomy Club on Tuesday, January 5 at 7 p.m. at Foothill Center as it presents the space telescope series, "Hubble" with lively discussions of Cosmos Space-time Events.

There will be observations from 6 to 7 p.m., weather permitting. For more information, e-mail b.stein@sbcglobal.net



Villages Amateur Theatre (VAT) invites you to the annual meeting

The Villages Amateur Theatre cordially invites you to the annual business and social meeting on Thursday, January 14 at 6 p.m. at the Foothill center.

It is sort of a late New Year's Eve potluck of "hearty appetizers" with the VAT providing the champagne and sparkling cider, plates, plastic glasses, eating utensils, and napkins. Coffee and tea will be provided.

Come and help us celebrate a successful 2015 and learn more about our exciting activities planned for 2016.

Newcomers to the Villages are welcome. Please RSVP to Pam Casey at 238-0879 or reply to this email with your name and how many are in your party. We look forward to seeing you there.

Join RV Club: Exciting 2016 destinations

By Burt Polishook, RV Club President

The Villages RV Club celebrated a successful 2015 and kicked off 2016 activities at its annual Business Meeting and Holiday Social on December 13, 2015 at the Foothill Center. The business meeting included change of officers and planning for 2016. The 2015 outgoing officers were President Bill DeVincenzi, Secretary Beth DeVincenzi and Treasurer Karin Mills. The 2016 officers are President Burt Polishook, Vice-President Bill DeVincenzi and Treasurer Nadine Margoles. Barb Weiler was reappointed as RV Trip Coordinator.

In 2015, the Club membership as a whole logged more than 75,000 miles in their RVs, a 50 percent increase over 2014 mileage due to "a wondering spirit", great weather and less expensive fuel. Trip planning for 2016 is underway with consideration being given to destinations in Morgan Hill, Gilroy, Monterey, Half Moon Bay, Yosemite, Napa, El Portal, Ashland, Calaveras, Capitola, Pismo Beach, Paso Robles and San Juan Bautista. Extended trip destinations including south to Mexico, north to Washington and west to Nevada are also under discussion. The 2016 Club Trip Plan will be finalized by the end of January. Typical RV trips involve cocktail parties, shared dinners, and tours of local sites.

Also under consideration are two proposed new projects. The first includes educational seminars by local RV businesses and repair shops either on their sites or in the Villages. The second encompasses an "Open House" afternoon of RV Club members' "rigs" in the RV Park for interested Villagers.

Club membership consists of Villagers with diverse backgrounds who have a common interest in sharing the "open road" experience. New members are always welcome. Villagers without an RV can rent one from a local firm, participate in a Club trip and determine their follow-up interest in joining.



Search family line with Genealogy Club

The Genealogy club will meet Thursday, January 7 at 10 a.m. in the conference room of Cribari. Come and let us know about the family line you are searching. We can tell you about some good websites to search for your family. We will be discussing ways to store and organize all those family papers. For more information about the club, please call Alice Reiley at 408-532-1328 or e-mail atreiley@sbcglobal.net.

Ethical Humanist Club: 'The Conscience of a Compassionate Conservative'

Join the Ethical Humanist Club at our meeting on Monday, January 18, at 7 p.m. at the Vineyard Center where we will watch Bill Moyers' July 25 talk where he speaks with the American Enterprise Institute's president Arthur C. Brooks, whose political views in large measure differ from his own, on how to fight America's widening inequality.

Brooks says that despite the heated rhetoric of the far right, the compassionate conservatism once touted by George W. Bush isn't dead. It's alive and well at the conservative AEI, where Brooks became president in 2009. Residing at the top of the conservative pecking order in Washington, Brooks advises Republican leaders



in Congress and spreads AEI's message to a wider audience. His specialty, as Newsweek describes it, is "translating ideas from policy speak into soaring moral prose." One of his key ideas: The endgame of free enterprise is not to preserve wealth but to create opportunity for the poor.

Moyers presses Brooks on why companies like Target, McDonald's and Wal-Mart don't pay a living wage to their employees who then have to rely on public programs to support themselves—in Walmart's case, about \$4,000 per worker. Brooks argues the market doesn't support higher wages and agrees that the country needs public policies that make work profitable for workers.

Members of the club are Humanists. Those interested in this month's topic, and/or learning about our club and Humanism, are invited to attend. If you have any questions please contact Barry Sardis via email at barry.sardis@gmail.com, or at (408) 768-6948.

Hiking Club to host Gift Exchange and Soup Supper

The Hiking Club will hold its 10th Annual White Elephant Gift Exchange and Soup Supper on Thursday, January 14 starting at 5:30 p.m. at Foothill Center. Please call Wendy Ledamun at (408) 274-4215 if you have a favorite soup that you would like to share. Otherwise, bring an appetizer, salad or dessert for 8 to 10 people. Bring your own place setting, several cups to sample different soups and your favorite beverage. Cider and coffee will be provided.



The White Elephant gift exchange will take place after supper. White Elephant gifts are typically inexpensive, humorous items or used items from home that we can't use, don't want or that are just plain peculiar! So wrap one of them up and bring it to the potluck and join in the fun! Note: a gift is not necessary, however, it does add to the fun. Hope to see you there!

Cribari Elves needed after holidays

Save the Date: Saturday, January 9 at 9:30 a.m.
Volunteers are needed to help take down the holiday decorations.
-Connie Jamrock, Cribari Decorating Committee

Brandeis: What makes us like the foods we like?

By Marcie Pais

Once a year, Brandeis University, located in Waltham, Massachusetts sends a professor to The Brandeis National Committee's annual exciting event, "University on Wheels". This year, we are delighted to announce that our professor will be Dr. Don Katz, who will discuss a universal topic, "What Makes Us Like the Foods That we Like."



The learned and lively Dr. Katz will discuss how our brains combine a welter of information such that most of us end up liking sweets, some of us end up liking beer, and all of our tastes are subject to change. Dr. Katz is an investigator of Behavioral Neuroscience and winner of the 2012 Brandeis University Lerman-Neubauer '69 Prize for Excellence in Teaching and Mentoring.

Please join us for this challenging and thought-provoking conversation that will take place on Thursday, January 7 at 11:30 a.m., at the Hong Fu Gourmet Chinese Restaurant, 20588 Stevens Creek Boulevard, Cupertino, CA 95014.

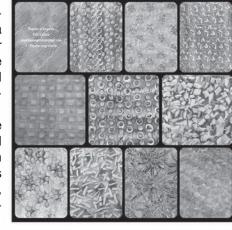


The cost is \$28 (\$10 tax deductible). The check is payable to Brandeis National Committee and mailed to Diane Fabri, 7650 Falkirk Drive, San Jose, CA 95135. The check is to arrive no later than Monday, January 4. Your check is your reservation. The proceeds will benefit Alzheimer's, Parkinson's and other neurodegenerative research at Brandeis University. For additional information, please contact Diane Fabri at 408-238-5166 or Dianefabri1@gmail.com

Attend workshop with visiting Argentinean artist

On Saturday, January 16, visiting Argentinean artist Liliana C. Codaro will offer a workshop in Paste Paper Decorating and Book Making to Villagers.

Samples of the decorated paper and hand made book can be viewed on the Arts & Crafts website, www.villagesartsand-crafts.org



Liliana will demon-

strate the paste paper making from 10 a.m. to 12-noon and the book making (with your decorated paper) from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m., after a lunch break. The Cribari Center Art Room is the location.

You may sign up for both sessions for \$40 or for the morning session alone for \$25. Call Barbara at 408-531-9402 to register before January 6 or e-mail her at barb.gottesman@gmail.com. A materials list will be sent to all who register.

Villages Amateur Radio Club to meet January 12



For the latest amateur radio information, attend the Villages Amateur Radio Club's monthly meeting on the second Tuesday of the month at 7:30 p.m. The next meeting will be January 12 at 7:30 p.m. at Foothill Center. Net Check-in 146.490 MHz at 7 p.m. For more information, e-mail ken@kwratten.com

FROM THE BOOKSHELF

By Yukie Matsuoka

"Killing Reagan" by Bill O'Reilly and Martin Dugard: The authors take us behind the scenes, creating an unforgettable portrait of a great man trying to keep the White House. 973.92 Non-fiction 2015.

"The Lake House" by Kate Morton: Detective Constable Sadie Sparrow, visiting Cornwell 70 years after an unsolved kidnapping, stumbles across the once-proud mansion where the crime occurred. She decides to seek answers from the person who was there all those years ago. What Sadie uncovers is an astonishing tale of secrets kept and suspicions withheld, of passionate love and bitter regret. Mystery 2015.

"After You" by Jojo Moyes: For Louisa Clark, life after loss of Will Traynor is a struggle. An extraordinary accident forces Lou to return home to her family. She must learn to love again. Fiction 2015.

"Come Rain or Come Shine" by Jan Karon: Father Kavanagh's adopted son has graduated from vet school and opened his own animal clinic. He and his soulmate Lace Harper want to keep their wedding simple. They plan to minimize the cost of the wedding by having a potluck in the mucked out barn. It's a pretty casual affair, so come as you are and remember to bring a tissue or two; after all what's a wedding without a good cry?

"The Woman Who Walked in Sunshine" by Alexander Mccall Smith: The No. 1 Ladies Detective Agency's Mma Ramotswe takes a vacation from the Agency during a slow business time when she meets a young boy named Samuel who is in some trouble. When Mma finds more about Samuel's story she feels compelled to help him find his way out of a bad situation. Mystery 2015.

Scarlet Sirens Red Hat Club seeks new members

By Vivian Wilczak, Scarlet Sirens Queen Mum

Hello Ladies, the Scarlet Sirens Red Hat Club would love to meet you. If you are interested in being a red hatter please join us at our Pizza Meeting on January 20 at noon in Montgomery Center. We will discuss events for the year. Yearly dues, payable in January, are \$5.

Join the first Coloring Party of the year!

The Villages Arts and Crafts Association is pleased to announce its first "Adult Coloring Party" of the New Year will be held on Tuesday, January 12 in the Art Room at Cribari Center from 7 to 9 p.m. BYO coloring supplies, snacks and beverage of choice. Free sample coloring pages are available. Seating limited to 16. RSVP to Wendy Ledamun at wledamun49@gmail.com or 408-274-4215.

Watch for future Adult Coloring Party dates in the "What's Happening in Arts & Crafts" column in The Villager.

Exercise with Jazzercise—a New Year's resolution

By Barbara Tommaney

Each January roughly one in three Americans resolve to better themselves in some way. Most opt for improving their health. May we suggest joining Jazzercise to achieve that goal? Starting a regular exercise routine can help boost your energy, reverse some of the symptoms of aging, improve your mind, mood and memory. The list of benefits reaped from regular activity is long. Suffice it to say that exercise is the key to stay strong, energetic and healthy. And joining Jazzercise provides a consistent, three times a week workout, that is tailored to your individual needs. In a Jazzercise class you will also make new friends who will give you additional incentive to continue with your program. Our workout is approximately 60 minutes and is set to a variety of popular music. The class starts with a gradual warm-up of the body, followed by an aerobic segment, resistance training (free weights) and stretching and range of motion routines. If you are wondering if Jazzercise is right for you, come for a free session and see what it is all about.

Jazzercise club meets in the Cribari Auditorium Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m., leaving you with a full day ahead. In January a full month of classes costs only \$45. But if you cannot commit to three times a week, you can opt for eight classes (\$32) a month or even six (\$30). Start the New Year right, feel better, look better, and get stronger. Joining Jazzercise can be your best New Year's resolution.

Travel Club has 'Holiday Affair to Remember'

By Lee Rye, Travel Club Chair

On Monday, December 14, the Vineyard Center looked like a scene from a cruise ship's elegant dining room. On crisp white linen, blue mini-lights twinkled on live red poinsettia centerpieces, as 48 members and guests enjoyed Christmas music playing softly in the background.

Members of The Villages Travel Club celebrated and sipped assorted wines and Christmas punch; shared a wide assortment of delicious hors d'oeuvres, tempting desserts and conviviality. This long awaited Christmas event marked the climax of an ambitious first year of The Villages Travel Club and will indeed become "An Affair to Remember."

Recently, The Travel Club teamed up with Talbot Tours for "Arizona Spring Training" in Scottsdale/Tempe, AZ. Chairman and Tour Leader Lee Rye encourages members and friends to respond





Top photo: Ginny Johnson, Rajesh and Ishwar Garg

Bottom photo: Janet Stevenson and Ann Berg

quickly for this popular, annual venue, coming March 7 to 10. Reservations for this attractive, all-inclusive package will close on January 30. For additional information, please contact club member Mike Cox at mic1704@sbcglobal.net.

If it's new adventure that you seek, or a fun evening out, we encourage Villagers to join the Travel Club in 2016. Annual dues are only \$10 per year.

Our next meeting will be on Monday, January 18 at 7 p.m. in the Montgomery Center. The club will present popular guest speaker and Villager Tamara Parker. You won't want to miss this one!

Opera Lovers: Placido Domingo in 'Die Fledermaus'

Johann Strauss' beloved romantic opera farce centers around a magnificent Viennese masked ball, where the husband of a wealthy bourgeois couple, Herr Edelstein, orchestrates misunderstandings between lovers and married couples in order to get revenge for a prank played on him many years ago. Rosalind, his wife, rues her dull marriage when unexpectedly she is courted by an old flame, Alfred, who asks her to attend a fabulous masked ball with him. Herr Edelstein's best friend, Falke (who laments his nickname "the bat"), encourages Edelstein to go to the ball for one last hurrah—but also asks Rosalind to go in disguise, so she would catch her husband seducing other women. What follows is a heady journey into dancing, entertainment

Falke (who laments his nickname "the bat"), encourages Edelstein to go to the ball for one last hurrah—but also asks Rosalind to go in disguise, so she would catch her husband seducing other women. What follows is a heady journey into dancing, entertainment and farce, with a depressed prince and plenty of disguises. We will meet at the Vineyard Center on Friday, January 8 at 1:30 p.m. Remember that our meetings are open to all, so if you enjoy great music, plan to come and bring a friend to share the joy of music. Questions? Call Arlene (408-528-1333) or Bonnie (408-531-1513).



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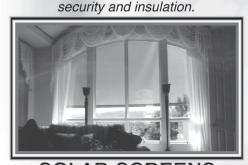
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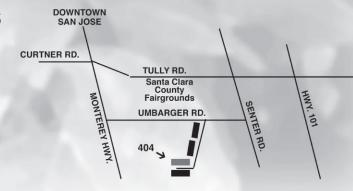


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Grief Support Group changes time, location

For 2016 the Grief Support Group is meeting the second Monday of the month in the mornings in the Cribari Center Forum Room (next to the boutique). The first meeting of the year is Monday, January 11, 10:30 a.m. to noon. By changing the location and time, the Villages Medical Auxiliary (VMA) and Hospice of the Valley are anticipating Villagers will find this more convenient.

The New Year is a time for renewal, but it's hard when you're trying to learn to live without your loved one. This group, led by a Hospice professional, may be just what you need to help you live with your grief and look toward the future. Pre-registration is not required.

Contact the VMA Services Coordinator Jendayi Santana (408-238-4029) for additional information and join the Grief Support Group on January 11.

Caregivers Support Group changes date, location

The January meeting for the Caregivers for Memory Support Group is Thursday, January 14, from 10:30 a.m. to noon at the home of Village resident Dr. Judith L. London, group facilitator. Call the Villages Medical Auxiliary Services Coordinator Jendayi Santana (408-238-4029) if you have questions regarding the date and place for this meeting.

Pre-registration is not required. Start your year out right, stop by the support group. Dr. London's expertise in the field provides the tools to encourage and help you in your daily life of caring for a loved one with memory issues.

Winter season pool closures

Cribari, Foothill and Montgomery pools and spas are closed for the season.

Vineyard pool and spa, however, will remain open during the cool weather months.

Religion

JEWISH GROUP

The warmth of Chanukah



The Jewish Group celebrated Chanukah with a group lighting of menorahs, warmth, friendship and fun. The food was delicious and the Peninsula Banjo Band provided moving entertainment.

Photo by Judy Stein

Friday night Shabbat services

Friday night Shabbat Services will be held at 8 p.m. on January 15 at Foothill Center. Rabbi Melanie Aron from Congregation Shir Hadash will be leading the services and will have her usual very interesting and timely discussion following services. We will also be remembering our long-time congregant Helen Matzner. Following the presentation we will have our usual Oneg Shabbat celebration.

All villagers are welcome. If you are interested in joining The Villages Jewish Group, please contact Ellie and Ed Kiss at 408-532-9135.

EPISCOPAL

By Bob DeNike

The lessons for the Second Sunday After Christmas:

Jeremiah 31:7-14 Ephesians 1:3-6, 15-19a

Luke 1:39-45

Matthew 2:13-15, 19-23 Psalm 84

Let there be peace on earth and good will to all.

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Episcopal Church Services on Sunday, January 3
The Villages – Montgomery Center at 8:30 a.m.
The Very Rev. David Bird will celebrate the Holy Eucharist.
At Trinity Cathedral – 10:30 a.m., 81 North Second Street, San Jose
Every Sunday – Holy Eucharist – The Very Rev. David Bird - Celebrant



SEARCH THE SCRIPTURES

Happy New Year!

Search The Scriptures will meet Monday, January 4 from 9:30 to 11 a.m. at Foothill for the first class of the new year. We continue our study of Jeremiah and welcome all Villagers, guests and visitors. Come join a friendly group of students as we make a joyful noise.

If you need a Bible or have questions, call Patt at 408-532-8685.

COMMUNITY CHAPEL

By Pastor Bill Hayden

We have come to the close of a year of great opportunities for some and physical challenges for others. There have been events and activities that you may have participated in that brought family and friends together. These are what we used to call Kodak Moments but now they have evolved into Pics to be shared in seconds to anyone through current technological advances.

It is has been amazing and quite challenging for all of us to keep up with the ever changing technologies that promised to simplify our lives. As we have become more seasoned seniors, we long for the old days when life was more simplistic and we kept pace. More times than none, our conversations consist of "What will they come up with next?"

Let us all be thankful for the joys of accomplishments small and great. Just getting out of bed each morning for some of us is a great accomplishment. We may not have achieved some of our hopes and dreams of the past year but we are here with the opportunity to try again. With all of our disappointments, we have survived and have been given the opportunity to make a difference in our neighbor's lives.

Let's ring in this New Year with thankfulness and a desire to make someone's life a little less challenging. Come join a bunch of thankful people this Sunday to welcome the opportunities to make a difference in someone's life. Meet us at 10 a.m. in the Cribari Auditorium. It will be the perfect event to a great start to a New Year! Refreshments will follow our service time.

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

In this final Catholic Community column for 2015 the Catholic Council here at the Villages wants to thank you all for your participation and support throughout the year. Your financial generosity and the many bags of food and clothing you have contributed this year has been awesome. Your attendance at the brunch, the picnic, and the dinner has made these events so much fun. It is great to get together and enjoy each other's company. We are fortunate as part of St. Francis of Assisi parish to be able to gather together to celebrate Mass each Sunday here in

St. Francis of Assisi Sunday Mass times:			
Saturday	5 p.m.	Chapel	
Sunday	8:15 a.m.	The Villages	
	8:30 a.m.	Chapel	
	9 a.m.	Gathering Space	
	9:30 a.m.	Grange	
	10:30 a.m.	Chapel	
	11 a.m.	Gathering Space	
	12:30 p.m.	Chapel	
	6 p.m.	Youth Mass Chapel	
Friday	9 a.m.	Cribari Conf. Room	
Preceded I	by the Rosary at	t 8:30 a.m.	

Cribari. All are always welcome, and we hope to see some new faces in 2016. Let us all pray for each other, and may 2016 bring us many blessings.

We have an 8:15 a.m. Mass every Sunday in the Cribari Auditorium. All are welcome.

If you are new to the Villages and would like to find out more about our Ecclesial Community, contact Linda Schlageter at 408-528-7494.

Our choir welcomes new members. We could use some new voices, especially men, to augment our choir. The only requirement is that you enjoy singing. Remember "singing is praying twice." The choir gathers at 7:30 a.m. before Sunday Mass to go over the music for that day. There are no practices during the week. See Bill Rodman after Mass if you are interested or call him at 408-274-4521.

Are you a caregiver in need of a respite a few hours a day? Day Break Cares is now accepting new members in its adult day program for seniors, specializing in dementia care. Conveniently located at St. Francis of Assisi Church, Day Break provides therapeutic socialization for seniors in a safe and cheerful environment. The center welcomes clients Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. and hosts caregiver support meetings twice a month. For more information, contact Program Coordinator Kelly Callahan at 408-270-4900 or visit www.daybreakcares.org. The program is a service of Catholic Charities of Santa Clara County.

Green Envelopes: Donations in the monthly green envelopes go to support the work and needs of our local Villages Catholic Council and are used here in the Villages.

Sacrament of Reconciliation is every Saturday in the Chapel Narthex from 4:15 to 4:45 p.m. **9 a.m. Friday morning Mass** is preceded by the Rosary at 8:30 a.m. in the Cribari Conference Room across from the Auditorium the first three Fridays of each month.

Home Communion: For home communion, call Shirley Roberts at 408-238-1543, and we would like you to know that if you are homebound, a priest is available to come to you for home Reconciliation. Please contact the parish office to make arrangements.

Sports News

SWINGERS

By Bev Murphy

Golf was canceled on Tuesday, December 15 due to a frost delay until 10 a.m. There were a couple of the ladies that did go to the golf course but many did know about the frost delay.

Carol Begley and Pam Short, our new Captain and Co-Captain, had a recognition brunch on Monday morning to say thank you to the 2015 Committees. Carol also introduced the people that will be on the 2016 Committees. JoAnne Utne discussed Corena Green and said she would like to see any of the ladies interested in Corena Green to help her out this coming year. JoAnne would show them what she has been doing in the past and they could work together on the events this coming year. The Swingers raised over \$1000 to donate to the Corena Green Fund. It was raised from the auction we held at the Invitational and through penalty fines paid each Tuesday when you find yourself in the sand, water or have more than three putts. JoAnne said working with the girls has been rewarding and fun.

IRONMEN

By Shel Lefton

Since this column appears after a blustery Christmas, I hope none of you got lumps of coal but gifts of love, care packages, maybe a check or two, or anything else of your heart's desire. On Thursday, December 17, five of the 14 Ironmen in attendance received sweeps money plus Turkey Shoot gift cards. Jerry Weltzin added to his net worth by winning the sweeps with a 25 and pocketed all of the birdie pool cash by getting them on #2 and #5. Don Bookwalter, newly handsome with his mustache and chin hair, tied for second with Ron Munz with 28s, while Jim Cairns and Jim Cramer took third place with 30s. Congratulations to all of you. I hope that all of my Ironmen brethren will have a healthy, happy New Year.

Age advice is not always sage advice. Some people need to get lockjaw so they can learn to keep their mouths shut. Age is just a state of mind...along with wrinkles and liver spots.

TEE TALK FROM VGC

By Larry Dorsey

The Just For Fun Golf Series is returning with four tournaments planned in 2016. Look below for the complete schedule.

The first event is our second annual Frostbite Open, which will be held on January 31.

Look in next week's Villager for details about this exciting 2-in-1 tournament—open to all Villagers with or without a handicap to play either in the 9 or 18-hole event, and join everyone for dinner.

Mark your calendar and sign up for the Frostbite Open beginning on January 9 to be a part of a really fun day!

2016 Just For Fun Golf Series

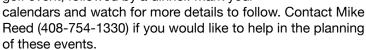
Announcing the full schedule of events for this year's Just For Fun golf series at the Villages.

January 31

June 26 September 25

April 3 September 25

This is open to all Villagers who want to play in a fun, non-postable 9 or 18 hole golf event, followed by a dinner. Mark your



Your Villages Pro Shop & VGC.

18-HOLE WOMEN

Ladies' 18 Hole Golf hosts Captains' coffee

By Judy Rodriguez

On December 14, the Ladies' 18 Hole Golf Association held a coffee event for all of the past Captains. The event was held at the home of newly elected Captain Judy Rodriguez. We discussed decades of activities and realized how far we have come in getting equal time on the golf course! Seated are Jan Day, Shirley Roberts, Ann Crews, Reine Fedor, Vivian Brown, Barbara Nilsen, Bev Poellot, Lois Mirch, Patti Hayes, and Jean Figge. Standing-Mary Chaboya, Jean Bettencourt, Linda Schlageter, and Kathy Apgar.



BOCCE

The Villages Bocce Club

invites members and friends to

The 2016 Installation Dinner Saturday, February 6, 2016, 5:30 p.m. to 9 p.m.

*Installation of officers for 2016 *Music by the Island Wave Band *Signups for Spring Mixer Tournament *Door prizes—50/50 Raffle

Entrée Selections:

Salad: Arrugula Spring Mix & Radicchio Salad
Braised Short Ribs, Whipped Garlic Potatoes & Grilled Zucchini & Squash \$36
Grilled Salmon with a Lemon Grass Beurre Blanc, Wild Rice & Grilled Zucchini & Squash \$35
Chicken Marsala, Angel Hair Pasta (tossed Olive oil & Basil) & Grilled Zucchini & Squash \$32

Vegetable Lasagna, Marinara Sauce & Grilled Zucchini & Squash \$29 Dessert: Coffee Ice Cream with Chocolate Sauce & Pirouette Cookie Note: All non-member guests, add \$5 to your entrée selection.

No host bar!

To make reservations & Entrée choices

Call Jeanne Anne Whitacre at 650-493-3638 or email jawhitacre@live.com (Charged to your house #)

No refunds after reservation deadline on February 2

Questions? Call Barbara Orlando at 408-300-1230

MEN'S GOLF CLUB



By Joel Levine

For the latest info see our website at villagesmensgolf.com
The New Year is upon us and you will be receiving a new green
book shortly with a full complement of tournaments starting in
February. Now is the time to tune up your game and I am sure
Tim Flanagan is ready to add 20 yards to your drives.

Congratulations to the **2015 Most Improved Golfer: Kirk Garrison** Kirk lowered his handicap over the course of 2015 from a 24 to a 16.6, a 31 percent improvement.

He will have his name recorded on the Most Improved Golfer plate at the Bistro Sports Wall and also added to the Most Improved Golfer plaque in the posting room.

Congratulations also to the nine golfers that joined Kirk on the top 10 list by substantially reducing their handicap in 2015, in order from most improved:

Gary Lamit: from 29.7 to 21.3 Nick Harkins: from 18.2 to 13.6 Ron Just: from 13.3 to 10.1 Mike O'Grady: from 7.2 to 4.8 Joe Hart: from 15.8 to 12.5 Ken Keck: from 14.6 to 11.8 Ted Briscoe: 11.9 to 9.6 Tony Branco: from 16.4 to 13.7 Ernie Robles: from 20.9 to 17.6

May this inspire all members to take a shot at the top 10 list

in 2016. Let's all ask Gary what his secret is.

2016 Upcoming Events: For latest info see our web page

villagesmensgolf.com February 20: Presidents Day: Four Man Teams; Cha-Cha-Cha;

Tees: two from white, two from gold tees; tee times.

March 19: St. Patrick's Day: (T) Four-man teams; 3 BB net;

March 19: St. Patrick's Day: (T) Four-man teams; 3 BB net; Gold tees; Optional \$5 Individual Net; Pot 'O Gold Cash Competition; 8 a.m. Shotgun. Coffee and doughnuts; Lunch. POTY.

April 16: Spring Open: Mixer; Four-man (A,B,C,D) teams; 2 BB Stableford; Flight: two from white and two from gold tees; 8 a.m. Shotgun. Coffee and doughnuts 7 a.m.

Joke of the week: Recent studies found average golfers walk 900 miles a year. Another study found golfers drink 22 gallons of alcohol a year. This means, on average, golfers get 41 miles to the gallon! Aren't we proud?

Scoreboard

BRIDGE

Monday, December 14

Duplicate NS: 1. Barbara Varner - Sumi Minami 2. Jack Mc 3. Dorthy Staehs – Jay Yerger EW: 1. Mike Myers – Joseph Henry 2. Tahera Khalil – Joseph Henry 3/4 tie: Margaret McNelly – Sylvia Rozewicz and Ruth McCann – Susan Wachsman Wednesday, December 16

Duplicate: 1. Marilyn Ribardo – Sumi Minami 2. Ruth McCann - Jonna Robinson 3. Lorrie Scott – Mary LeGrand

Thursday, December 17

Strat A: 1st and 2nd place tie: Roger Lasson - Barbara Varner and Claude Ashen/Harvey Gogol; 3rd: Billie Mechanic - Steve Bosma

MEXICAN TRAIN DOMINOES

Wednesday, December 16		Friday, December 18	
Joyce Slocum	202	Maribeth Berlie	190
Jane Dennis	220	Beverly Wharton	270
Barbara Varner	228	Sylvia Rozewicz	271
Earl Magoun	264	Vicky Linscott	285



TENNIS TALK

2015 Tennis Club in Review

By Mike Falarski, 2015 TC President

2015 is over so I thought it would be appropriate to look back at the year and review what the Tennis Club accomplished. The following are a few highlights from 2015 from the President's perspective:

- The Club held 15 tennis tournaments and fun events during the year. These included the Club Championship to the bocce/picnic to the golf tournament. Lots of folks had a great time. All will be repeated in 2016.
- We had nine USTA teams including men, ladies and mixed at various age and skill levels. The teams were generally competitive in their leagues with three of the teams making it to the play-offs.
- A group of club members formed the Villages Team Tennis (VTT) league this past fall. It closely resembles the professional Team Tennis League. VTT consists of two flights, 10 teams, and 60+ players. It is in its infancy but seems to be evolving nicely and hopefully will become a regular part of the TC.
- With all the leagues and other events happening, the court viewing area has become more popular than ever. The current food service area cannot handle the level of activity nor does it meet the necessary food service or sanitation requirements. Thanks to a dedicated team, the Viewing Stand Project conceptual design was completed and has been included in VGCC three-year plan.
- The TC has continued working with the Pickleball Club to provide tennis courts for PB play while they develop their plans for pickleball courts. Thanks to Phyllis Seeger and her joint TC/PB Committee, PB play has been happening with minimal impact on tennis play.
- On a less exciting note, we also revised and updated the TC Bylaws and Rules to be consistent with the VGCC bylaws and rules and reflect how the club functions today. This took a lot of effort by a few dedicated souls.
- Happily, the TC Membership continues to grow thanks in main part to outreach programs like Jump Start, Open House, etc.
- The Scholarship program awarded two \$3,000 scholarships to Silver Creek HS students. It just does not get any better than to see the look on the kids' faces when they receive the scholarship.

From the perspective of an almost past-President, it was a very good year. This is due to the group of dedicated TC members who took on the various jobs that needed doing and did them exceeding well. They all made my job easy and I want to thank them all, especially the Board of Directors. I look forward to 2016 and all it will bring to the TC.

Happy new year to all!

SHONIS

By Nancy Chesterton

Happy New Year! January 5 is the first day of Sweeps for 2016. Signups begin in the Clubhouse patio at 8:40 to 9:10 a.m. If you are new to Shonis, just show up and play. No prior arrangement needed. For returning members, if you did not pick up your 2016 Handbook and roster, these will be available at sign-in and later in the posting room.

VILLAGES GOLF COMMITTEE

Last chance to join Villages Golf Committee

Last chance! The VGC is still able to welcome more committee members into the five 2016 Standing Committees: Analysis, Golf Clubs, Communications / Education, Golf Course, and Golf Program. The Chair position for the Golf Program Standing Committees is also open.

Applications are available in the posting room on the counter under the VGC section of the bulletin board or you may print one from the "Golf" section of the Villages' website under "Villages Golf Committee" (VGC). The chartered responsibilities of each committee are listed on the application along with where and to whom you can return your form.

Pro Shop getting a makeover!

Renovation work on the Pro Shop will progress through January 16 as workers upgrade and improve the Pro Shop to better serve you in the New Year. During this time the counter area will be available most of the time and most functions of the Pro Shop will go on uninterrupted.

This upgrade will include: New paint, new carpet, new doors, and updated computers!

There will even be a few new fixtures to go with rest of the new Pro Shop.

Thank you in advance for your patience and understanding during construction!





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Berna Sanayei DDS

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Club Proposed Rules Changes...

(Continued from page 7)

The Communications Advisory Committee will review letters submitted for publication subject to the following:

A. Each letter must include the sender's name, address, phone number, date, and a word count of no more than 200 words.

The word count should be furnished by the author in the letter.

B. Each letter will deal with only one specific topic related to life in The Villages.

- C. Each letter will be reviewed for proper content. The committee will reject letters containing:
- 1) False statements or misstatements of facts. Statements that cannot be substantiated by the submitter of the letter if the veracity of the statements is questioned by the committee.

2) Language insulting to individuals or to groups

Insulting language can take several forms from profanity, to name calling, humiliation, disrespect, to even concealed contempt, to inadvertent indifference or disregard. Insulting language or phraseology is most likely to appear in letters where the writers are angry or complaining. Letters should stick to facts and opinions and avoid ad hominem or personal attacks.

- 3) Political opinions or endorsements pertaining to any candidate election in The Villages.
- 4) Partisan political opinions or endorsements pertaining to any election or ballot measure external to The Villages.
- 5) Recommend any product or service other than from clubs and organizations within the Villages.
- 6) Language that discriminates with regard to race, religion, ethnicity, gender, or sexual preference that may be deemed offensive.
 - D. Space limitations in the Villager may limit or delay publishing of letters.
- D. Only one Pulse letter per week per person is allowed. An author may not queue letters for publication in multiple weeks.
- E. Pulse Letters are reviewed by the Communications Advisory Committee and the Publisher using the following process:
- 1. Each pulse letter shall be reviewed by two members of the CAC, reviewing the letter together using the criteria stated above.
- 2. An author who is also a CAC member may not review their own letter. In which case, an alternate CAC reviewer will review the letter.
- 3. Pulse Letter reviewers who reject letters will inform the author of the reason(s) for rejection and work with the author to revise the letter.
- 4. Pulse Letter reviewers may recommend a Publisher's Comment for
- 5. If a Pulse letter is unrejected by the CAC reviewers but rejected by the Publisher, then the Publisher must inform the CAC Chair and the CBOD liaison of the decision and the reason(s) for rejection. The Publisher, CAC Chair, and CBOD liaison will then work together to resolve the Publisher's reason(s) for rejection, involving the author and original CAC reviewers if necessary.
- 6. When a Publisher's Comment is added to a letter, the Publisher's Comment must be reviewed and approved by the CAC CBOD Liaison.

Rule 1.02 Traffic Within The Villages

Purpose of proposed change(s): will put all the enforcement and penalties for traffic violation into a new section 5, thus making Rule 1.02 independent of Rule 1.71 Enforcement. It also separates penalties for residents and guests from those for vendors and personal service providers.

Revision:

Rule 1.02 TRAFFIC WITHIN THE VILLAGES

1. Vehicular Traffic

J. Moving Violations

- 1) First violation \$30.00 assessment
- 2) Second violation \$50.00 assessment
- 3) Third and subsequent violations \$75.00 assessment and thirty (30) day suspension of the right to use Club properties for the member and all occupants of the member's residence.

5. Enforcement and Penalties for Traffic Violations.

The Bylaws establish the Board's authority to adopt and to enforce rules. Article 8.1.4 provides authority to the Board to establish and impose monetary penalties (fines) for the infraction of any rule or other provision of the Governing Documents. As described in Article 8.1.4, the Board may also suspend the voting or other membership rights and privileges of a Member, including the right to use the Club's recreational and other facilities.

The Board has authorized the General Manager and Public Safety to determine when a traffic rule infraction has occurred and to issue a citation for this traffic violation.

A resident is responsible for the actions of his or her guests. In the event of a violation by the resident, the occupants of the resident's unit or lot, or a guest, the sponsoring resident is held responsible. Discipline imposed on a resident is applicable to all occupants of the resident's Unit or Lot.

The Board may impose monetary penalties for the infraction of any provision of any rule or other provision of the Governing Documents in accordance with a schedule of monetary penalties adopted by the Board and distributed annually to the Members. If the infraction involves damage to Club property or loss of

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business income, the Board may also impose a Reimbursement Assessment to recover any cost incurred by the Club to repair or remedy the damage.

A. Enforcement Procedure

The responsible resident will receive a written notice of a traffic rule violation in the form of a citation. The notice will state the rule, the violation(s), and the penalties that will be assessed. (Penalties for traffic violations are non-discretionary.) All such violations are subject to the following monetary and other penalties:

- 1. Moving Violations Residents and Guests (Relatives and Friends)
 - a. First violation \$50.00 fine
 - b. Second violation \$100.00 fine
- c. Third and subsequent violations \$200.00 fine and thirty (30) day suspension of the resident's rights and privileges, including the right to use the Club's recreational and other facilities by the resident and all occupants of the resident's residence. However this suspension does not apply to religious and service activities.

Citations will remain in the resident's file for two (2) years.

Citations will accumulate to the occupants of the residence regardless of the violation and individual cited.

- 2. Moving Violations Vendors and Personal Service Providers
 - a. First violation \$50.00 fine
 - b. Second violation \$100.00 fine
 - c. Third and subsequent violations \$200.00 fine

Vendor citations will be mailed to the local vendor address.

Citations will remain in the vendor's or personal service provider's file for two (2) years.

Personal Service Providers are persons, such as caregivers, house cleaning services and landscapers, who periodically come to a residence.

B. Notice and Hearing

A resident has the right to appeal a traffic citation to the Club Board's Disciplinary Appeals Committee for traffic violations prior to any monetary penalty and suspension being enforced. The responsible party will be notified in writing, by either first class mail, or personal delivery, at least fourteen (14) days prior to the date set for the appeal hearing. The responsible party may 1) appear in person at the scheduled hearing, or 2) submit their appeal in writing to the General Manager's office at least one week prior to the scheduled hearing date. The resident may present the testimony of witnesses on their behalf at the hearing. The Committee shall meet in executive session if requested by the resident being disciplined, and if the resident does not so request, the Committee may on its own initiative conduct the meeting in executive session. The Board will consider the resident's appeal at the hearing and render its decision within 10 days following the hearing date.

C. Violation of Suspension of Rights

If, during any period in which the Board has suspended the resident's rights, the resident or other occupants of the resident's Unit or Lot violate the terms of the suspension, the Board shall assess the resident an additional monetary penalty of \$100 per day for each day that the suspension was violated.

D. Non-Payment or Late Payment of Fines

Monetary penalties such as late payments are subject to the Board's Assessments and Charges Policy.

E. Member Not In Good Standing Status for Traffic Violations

The Board reserves the right to find a member is not a "Member in Good Standing" for certain egregious conduct or for non-payment of penalties and fines.

Proposed new Rule 1.22 Guest Room Use

Purpose of proposed rule to formalize a rule defining guest room use.

Addition:

Rule 1.22 GUEST ROOM USE

The Club owns the Guest Rooms in Cribari Center. The Club Board administers all aspects of their use, including the use-fee schedule.

The following rules apply to residents wanting to reserve one or more guest rooms for their guests:

- 1. Only Villages residents in good standing may reserve a room.
- 2. Rooms may not be reserved more than 6 months in advance.
- 3. Rooms may not be sub-let.
- 4. Rooms may not be rented for more than thirty (30) consecutive days without Club Board approval.
- 5. Maximum number of adult guests per room: 4 in a room having 2 beds and 2 in a room having 1 bed.
- 6. No pets are allowed, except for Service Animals, as defined by the American Disabilities Act (ADA).
 - 7. All rooms are non-smoking.

Landscape & Maintenance

MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE

Cribari

5309-5363 and 5400-5432—Landscape maintenance and weed control, in progress.

5423-5428 and 5489-5553 — Landscape maintenance and weed control 1/4 to 1/8.

Tree replacement in planning.

5367—Interior repairs in progress.

5060-Structural repairs in progress.

5379—Roof and interior repairs in progress.

5269—Roof and interior repairs in progress.

Del Lago

3101-3123—Landscape maintenance and weed control, in progress. 3124-3126 and 3207-3226—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 1/4 to 1/8.

Del Lago Lakes—Lowering water levels for El Nino preparation in progress.

Gutter cleaning scheduled for 1/6-1/20.

Estates

8842-8853—Landscape maintenance and weed control, in progress. 8855-8866—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 1/4 to 1/8. **Fairways**

4002, 4004 and 4006—Landscape maintenance and weed control, in progress.

4008, 4010 and 4012—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 1/4 to 1/8.

Glen Arden

7741-7748 and 7750-7757—Landscape maintenance and weed control, in progress.

7759-7775—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 1/4 to 1/8. **Heights**

8502-8509—Landscape maintenance and weed control, in progress. 8510-8519—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 1/4 to 1/8. Roof preventative maintenance scheduled for 1/4 to 1/6.

Hermosa

8005-8032—Landscape maintenance and weed control, in progress. 8096-8125—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 1/4 to 1/8. Dead tree removal, in planning.

Riesling Way—Landscape restoration plan; plant demo in progress. Riesling Lake—Lowering water levels for El Nino preparation in progress. 8022—Roof and interior repairs in progress.

8428-Roof and interior repairs in progress.

Highland

7528-7538 and 7541-7559—Landscape maintenance and weed control, in progress.

7500-7527 and 7539-7540--Landscape maintenance and weed control, 1/4 to 1/8.

Tree replacement in planning.

7577-7579, 7580 and 7581and 7595-7598—Roof replacement, in progress.

Montgomery

6001-6045—Landscape maintenance and weed control, in progress. 6046-6068 and 6120-6136—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 1/4 to 1/8.

Tree replacement in planning.

Whaley Lake—Lowering water levels for El Niño preparation in progress. Gutter cleaning scheduled for 12/21-1/5.

Olivas

8736-8750, 8769-8775 and 8778-8782—Landscape maintenance and weed control, in progress.

8776-8777, 8783-8785 and Grape Wagon—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 1/4 to 1/8.

Olivas Circle and Olivas Grove Way — Dry rot repairs in progress. **Sonata**

Sonata

2012-2024—Landscape maintenance and weed control, in progress. 2000-2011 and 2030-2031—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 1/4 to 1/8.

What do I do with this?

Do you have an item you want to get rid of but you are not quite sure what to do with it? Often wonder if it should it be donated, recycled or thrown away and how or where to do that? Each week we will highlight a particular item and give you suggestions for the best way of recycling or disposal.

If you have any questions about what to do with an item, please call Maintenance Services at 408-223-4670.



Small Appliances

In working condition:

1. Call your local charitable organization for donation options (i.e. Goodwill, Salvation Army, etc.).

Not in working condition:

1. Small metal appliances (i.e. toaster, waffle iron, blow dryers, curling irons, etc.) can be placed in a recycling container.

2. Small non-metal appliances (i.e. no bigger than a toaster) can be put in a garbage container. Whether working or non-working condition, Goodwill allows for drop off of small electronics.

Large Appliances

In working condition:

1. Call your local charitable organization for donation options (i.e. Goodwill, Salvation Army, etc.).

Not in working condition:

1. Call a local hauler for a fee, some examples are: Jaco Environmental: 800-741-0172 (www.jacoinc.net); 1-800-GOT-JUNK, (www.gotjunk.com)

2. Call The Villages Maintenance Customer Service Office to arrange for a bulk item pickup by the garbage company. They will pick up three items for a set fee.

3. Drop off locations: Sims Metal: 1900 Monterey Road — 494-4300; American Metal & Iron: 11665 Berryessa Rd. — 452-0777

Call ahead to verify if information is current.

Gutter Cleaning Schedule for 2015/2016

The maintenance service department will be working with J&M Gutter Service to complete 2015/2016 gutter and downspout cleaning in preparation for the winter months.

Below is a tentative schedule that will be followed. Please call maintenance services with any questions at 408-223-4670.

Village	Start Date	Completion Date
Montgomery	12/21/2015	1/5/2016
Del Lago	1/6/2016	1/20/2016
Fairways	1/21/2016	1/27/2016
Cribari	1/28/2016	2/19/2016
Verano	2/22/2016	3/5/2016
Highland	3/7/2016	3/19/2016
Glen Arden	3/22/2016	3/27/2016
Club Properties	3/27/2016	3/31/2016

Valle Vista

9011-9014 and 9031-9036—Landscape maintenance and weed control, in progress.

9015-9021 and 9028-9030—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 1/4 to 1/8.

9013—Plumbing repairs in progress.

Verano

7331-7356—Landscape maintenance and weed control, in progress. 7357-7377—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 1/4 to 1/8. Verano Lakes—Lowering water levels for El Niño preparation in progress.

Roof preventative maintenance scheduled for 12/17 to 12/31.

Centers/General Information

Spraying of weeds throughout the Villages, in progress.

Tree pruning at various locations throughout the Villages, in progress.

Mowing will be twice a month throughout the Villages.

Turf aeriation throughout the Villages, in progress.

Montgomery Center—Tree replacement in planning.

Association roof preventative maintenance in progress.

Vineyard Center—Kitchen remodel scheduled for 1/4 to 1/15.

Pro Shop—Remodel scheduled for 1/4 to 1/15.



BRIDGE HAND

- **NORTH** ♠ Q
- **♥** A K 7
- ♦ QJ875
- A K 10 9

WEST

- ♠ 965
- **♥**85
- ♦ A 6 4 3 ♣ QJ53

EAST

- ♠ A 10 7 4 2
- ♥ Q 10 4
- ♦ 92
- ♣ 764

SOUTH

- **★** KJ83
- **♥** J 9 6 3 2
- ♦ K 10 **8** 8 2

Dealer: South Vulnerability: None

Bidding: South West North East **Pass** Pass 1 Diamond **Pass** 3 Clubs* 1 Heart Pass **Pass** All Pass 3 NoTrump

Contract 3 NoTrump by South Opening Lead: 3 of clubs

Dealer has 2 winners in Spades, 3 or 4 winners in Hearts, 3 or more winners in Diamonds, and 2 winners in Clubs.

Strategy: Try to set up the red suits.

West leads 3 of Clubs, South covers with the King, switches to the Ace of Hearts, then the King and plays the last Heart in dummy, and East wins with the Queen. He leads the Ace of Spades, then the 10; South captures the trick with the Jack, follows with the good Jack and 9 of Hearts, and switches to the King of Diamonds. West takes the trick with the Ace, follows with a Spade, South wins with the King, leads a Diamond to the Queen on the board and claims since his Jack of Diamonds is good plus his last card, the Ace of Clubs. Great! The contract is made with an overtrick. Four Hearts could also be made but that is 10 points less than 3 NoTrump making an overtrick.

* North has a strong hand, 19 HCP, and should jump shift telling his partner not to stop until they reach game or higher.

Sandbags available at Maintenance Services

In preparation for El Niño, your Maintenance and Landscape Services Department has taken measures to mitigate the impacts caused by the event, namely flood-One such measure is having sandbags available should they be needed. Sandbags are now being stored in various areas of the property for quick access.

Should a potential flooding situation occur where you hink sandbags are needed, please contact the Corpora tion Yard (408-223-4670) during normal business hours and Public Safety (408-223-4665) after hours.

In order to make sure there are enough sandbags on hand for address flooding situations, please refrain from taking the sandbags on your own. Rather contact the Corporation Yard or Public Safety for assistance.

-Maintenance Services

WHERE IN THE WORLD IS THE VILLAGER?



Villagers James Kelly and Susan Mackenzie are shown here at Salmon Creek Falls in Juneau, Alaska.

Here's how it works: Take along a copy of The Villager on your next vacation—it's not heavy and have your picture taken holding up the paper with a well-known landmark or celebrity. Just tell them it's for the folks back home. (And be sure to get your camera back!) Then after you unpack and process your pictures from your vacation, e-mail your Villager picture (in Jpeq format) and perhaps a couple of "zingers" from your vacation and e-mail the files to shinrichs@thevillages.com. We'll publish your smiling face with your favorite local paper for all to see.

Harp music for Villagers

If you or your loved ones are in either Kaiser Permanente Santa Teresa hospital or Good Samaritan Hospital, feel free to contact Kellen Perry, Certified Music Practitioner.

Kellen plays harp at both of these hospitals for patients at the bedside as well as prior to and after surgery, in hospice, in Emergency Room, in ICU, and for new born babies. There is no charge to the patient or family. Kellen is a 17-year veteran in this type of music. (You may have heard her perform at the Villages.) Her passion is providing therapeutic healing music to those who are suffering.

Kellen responds best to text or email messages. Send your loved one's full name and hospital location to: 408-623-0538 or MsKellen@me.com

Make a difference one hour per week

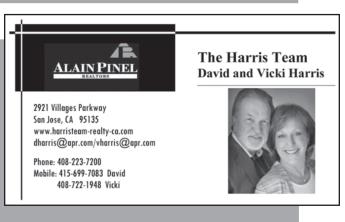
Volunteer as a literacy tutor! Reading Partners is a literacy non-profit that mobilizes volunteers to provide one-on-one tutoring for struggling elementary student readers.

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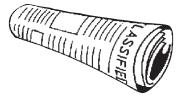
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BJ moved to the Villages in 1988 and became active with the 18 hole Ladles and the Arts and Crafts groups. And, most important, she gave the gift of true love to fellow Villager Ed Smith. They married in 1989, and travelled extensively. There were driving trips in the Western US, many cruises and trips abroad including Europe, Asia, Australia and South America. They also were able to spend 15 six-month winters in a Kailua-Kona Condo.

BJ is survived by Ed, Son Lars, Daughter Lisa, Grandson Shane, Great Granddaughter Ayla and by Ed's Alison, Steve, Larry and Jeff and by Grandkids Matt, Katie, Alena, Austin, Hannah and Nikki. We all sorely miss this marvelous woman.

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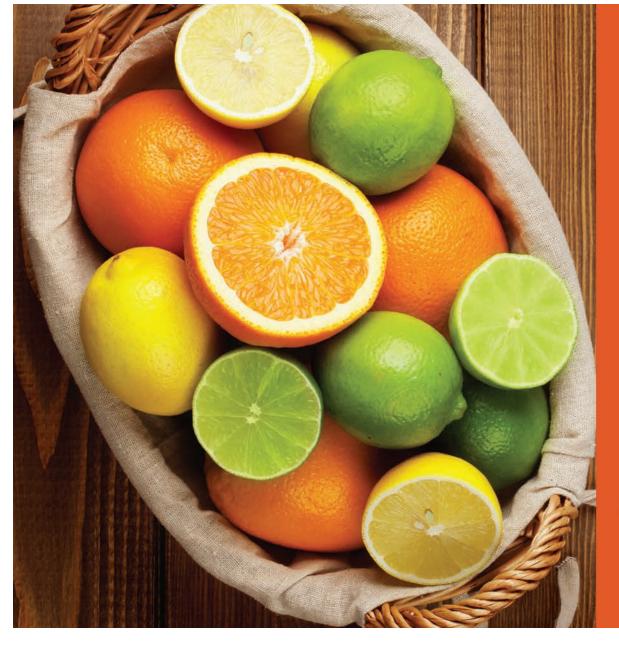
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