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#### Community TV channels: CHANNEL 26: Club & Event notices

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

- The December General Manager's Report
- · General Plan Presentation Town Hall
- · Pickleball Court Town Hall
- · Finance 101
- The Villages Fitness Center
- The Channel 27 Weekend Movie

(See page 6 for broadcast times on

· Fire Safety Presentation

the above items and on the Weekend Movie Series programming.) (You can now access the monthly General Manager's Report with the link on Fast Lane.)



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## VAT: Would you like to be a member of the 'Guys & Dolls' production team?

The Villages Amateur Theatre has a great opportunity for you to be a team member for many "behind the stage" tasks for our Spring musical—the Tony award winning musical "Guys & Dolls". Performances will be on March 31, and April 1 and 2.

Perhaps you like the technical side working with lights and sound. Or maybe you are handy with your hands and love to build things like sets and props. Well, your Villages Amateur Theatre needs you! Producer Richard Holmboe, needs people with these skills and interests and more as well:

- Makeup (Change the look of folks you know) - Costumes (See the results of your work
- Stage Crew (Curtain pulling, set moving, set and prop painting)
- Publicity (You have the gift of writing, or have marketing experience)
  - ave marketing experience)
     Ticket Sales (Help folks select their seats)
  - Ushering (You like to meet people)
- Intermission Refreshment Service (You also like to meet people)

These "behind the stage" volunteers are the backbone of the production. People see the faces of the actors, but the "behind the stage" team are the underpinning of our success!

And the good news is when you work on a production, you get to go to the cast party if you are interested. The food and drink are free! You will be with a fun group who talk about theatre, movies, music, etc. with your fellow theatre lovers. These parties are always a blast!

If you are interested, contact producer Richard Holmboe at 408-270-9694 or e-mail: raholmboe@att.net.

## Deer Club to host Mountain Lion presentation February 7

Michael Hundt, a California Naturalist and expert on mountain lions, will offer a presentation on these animals to members of the Deer and Wildlife Club as well as to interested Villagers. Michael has stated that deer are like chocolate candy to mountain lions, so this topic is of particular interest to our club. The event will take place on February 7, at 6:30 pm in Cribari Center Conference Room.

This will be a regular meeting of the club with a brief update on club business and activities as well as an opportunity to see pictures taken by the club's trail cameras.

For more information, contact Louann Partridge at 408-489-0262 or louannpartridge@comcast.net.

Presentation open to all Villagers, please RSVP to Louann to be sure of availability.

## VAT: Would you like to be Golf course trees victims of storm



A long stretch of wet weather and bouts of strong winds caused this large eucalyptus tree on the golf course to topple over. (See more photos on page 15.)

Photo by Jeanette Campa

### Fourth Annual Super Bowl Putting Contest benefits the VMA

Super Bowl Sunday is February 5. Mark your calendar and join us for our annual pre-game party and putting contest. Our pros have designed a challenging nine-hole course on our practice green to test the skills of our most experienced golfers and introduce beginners and non-golfers to the thrills of the game we all love so much. You can navigate the course in less than 15 minutes. The course is open from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. All of your \$10 entry fee goes to benefit the Villages Medical Auxiliary (VMA).

As always, the feature event of the day is **the closest to the pin contest**, which is a 55-foot putt on a treacherous slope. First place is a foursome at the prestigious Oakhurst Country Club. Other prizes include gift cards and lessons from one of our assistant pros for first and second place in the men's, women's and beginner/non-golfer competitions.

John Yu's team is setting up the barbecue on the new Bistro patio with food and drinks at special Super Bowl pricing. The Villages Ukulele Club is performing around the fire pit. It's one big pre-Super Bowl party and everyone is invited.

VMA volunteers will be at the event providing information on this organization that does so much to provide for Villagers in need. At the VMA information booth you can get your blood pressure checked. This is just one of the many health-based services the VMA provides free of charge to all Villagers.

## 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.

6 Pulse letters received this week.

- 1 Pulse letter withdrawn by author.
- 5 Pulse letters published this week.

Open Letter to the Association Board:

Thank you for your attention and interest in the "Member-Oriented Solar Array Install Program" expressed at the ABOD study Session of January 17. I believe you will agree there is very strong member support for the ABOD to approve solar by the large number of speakers addressing the Board advocating solar.

As with any other important subject before the ABOD, there are benefits and concerns. I urge you to consider the overwhelming benefits and leave addressing the concerns to an appointed committee of solar advocates within the ABOD and members-at-large. We need this process to proceed with an approval vote of the ABOD at your January 31 Board Meeting, subject to the committee satisfactorily addressing the concerns, and a follow-up vote approving the committee's recommendations.

Make solar work for our members. On Tuesday January 31st, Vote Yes on solar as it's the right thing to do.

-John Stratakos

It was apparent form the 20 individual inputs expressed at the Association Study Session Board meeting on January 17 that a Yes vote is needed by the board at its Jan 31 solar decision date.

With the fact that the former Association boards has spent 2.5 years debating the topic without a solution, the village members that are without gas as a heat source, have lost significant dollars in savings with no solution. There are significant financial savings associated with installing solar as the current installation of solar arrays have demonstrated. There needs to be several solutions to solar that includes panels today to reduce our loss of savings. Our savings are being reduced by inaction and without guidelines to the ACC for members to utilize. If there is a No vote, there will be furthers members loss in savings by funding their own civil code suits. The board mission is to Protect, Maintain, and Enhance the common property of its members. The members need a yes vote to solar, by this board, in significantly reducing the loss of their savings due to excessive heat pump expenditures.

-Jerry Gililland

It is my understanding the Club Board is divided on installing security cameras for the Pro Shop/ putting range area and the parking lot. While things have looked better in the last few months as far as theft is concerned the potential has not gone away. I feel the cameras are a necessity and can be a deterrent especially in the Pro Shop putting area. As for the parking lot, while the resolution might not be optimal, if an incident were to occur, reviewing the footage might supply useful information. With the surveillance at the gate, we might just catch the culprit. Please email or call the Club Board members and let them know this is part of the security we expect. This was previously approved and now they are trying to send it by the wayside. Security is very important to life here in The Villages.

—Karen Kosmala

In the search for our new General Manager we should take a serious look at an exceptionally well qualified person, our own Julia Meadows, who is the current Villages Assistant General Manager.

As the Estates DAC Chairman which is part of the HOA, I've had the pleasure of working with Julia over the years on many challenging matters and projects. She has played a major role at the Villages for over 20 years during which time she has diligently taken many management courses leading to a number of important professional certifications (CCAM, CMCA, AMS, PCAM) directly applicable to The Villages Corporations. She is currently responsible for Club Board and Homeowners' matters, and she attends all their meetings.

Besides her deep Villages knowledge, responsibilities, and her professional accomplishments, I have observed her excellent people, planning, communication, and decision making skills, among others.

So, if you also think Julia should be seriously considered as a General Manager candidate, please email the Club Board members and/or write a Pulse letter to show your support.

-Jeff Schlageter

(More Pulse on next page)

## IN MEMORIAM

#### George J. Pratte March 18, 1931 to January 10, 2017

(Please see obituary in the Classified Advertising section.)

#### Tom E. Silva July 9, 1937 to January 15, 2017

A Celebration of the Life of Tom Silva will take place on Friday, January 27, from 3:30 to 9 p.m. at Foothill Center.

#### **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

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#### **POLICIES**

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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 Villages 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 Larry Miller 408-238-1030, Kathy Beymer 408-238-1697, John Brueck 408-409-2489, Barbara Karayn 202-641-6339, Lou Lively-Singh 408-838-5555, Pamela Oliver-Lyons 408-693-9250, and Peggie Romanow 408-528-8732.

#### **HOURS**

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.

The Villager is the official and legal communication medium for The Villages, a Senior Community. Its mission is to provide residents with timely information about activities, facilities and services at The Villages and to promote a sense of community by documenting and celebrating those common experiences that highlight life at The Villages.

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## BOARDS & COMMITTEES

## FROM THE CLUB BOARD

### Update on General Planning Committee Report (GPC)

As many of you know, just over two years ago the Club Board formed an ad-hoc committee of Villagers to develop a general plan for the Villages covering the next 15 years. Late last summer, after more than 3600 Man-Hours, the committee submitted a comprehensive 580-page report to the Board. What has happened since?

First the committee gave a summary presentation of the report to the Board. Next the presentation was given at a town hall meeting where it was recorded and is now being shown on Channel 27 and recently the entire report was made available to everyone on the Villages' web site. What is next?

The Board has begun a detailed review of the report, particularly the three sections that are dedicated to the recommendations arrived at by the committee. So far we have had two Board workshops where we have reached consensus on the more than 35 items covered in those sections. Some of the broad categories include land use both in the developed and undeveloped areas, a walking path master plan, marketing efforts, long range plans for amenity replacement and financing and transportation options within the Villages.

Over the next few months, action taken on each of these items will include incorporation into the Board's three-year strategic plan, assigning some items to existing committees to develop specific recommendations on implementation and timing and where no appropriate existing committee exists establishing a Community Action Team (CAT) to develop the further specifics that may be needed.

The comprehensive scope of the plan developed by the GPC makes it a living document that can provide a road map for us not only today but for Boards making decisions into the future.

## Villages GM Search Committee formed

The Villages Golf and Country Club Board of Directors is beginning the process of looking for a General Manager. We wish to continue our board practice of community involvement. To that end we are soliciting applications from interested Villagers to join the GM Search Committee.

The search committee will include representatives from all three governing boards, the Club, the Association and the Homeowners'. There are two vacancies on the committee for Villagers not currently on one of the three boards. You don't need to have served on a Villages' board or committee to qualify. Perhaps you have expertise from previous HOA board participation. Perhaps you have recruitment or management experience that would be applicable.

Contact Assistant General Manager Julia Meadows for an application. Julia's office is in Building A. Her email is: jmeadows@the-villages.com. Applications are due back to Julia no later than 4 p.m., Friday, February 3.

### Club Nominating Committee seeks Board candidates

The Club Nominating Committee is actively seeking candidates for election to the Club Board of Directors. The Club governing documents provide that there shall be seven directors, and an election will be held during May and June for two director positions to serve three-year terms. The Club Board is responsible for the management of Club operations. The Club is responsible for all recreational, social, and cultural events in operation at The Villages, and maintenance of the streets, the community centers and adjoining swimming pools, the Clubhouse/Pro Shop complex, the two golf courses, and tennis courts.

If you are interested in being a candidate, please contact the Club Nominating Committee: Bill Bing - 408-223-0975; Don Fernandez - 408-223-7835; Nancy Fodor - 408-528-0476; Rick Jiloty - 408-528-8116; and/or Tom McLaughlin - 408-531-8874.

### **MORE PULSE**

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In announcing consideration of a PBC site, other than behind Building A, the CBOD accomplished two things as they move forward to meeting the desires of the PBC and those who oppose the site.

- 1.) Following through on one campaign pledge that a decision on any request affecting the Villages would be based upon "the greater good for the greatest number."
- 2.) Has quelled the level of opposition to Building A site to a simmer. Opposition still exists in numbers and commitment to support another site has not lessened. Because a divisive atmosphere prevails, I urge the CBOD to partnership with the PBC and remove the Building A site from consideration. To move forward toward accomplishing long-term needs for a comprehensive PBC at the Plaza Green area. Yes, the wait will be longer, but cost containment will be a factor and will be less disruptive—a win-win for all.

Please retain our beautiful, open, serene, welcoming site for the benefit and enjoyment of all Villagers. That area is unique to "The Villages" and not seen in any other complex I toured prior to making The Villages my home. It was not a deciding factor, but image does matter.

-Lee Sonntag

## Ad-Hoc Food and Beverage Committee to meet February 13

Villagers are invited to attend the Ad-Hoc Food and Beverage committee meeting on Monday, February 13, at 10 a.m. in the Vineyard Center.

Food and Beverage Director John Yu will be joining residents and our ad-hoc committee to share insights into our excellent Clubhouse and Bistro staff as well as the challenges of hiring and keeping great employees. After a short presentation by John Yu, Villagers will have a chance to ask questions and offer suggestions. The Ad-Hoc Food and Beverage committee is delighted that John Yu will be able to join us!

More BOARDS & COMMITTEES, MANAGEMENT and COMMUNITY NOTICES on pages 4, 5 & 12

The Association Board of Directors invites you to an informal evening...

## 'Connecting the Dots'



- Meet with the Directors around a table—they are your neighbors!
- Bring your questions
- Learn what projects are under way
- Understand more about governance at The Villages
- Find out how to get involved
- Enjoy a glass of wine and light snacks

### Tuesday, February 7 at 7 p.m. Vineyard Center

RSVP: Sherry Benz (sabenz@sbcglobal.net)

## WANTED

## CANDIDATES FOR THE ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- ★ Help to Protect, Maintain, and Enhance The Villages.
- ★ Help Shape our Future.
- **★** Become a Voice for the Community.

Contact mamaenviro@aol.com

## MANAGEMENT

Save the date!

## Monday, February 20 Comcast Town Hall Event

Representatives from Comcast will host two town hall type meetings at the Clubhouse at 7:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.

The purpose for these meetings is to re-introduce Comcast to the community and hear from Villagers.



More information to come in future editions of The Villager and on Fast Lane.

## **PUBLIC SAFETY**

## Techniques and tips for driving in the rain

As our wet winter begins, there is more rain in the forecast. Rain is blamed for thousands of accidents every year—many of which can be prevented. To follow are a few tips that apply to driving in adverse weather on Villages streets, as well as on highways and local throughfares.

• Allow more travel time. Plan to drive at a slower pace than normal when the roads are wet. Keep in mind that traffic is likely to be moving at a slower pace than normal.

• Brake earlier and with less force than you would normally. Not only does this increase the stopping distance between you and the car in front of you, it also lets the driver behind you know that you're slowing down.

• Turn on your headlights, even if it is only spinkling lightly. It helps you see the road, and more importantly, it helps other motorists see you. Furthermore, California law requires that when you use your windshield wipers, you headlights must be on.

• Defog your windows. Rain will quickly cause your windshield and windows to fog up. Switch on both front and rear defrosters and be sure the fan is turned on.

• Watch out for pedestrians. An ordinarily observant pedestrian may become distracted by adjusting an umbrella or raincoat. Plus raindrops deaden sounds so that auditory clues for measuring car distances become skewed—be extra observant of pedestrians walking in groups or with their dogs.

While most people slow down in the rain, others don't. Always drive defensively and be aware of those around you at all times—you can help prevent accidents by being a careful driver.



## **Question for the General Manager**

Do you have a question you would like to pose directly to Villages General Manager Darren Shaw? If so, compose your question (please, one topic per question) in 40 words or fewer and bring it to The Villager office in Building B, Fax it to 408-274-2843 or e-mail it to: Shinrichs@the-villages.com with "Q-4-GM" in the subject line of your e-mail.

Questions will be answered at the discretion of the General Manager. Not all answers will appear in the column. Please give your full name and telephone number in case there are questions about your question.



## Open Community Meeting with Villages Club Board President and General Manager

Please save the date! Scheduled for Thursday, February 2 at 1:30 p.m. in the Montgomery Center is an open community meeting with Villages Club Board President William DeVincenzi and General Manager Darren Shaw. All Villagers are invited and encouraged to attend to hear about and discuss Club-related business.

### Did you receive your 2017 Telephone Directory?

Delivery of the 2017 Villages Telephone Directory was completed in mid-January.

If you have not received your directory, or you find that it is damaged, you may come to the Community Resource Center in the Building B lobby and get one free of charge.

Free replacements for damaged or undelivered directories will continue until Friday, February 10. After that date, replacement or extra books will be \$10 each.

If you have questions regarding directory delivery or need more information, please call Scott at 408-223-4655.

### HI NEIGHBOR

Please say hi to **Ruth Keiser**, a Cribari resident who has lived on both coasts. Ruth is a retired teacher whose career includes teaching elementary school in Sunnyvale and community college in New Jersey. She has also worked for the New Jersey State Department of Education as a consultant for gifted education as well as started and taught a program for gifted children. She has degrees from Russell Sage College in New York and Stanford University. She has two sons, and in her free time enjoys crafts, reading and walking.

Help us give a warm welcome to **Ronette Bachert**, who recently had her one-year anniversary here at The Villages. A New York native, she has worked as an environmental planner/land use planner, and obtained her Master of Education degree from Bloomsburg University in Pennsylvania. Her hobbies include cooking, sewing, reading, walking and travel. She has three children and eight grandchildren.

Please help welcome **Stephanie Dean**, one of Village del Lago's newest residents. She attended San Jose State University and Santa Clara University. Her long career includes working as part of the legislative staff of Norman Y. Mineta and NAACP, as an attorney and law professor, and currently for the Dincel Law Group. In her spare time, she likes to travel and do photography.

Give a warm greeting to **Ernest E. Gray**, a Denver native and now one of Cribari's newest residents. Ernest has been a ski instructor for 16 years, as well worked as a salesman in orthodontic materials and manager of orthodontic offices. He has five children and six grandchildren, and in his free time enjoys fly-fishing.

Help us say hi to **George Ramstead**, an Oakland native and now one of the newest residents of Cribari. He is a licensed architect who obtained his degree from UC Berkeley. In the '80s, George spent several years in the Peace Corps in Yemen. He has two children—one in high school and one in college. His hobbies include skiing, hiking, bicycling, traveling, ceramics, racquetball and chess—of which he has a 1,700 rating!

More COMMUNITY NOTICES on page 12

## GOVERNANCE MEETINGS

### **THE DACs**

## Heights DAC to meet February 6

There will be a meeting of the Heights DAC on Monday, February 6 at 6 p.m. at Montgomery Center.

### Montgomery DAC to meet February 6

There will be a General Meeting of the Montgomery DAC on Monday, February 6 at 10 a.m. at Montgomery Center. For more information, call Richard Holmboe at 408-270-9694.

### Verano DAC to meet February 6

The Verano DAC will have a meeting Monday, February 6 at 4 p.m. at Vineyard Center.

Deadline for editorial materials is the Thursday before the date of publication. If your notice is late, please call Kory at The Villager copy desk at 408-408-754-1341 to arrange for space to be available. You may e-mail your copy to: ktran@the-villages.com

## **BOARD MEETINGS**

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

#### **Three-Board**

A Three-Board Meeting Re.: Insurance Stewardship Report will be held Tuesday, January 31, at 4 p.m. in the Clubhouse.

Association

The Villages Association Board of Directors regular monthly meeting will be held Tuesday, January 31, at 9:30 a.m. in the Clubhouse.

A Board-sponsored event—Connecting the Dots—will be held Tuesday, February 7, at 7 p.m. in Vineyard Center.

The Villages Association Board of Directors Study Session will be held Tuesday, February 14, at 9:30 a.m. in Foothill Center

The Villages Association Board of Directors regular monthly meeting will be held Tuesday, February 28, at 9:30 a.m. in the Clubhouse. **Club** 

The Villages Golf & Country Club Board of Directors regular monthly meeting will be held Tuesday, January 31, at 1:30 p.m. in the Clubhouse.

A Special Workshop (open meeting) Re.: Gazebo Park will be held Wednesday, February 1, at 2:30 p.m. in the Patio Room at Cribari Center.

The Villages Golf & Country Club Board of Directors Study Session will be held Tuesday, February 14, at 1:30 p.m. in Foothill Center.

The Villages Golf & Country Club Board of Directors regular monthly meeting will be held Tuesday, February 28, at 1:30 p.m. in the Clubhouse.

#### **More CLUBHOUSE**

## Missed your Villager?

If you missed delivery of your weekly copy of *The Villager*, please call 223-4655 to report it. Please do not call before 11:30 a.m.

You may pick up a replacement copy of your paper at the newsstand at the entrance of Building B or go online to the Villages website—www.thevillagesgcc.com—and download the current and past editions to your computer.

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## Joseph Phelps Insignia

Since 1973 Joseph Phelps Vineyards has dedicated itself to producing wines of character, quality and significance. Our pioneering efforts with Rhone varietals led to California's earliest Syrah and Rhone-style blends, setting the stage for the movement that came to be known as the Rhone Rangers. On the western Sonoma Coast, our Pinot Noirs and Chardonnays are part of the movement bringing recognition and acclaim to this cool climate growing region.

But it is Insignia, our flagship wine and California's first proprietary red Bordeaux-style blend, which has earned Joseph Phelps its longstanding reputation for excellence. With over forty vintages in the bottle, Insignia is widely recognized as one of the most iconic wines in Napa Valley, earning favorable critical reviews vintage after vintage. The 2002 vintage was awarded "Wine of the Year" by Wine Spectator magazine in 2005, and in November 2013, Robert M. Parker, Jr. of The Wine Advocate awarded

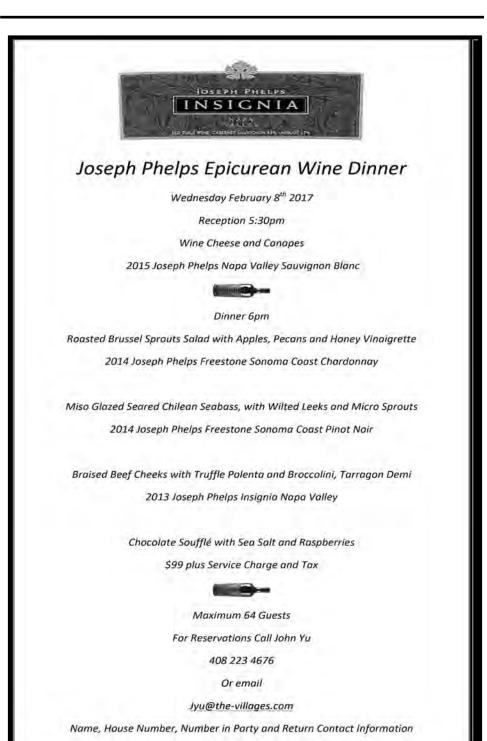
Insignia three perfect 100-point scores for the 1991, 1997 and 2002 vintages, calling it "one of the world's finest Cabernet Sauvignon-dominated blends."

The Villagers will have an opportunity to enjoy a 4 course

Dinner highlighted by Joseph Phelps Insignia. The price on most wine lists in restaurants are above \$300 bottle, and to purchase in store \$200. We will have an opportunity to buy at wholesale at \$178 a bottle and to taste this wine along with Joseph Phelps Sauvignon Blanc, Chardonnay and Pinot Noir.

Please join us for an intimate reception, dinner and beautiful wines from Joseph Phelps.

Dinner is limited to 64 guests



## DAR OF EVENTS

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8:30 a.m.	Jazzercise
9 a.m.	VMA Exec. Meeting
9 a.m.	Game Day
9 a.m.	Villages Golf Comm.
9:30 a.m.	Open Studio
9:30 a.m.	Quilters
10 a.m.	Tai Chi
10 a.m.	Zumba
10:30 a.m.	Line Dance
11:15 a.m.	Total Body Workout
1 p.m.	Table Tennis
3 p.m.	Handbell Practice
6:15 p.m.	Mex. Train Dominoes
7 p.m.	Theater Rehearsal

## Saturday January 28

Table Tennis			
Theater Rehearsal			
Brandeis Study Group			

### **Cunday January 20**

Juliua	y, January 23	
7:15 a.m.	Catholic Choir Practice	CR
8:15 a.m.	Catholic Mass	Α
8:30 a.m.	Episcopal Services	RED
9 a.m.	Chapel Choir Practice	SEQ
10 a.m.	Comm. Chapel Service	Α
10 a.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
10:30 a.m.	Card Making Class	AR
11 a.m.	Chapel Fellowship	CR
5:30 p.m.	Just Fun Golf Dinner	CH
7 p.m.	Theater Rehearsal	Α

### Monday January 30

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Jazzercise	Α
Game Day	SEQ
Cardio Workout	Α
Line Dance	MMP
Popular Bridge	RED
Cardio Work Out	Α
Scarlet Sirens Lunch	VC
Stitchery	F
Table Tennis	MMP
Theater Rehearsal	Α
Arts & Crafts Adv. Brd.	AR
Dance Fusion	MMP
Hiking Club Board	F
	Jazzercise Game Day Cardio Workout Line Dance Popular Bridge Cardio Work Out Scarlet Sirens Lunch Stitchery Table Tennis Theater Rehearsal Arts & Crafts Adv. Brd. Dance Fusion

#### **EVENT LOCATIONS**

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

6:30 p.m.	Duplicate Bridge
6:30 p.m.	Zumba
7 p.m.	Yoga
7:30 p.m.	Hiking Club
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9 a.m.	Game Day
9:30 a.m.	Acrylic and Oil Studio
9:30 a.m.	Assoc. Board Meeting
9:30 a.m.	Line Dance
10 a.m.	ADL/Parkinson
11:30 a.m.	Walking Class
1:30 p.m.	Club Board Meeting
2 p.m.	Piano Club Rehearsal
2 p.m.	Yoga
4 p.m.	Assoc. Nom. Comm.
4 p.m.	Table Tennis
4 p.m.	Three Board Meeting
7 p.m.	Focus Group
7 p.m.	Theater Rehearsal

Wedne	sday, February	1
8:30 a.m.	Jazzercise	Α
9 a.m.	VMA Board Meeting	CR
9 a.m.	Game Day	SEQ
9:30 a.m.	Drawing Studio	AR
9:30 a.m.	Democratic Club	FC
9:30 a.m.	Chapel Bible Group	Ρ
10 a.m.	Parkinson's Caregiver	RED
10 a.m.	Tai Chi	VC
10 a.m.	Total Body Fitness	Α
10:30 a.m.	Blood Pressure Clinic	F
11:15 a.m.	Total Body Fitness	Α
11:30 a.m.	Dippy Dolphins	MC
2 p.m.	Democratic Club	VC
2 p.m.	Theater Rehearsal	CR
2:30 p.m.	Club Board	Р
3:30 p.m.	Bingo	Α
6 p.m.	Dance Fusion	MM
6:15 p.m.	Mex. Trains Dominoes	MC

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CH	9 a.m.	Chapel Music Comm.	Р
MMP	9:30 a.m.	Del Lago DAC	MC
Α	9:30 a.m.	Watercolor Class	AR
Α	10 a.m.	Genealogy Club	CR
CH	10:30 a.m.	Walking Class	Α
Α	12:45 p.m.	18 Hole Women Lunch	CH
MMP	1 p.m.	Ukulele Club	VC
RED	1:30 p.m.	GM/Club Pres. Meeting	MC
MMP	2 p.m.	Amtr. Thtr. Rehearsals	Α
CH	2 p.m.	Yoga	MMP
VC	3 p.m.	Chapel Choir Practice	CR
Α	4 p.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
	6 p.m.	Bridge Club	RED
4	6:45 p.m.	Concert Band Rehearsal	Α
1	7 p.m.	Italian Club Board	Р
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	8:30 a.m.	Jazzercise	Α
	8:45 a.m.	Catholic Mass	CR
	9 a.m.	Game Day	RED
	9:30 a.m.	Open Studio	AR
	10 a.m.	Brandeis Musical	FC
	10 a.m.	VMA Hearing Aid Check	F
	10 a.m.	Quilters	Р
	10 a.m.	Tai Chi	VC
	10 a.m.	Zumba	Α
	10:30 a.m.	Line Dance	MMP
	11:15 a.m.	Total Body Workout	Α
	3 p.m.	Handbell Practice	CR
	6:15 p.m.	Mex. Trains Dominoes	MC
)	7 p.m.	Theater Rehearsals	Α

## **2017** Look What's Coming

Mark your calendars and watch The Villager for details on upcoming events! Register in Building B. In Villager Registration Date Event

2/24	Orchid Show	NOW	3
3/15		SOLD OUT	
	Luzia-Cirque du Soleil	2/2	2/6
3/17	Bouquet to Art	1/26	1/30
3/27	Carmel	2/2	2/6
4/12	Union Square	2/23	2/27
4/29	Fiesta Time - Car Show	N/A	
4/30	Giants vs San Diego	3/9	3/13
5/14	Giants vs Cincinnati	3/17	3/20
5/18	Monet	3/17	3/20
5/31	Hamilton (Lottery)	3/23	TBD
6/11	Giants vs Minnesota	4/27	5/1
6/16	Dean Martin & Frank Sinatra	4/20	4/24 (at Clubhouse)
6/25	Giants vs NY Mets	5/4	5/8
7/4	4th of July Parade	N/A	
7/23	Giants vs San Diego	5/11	5/15
8/5	50th Anniv. Cake & Champagne	6/15	6/19
8/6	Giants vs Arizona	6/15	6/19
8/18	Danny Coots @ Auditorium	6/22	6/26
8/20	Giants vs Philadelphia	6/22	6/26
8/26	50th Anniversary Gala	6/29	7/5
9/3	Giants vs St. Louis	7/13	7/17
9/17	Giants vs Arizona	7/20	7/24
10/1	Giants vs San Diego (Last Game		8/7
<b>1</b> 2/6	Union Square	10/19	10/23

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\*GENERAL MANAGER'S MONTHLY REPORT

Monday-Friday: 12 & 6 am/pm Saturday & Sunday: 4 & 10 am

GENERAL PLAN PRESENTATION TOWN HALL

Monday-Friday: 1 & 7 am/pm Saturday & Sunday: 5 & 11 am

#### \*PICKLEBALL COURT TOWN HALL

Monday-Thursday: 2 & 8 am/pm Friday: 2 & 8 am, 2 pm Saturday: 6 am & 4 pm 6 am & 8 pm Sunday:

#### \*FINANCE 101

Monday-Thursday: 3:30 & 9:30 am/pm 3:30 & 9:30 am, 3:30 pm Friday: 7:30 am & 5:30 pm Saturday: Sunday: 7:30 am & 9:30 pm

#### \*VILLAGES FITNESS CENTER

Monday-Thursday: 5:05 & 11:05 am/pm 5:05 & 11:05 am, 5:05 pm Friday: Saturday: 9:05 am & 7:05 pm 9:05 am & 11:05 pm Sunday:

WEEKEND MOVIE SERIES Saturday: Sunday: Friday: 12:00 am/pm 12:00 am/pm & 8:00 pm & 4:00 pm



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Password: villages





THE LAST TIME I SAW PARIS & EYES IN THE NIGHT



UNDERSEA KINGDOM









## CLUB CALENDARS

## HIKING CLUB SCHEDULE

Unless otherwise indicated, all hikes meet at Cribari Center at 8:30 a.m. and depart at 8:45 a.m.

**Saturday, January 28:** Richard Bainbridge and Wendy Ledamun will lead a long and rambler hikes in the Pleasanton Ridge park near Sunol. The hikes are mainly along the ridge line with beautiful views of the east bay hills. To reach the ridge there is a 600-800ft climb. The trails are mainly old farm roads with some well-groomed connector trails. Ramblers can do 3-5 miles. Long hikers 6-8 miles. Afterward we plan to stop in Sunol for coffee and snacks. Dress seasonably and bring lunch and water. Car mileage round trip is about 70 miles. Pleasanton Ridge Regional Park, 9895 Foothill Road, Sunol, CA 94586.

Wednesday, February 1 (Rambler): Wate Bakker (408-223-2190) will lead a hike to the Mountain View Lake Shore park (previously rained out) to go bird watching. Mary Fullerton will be our expert birder. Hike as far as you want, but be back for lunch at the Lake Shore Cafe by noon for lunch. To avoid traffic we will gather at 9:15 a.m. for a 9:30 a.m. departure. Dress seasonably, bring water. Round trip car mileage about 50.

**Saturday, February 4:** Wate and Johanna Bakker (408-223-2190) will lead Rambler and Long hikes in the Fremont Older open Space area near Saratoga. The Rambler hike will be 3-4 miles, the Long hike 6-7 miles. Total elevation difference will be less than 400 ft. Dress seasonably. Bring water and a snack.

(Hikes continued on page \_\_)

## TRAVEL CLUB

All Travel Club meetings are held in the Foothill Center at 7 p.m. on the second Monday of each month.

**February 13:** Meeting at 7 p.m. in Foothill Center – "2016 Trips in Review" slideshow and highlights of Travel Club trips taken last year.

Upcoming trips for consideration: Santa Barbara by Amtrak, Trip Coordinator: Mike Cox; and Napa/Sonoma Wine Country, Trip Coordinators: Tony & Ann Berg

Watch The Villager for articles about meeting programs, upcoming trips, and reports of past trips.

Website: the villagestravel club.com E-, ail: the villagestravel club@gmail.com

## **SENIOR ACADEMY CALENDAR**

**Thursdays, March 9, 16, 23, 30:** Four-week "Great Decisions 2017" Course, 7 to 9 p.m. First meeting will be held at Vineyard Center. Refer to the article in the "Clubs" section for details.

## **CAMERA CLUB**

**Sunday, January 29:** N4C Competition for only projected images. Submit images now through January 29 by 2 p.m. Go to the Competitions menu at www.villagescameraclub.com, and then select Submit (Upload) Images to Competition. See the website for categories for images.

**Monday, February 6:** Jerry Gilliland presents a workshop on printing and matting.

**Monday, February 20:** Competition Night. Check the club website for categories for submissions.

For membership information, contact Nancy Mosher-Williams at 408-826-4728. The VCC is a member of the Northern California Council of Camera Clubs (N4C) and The Photographic Society of America (PSA).

See winning photographs by club members at www.villagescameraclub.com and in the Villages Clubhouse. Photos from field trips and meetups are exhibited in the hallways of Cribari Center and at the entrance to Montgomery Center.

## What's Happening in ARTS & CRAFTS?

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

Website: www.villagesartsandcrafts.org

Contact: President Monita Bowman at monita.bowman@gmail.com

\*Registration contact: Barbara Gottesman at barb.gottesman@gmail.com or 408-531-9402.

\*\*RSVP for Coloring Party: Wendy Ledamun 408-274-4215

**January 29:** Stampin!Up w/Brenda Keenan, Sunday, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Rubber stamping and paper crafting. \$20. \*\*

January 30: First Advisory Board Meeting of the New Year. Art Room. 3 p.m.

**February 6:** General Membership Monthly Meeting and Demo. 1:45 p.m. Cribari Conference Room. Guest Artist: Colleen Mirassou. Assemblage. President Monita Bowman presiding.

**February 7 – March 14:** Life Drawing with Karen La Roche with model. Tuesdays 9:30 a.m. – noon. **February 9:** Boutique Board Meeting. 10 a.m. Mary's house.

**February 14:** Art Film. Vineyard 7 p.m.

February 14: Boutique meeting. Vineyard at 2 p.m.

**February 15 to March 29:** Clay Sculpture with Gene Olsen. Weds. 1 – 1:30 p.m. \$75 includes a 25lb. Bag of white sculpting clay and instruction. (Skipping Mar. 1) \*

February 21: Adult Coloring Party. 7 – 9 p.m. \*\*

**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. Ceramics Room: open Monday to Saturday. See website's Welcome page for hours.

**Boutique:** Handcrafted items for sale. Current showcase: Knit items to keep you warm. Open weekdays, 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and Saturdays, 9 a.m. to noon in Cribari Center. Contact Director Mary Wollesen at 408-528-8116.

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

## **POLE WALKERS CALENDAR**

All walks start at 8:30 a.m. unless otherwise noted. For information call: Edith: 408-274-4712 **Monday, January 30:** Meet at Club parking lot for a walk in the park.

**Wednesday, February 1:** Meet at club parking lot and carpool/walk to Evergreen Plaza. 2 p.m. Games at Cribari.

Thursday, February 2: Noon to 1:30 p.m.—Open bocce play for all players.

Friday, February 3: Meet at Montgomery Center.

Monday, February 6: Meet at Gazebo.

**Wednesday, February 8:** Meet at club parking lot and carpool/walk to Labou. 2 p.m. Games at Cribari.

Thursday, February 9: Noon to 1:30 p.m.—Open bocce play for all teams.

**Friday, February 10:** Meet at Fairway and Hermosa. 5:30 p.m. Clubhouse Bingo Buffet Dinner. **Saturday, February 11:** 5:30 p.m. Bocce Installation Dinner Dance at the Clubhouse.

Monday, February 13: Meet at Club parking lot.

**Wednesday, February 15:** Meet at club parking lot and carpool/walk to New Seasons. 2 p.m. Games at Cribari.

## **VILLAGES AMATEUR THEATRE**

Please mark your calendars for our performances of our Tony-award Spring musical "Guys & Dolls." Performance dates are 7:30 p.m. Friday, March 31; 2:30 p.m. Saturday, April 1; and 2:30 p.m. Sunday, April 2 in the Cribari Auditorium. Tickets will go on sale in mid-March. Please see the VAT club article in this issue for additional details.



## **MUSIC SOCIETY: TAKE NOTE**

**Sunday, February 12:** Opera Lovers Present: "The Life of an Opera Singer - Ken Carter". 2 to 4 p.m. in the Cribari Conference Room. \$10 tickets on sale February 4, 11 in Cribari and at door. Call Bonnie Preston at 408-531-1513.

Rehearsal Schedule/Meetings:

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

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

**Piano Club**: Open Studio, 2 p.m., Tuesdays in the Auditorium. For more information, call Estelle Kabbani at 408-238-7246.

**Village Voices:** Wednesdays from 7 to 9 p.m. at Foothill Center. Open rehearsals through January 25. The Voices is a non-auditioned, mixed-voice choral group. For information, contact Membership Chair Chris Leisy at 408-309-2757.

**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 at the Bistro & Bar: Happy Hour times are from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. in the Bistro daily.

Come down and join us for a drink!

**Villages Bistro Super Bowl** Pool: Beginning Friday, January 27, please join us at the Bistro Bar and Grille for a chance to win for each quarter 1 through 3, dinner for two at the Bistro or Clubhouse, or the Grand Prize Winner, for the final score, Dinner for four at the Bistro or Clubhouse.

All you have to do is provide a receipt from 1-27-17 to 2-5-17 for \$20 or more for a chance at a square. One square per person please.

**Happy Chinese New Year!** Come join us at The Clubhouse from Saturday, January 28 to Thursday, February 2 for daily Asian-inspired lunch and dinner specials. Please see the ad on the next page for menu items offered.

Villages Sock Hop: Come join us at The Clubhouse on Saturday, February 18 from 5:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. for the Villages Sock Hop. Fifties music will be provided by the Island Wave Band. Please see the ad on the next page for price, menu and reservation details.

> Gift Cards available at the Clubhouse and Pro Shop!

#### $\equiv$ CLUBHOUSE RESTAURANT $\equiv$

**Monday Closed** 

\$12.75

\$18.95

\$19.50

Tuesday-Thursday Lunch: 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Dinner: 5:30 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Friday Brunch: 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday & Sunday Brunch: 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday Breakfast Buffet: 8:30 a.m to 11:30 a.m. **Dinner:** 5:30 p.m. to 8 p.m.

#### **LUNCH SPECIALS SERVED ALL WEEK**

**Lunch Specials** Tuesday 1-31

to Sunday 2-5 **Beef Taco Salad** 

\$12.95

Ground Beef, Lettuce, Beans, Cheese, Pico de Gallo, Guacamole and Sour Cream on a Tortilla Shell **Chicken Philly Sandwich** \$10.50

Grilled Chicken with Onions, Bell Peppers and Jack Cheese

**Tequila Prawns and Linguine** 

Four Tequila Prawns with Linguine, Tomatoes, Green Onions and Guacamole

#### **DAILY SOUP SPECIALS**

Lunch specials are served with choice of soup or salad.

Tuesday, January 31 Wednesday, February 1

Thursday, February 2 Friday, February 3 Saturday, February 4

Sunday, February 5

Soup: Chicken and Shiitake Mushroom Wonton Soup:

Tomato and Egg Drop Soup: Manhattan Clam Chowder Soup:

Chef's Choice Soup: Soup: Chef's Choice



#### **DINNER SPECIALS SERVED ALL WEEK**

Dinner Specials Tuesday 1-31 to Sunday 2-5

**Mermaid Salad** 

Grilled Scallops, Salmon, Prawns and Asparagus over Mixed Greens

**Fettucine with Salmon and Asparagus** 

Fettucine with Salmon, Mussels and Asparagus in a Garlic Cream Sauce

\$27.50 **NY Pepper Steak** 

Peppercorn Crusted NY Steak with an Oyster Mushroom, Bacon and Scallion Garnish

Dinner specials are served with choice of soup or salad.

#### **ACTIVITIES**

Monday, January 30

NO EVENT Tuesday, January 31

- Club Board Meeting —Oak and Sunset Rooms—1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.
- Association Board Meeting—Oak and Sunset Rooms—9:30 a.m. to 11:30 p.m.

Wednesday, February 1

NO EVENT

Thursday, February 2

18 hole Ladies Luncheon—Oak and Fairway p.m. to 4 p.m.

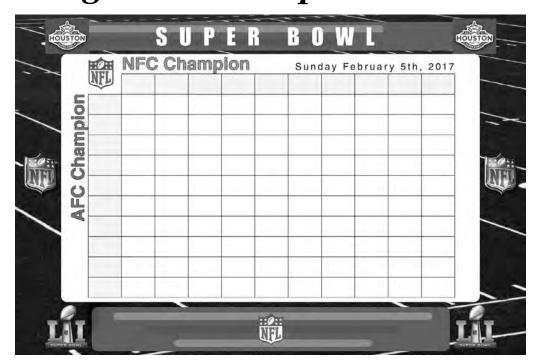
Friday, February 3

- Private Meeting—Oak and Fairway Rooms—6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday, February 4
- Private Party—Sunset, Oak and Fairway Rooms—4 p.m. to 10 p.m. Sunday, February 5 NO EVENT

2000 A THE BISTRO & BAR = Open Daily: 7a.m. to 9 p.m. Breakfast: 7:30a.m. to 10:45a.m. Grill Items: 11a.m. to 8:30 p.m. Casual a la carte dining. No reservations required. -Breakfast -Vegetarian -Starters -Baskets -Appetizers -Pizzas -Grill Items -Desserts 2000 Full Bar available with Beers on Tap.

More CLUBHOUSE ITEMS on pages 5 & 9

## Villages Bistro Super Bowl Pool

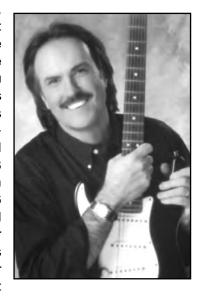


Starting 1/27 Friday, please join us at the Bistro Bar and Grille for a chance to win for each quarter 1 through 3, dinner for 2 at the Bistro or Clubhouse, or the Grand Prize Winner, for the final score, Dinner for 4 at the Bistro or Clubhouse.

All you have to do is provide a receipt from 1/27th to 2/5th for \$20 or more for a chance at a square. 1 square per person please.

## Dance the night away with the Joe Sharino Band

On Saturday, February 25, join The Joe Sharino Band at a Classic Rock & Oldies Dance Party at the Clubhouse. Dance and sing along to the music you grew up with! The band plays 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. and doors open at 6:30 p.m. All are welcome-Villages residents and guests. Tickets are regularly \$28 each, or 10 or more tickets in a single purchase are just \$26 each, but there's also an email list discount: just \$24 each for 10 or more tickets bought as one purchase, or \$26 each for individual tickets. The discount ends January 4, so hurry! Tickets



at the door will be \$33 each (if available). The last time the JSB played at the Villages, tickets sold out in advance, so don't wait, order today! Tickets will be on sale later this weekend at http://Feb25.BPT.me or call 800.838.3006. To get the discount online, click the green letters that say "enter a password or discount code" and enter the password: "Dance", then click "Show available tickets". Get a group of friends together and come dance and sing along to Classic Rock and Oldies hits of the 1950s, 60s, 70s and 80s.





## COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

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

## Board and Committee MeetingsDateMeetingTimePlace1-27Villages Golf Meeting9 a.m.Foothill Cntr.1-31Assoc. Board Meeting9:30 a.m.Clubhouse1-31Club Board Meeting1:30 p.m.Clubhouse

1:30 p.m. Clubhouse Assoc. Nominating Comm. 4 p.m. Redwood 1-31 4 p.m. Clubhouse 1-31 Three Board Meeting 2-2 A/C Assoc. Landscape Foothill Cntr. 9 a.m. 2-2 Del Lago DAC Montg. Cntr. 9:30 a.m. 2-2 Club Board Pres./GM Meet 1:30 p.m. Montg. Cntr.

## Recycle Your Old Villages Directory

The new 2017 Villages Telephone Directories have been delivered. If you would like to recycle your 2016 or older Villages directories, a collection bin is available in the lobby of Building B during regular business hours and outside under the wood drop box in the evening and on weekends. The bins will be available January 25 through February 28. The collected directories will be commercially shredded.

## See Bouquet to Art at DeYoung Museum

Get some of your friends together and go to the city and see one of the most beautiful shows of art and flowers on Friday, March 17. The bus departs from Cribari east parking lot at 8:30 a.m. with an estimated return time of 5 p.m. The cost is only \$60 per person. Following viewing the exhibit at DeYoung, you will re-board the bus and go to Pier 39 for lunch and a bit of shopping. Your escort will give you the times and any other information you will need for the day.

The most in-demand floral designers from the Bay Area and beyond draw inspiration from the art in De Young's collection to create arrangements from the strikingly simple to the elaborately intricate. Whispers of subtle charm, gasps of beauty—art is in lively conversation with nature during Bouquets to Art. Wander galleries awash with colorful flowers, it is beautiful...don't miss out on this one!

### 30-Minute Restorative Yoga with Mwezo and Jane

30-minute Restorative Yoga is the *fountain of youth* and is the best tool that you can use to counter the negative impact of aging. Research shows that yoga reduces stiffness, tightness, aches and pains and provides tools for handling memory and emotional challenges like stress, depression, anxiety and other physiological disturbances. Moreover, it improves your mood, attitude and self-image to help you feel good about yourself. It improves balance, concentration, flexibility and strength; all functions that will help you avoid falling. Yoga works for every... *body* because every...*body* is trying to get old, weak and stiff! Aging is part of being alive and the best thing we can do is to keep ourselves fit so we can live independently our whole life. Modifications are made to accommodate all levels. Work at your own pace. Classes are held Mondays and Wednesdays from 7 to 7:30 p.m. Please wear comfortable loose-fitting clothing and bring a mat and a pillow to class. *Location: See Calendar of Events in The Villager.* The cost is \$56 for an eight class card, which is punched in class. Start anytime! Sign up in class! For more information, call Jane at 408-315-1179. This class is sponsored by the Community Activities Office.

## Report broken Fitness Center equipment

Fitness Center users are asked to contact the Community Activities office, 408-223-4643, when a piece of equipment is found broken. A contracted commercial fitness equipment maintenance and repair vendor conducts monthly preventative maintenance on the equipment, but occasionally equipment fails between visits. By contacting the Community Activities office when a problem is found, a work order can be placed promptly.

## Community Events

Date	Event	Time	Place
1-29	Just for Fun Golf Dinner	5:30 p.m.	Clubhouse
2-1	Bingo	3:30 p.m.	Auditorium
2-2	Income Tax Service	9 a.m.	Redwood Rm.
2-2	18 Hole Women Lunch	12:45 p.m.	Clubhouse

## Spend the day in beauty— Orchid and Garden Expo!

Join us at the Pacific Orchid and Garden Exposition featuring thousands of orchids, which will be held at the Hall of Flowers in San Francisco on **Friday**, February 24. This year's show theme, "Big Ideas for Small Gardens," will have a special focus on learning about pollination and helping plants thrive in apartments, on windowsills and in city environments. Gather tips on how to maintain the perfect orchid, bring home some gorgeous flowers, and learn tips on how to photograph what you see. Following our day, contact Karen Honaker to learn about how to turn those photographs into watercolor paintings.

This trip is sponsored by the Villages Arts and Crafts Association and Community Activities. Sign up at the Community Activities office. Tickets include the bus, departing at 8:15 a.m., entry into the Orchid Show, and a San Francisco lunch, \$79. Limited to 24 people.

For more information, please call Karen Honaker, Excursions Director for Arts and Crafts at 408-238-1448 or Ruth DePonzi in the Community Activities Office at 408-223-4644.

## February Zumba Gold

What is Zumba Gold? Zumba is a dance fitness program that involves dance and aerobic movements performed to energetic music. Over the years the cardio-centric Zumba classes have grown to also include specific programming such as for children (Zumbatomic) and for seniors (Zumba Gold). Our new instructor, Gabriela Lopez is certified in Zumba for children, which she teaches in her own studio, and in Zumba Gold.

Zumba Gold is truly for anyone who can stand up and who likes to dance. And "dance" is a very liberal term here, because no dance experience or skills are necessary. People of all ages, shapes and sizes are welcome and encouraged to attend classes. Zumba Gold classes are specifically designed to include both men and women. If you want some exercise and like fun music, this class is for you. Our Zumba Gold class focuses on aerobics, while improving balance, stability, coordination and endurance.

#### Two classes—two different days and times:

Monday, 6:30 p.m. Cribari Auditorium – February 6 through 27 - \$36

Friday, 10 a.m. Cribari Auditorium – February 3 through 24 - \$36 Sign up in class or Building B. For information call Ruth DePonzi in the Community Activities Office at 408-223-4644.

#### 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.

## The Villages' 50th Anniversary Celebrations

The next upcoming anniversary related events include the volunteer recognition and Fiesta Time. The annual Volunteer Recognition will be held on Friday, April 7 at 2 p.m. in the Clubhouse. This year's theme is "The Art of Giving Back." The event will feature a country western atmosphere. More information will be published at a later date.

Fiesta Time is another celebration of community on Saturday, April 29. This event will include Art in the Park, a classic car show, lifestyle, health, and home improvement vendors, live mariachi music, The Villages' famous margaritas and a taco bar and more. The event will take place at Cribari Center and Gazebo Park.



For additional information on anniversary events, please contact the Community Activities office at 408-223-4643.

### 30-Minute Dance Fusion with Mwezo and Jane

Come join the fun! For more than 40 years we helped thousands of people regain and maintain fitness with great success. Our *new* 30-minute Dance Fusion class will help you build balance, coordination, flexibility and strength for a healthier future life. The class features all genres of music and dance formats including, but not limited, to Latin, Afro-Caribbean, Bollywood, soul, country line dance and jazz. Dance at your own pace! So come re-shape and tighten your body! Classes are held Mondays and Wednesdays from 6 to 6:30 p.m. Location: See the Calendar of Events in *The Villager*. The cost is \$56 for an eight class card, which is punched in class. Start anytime! Sign up in class! For more information, call Jane at 408-315-1179.

## Tai Chi for healthy aging

Our mission is to help older adults maintain a quality of life as they age, and Tai Chi is the perfect exercise to help us achieve this mission. Tai chi can be performed for exercise, relaxation, healing and spiritual development by anyone regardless of age or physical condition. Tai Chi strengthens the body, quiets and calms the mind and emotions and improves overall health and well-being. Daily Tai Chi practice is extremely helpful to people with circulatory, respiratory, immune system, digestive, asthma, arthritis, mental, emotional and other health challenges. We offer Tai Chi classes two days per week here at The Villages. The fees are \$9 per class for two classes per week, and those attending one class per week will purchase a drop-in card. Get details in class. Classes are held on Wednesdays and Fridays at 10 a.m. at the Vineyard Center.

## Upcoming Afternoon Movies

The following movies are shown free of charge in the **Cribari Conference Room at 1:30 p.m.** on the dates designated. For additional information, please contact the Community Activities office.

**Wednesday, Feb. 8 – "2 Guns":** Starring Denzel Washington and Mark Wahlberg. Two special agents -- one Naval intelligence,

one DEA -- partner for an undercover sting against a drug cartel that takes a serious wrong turn. Disavowed by their agencies, the pair goes on the run while trying to find out who set them up.

**Wednesday, Feb. 22 – "Fathers & Daughters":** Starring Russell Crowe and Amanda Seyfried. Unfolding via interwoven narratives, this touching drama follows novelist Jake Davis after he loses his wife in a car crash and becomes a single dad to 5-year-old Katie, who's still struggling three decades later to overcome her tumultuous childhood.

**Wednesday, March 8 – "Ghostbusters":** Starring Melissa McCarthy and Kristen Wiig. In this reboot of the 1984 classic, it's the ladies doing the ghost-busting. After writing a book suggesting that ghosts are real, Erin Gilbert and Abby Yates are called upon to lead the fight when spooks overrun Manhattan.

**Wednesday, March 22 – "Money Monster":** Starring George Clooney and Julia Roberts. Landing in dire financial straits after following a stock tip from bombastic TV persona Lee Gates, fuming Kyle Budwell takes the lout hostage on live television and threatens to kill him unless he turns the stock price around before the closing bell.

## Upcoming Evening Movie

The following movie is shown free of charge at **Vineyard Center at 7 p.m.** on the date and time designated. For additional information, please contact the Community Activities office.

**Monday, Feb. 20 – "The Danish Girl":** Starring Eddie Redmayne, and Alicia Vikander. In 1930, Danish painter Einar Wegener elects to have gender-reassignment surgery, with the blessing of his wife, Gerda. This true-life narrative of personal courage also sheds light on the medical origins of transsexual surgery.



## Living with Parkinson's

Once a person is diagnosed with the disease, it is their attitude, lifestyle, medication management and things they do to contribute that determine 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. Sponsored by the Community Activities Office.

## Walk your way to health

Walking for Better Balance class is designed to help participants improve their balance, strength and quality of life. It improves standing and walking skills so you can 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 at 11:30 a.m. and Thursdays at 10:30 a.m. in the Cribari Auditiorium. Register in Class! For information call Jane at 408-315-1179. This Class is sponsored by the Community Activities Office.





More COMMUNITY NOTICES

### **PUBLIC SAFETY**

## What is Vial of L.I.F.E.?

What is the Vial of L.I.F.E.? The Vial of L.I.F.E. is "Lifesaving Information For Emergencies." It's a place for you to store important medical information that emergency medical personnel (firefighters, paramedics, Public Safety officers and hospital staff) need in a time of crisis. By completing the Vial of L.I.F.E. form, you can provide the emergency personnel with vital lifesaving information even if you are unable. It is very important that you keep this information up to date, accurate and placed in a prominent spot in your refrigerator—an empty or incomplete form does little to help those who need your medical history. By the way, it is also advisable to have completed, up-to-date forms in each of your vehicles to assist EMS in the event of an accident

The Vial of L.I.F.E. kit is available free as a public service from the San Jose Firefighters Union Local 230 and the San Jose Fire Department. It can be obtained by contacting Public Safety, the gate at 223-4665; Public Safety Administration at 239-5246 or San Jose Fire Department Emergency Medical Services Division at 277-4084.

#### Villages Medical Auxiliary Since 1976

Office: 408-238-4230 Hours: Monday to Thursday, 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Service Coordinator: 408-238-4029



## Free, no charge, get your BP checked

#### By VMA Blood Pressure Clinic Team

Now that we have your attention, the Villages Medical Auxiliary (VMA) wants every Villager to know that blood pressure (BP) checks are provided every Wednesday from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. at Cribari Center in the Forum Room.

Do you know your BP? Do you know what is considered normal for your age? One in three American adults has high blood pressure, which is a reading greater than 140/90 for the over-50-year-old and 150/90 for the over-80-year-old. The 140 or the top number is the pressure or work load that your heart generates to push blood into your body and the 90 or bottom number is the pressure in your heart when it is at rest.

High blood pressure in America is under-treated and underdiagnosed in all races and genders. People with high BP can face significant problems such as stroke, heart attack or kidney problems. Lowering blood pressure is strongly associated with reducing the risk of stroke and heart disease.

Currently the American Heart Association guidelines for initiating treatment for high BP may start with lifestyle changes and may include medications. Talking with your doctor or other health care provider about the best treatment for your high BP is key. One of the easiest ways to monitor your BP is by coming to the VMA sponsored drop in BP Clinic on Wednesdays. The clinic is staffed with volunteer nurses and physicians, your neighbors, who will check your BP and happily chat with you about any concerns you have in regards to your BP or medications and offer you encouragement in your continuing goal for improved health. If you have a home BP monitor, feel free to bring it and we will check it with our equipment.

Can't come on a Wednesday, the BP Clinic team is planning to set up occasional spot clinics at other times and in other places around the Villages. Their first spot check location is outside the Pro Shop, Sunday, February 5 at the Super Bowl Putting Contest. Stop by the VMA booth between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. for a free blood pressure check.

### **SENIOR RESOURCE SERVICES**

## How to get your own tax forms

Senior Resource Services has ordered basic federal and California tax forms. We will alert you when the order has arrived. You may also order your needed forms by telephone, from your computer, or you may download them from the web sites. Here's how:

#### **Federal forms:**

To order by telephone: Call 1-800-829-3676 (1-800-Tax-Form)

To order via web site: Go to *www.irs.gov* and on the left side, click on the "Forms and Pubs" header, then on the left side menu, click on "Order Forms & Pubs", then on the next page, click on "Forms & Publications by U.S. Mail." Toward the bottom of page, type "1040" into the search box; the order list for 1040 forms, schedules and instructions will pop up.

To download and print forms from the website: Follow the same instructions as above, but click on the name of the form you need on the right-side menu.

#### California forms:

To order by telephone: Call 1-800-338-0505.

To order via web site: Go to www.ftb.ca.gov and on the top menu, click on "Individuals". Then further down the page down: click on "Forms & Instructions" under the "File" header. Then on the next page, click on "Order Forms" under the Get Forms menu. Then click on "Form by US Mail Request."

To download and print forms from the website: Follow the same instructions as above, but click on the blue "Get Forms" button.

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 adviser about your individual situation.

#### **SRS** Announcement:

### It's now age 66 and 2 months

The full retirement age (FRA) has begun to increase for new retirees. Seniors born between 1943 and 1954 need to be age 66 to qualify for their full social security benefit. In 2017 the FRA increased by 2 months for those born in 1955. This two-month increase will continue each successive year, reaching 67 years for those born in 1960 or later.

#### Get in the Fast Lane!

Fast Lane is the Villages e-mail information blast. To sign up or get more information, contact Communications Coordinator Ken Patterson at 223-4681; kpatterson@thevillages.com, or go to Building B to sign up in person.

## **FOUNDATION FOCUS**

## How do we decide to fund a project?

#### By Carole Cassidy, EVF President

2017 is the Villages 50th Anniversary as a community and the 8th anniversary for your Evergreen Villages Foundation as an official 501(c) (3) nonprofit. Since 2009, the Foundation has given more than \$200,000 to the Club to support capital improvements large and small. All of that was made possible by Villagers like you, who saw the need to give above and beyond the required HOA fees. And every month we see more Villagers participating—community spirit truly has no boundaries.



How do we decide what and how much to fund? We believe in collaboration, so we rarely supply 100 percent of the dollars needed for a project,

because there is no better way to ensure careful preparation of a proposal than to require personal or organizational participation. Another guiding principle is to avoid "politics." We are busy raising, managing and allocating your donations, so we don't have time for or interest in creating new projects ourselves. The Club board and interest-oriented approved organizations are much better sources for that.

Today, we are eagerly anticipating being involved in the Gazebo Park, tennis facility makeovers and the creation of pickleball courts, too. Stay tuned for more!

For more information about the Foundation go to www.evfsj.org

#### Meet Sylvia Arenas the new District 8 Councilwoman

Newly-elected Councilwoman for District 8, Sylvia Arenas, will be introducing herself to Evergreen residents and hosting a community inauguration and swearing-in ceremony and celebration at the Evergreen Community Center Saturday, January 28 from 3 to 5 p.m. The Evergreen Community Center is at 4860 San Felipe Road near Yerba Buena Road.

The event will feature special guests, cultural performances and refreshments, it will be a great opportunity for District 8 residents to meet their new representative.

Arenas and her family have been residents of the Evergreen Community for the last 15 years. If interested in attending, please RSVP to: stacy.le@sanjoseca.gov or call 408-535-4908 by Friday. January 27.

## Clubs & Events

### Italian Club: Be wowed at

## Valentine Party

The Villages Italian Club invites all Members and Members in Waiting to attend our Valentine Party at the Clubhouse on February 14. Don't let this one get away. We



have created a *wow!* night. Check your email or call Bob Marchant at (408) 239-0931 for registration details.

Experience an elegant night in the Bogart and Bacall Supper Club style of exquisite dining, dancing and live entertainment. From complimentary Champagne to wash down exotic appetizers, red and white wines to complement a delicious choice of entrees to an absolutely sinful dessert, you will be *wowed*. Music will accompany dinner and draw you to the dance floor. Our entertainers will channel Sinatra, Dean Martin, Tony Bennett and other favorites singing the great songs from our youth. You will be transported to a different time and place. Eat, drink, dance, be merry and be *wowed*. Enjoy La Dolce Vita on Valentine's day!

### Hiking Club to present Iceland

Following a brief business meeting Johanna and Wate Bakker will give a slideshow on their trip to Northern Europe and Iceland. The presentation will mainly be about Iceland, its history and its austere natural beauty. On the way to Iceland they also visited Belgium, the Netherlands, the Scottish Highlands, the Orkney and Faroe Islands and Bergen in Norway. Highlights of these areas will also be discussed, especially a Salvadori exhibit in Belgium and cultural highlights of the Hague, the capital of the Netherlands, where Johanna was born. The presentation will begin after a short business meeting at Cribari Conference Room on Monday, January 30 at 7:30 p.m. All Villagers are welcome.

The Villages Hiking Club leads hikes on most Wednesdays and Saturdays together with social activities every other month. For more information about the Hiking Club and our hikes and programs contact Sy Gelman at 408-532-1239. Also please check out our web site: http://villageshikingclub.blogspot.com

## Play Bingo on February 1

Join us for afternoon Bingo on Wednesday, February 1 in the Cribari Auditorium. Play starts at 3:30 p.m. Come early and enjoy the coffee and cookies. Cards are \$1 each and additional cards can be purchased for 50 cents during



the break. First time players receive a free card. You must be 18 or older to play. Any questions? Contact Betty Stednitz at 408-300-1989.

## Free hearing aid cleaning

The Villages Medical Auxiliary is sponsoring a free hearing aid cleaning Friday, February 3 from 10 a.m. to noon in the Cribari Center Forum Room (next to the Boutique). Contact VMA Social Services Coordinator Cristina Silva at 408-238-4029 or csilva@ncphs.org

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## Celebrate Valentine's Day with Jazzercise

Valentine's Day is almost here and many of us are pondering the best way to show loved ones that we care. While we are at it, let's give a little love to ourselves. What is the best thing we can do to ensure our own health and well being? Get fit, get strong, get sexy. Start an exercise program with Jazzercise. By staying physically active we keep our heart, bones, joints, and brain young. What better Valentine's gift to give yourself and the people who love you?

Jazzercise is a full body workout that takes just 60 minutes of your day, three times a week. The program includes cardio-respiratory exercise, resistance training, stretching and range of motion routines, all done to modern music and led by a certified Jazzercise instructor. We meet at Cribari Auditorium on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. Working out



first thing in the morning gets exercise out of the way and gives you extra energy the whole day through. The cost is affordable—\$36 for the full month of February. Give Jazzercise a try and you will want to stay with it. We invite you to sample a free lesson. Call Herito at 408-238-7511 or Kay at 408-223-7948.

## Global Village: 'Mahatma Gandhi's Leadership Principles'

The Global Village will be holding its monthly session on Wednesday, February 1, from 7 to 9 p.m. in the Sequoia room in Cribari.

Villages resident Bob Lapidus will lead us in a discussion of Mahatma Gandhi's core leadership principles and the Seven Deadly Sins, which can work to undermine our life purpose and our interpersonal relationships. These include: Wealth without Work, Pleasure without Conscience, Knowledge without Character, Commerce without Morality and Ethics, Science without Humanity, Religion without Sacrifice, and Politics without Principle. Bob will also discuss those attributes that made Gandhi a transcendent leader.

Bob is a leadership trainer and an organization development consultant and is an adjunct professor at American University in Washington, D.C. and at the Federal Executive Institute in Charlottesville, Virginia.

This will be a very interesting and informative dialogue. All are welcomed to come and share their stories on how they have used some of these principles in their professional life and now during retirement. There is no fee for attending and sharing your views.

## Democratic Club to host Bill James

Bill James, the newly elected chair of the Santa Clara County Democratic Party, will be visiting The Villages Democratic Club to tell us how he plans to implement his platform goal of "Get It Done". He promises to work to build and sustain a just society served by a government that reflects our values.

Bill is a Navy veteran and an intellectual property lawyer, and is proficient in Spanish. He has served on the board of the SCDP as vice-president since 2013, and in that time successfully led a major bylaws revision.

Do join us to hear how Bill plans to organize and lead a goal setting and prioritization process. All Villagers are welcome to join us on Wednesday, February 1 at Vineyard Center. The schedule is as follows: 2 p.m. Discussion group; 3 p.m. Refreshments; 3:30 p.m. Guest speaker.

Follow all the goings on in our active Club and community by checking out our blog at villages-democratic-club.com

## Genealogy Club to discuss best practices

The Genealogy Club will meet Thursday, February 2 at 10 a.m. in the Cribari Conference Room. Please join us to share the family lines you are searching, and learn new research techniques and sources. This month we will be sharing "Best Practices for Documenting your Family History Research." For more information about the Club, please call Linda McMullen at 510-507-1400 or e-mail mcmullens2@sbcglobal.net

## Astronomy Club to meet February 7

Are you a Village star? Do you come out at night? Then join us at the next Astronomy Club meeting at 7 p.m., Tuesday, February 7 at Foothill Center where we shall continue our series of lectures on Dark Matter, Dark Energy. Questions? Email Barry Stein at b.stein200@gmail.com



## FROM THE BOOKSHELF

By Wate Bakker

"Guilty Minds" by Joseph Finder: The Chief Justice of the Supreme court is about to be defamed and his career destroyed by an influential gossip website, specializing in digging up dirt on celebs and politicians. Their top reporter claims he had liaisons with an escort, a young lady now willing to tell it all. Nick Heller, a private investigator is called in, but finds the call girl murdered. The chase is on to find the mastermind behind the conspiracy. Will he succeed? Mystery 2016.

"Filthy Rich" by James Patterson, John Connolly and Tim Malloy: Patterson and coworkers found a true story matching the plots in their novels. Here it is: Jeffrey Epstein rose from humble beginnings to the rarefied heights of New York and Palm Beach's financial elite. He amassed his wealth through an instinct for numbers and a gift to charm people. But even after he had it all, he wanted more. That unceasing desire and a taste for underage girls resulted in a stunning fall from grace in the form of sexual abuse charges. "Filthy Rich" endeavors to examine all sides of the case that appalled one of America's richest communities. Nonfiction 920, Jeffrey Epstein, 2016, large print.

"The General vs. the President" by H.W. Brand: The president is Harry Truman. Although now considered one of the better post war presidents, in office he was one of the most unpopular presidents in American history. General MacArthur, by contrast, was wildly popular and a colorful figure, good at self promotion, who claimed most of the credit for victory in the Pacific, although the Navy and the Marines did most of the fighting. At war's end he became the de facto dictator of Japan in charge of the occupation forces. Then the war in Korea broke out, which he did not see coming, but managed to turn around after some difficult defeats. Then he decided to make the war into a showdown with communist China by recklessly charging through Korea to the Chinese border thus exposing his flanks. He ignored intelligence that a large Chinese force massed at the border. The result was a disastrous retreat, many casualties, a stalemate and a prolonged war. Truman had enough, he fired MacArthur, especially after he openly suggested they use atomic weapons. Despite all his megalomania MacArthur returned to the U.S. a hero. His parting words, "Old soldiers never die, they just fade away" still resonate. Nonfiction, 973.9, Truman, MacArthur, nuclear war, 2016.

"The Wonder" by Emma Donoghue: Lib Wright, a young English nurse trained by Florence Nightingale, arrives in an impoverished Irish village with a strange mission. An 11-year-old girl is said to have eaten nothing for four months. Lib's job is to find the truth. As an educated skeptic she is repelled by what she sees as ignorance and superstition. She expects to expose the fast as a hoax, but there is more than meets the eye. Find out what really was going on by reading the novel. Fiction, 2016.

"Broken Trust" by W.E.B Griffin and William E. Butterworth: After writing for many years about the heroic deeds of warriors in the Marine Corps, the Army and the CIA during and after WWII, the W.E.B.G and W.E.B writing machine attempts a straightforward crime novel. Matt Payne is a hard boiled Homicide sergeant in Philadelphia. Nothing can shock him until the case of a young dead socialite lands on his desk. Camille Rose Morgan was a beautiful young socialite juggling charity fundraisers while studying for an MBA that would let her take her place in the multi-billion dollar family business. How was it possible that she would jump from the balcony of her Rittenhouse Square penthouse? Or was she pushed and by whom? Camilla's brother reveals that she has been battling a lifetime of mental demons. However trust fund papers that Camille fought bitterly to have nullified suggest an alternate scenario and a darker picture begins to emerge. Fiction 2016.

#### Learn life drawing with Karen La Roche

If you can draw the human figures, you can draw anything.

Instructor Karen La Roche will teach you drawing from scratch. And you don't have to be able to draw a straight line because there are no straight lines in drawing figures.

The class begins Tuesday, February 7 and ends March 14. The fee is \$86, and the minimum number of participants is 10. Three sessions will be basic instruction and three sessions will be with a live model with instruction, short and long poses, and critique. To register, contact Class Scheduler Barbara Gottesman at barb. gottesman@gmail.com by January 31.



Karen La Roche

Materials required include charcoal sticks and an 18 by 24 pad of newsprint. The Arts & Crafts Association has an excellent model's platform, donated by Margaret McNelly.

## Learn printing and mounting tips

By Pam Pierson

Jerry Gilliland of the Villages Camera Club (VCC) will speak to members on printing and mounting for program night on Monday, February 6, from 7 to 9 p.m. in the Cribari Conference Room. Whether for your own use or for competition purposes, professional printing and mounting make a difference in the presentation of your final image.

If you are new to the VCC, come to the program as our guest. Nonmembers can visit us once before joining. If you have found our programs to be educational, join the Villages Camera Club for \$30 a year.

In his presentation Gilliland will explain the N4C guidelines for mounting prints. Besides discussing requirements for competitive mounting, Jerry will show you other mounting methods for your personal use. He also offers assistance in both prints and mounts for club members.

For membership information, contact Nancy Mosher-Williams at 408-826-4728. The VCC is a member of the Northern California Council of Camera Clubs (N4C) and The Photographic Society of America (PSA).

## First Arts & Crafts Meeting of 2017

New Arts & Crafts President Monita Bowman will preside over the first meeting of 2017 on Monday, February 6 in Cribari Conference Room at 1:30 p.m. She has been active in Arts & Crafts for the past two years, serving as Association Secretary. Her ventures into acrylics have resulted in several landscapes and she produces artful ceramics.

Our first Guest Artist of 2017 is Colleen Mirassou who will talk about her award-winning "The Art of Assemblage." She is a native of San Jose who was schooled at Notre Dame de Namur and the Academy of Art in San Francisco. She is a marriage and family therapist who is also an art therapist. She spent her early years of oil painting and drawing with the Pacific Art League in Palo Alto. She worked for 15 years with the Los Angeles Assemblage Art Group. She is inspired by found materials that she collects and is especially inspired by the aged, rusted and pieces with patina which she finds. The way they come together with a little artistic help fascinates her.

Members are invited to display a small, recent work of art and those present will vote for a painting to represent "Artist of the Month." Ruth Keiser will collect the votes and award a certificate.



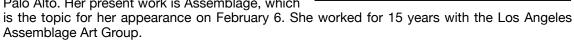
Arts & Crafts President Monita Bowman

All Villagers and their guests are welcome to this free artist's demonstration.

## Colleen Mirassou is February guest artist

On Monday, February 6, the Arts & Crafts Association will hold its first meeting of 2017. New President Monita Bowman will be in charge of the regular monthly meeting, and the Guest Artist will be Colleen Mirassou. Members should arrive at 1:30 p.m. for socializing and displaying their small paintings for Artist of the Month.

Our Guest Artist, Colleen Mirassou, is a native of San Jose who was schooled at Notre Dame de Namur and the Academy of Art in San Francisco. She is a marriage and family therapist who is also an art therapist. She spent her early years of oil painting and drawing with the Pacific Art League in Palo Alto. Her present work is Assemblage, which



She is inspired by found materials, which she collects, and is especially inspired by the aged, rusted and pieces with patina which she finds. The way they come together with a little artistic help fascinates her.

All Villagers and their guests are welcome to this free artist's demonstration.



## SIRS Annual Valentines Dinner/Dance The Villages SIR Branches #38 and #114 present

A Romantic Valentines Evening

Tuesday, February 21

—Roses for the ladies

Piano accompanied champagne reception 5 to 6 p.m.

—Dinner with wine at each table 6 p.m.

Dancing to the music of Jerry Sauceda 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.



\$50 per person for all meal choices except Eggplant, which is \$42 Meal choices are: Jack Daniels chicken; Grilled Salmon Lemon Pepper Tri Tip; Eggplant Parmagiana

Reservations are required and must be made by noon, February 17 Contacts: Gary Hill at 408-274-8086, Doug McLendon at 408-528-8918, or Lou Figone at 408-966-4175

## Mid-January storms wreak havoc on Villages trees



Workers from BrightView clear away the debris from this eucalyptus tree that toppled into the lake.

**Photo by Lou Alexander** 



Another view of the tree that fell into the lake.

Photo by Lou Alexander



BrightView workers trim off storm-damaged branches on other trees.



The winds and wet soil conditions contributed to the demise of this large eucalyptus.

Photo by Jeanette Campa

The recent storm system to hit the Bay Area has had its impact on The Villages in the form of several downed trees and wind damage to trees still standing. In contrast with the rest of the Bay Area, however, San Jose has been relatively unscathed by the stormy, wet winter weather. So far this month, San Jose has received 5.26 inches of rain—still considerably lower than its wettest January on record of about a foot of water.

With the drought all but over in the Bay Area, Lexington and Vasona reservoirs exceeded capacity this past weekend, and several other Santa Clara Valley Water District reservoirs that reached capacity earlier this winter have had water spilling over their dams. The state's largest reservoirs, Oroville and Shasta, are well above their average historical water levels, and San Luis Reservoir is back at its historical average water level.

## Opera Lovers: 'The Life of an Opera Singer – Ken Carter'

As we get to know our neighbors, we are always surprised to discover the talents and accomplishments they have achieved whether in business, technology, music, the arts or in literature. In our Sunday, February 12 Afternoon Opera Tea, we'll explore the interesting life Ken Carter has led as a soloist for the United States Air Force Band, Symphony and Singing Sergeants including singing in the White House, to his experiences in opera and being a soloist in various musical organizations throughout the states. He is currently the Director of The Village Voices and is Music Director of the Peninsula Covenant Church. Ken will sing some operatic arias, show videos of some of his performances and tell notable tales. We'll meet at 2 to 4 p.m. on Sunday, February 12, in the Cribari Conference room across from the auditorium. The \$10 tickets may be purchased in Cribari Center on Saturday, February 4 and 11 from 10 a.m. to noon, purchased at the door before the program or by calling Bonnie Preston at 408-531-1513 for a reservation. We are limited to 60 people. Please join us for an enjoyable afternoon getting to know our interesting neighbor and having a cup of coffee or tea and refreshments.

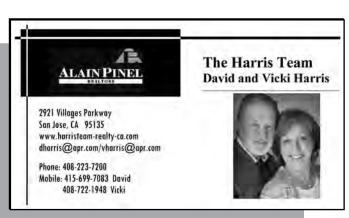
## Travel Club to discuss 'Friendship Trips'

We invite you to attend the next meeting of the Villages Travel Club on Monday, February 13 at 7 p.m. at the Foothill Center.

The program for this meeting will be **"2016 Trips in Review."** The Travel Club members that attended the five trips last year will present the highlights of each trip, including a slideshow of photos that were taken.

As you may already know, the Travel Club will focus mainly on 1-3 day "Friendship Trips" during the coming year. The first two will be discussed at the February 13 meeting: **Santa Barbara by Amtrak** (Trip Coordinator: Mike Cox) and **Napa/Sonoma Wine Country** (Trip Coordinators: Tony and Ann Berg).

You are encouraged to suggest a short trip for the Travel Club's consideration, and be willing to be a trip coordinator for that specific trip. Trip suggestions may be submitted at a meeting or posted on the website: villagestravelclub.com





## Senior care options — and how to pay for it

Cristie Burr from CarePatrol is presenting a senior care workshop Thursday, February 9 at 11 a.m. in Foothill Center. Though the Villages Medical Auxiliary (VMA) works to help Villagers maintain your independence to stay in your own homes, at some point in our lives health conditions may require that we look at other options. As we age we have many care options available to us. It's important to know these options, the pros and cons of each choice and ways to pay for this care.

Cristie Burr owns and operates CarePatrol of San Jose. She knows firsthand how emotional, stressful and confusing the task of finding the safest place for a loved one is. Burr assists seniors and their families as they make one of the most difficult decisions of their lives.

A Certified Senior Advisor, Burr was responsible for finding assisted living for her aunt when she could no longer take care of herself. It was through this challenging experience that she realized she needed to help family members, like her, navigate through this emotional time, and give families the confidence and peace of mind that their loved one would be living in the safest and most caring community.

Come join us and bring your family members. This presentation is valuable for you as a senior and for your loved ones who can help you make care decisions in the future.

As is the case with all VMA programs, there is no charge. Contact VMA Social Services Coordinator Cristina Silva to register at csilva@ncphs.org or 408-238-4029.



## 'Seductive Venice: Secrets and Stories'

Senior Academy will host a two-session course by Kathleen Gonzales titled "Seductive Venice: Her Secrets and Stories" on two Tuesdays: February 14 and February 21, from 2 to 4 p.m. at Vineyard Center.

Venice hides many secrets in its narrow alleys and snaking canals. Walk in the footsteps of Giacomo Casanova, the famed lover, and hear the stories of his adventures: the inn where he dined, the streets where he promenaded with his lovers, the church where he gave his first sermon and the prison from which he escaped.

In the second presentation, hear the little-known stories of Venetian women: the first woman in the world to earn a university degree, the courtesan who wrote poetry, a composer, a mirror merchant who ended a rebellion and many more.

Kathleen Gonzales, teacher, author, photographer and dancer, has written three books about Venice and has published travel articles, essays and contributed to community newspapers.

**Note: Pre-registration is required:** you must register for this event by February 12. The fee for this course is \$25 for Members and \$30 for Non-Members of Senior Academy. There are two ways to register:

- 1. Log onto our web-based registration tool, "Reggie", at http://VillagesReggie.com as described in our Connections newsletter *or*
- 2. Call one of our Senior Academy Ambassadors: Barbara Gerwe at 408-223-7901 or Doreen Senior at 408-531-1593. If you leave a phone message, please state your house number, full name and the names of any guests you are registering.

## Brandeis to host Scholarship Campaign

#### By Cy Axelrad

Our new campaign is called BNC Scholarship. As we all know colleges and universities are all so costly that many young people cannot attend! Your contribution, large or small, would help a Brandeis student achieve a high level of success.

Here's a wonderful story about Pauline Kizmin, class of 2017, who gives us hope. She is a Brandeis scholar from Tucson, Arizona. She has a double major in a neuroscience and biology and she works as a community adviser for freshman. Upon graduation she plans to pursue a career in medicine.

This is happening because people are kind and giving. We would appreciate your support and we thank you!

On a joyful note we will be having the 27th "Lunch with the Authors" on Thursday, March 31, from 10:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. This wonderful lunch will be at "Villia Ragusa" in Campbell. The cost is \$75—watch for your invitation. To verify that you are on the mailing list, please contact Rocki Kramer at rockik@sbcglobal.net

The literary lineup includes Frances Dinkelspiel, Karen Joy Fowler, Mary Tyler Nobleman, Keith Raffel and Larry Gerston. This is a celebration not to be missed! Please bring your favorite friend!



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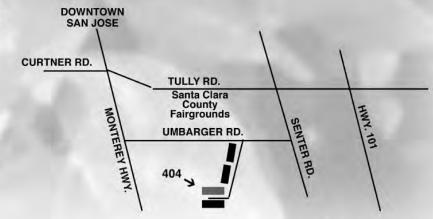
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## RELIGION

## **CATHOLIC COMMUNITY**

#### St. Francis is providing a winter shelter for the homeless.

They are still in need of new pillows, sleeping bags, toiletry items and money to pay for one part-time overnight worker. Please drop your donations off prior to mass on Sunday or during the week to the church office. It's been pretty cold out there lately so it would be wonderful if you can help keep those in need warm.

The parish is encouraging our Sunday contributions through online giving. It is simple and safe. No worries about forgetting your Sunday envelope. Check out the site at www. sfoasi.com and click on the "On Line Giving" link.

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 Karen Kosmala at 408-

If you would like to have a Mass said for someone contact Jean Ghiossi at 408-844-3461.

Sacrament of Reconciliation is every Saturday in the Chapel Narthex from 4:15 to 4:45 p.m.

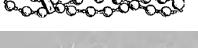
9 a.m. Friday morning Mass is preceded by the Rosary at 8:30 a.m. in the Cribari Conference Room across from the Auditorium the first three Fridays of each month.

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.

## Le<u>t us P</u>ray

Preceded by the Rosary at 8:30 a.m.

St	. Francis of	Assisi Sund	ay Mass times:
Sa	ıturday	5 p.m.	Chapel
Sι	ınday	8:15 a.m.	The Villages
		8:30 a.m.	Chapel
		9 a.m.	Gathering Space Hall
		9:30 a.m.	Grange Hall
		10:30 a.m.	Chapel
		11 a.m.	Gathering Space Hall
		12:30 p.m.	Chapel
		6 p.m.	Youth Mass Chapel
Fr	day	9 a.m.	Cribari Conf. Room





## **SEARCH THE SCRIPTURES**

Search The Scriptures class will meet Monday, February 6 from 9:30 to 11 a.m. at Foothill Center. We continue our study in the book of Daniel and we invite all Villagers and guests to join us. We meet the first and third Mondays of each month all year round and all are always welcome. Need a Bible or have questions? Please call Patt at 408-532-8685.

## **COMMUNITY CHAPEL**

#### By Pastor Bill Hayden

I was exposed to the church at a young age and in Sunday school I was taught the Ten Commandments. The Fifth commandment is "Honor your father and your mother, so that you may live long in the land the Lord your God is giving you." I did not fully comprehend this statement as a young person. I thought it was to respect their authority but as I grew in understanding it was much deeper than respect.

You can respect a person with outward expressions and inwardly despise them like you would a drill sergeant in the military. Every task he asks of you is performed to the best of your ability because he can cause you emotional and physical pain, if not followed in detail. So your response is always, "Yes, sir!" and the task is initiated if you want to avoid some form of trauma caused by your refusal to obey.

Perhaps many of us can relate to having one drill sergeant parent in the family. You performed your task not to honor your parents but rather you respected their position and authority. Sometimes later in life we have a heartfelt experience that turns the respect into love and appreciation especially when we become parents.

To give honor to anyone or anything always begins in our hearts. Sometimes we learn to honor as a result of someone or something that happened in our lives. There are two things that stand out in my mind: One, which is the greatest, was discovering how much God loves us in sending His son for an imperfect and broken world. The other is Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. with his efforts to change our world for the better and bring all to the table of brotherhood.

I live to honor God in my life by taking the opportunity to show love to others. On January the 15th I have the privilege and opportunity to pause one day out of the year to honor the work of Dr. King. Whether you have benefited directly or indirectly from his contributions it is right to give honor where honor is due.

Let's approach this year by giving honor to those individuals who have impacted lives for the better.

As always we will open a door for you and have a dessert or two for you after service with a cup of coffee. See you this Sunday! If you would like to make an appointment with Pastor Bill please call the office at 408-238-3079. To learn more about the Villages Community Chapel visit our website at http://www.villagescommunitychapel.org/

## **EPISCOPAL**

Episcopal Church Services on Sunday, January 29, 2017

Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany

There will be no service at The Villages this Sunday.

At Trinity Cathedral - 81 North Second Street, San Jose at 10:30 a.m. The Very Rev. David Bird will officiate as we celebrate the Holy Eucharist with full choir and organ accompaniment. There is a place at God's table for everyone.



## Sports News

## **SHONIS**

#### By Marge McCandless

Yeah! We finally had a dry Tuesday on January 17. That is the good news. On the negative side, it was quite cold and that may be why we didn't see any very great scores. We did have 18 Shonis plus one qualifier and that was positive. We welcome Joan Needham as a qualifier. Best news of all, we now have our first Captain's Trophy winner of 2017. She is Bonnie Evans who joined our group just last year. Good for you, Bonnie.

Thanks to Teddy Morse for creating such a good-looking Bulletin Board. There is a lot of information on the board about



Bonnie Evans, Shoni

upcoming events, current handicaps, pictures of Captain's Trophy winners and much more. When we have Sweeps on Tuesdays the scorecards are checked by the scorers and Co-Captains, then the results are posted on the board. So if you have played, gone to lunch with the group, and want to know if you won anything, go into the Posting Room and look for the results.

Reminder: we have a non-sweeps play day on Thursday mornings. Tee time is 10:30 a.m., so arrive earlier, sign in at the Pro Shop, and groups will be assigned as needed.

## **18-HOLE WOMEN - WORKING WOMEN GROUP**

#### By Diana Hallock

Saturday, January 14—After a week of driving rain and red flags, the sun shone brightly on the Working Women's Group who took to the course for a Beat the Pro mini-tournament. Starting from the Number 5 (professional) tees, Hannah Summerhays dazzled us with soaring drives and miracle putts but nine ladies were triumphant: Annie Bassford, Cindy Fuller (71 Low Net), Kathleen Holt, Jungwha Kim, Chris Leisy, Inge McQuiddy, Janelle Salvatierra, Pam Schramm and Millie Anne Schwerin. Longest Drive went to Loretta Parker and Betty Sharps and Diana Hallock got Closest to the Pin. Millie Anne, Janelle and Kathleen all shot birdies including a 77 yard chip-in on Hole 1 for Millie Anne. Most important were the smiles, laughter, cheers and groans from everyone who had a great winter day of golf!



Above and at right: The Working Women Group played a Beat the Pro tournament with Pro Hannah Summerhays.



### **SWINGERS**

#### By Pam Leonard

Hurray, we had a respite from the rain and frost on January 17 and Swingers were out to play golf. Since we didn't have at least 16 players, there were no sweeps but it was fun to play without competing!

I received a book for Christmas, "Golf in the Kingdom" by Michael Murphy. He writes about the mysticism of golf. Now I have tried every thing I know to improve my game in the last three years and golf mysticism was something I have never heard would help a golfer. I was ready to try anything to improve. The first thing I read that struck a cord with me was experiencing the environment of the course. Observing the beauty, smelling the golf links, "feeling the game."

When I played on Tuesday, I tried to practice "feeling the game." On the tee, I stood and observed the beauty of our course, felt the damp grass under my feet, smelled the trees and earth. Something very peaceful came over me and I hit the ball much better and farther than I normally had. I wish I could say that I played every ball like that, but alas, I could not sustain that feeling throughout the game. I am hoping that there are other gems of wisdom in "Golf in the Kingdom" that will help me on the course. I will let you know. In the meantime, I will try to "stop and smell the roses."

Is golf a metaphor for life?

## Swingers' Rule Corner

#### By B. Garcia

Scott Steele has a surprise for each of us. Meet us on the 18th green at 8 a.m. Tuesday, February 7. Our first mini-clinic on rules will cover relief when your ball lands on the cart path. Be in the know; meet us on the green! See you then.

## **VILLAGES GOLF COMMITTEE - TEE TALK**

## **3rd Annual Frostbite Open Tournament**

Three Great Tournaments in One Sponsored by the Villages Pro Shop/VGC

When: Sunday, January 29, 2017

**Who:** This is a fun, non-postable golf and social event for all.

**Format:** 4-person teams-Mixer Teams encouraged. Scramble format - See Rules Sheet for details.

**Handicaps**: January 15th handicap-Men-#3 Tees; Women-#2 Tees. See rules sheet for details.

**Sign-up:** January 2 through January 27 by 4 p.m. with the Pro Shop. Let them know if you need a playing partner(s) and they will arrange foursomes.

**Flights:** Sign up for either the Par 3, 9 or 18 hole tournament. Flights depend on signups for each tournament.

**Tee Times:** Anytime, but complete play by 5 p.m.

**Costs:** \$40 for those playing the Par 3s, \$50 for those playing 9 holes, and \$60 per player for those playing 18 holes; Golfing guests pay \$5 more than their Villager. Includes golf, sweeps, dinner, on course photographer and slide show at dinner. Non-playing spouses, partners and guests can join everyone for dinner at a cost of \$32 each incl. Sign them up when making your tee time.

**Awards/Dinner:** 5:45 p.m. cocktails; 6:30 p.m. dinner in the Clubhouse.

## FROSTBITE OPEN BUFFET MENU

Assorted Rolls and Butter Salad Bar: Arugula & Romaine Lettuce, Radishes, Cucumbers, Cherry Tomatoes and Croutons; Choice of Ranch or Italian Vinaigrette Dressings

#### Entrée Choices:

Yankee Pot Roast Jardinière Grilled Pacific Salmon with Lemon Grass Buerre Blanc Homemade Gravy with Mashed Potatoes & Seasonal Vegetables Dessert Station:

Assorted Cake Desserts Water, Coffee and Hot Tea

Cocktails at 5:45 p.m. Dinner served at 6:30 p.m.

When signing up to play golf, please advise the Pro Shop of any guests, etc. joining you for dinner—\$32pp for those not playing in the tournament.

## **VILLAGES GOLF COMMITTEE - TEE TALK**

## Frostbite Open is this Sunday

**By Larry Dorsey** 

We got a break with the weather. Forecasts call for no rain and 60 degree highs. Let the good times roll!

All of this about a continued effort to support Club goals. The VGC and the Pro Shop are sponsoring the Third Annual Frostbite Open, on Sunday, January 29th, a 3 in 1 golf tournament open to all Villagers, and their guests, to play either the Par 3 course or the 9 or 18-hole courses, and join everyone for dinner. This is a four-person team event with a scramble format designed to have fun. Mixer teams are encouraged but any team of four will do. There will be flights for each tournament and be based on handicaps of each team. See the accompanying Golf Poster and the Restaurant Menu. The prices are very attractive and offer a great value. Included in the inclusive cost are the green fee, sweeps, and dinner.

Signups have started and the response has been good considering the weather. The last chance to sign up with in the Pro Shop is today, Friday by 4 p.m.

Here's looking forward to a fun round and an even better good time.

(Frostbite poster and menu on page 19)

## **MEN'S GOLF CLUB**



By David Bacigalupi

**Super Bowl Putting Contest:** Men's Club member Ron Burke and his trusty volunteers are inviting all to the 4th Annual Super Bowl Putting contest on Sunday, February 5 at 3 p.m. Great prizes and lots of fun for golfers and non-golfers alike. Your \$10 entry fee goes to benefit the Villages Medical Auxiliary. Just over one week to sign up!

**Email:** Reminder that if you are one of the members not receiving the email blasts with all the updates on activities and announcements, or if you have changed your email recently, please contact Membership/Handicap Chairman David Gonzales at dmg001@sbcglobal.net to update your information.

Final Publishing—if you have any comments, contact any Executive Committee member.

Bylaws Amendment: The Executive Committee proposes to amend the Bylaws as follows:

**ARTICLE III. Section D.** The outgoing <u>General</u> Chairman shall call and initially chair an organizational meeting by December 15th, <u>consisting of both the current Committee members</u> and the <u>newly elected members</u> who are to serve on the Committee the following year. (Changes are underlined and italicized.)

**Purpose:** The change in this first sentence is to add the votes of the outgoing committee members who have served and have knowledge of the candidates.

President's Day Tournament: The first tournament of the 2017 season is set for Saturday, February 18. Signups to get tee times start on February 4, for four-man teams playing a Cha-Cha-Cha format. Each team will have two players on the #4 tees, and two players from the #5 tees. Mark your calendar!

## **TENNIS TALK**

#### By Caryl Swinyard

Were you able to find a dry court now and then? I saw a lot of squeegees and towels mopping the puddles on days where you might get in a little court time. It has been a challenge, but we are all willing to sacrifice a little for the sake of much needed rain.

Those of us who were able to play now and then, didn't it feel great to be outside? We are so lucky to live in a climate where not getting to play is more rare than warm sunny days. Yeah, it has been a wee bit chilly some mornings, but hey, tennis makes the blood flow and you get warm pretty quickly.

There haven't been any league play events yet, but interclub is getting back on track and teams are forming for the USTA matches. As always, we have some dedicated captains and determined players. If you are interested in any age or ability team, give a shout to our president Mike Tuft, who can point you in the right direction. Or, for interclub, Pat Hubbard is always looking for new faces.

Any of you Villagers who have not yet joined the club (where else can you have great courts, exciting competition, and such fun for a mere \$15 a year?) and think you might be interested, please contact Penny Barcellos at 408-531-9582. She can help you with all the work. Like writing your name and number in the book and taking your money. How simple is that?

We have a great board looking out for our club's interests and planning a lot of adventures and tournaments for us. Also, if you are just getting started, there are men's and women's dropin games scheduled every week. If you plan to play, please check in the tennis shack to be sure courts are available and abide by the rules for reservations. You can sign up one week and 10 minutes before playtime. The scheduled events have precedence over independent play.

Welcome to the Villages tennis, let's all have a great year.

## **BOCCE BEAT**



## Free Bocce 'Boot Camp'

**Great Balls o'Bocce!** New to the Villages? New to Bocce? Rusty and need a refresher course?

The bocce courts belong to each and every Villager. Every Villager can play and enjoy this simple fun game. All equipment needed for play is available for free at the courts. All levels of physical ability can play. You can play even if you use canes, walkers, wheel chairs, oxygen, etc.

Learn to play Bocce at the "Boot Camps" every Monday during February 2017. One-hour camp starting at 11 a.m. beginning Monday, February 6 and running for four weeks through Monday, February 27.

Please come and attend any or all of the above "free lessons." FYI: You do not have to be a member of the Villages Bocce Club in order to attend the Boot Camps.



#### Invitation to BOCCE CLUB 2017 INSTALLATION DINNER Saturday, February 11, 5:30 to 9 p.m.

Installation of officers for 2017 Music by the Island Wave Band Signups for the Spring Mixer Tournament Door prizes - SO/SO Raffle

Salad: Caesar Salad with Garlic Croutons

**Entree Selections:** 

Braised Short Ribs, Whipped Garlic Potatoes, Yellow & Green Beans - \$38 Inc.

Balsamic Glazed Chicken Plccata, Rice Pilaf, & Yellow & Green Beans - \$35 Inc.

Grilled Petrale Sole Dore, Rice Pilaf, & Yellow & Green Beans - \$36 Inc.

Vegetable Napoleon Red Pepper Coulis, Pasta & Baby Carrots - \$30 Inc.

Primizie Dessert: Coppa Raspberries & Cream

Note: All non-member guests add \$5 to your entree selection.

No host bar!

To make Reservations & Entrée choices, call Candy Stonehouse at 408-841-9259 or email candystonehouse@yahoo.com or call Elaine Murphy at 408-997-3337.

Dinner will be charged to your house number. Groups of 8/10 please reserve.

No Refunds after Reservation Deadline on Saturday February 4. Questions? Call Elaine or Candy.

## $\stackrel{\blacksquare}{\mathbb{E}} Are \ you \ a \ beginner?$

Get Golf Ready is perfect for you! Find a friend and learn to golf.

Five 1-hour Lessons for \$100!

Starts Wednesday, February 1 and goes every Wednesday at 2 p.m. through March 1.

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Get Golf Ready is a truly all inclusive program for beginners. Come as a single, a pair or small group of 3+.

If interested...contact Scott at: ssteele@the-villages. com or call the golf shop 408.274.3220 ext. 1

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### BRIDGE

#### Monday, January 16:

1. Mary LeGrand/Louann Partridge 2. Sumi Minami/Maureen Waltho 3/4. Jay Yerger/Dorthy Staehs 3/4. Marilyn Ribardo/ Marie Chong

#### Wednesday, January 18:

1/2. Joyce Davies/Stan Davies 1/2. Marilyn Ribardo/Sumi Minami 3. Maureen Waltho/Alan Waltho

#### Thursday, January 19:

1. Jan Kiernan/Sumiye Minami 2. Lorrie Scott/Marie Chong 3. Cathy Struck/Ray Struck

### **PINOCHLE**

#### Wednesday, January 18 Maribeth Berlie 135 Barbara Varner 167 Kit Hultquist 203

Berta Escamilla 358 Friday, January 20

Janie Meacham 267 Joe Escamilla 371 Sylvia Rozewicz 354 **Bud Meacham** 398

#### Wednesday, January 18

Phyllis Ogden Sagen Pat Luebcke Harvey Gogol Duane Sagen

#### Friday, January 20

Pat Luebcke Phyllis Ogden Sagen Shirley Bellavance Duane Sagen

## **SHONIS**

#### Tuesday, January 17

Flight One:
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Maggie Winters 39 11 28 Jonna Robinson 46 16 30 Nancy Chesterton 44 13 31

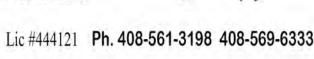
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If you can't make it Sunday and want to make a contribution to your VMA, leave your donation at the Pro Shop in an envelope marked either to Ron Burke or VMA.

Funds donated to our VMA help provide a part-time professional service coordinator who assists Villagers in getting the services they need through government and communitybased organizations. The coordinator counsels Villagers in the office and makes home visits. Additionally, the coordinator arranges mental and physical health programs for all Villagers. Funds are also used to purchase medical equipment for loan to Villagers and to maintain an office at Cribari Center. All our VMA services are provided free to Villagers.

## From the Golf Pro

#### By Scott Steele, PGA Head Golf Professional

Just For Fun Frostbite and swing with spirit! Open - Sunday, January 29 - tee times available all day. Fun scramble format - 3 divisions. 18-hole, 9-hole and par-3 course. Dinner and awards after golf at 5:30 p.m. Sign up by

calling the Pro Shop! Deadline is today! Swing with Spirit: As you may or may not know, we have themed 2017 as our year to swing with spirit...Our goal is to grow the game of golf from within The Villages and to bring out those Villagers who are active but who do not yet play golf. By breaking down the perceptions of golf, we will introduce

new golfers to a game that is unique in many ways. We will attract new golfers by showing that golf is fun, social, good exercise, mentally challenging and not too demanding physically. We will be introducing beginner golf schools this Spring and continuing through the season culminating with new beginner leagues & play days. Also look for some fun new programs like putting groups, evening putt and sip parties and Par-3 Course night golf. We also want to enhance the experience of those Villagers who do play golf...so we are working with our six golf groups to help increase participation, provide educational opportunities, and create tournament mix that works for the entire group. Your golf operations team is excited about 2017 and we want you to come join us at the golf course

New in the Pro Shop: New Villages hoodie sweatshirts for men and women!

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#### Adidas Raingear for men Tips from the Pro:

Can I practice golf in my house when it's pouring rain and cold outside? The answer is yes! Here are a few ideas to help you keep your game in shape during these winter storms...

1. Chipping - Use a net, bucket or Frisbee...easy to use indoors. Use your sand wedge and chip off your carpet and try to fly your ball into a net or bucket (working on trajectory and distance) or you can put a Frisbee on the ground and try to chip so you ball lands on the Frisbee (working on predicting

your landing spot). Make sure there are no windows around!

2. Full Swing - Use a mirror or window...look at your setup and swing in slow motion in a full length mirror or glass window. Start with your posture and grip and make sure you are balanced and that your shoulders, hips and feet are in line. Look at your swing going back...make sure your head stays still and level, make sure your swing is not too long at the top. Look at your finish and make sure you complete your turn through and you finish up on your right toe. Looking at your swing in a mirror is something all high level golfers do and few high handicappers do...so try it!

3. Putting - Practice putting on a smooth flat surface. This one is simple and selfexplanatory. Make sure you have a target for speed control purposes. Let us know how these tips work for you.



## Landscape & Maintenance

### MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE

5196-5245 and 5258-5308—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.

5309-5363 and 5400-5432 - Landscape maintenance and weed control, 1/30 to 2/3.

Cribari District — Missing plants scheduled for replacements in progress. 5528—Interior repairs in progress.

5528 and carports—French drain installation in progress.

5441-5450—Power wash, prep and paint to follow, in progress, weather permitting.

Gutter cleaning in progress.

5225, 5226, 5523 and 5554—Utility room roof repairs in progress. 5215—Utility roof repairs in planning.

5031 - Window leak repairs in progress.

Storm clean up and repairs throughout the district in progress.

#### Del Lago

3127-3206—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress. 3101-3123—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 1/30 to 2/3. Retaining wall replacement in progress, weather permitting. 3126 and 3429—Roof repairs in progress.

#### **Estates**

8832-8841 — Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress. 8842-8853 — Landscape maintenance and weed control, 1/30 to 2/3. Water Feature - Repairs in progress.

#### **Fairways**

4020, 4022 and 4024-Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.

4002, 4004 and 4006-Landscape maintenance and weed control, 1/30 to 2/3.

4008-Roof repairs in planning.

#### Glen Arden

7723-7739 — Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress. 7741-7748 and 7750-7757 - Landscape maintenance and weed control, 1/30 to 2/3.

Turf reduction in progress.

#### Heights

8490-8501 — Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress. 8502-8509—Landscape maintenance and weed control 1/30 to 2/3.

8334-8339 and Median Strips-Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.

8005-8032—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 1/30 to 2/3. Tree stump removal in progress.

Across from 8438—Retaining wall replacement in progress. 8008 and 8022—Interior repairs in progress.

8410 and 8413—Roof replacement in progress, gutter installation to follow.

#### Highland

7560-7581 and 7595-7598 — Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.

7528-7538 and 7541-7559—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 1/30 to 2/3.

Retaining wall replacement scheduled for 1/13, weather permitting. Helmsdale Dr. – Dry rot repairs in progress.

#### Montgomery

6295-6331 and 6358-6361 - Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.

6001-6045—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 1/30 to 2/3. Tree stump removal in progress.

Turf irrigation upgrades in progress.

Montgomery Lane-Fountain repairs in progress.

Montgomery Bend-Retaining wall replacement in progress.

Montgomery Corner—Wood repairs in progress.

6169—Post replacement in progress.

#### Olivas

8723-8735 and 8751-8762 - Landscape maintenance and weed control, in progress.

8736-8750, 8769-8775 and 8778-8782 - Landscape maintenance and weed control, 1/30 to 2/3.

## 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.



## Electronics: Working or not working

Electronic appliances, vacuum cleaners, computer remnants, blow dryers, electrical cords, etc. whether in good working condition or not, can be dropped off:

- Greenmouse Recycling: 529 Race Street San Jose 408-464-9999
- Tri-Valley E-Waste: 432 Whitney St. San Leandro, 1-800-317-3112
- Any Goodwill Store: 1640 E. Capital Expy. (408) 677-3671; 7098 Santa Teresa Blvd. (408) 281-1449; 3060 Almaden Expy. (408) 265-5692

Call ahead for store hours and directions.

## Gutter Cleaning Schedule for 2016/2017

The maintenance service department will be working with J&M Gutter Service to complete the 2016/2017 gutter and downspout cleaning in preparation for winter months. Below is a tentative schedule that will be followed, weather permitting. Please contact maintenance services with any questions at 408-223-4670.

Village	Start Date	Completion Date
Cribari	1/16/2017	2/4/2017
Verano	2/6/2017	2/18/2017
Highland	2/20/2017	3/4/2017
Glen Arden	3/6/2017	3/11/2017
Heights	3/13/2017	3/18/2017
Club Properties	3/20/2017	3/24/2017

#### Sonata

2032-2048 — Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress. 2012-2024-Landscape maintenance and weed control, 1/30 to 2/3.

#### **Valle Vista**

9001-9010—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress. 9011-9014 and 9031-9036—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 1/30 to 2/3.

Dry rot repairs throughout the district in planning.

9065 - Floor repairs in progress.

7300-7326—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress. 7331-7356-Landscape maintenance and weed control, 1/30 to

Sur Verano—Turf irrigation coverage upgrade in progress. Storm clean up and repairs throughout the district in progress.

#### **Centers/General Information**

Spot turf weed and shrub bed spraying application throughout the Villages, in progress.

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

Bark installation and small planting projects at various districts, in progress.

Montgomery, Cribari and Foothill Pool—Closed for winter. Monitoring of lake levels in progress.

Cribari Center - Fire sprinkler system repairs in progress. Montgomery Center—Interior kitchen renovation in progress. Mowing in progress throughout The Villages, weather permitting. Building A—Window replacement in progress.

Vineyard spa-Repairs in planning.

## 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. Together, they will all help to resolve your maintenance emergency.

### BRIDGE HAND

#### By J.M.K.

#### NORTH

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**EAST** 

**★** K3

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- ♦ 854 1087
- WEST 965
- QJ652
- 6542
- - SOUTH
  - ♠ QJ2
  - A 3
  - AJ9763
  - ♣ KQ

Dealer: South Vulnerability: East/West

Bidding: South West North East 1 NoTrump Pass 2 Hearts\* **Pass** 2 Spades All Pass

Contract: 2 Spades by South Opening Lead: 5 of Hearts

Dealer has 1 loser in Spades, at least 2 in Diamonds and 1 in Clubs.

Strategy: Take out trumps and try to promote the Diamonds.

West leads the Queen of Diamonds, South covers with the Ace, finesses the Queen of Spades, East wins with the King, switches to the King of Diamonds, West sluffs a Club, and East then leads a Diamond, which West trumps. He shifts to a Club. East takes the trick with the Ace, continues with a Club, South wins with the Queen, plays the Jack of Spades to pick up the opponent's last trump, and follows with the good Jack of Diamonds. South next leads the Ace of Hearts, then a Heart to the King on the board, and claims since he only has Spades left in dummy. Great! The contract is made with an extra trick.

\* After an opening of 1NT or 2 NT, responder may use a convention called Jacoby transfer to describe a hand with five or more cards in a major. Responder bids the suit one rank below the actual major suit he holds. Opener then accepts this "transfer" by bidding the next higher suit at his turn. This procedure keeps the strong hand hidden. After the opener accepts the transfer, responder has another chance to speak. With a weak hand 7 or less HCP, he will pass. 8 - 9 HCP invite game and with 10 or more HCP insist on game. In this deal North has 7 HCP and passes.

#### Hiking Club Calendar...

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Round trip car mileage 45.

#### 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 Jpeg format) and perhaps a couple of "zingers" from your vacation and e-mail the files to shinrichs@the-villages.com. We'll publish your smiling face with your favorite local paper for all to see.

where in the world is

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

THE VILLAGER?



Vivian Wilczak, Glen Arden in Budapest, Hungary, March 27, 2016 to celebrate her 70th birthday with her daughter on a Danube river boat cruise.

#### Ten tips to make sure your contractor measures up

#### **Provided by the California State License Board**

- 1. Hire only state-licensed contractors.
- 2. Check a contractor's license number on line at: www.cslb.ca.gov or by calling 800-321-SCLB (2752).
- 3. Get at least three bids
- 4. Get three references from each bidder and review past work in person.
- 5. Make sure all project expectations are in writing and only sign the contract if you completely understand the terms.
- 6. Confirm that the contractor has workers' compensation insurance for employees. 7. Never pay more than 10 percent down or \$1,000, whichever is less. Don't pay in cash.
- 8. Don't let payments get ahead of the work.
- 9. Keep a job file of all papers relating to your project, including all payments.
- 10. Don't make the final payment until you are satisfied with the job.

Wednesday, February 8 (Rambler): Gary and Terry Holmquist (408-531-9779) will lead a hike to Evergreen Square for a cup of coffee and/or library. The hike will be along sidewalks and gravel trails to avoid possibly muddy conditions. Round trip distance is about five miles. Bus return available if desired. Bring umbrella.

Saturday, February 11: Susan Brown (408-531-9750) will lead an 8-mile hike from the Villages to the bottom of Silver Creek Valley Rd and back. We will start at the Bank of America parking lot just outside of the Villages, hike to Farnsworth Drive and then to Silver Creek Valley Road. We will turn around at Hellyer Avenue. On the way back we will stop at the New Seasons shopping center to have either coffee at Starbucks or lunch at the Creek Restaurant and then hike back. Ramblers can hike 5 miles starting from New Seasons parking lot and back. A leader will be designated. Bring snacks and water. Poles optional.

Saturday February 18: Gary and Terry Holmquist (408-531-9779) will lead an outing at Coyote Hills Regional Park in Newark. The hike will go from the parking area out along Alameda Creek to the Bay. There should be a good chance of seeing migratory waterfowl on this stretch. On the return trip we will ascend Red Hill for a scenic view of the park. Total distance is approximately 6 miles. Finally there will be a chance to visit the excellent nature center and perhaps some Ohlone Indian archaeological sites. We are planning on having lunch after the hike in the picnic area near the nature center. The park trails are gravel and paved for the most part making for good footing, even when wet. Driving distance is 60 miles round trip.



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Call Kory: 408-754-1341 or Scott: 408-223-4655

ktran@the-villages.com

#### To Place a **Classified Ad**

Kory Tran: 408-754-1341 ktran@the-villages.com Scott Hinrichs: 408-223-4655 shinrichs@the-villages.com

Ad copy is due Monday at 10 a.m.

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## Villages **Business Directory**

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Fireside Realty, Louanne 887-5718, louanne@ yearmanproperties.com

Mobile Notary & Certified Loan Signing Agent Maxine: 425-0614

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Charles McKain: 408-823-1915 **Reverse Mortgages** 

Phil Hawkinson: 408-274-3333 **Mary Kay Consultant** 

Denise: 408-406-0452

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> Dog Walker Liz: 408-206-4279

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Dog Walker Kristel: 274-1882

Remodeling/Handyman Bobby Builder: 408-497-0476

## REAL ESTATE

California Law limits the minimum age and maximum number of occupants in a unit. Details available at the Public Safety Administration Office. Licensed Real Estate professionals advertising in The Villager are required to name themselves as agent or broker, or list the name of the brokerage for whom they work as part of their ad. This is in compliance with Real Estate Law Section 10140.6.

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#### **HARRIS TEAM OFFERS**

#### **FOR SALE**

VILLAGE VERANO Beautifully updated 3 bed, 2 bath w/ large fenced entrance patio & view balcony. 1781 sq.ft. Custom paint, crown molding, granite, wood burning fireplace +++. \$765,000

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VILLAGE OLIVAS 1675 sq.ft 2 bed/2ba+ Den, single level w/2 car garage + corner lot + close to walking path & swimming pool \$815,000 www.tourfactory.com/1672838

VILLAGE ESTATES SINGLE FAMILY HOME Fantastic 3 bed/2ba single family home w/open floorplan + back patio overlooking green open space and walking path. Beautiful property. 2032 sq ft. A must see. Check out the tour online www.8834WineValleyCircle TheVillages.com

#### THE HARRIS TEAM **ALAIN PINEL REALTORS**

Vicki & David Harris CalBre#019089982/01167363 2921 Villages Parkway 408-722-1948 or 415-699-7083 2/2

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8460 Traminer Court Rare, Warm & Inviting "Heights" Condo with Wonderful Views! 1646 sf with 2 Bedroom + Den, Separate Formal Dining Room, Large White Kitchen w/Nook, Interior Laundry, Built-in Murphy Bed + Daybed + extra loft for Study/Storage or Crafts Room. Remodeled Baths, Extra Large Balcony, Attached Garage + Carport. \$639,000 A Must See!

5217 Cribari Dale 1249 sf, Open Kitchen Acapulco Plan. Wood-like floors, New Quartz Countertops, 2 Bedroom, 2 Bath, A/C, 7 Closets. Short walk to pool/spa. Nice view of Sunset, sky, green space and peek of pool. \$398,500

7246 Via Mimosa Wonderful Lake and Mountain Views. This Appealing Verano Upper Unit has 2 Bed, 2 Bath, 1386 sf, Wood Entry & Kitchen Floors, Fireplace, Interior Laundry, Attached Garage with Additional Carport. \$630,000

> By Appointment only. Please call Teresa/Tenant at 408-310-3113

#### **FOR LEASE**

7347 Via Laguna Fabulous City View!, 2 bed/2 Ba, Huge Family Room, Wood Flooring, Oversized Garage, One Story with Front Courtyard. \$3600.00

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The Villages Realty Team Dave & Suzanne Tofte, Dee Ramirez & Doris Bates The Villages Property Management Team 408-270-4400

We're located outside the gate, 2 doors down from B of A. We can and will help you! BRE#00864784, 00716638 00683945, 01820253

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#### **TIME SHARE RENTAL PALM DESERT**

Feb. 9; Feb. 16 Villa's II, Marriott Large Condo, Sleeps 8. Full Access to J.W. Marriott Hotel. Peter: 408-528-8901

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#### For Sale by Owner 8018 Pinot Noir Ct.

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#### For Lease 7667 Helmsdale Avenue

2 Bedroom, 2 Bath, One Level Home, 2 Car Garage, Remodeled \$2,950.00 Tracy: 408-313-8294 (Agent) DRE#00942858

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#### **FOR LEASE** 8414 Chenin Blanc

1BR/2BA / 1497 Sq.Ft. Gorgeous Lake Views! Updated Kitchen & Bathrooms \$2800/month 408-238-3800 Fred Lettenberger BRE 00968156

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#### **FOR LEASE CRIBARI Village**

Cozy 1B1B 947 sq.ft. NO stairs 1 story Has been updated available Feb 1st. \$2100.00 Call Doreen for more info. 1408-859-6114 BRE01216125

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#### **Need a Notary?** Call Lee Monticone

408-421-0255 Makes house calls.

#### **BUY-SELL-RENT**

#### **Judy McAlister**

Villages Resident Intero Real Estate BRE# 01763596 www.judymcalister.com 408-292-5117

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References, Licensed 408-369-8595 Truck Mount \$99 Minimum

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#### **COMPUTER SERVICE** All Problems Solved

**GUARANTEED** Villages References Raj: 408-644-5016

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On-Site by Professional Engineers, Satisfaction Guaranteed, 24/7, BBB A+ rating. \$45/Min diagnostic fee. Estimate given on-Site. Desktops, notebooks, printers all brands. Virus Removal, hardware, software issues. Data recovery, wired and wireless issues.

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SPEEDUP, TRAINING 100% PROBLEMS SOLVED PETER 408-528-8422

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Saturday 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

www.Slaughterbeckfloors.com

MarksFloors@att.net Carpets-BATHROOMS-TILE-KITCHEN FLOORS-SHOWER WALLS Over 2,500 Villagers Installed

> Mark: 408-569-5046 LIC. #720423

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#### **Master Maintenance** Air Conditioning / Heating

Installations, Repairs Preventative Maintenance Phone 408-242-3082 Lic. #767008 Villagers References

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#### The BEST Housekeeping Service!

Thorough cleaning at affordable rates! Pet Friendly! Villages References! QUEEN OF CLEAN! Debra: 408-300-2327 (c) Office: 408-279-1075 1/25

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#### Remodeling (cont.)

#### **Remodeling Contractor Quality Home Construction** Kitchen & bath specialist

Tile, natural stone, plumbing, Electrical, doors, trim,

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#### Repair/Handyperson

#### REPAIR/ **HANDYPERSON**

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References Plumbing, electrical, misc. Vietnam Veteran 408-206-3018 2/23

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Call Guy DePonzi 408-482-1466 Electrical, plumbing, carpentry, etc.

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#### Caregivers **CARE - ON - CALL**

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#### **Transportation: Airports, Appointments, Errands**

Dependable, Prompt Call Lorraine / Carol 408-239-1039

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#### Remy / Joe: 408-677-7301

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Always Reliable

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#### **McKee Window Cleaning Villagers Favorite**

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## TEMS For Sale

#### 2 Burgundy **Wingback Chairs**

Very nice condition \$120-pair 408-238-3239

**MAKE OFFER** 

**Excellent Wooden Desk** 

Two Good File Cabinets

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Kenmore 'Elite' Dryer

Works like a charm!

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#### **Metallic White** with Saddle leather interior,

low mileage, original owners, Fully loaded, must see. \$20,999 Carfax upon request

2015 Buick Encore

Items For Sale (cont.)

Estate Sale Jan. 27 & 28, 9-4

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Montgomery

Dining Table, 6 Chairs,

Buffet, All Teak.

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Hide-A-Bed

Overflow Refrigerator

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Antique German Wall Clocks

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Cars/RVs

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#### FOR SALE: 2011 Dodge **BraunAbility side ramp** wheelchair van.

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Two kitties need a new home. Owner passed away. Contact Annie 408-221-9796

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## WANTED

#### **Looking for Pfaff 1171 Sewing Machine**

in good condition. 408-978-7321

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#### WANTED: GOLD JEWELRY, STERLING SILVER, **DIAMONDS & COINS**

TOM: 1 408 607-7142

## LOST AND FOUND

#### On New Year's Eve, I left my black coat

at the Clubhouse. A similar coat is still there. Maybe somebody took mine by mistake. 408-677-7301

Name

(Other suggested custom heading)

## UBITUARY

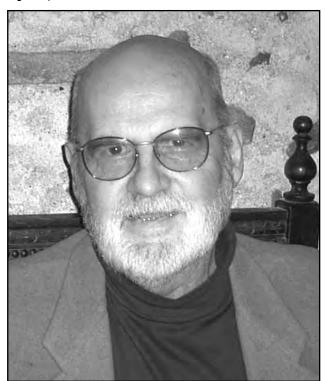
#### George J. Pratte March 18, 1931 - January 10, 2017

George passed away peacefully in his sleep, at home, on Tuesday, January 10, 2017. He courageously fought "The Monster," his name for Parkinson's Disease, for over 14 years.

Born in Los Angeles, George entered the seminary and was ordained a Roman Catholic Priest in Rome. A Salesian of Don Bosco, he was dedicated to the vocational training of young people. After leaving religious life, he completed his Master's degree, his MFCC, and his Ph.D. studies. His background allowed for a natural transition into his final career as Director of Regional Occupational Programs of South County, providing vocational training programs across as variety of disciplines, including one of the first computer courses in the county.

George and Alice married in 1969, Gloria was born a few years later and then they moved to San Jose. Always an early adopter, George led a solar conversion of the family home in 1982, which was featured in Sunset and Better Home & Gardens magazines. He also eagerly followed the latest in computing technology, was an Apple Beta tester and had the Commodore PET at home.

After moving to The Villages in 1999, George was involved with the Sonata DAC Committee and the potential for solar. Always the helper and educator, after his diagnosis, George volunteered for clinical studies at Yale University, founded The Villages Parkinson's Support Group, and secured funding for The Villages Parkinson's Tai Chi classes. His recumbent tricycle allowed him to stay fit, and



continue pursuing his love of cycling, even after Parkinson's entered the scene. George is survived by his wife Alice, daughter Gloria Senescall, and granddaughters Laura & Isabelle. We celebrate George's time with us on this earth and how he touched the lives of so many. We will miss him, his quirky sense of humor, his infectious laugh, his fierce intelligence and his genuine, generous, gentle and courageous spirit. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Villages Medical Auxiliary (VMA), or the National Parkinson Foundation (www. parkinson.org).

## The Villager Classified Ad Form

Address:	websites, and symbols (&, +, @, etc.) are counted as one word. Hyphenated words are counted as two words. Please print clearly. Please see boxed information below for pricing. For information, please contact Kory at ktran@the-villages.com or 408-754-1341.	untec
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