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Happy Holidays!



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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.

5 Pulse letters received this week.

1 Pulse letters not meeting Pulse Letter Guidelines.

4 Pulse letters published this week.

We miss The Bocce Beat and Elly Burnett's reports of what's happening with The Villages Bocce. This is a fantastic sport, the only sport that you don't have to be agile or physically fit. All you need is luck and a fun filled attitude.

My personal thanks to every board member who has volunteered and have done their very best. Hurray for a new year and may the sport be appreciated for the kindness, generosity and fun that it has provided every year.

—Bob and Rika Goodwin

I'm tired of reading Pulse letters from Villagers who are "upset" or "embarrassed" because they or their guests have received traffic citations.

I have lived in the Villages, off and on, for about six years, and I walk and jog a lot on both the pathways and along the main streets. In the early days of my residency, it was not uncommon to have multiple near-misses during a half hour walk. Things have improved a lot since citations have gotten more common. My hat's off to the board, management, and citation officers for helping to keep us safe!

Any experienced driver ought to realize that it's *not* safe to go over 25 mph on our narrow streets that are shared by trucks, cars, bikes, people in wheelchairs, pedestrians of all ages, and pets. And the speed limit is clearly marked. If you as a resident are responsible for paying a fine levied against your guest, and your guest is "embarrassed" by the situation, s/he can pay you back.

How "embarrassed" would you and your guest be if s/he hit and injured someone, or worse?

—Anna van Raaphorst-Johnson

Open Mic on Monday Evening

What a great time was had by all! We have incredible talent here in the Villages. People who love to sing and dance and play their instruments and tell jokes are just great. The venue of using the Clubhouse is great. The acoustics are really good in the Clubhouse. The "Cover charge" of \$7 is used primarily so that the Clubhouse can know how many people will come so they can staff accordingly. You get a ticket that can be exchanged for a drink, so there is really no charge. If you want to have a good time, make sure you come to the next Open Mic.

—Don Fernandez

When I heard that the Village Boutique was closing I could not believe it. The Boutique is an institution in our community and has been open for as long as I can remember. Whenever I needed a gift or a card, or even a piece of jewelry for myself, I knew that my best buy was right here in the Villages. Some of our neighbors have mobility issues and shopping at the Boutique was a huge convenience. There has to be a way (if there is the will) to keep the Boutique in operation. It would be lovely if our new general manager were to step in to find a way to keep the Boutique open? That would earn the good will of a lot of people.

—Barbara Tommaney

Attention Pulse authors!

When you write your Pulse letters, don't forget to:

• Include your name, address and telephone number at the end of your letter. Your contact information is important in case the Communications Committee members have questions or need to verify your identity.

• Sign your letter if you are bringing a paper copy to the Pulse mailbox in Building B.

• Put the word count of the letter at the end of the letter—Remember, it's 200 words or fewer.

• Put "PULSE" in the subject line of your e-mail if you are sending it in electronically. (E-mail your Pulse letters to: shinrichs@the-villages.com)

Forgetting to follow the Pulse guidelines may result in your letter being delayed.

Note: The Communications Committee is now verifying the authorship of submitted Pulse letters. If a Pulse Letter is dropped off in Building B, we will call the author to make sure that person wrote and submitted the letter. If we cannot reach that person we will hold the letter until we can reach them. This means we may reject the letter for a week or more if we are unable to verify the authorship.

IN MEMORIAM

Margaret Beck
September 17, 1933—December 12, 2017

Glenn Dale Hamilton
October 6, 1929—December 5, 2017

Friends and family will be invited to a remembrance gathering at a later date.

(Please see obituary in Classified Advertising section.)

Mary O. Bowman
1921—2017

(Please see obituary in Classified Advertising section.)

Donald Reese Armitstead
May 13, 1927—December 17, 2017

(Please see obituary in Classified Advertising section.)

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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Call 408-223-4655 to report missed deliveries.

POLICIES

Publication of advertising in The Villager does not constitute endorsement. 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.

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: Larry Miller at 408-238-1030, Diane Carr at 408-528-8456, Barbara Karayn 202-641-6339, Lou Lively-Singh 408-838-5555, Tom Moore 408-262-8467, 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 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 highlighting life at The Villages.

THE WEEKLY VILLAGER is published every Thursday under policies established by the

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BOARDS & COMMITTEES

FROM THE CLUB BOARD

Santa's Helpers

There are two Villages service organizations that are year-around helpers, contributing to the health and well-being of all villagers, the Villages Medical Auxiliary (VMA) and the Evergreen Villages Foundation (EVF). Both are designated as 501(c)(3) by the IRS, which means your charitable donations to each could be tax deductible.

Since its inception in 2009, with approval by the Club Board of Directors, EVF has contributed \$230,000 for Villages capital improvement projects which enhance our quality of life. Too many to list them all, here are a few examples: \$100,000 for the Cribari Plaza Renovation, \$26,000 for Fitness Center equipment, \$22,600 for enlarging Bistro patio. Pledges continue to be made for future projects such as the Gazebo Park improvement, the Pickle-ball courts, and the Tennis Court viewing stand project. Its worth noting that 100 percent of donations to the EVF go toward capital improvement projects, since all administrative expenditures are paid by the EVF Board of Directors personally.

Since its inception in 1976, the VMA has grown into an indispensable personal support organization that provides numerous age-in-place services. With over 140 Village volunteers and one part-time employee (Social Service Coordinator), the VMA services include: picking up and delivering medical equipment, driving Villagers to medical appointments and grocery shopping, sponsoring a variety of medical educational events and hosting blood pressure clinics. The VMA manages thousands of pieces of medical equipment with over 400 currently stored in the RV Lot shed. In 2016, 1,200 trips were made for equipment pick-up and delivery and 400 for medical appointments.

The VMA has an annual budget of between \$60,000 and \$75,000 that supports the Social Service Coordinator, equipment when needed, programs such as Bone Density Screenings, and day to day operations. Villages Public Safety is regularly contacting the Social Service Coordinator to assess and recommend an individual resident's needs. Since June of 2016, the Coordinator served 907 Villagers providing 1214 services including referrals for: alternate transportation, caregivers, housekeepers, assisted living facilities, and more. The VMA is dependent on Villagers' donations to support all that they do.

Our two service organizations (VMA & EVF) need your support. There is still time to increase your 2017 donations by using the EVF website (www.evf.org) or VMA website (www.vmaillages.org).

—Wayne Weiler, Club Board Director



Association/Homeowners documents available via e-mail

By Julia Meadows

Per an amendment to California Civil Code, homeowner associations are permitted, with owner's written consent, to distribute annual disclosures, (like the pro forma budget summary) and other specified association documents to owners via electronic mail, facsimile, or other electronic means (such as posting on the association's website) instead of sending those documents out by regular mail or personal delivery. This has the potential to provide cost savings to The Villages. Delivery and postage costs for the Villages' annual distribution of the pro forma budget summary alone are close to \$1,000, not to mention the paper and printing costs that run about \$8,000.

In order to transmit association documents via e-mail or by posting on the homeowners association's website, 1) the homeowners association must first receive the owner's written consent, and 2) the homeowners association sends a separate notice to the owner that the documents have been posted and are available for viewing.

Consent forms for owners to request delivery of documents have been developed for both The Villages Association and Homeowners Corporations. These forms provide an owner's consent to delivery electronically, of documents that are capable, under current laws, of being distributed electronically. Owners have the right to revoke this request and receive "hard copies" of the documents by sending a written revocation signed by the owner, to the applicable corporation.

Forms of owner's written consent are available in Business Administration Buildings A and B, and on The Villages web site, <http://www.thevillagesgcc.com> (Click on *Resident Info* and then Click on *Resource Files*.)

For more information, call Julia Meadows at 223-4634.

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@the-villages.com, or go to Building B to sign up in person.

More **BOARDS & COMMITTEES**,
MANAGEMENT and **COMMUNITY**
NOTICES on pages 4, 5 & 13

Attention Villager contributors:

Please Note: The Villager will not publish the week of Christmas—there will be no paper published Thursday, December 28.

Materials turned in the last two weeks of December will have to be held until the January 4 edition. If you anticipate late articles, please call Kory at 408-754-1341 to make arrangements.

Editorial items submitted for the first newspaper in 2018—the Thursday, January, 4 edition—should be turned in on Friday, December 22. Please inform us if you have a late article. The Classified Ad deadline will not change for that edition.

The Villager staff wishes our contributors, advertisers and readers a very happy holiday season.

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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Best Wishes to all of you for good health,
happiness, and prosperity in the New Year!

—Mosen & Efie

MANAGEMENT

PUBLIC SAFETY

Holiday courtesy rides

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

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

Guest Bar Code Renewal for 2018

It is that time of year again to renew all guest bar codes.

Your current guest bar codes will be automatically renewed, at a cost of \$6 each. No forms required. The guest bar codes will be activated for the 2018 calendar year. You will see the billing on your January 2018 statement. If you do not want a guest bar code renewed, please contact Public Safety Administration at 408-239-5246, option 2 by December 18, 2017.

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

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

Holiday Decorations notice

Holiday spirit is encouraged at The Villages. It seems each year residents become more and more creative. This is just a reminder that residents must remove lights (colored, plain, icicle, or flashing) and other decorations by January 15.

New Resident Orientation meeting

The next New Resident Orientation will be held at 3:30 p.m. in the Fairway Room at the Clubhouse on Wednesday, January 10.

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

For more information, call the Public Safety Administration office at 408-239-5246, option 2.



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POST OFFICE NOTICE

Post Office Holiday Hours

The Villages Post Office will hold holiday hours, 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., December 11 through Friday, December 22. The Post Office will be closed on Christmas, December 25. Normal business hours, 9 a.m. to noon, will resume Tuesday, December 26.

SENIOR RESOURCE SERVICES

Property tax and Proposition 60

Recently SRS has received questions about property tax. It appears that some realtors who do not normally work with seniors do not alert their clients to important property tax laws. This week we discuss Propositions 13 and 60—known as Prop 13 and Prop 60.

Probably the most important property tax law in California is Prop 13, which limits the annual increase in your property's assessed value to 2 percent. For example, 20 years ago Gianna purchased a home for \$200,000 that would sell for \$900,000 today. Even though the fair market value is \$900,000, her property tax is calculated on an assessed value of \$297,189; her original cost increased by 2 percent annually for 20 years.

Assuming a tax rate of 1.25 percent of assessed value, Gianna pays about \$3,715 of annual property taxes, which is calculated on her Prop 13 base value, rather than \$11,250 annually for property taxes calculated on her home's current fair market value. This is an annual savings of over \$7,500.

Gianna is considering moving to The Villages and is in love with a condo selling for \$800,000. However, she is concerned she will then pay annual property tax of \$10,000 (1.25 percent of \$800,000).

Fortunately, Gianna learned about Prop 60, which allows homeowners who are age 55 or older to transfer their principal residence's Prop 13 tax base to a newly purchased residence in the same county, providing certain requirements are met. The general requirements are:

- The homeowner must be at least 55 years old. If married or co-owners, only one person need be at least 55.
- The replacement residence must be purchased within two years before or after the sale of the original residence.
- The value of the new residence, if purchased before the old is sold, must not be more than the market value of the old one at date of sale.
- If the new residence is purchased within a year after the old is sold, the value of the new must not exceed 105 percent of the market value of the older. If purchased between one and two years after the sale, the limit is 110 percent.
- For Prop 60 benefits, both properties must be in the same county. Prop 90 extends this law to other counties in California and will be discussed in another article.
- The Prop 60 claim must be filed with the County within three years of the date the replacement residence is purchased. Late claims will be accepted for prospective relief only.
- Generally Prop 60 can only be claimed once.

SRS has application forms for the filing the Prop 60 benefit. Stop by the office if you would like a copy or get one at www.sccassessor.org. If you would like assistance in completing the form, a SRS volunteer will come to your home.

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 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 Alert:

Do-Not-Call scam

If you don't wish to receive sales calls, SRS encourages you to register with the do-not-call list. To register, go to www.DoNotCall.gov or call 800-382-1222. There is no charge and the registration will not expire. You may register your cell phone as well as your landline.

Registry officials will not call you. If someone calls and claims to need information to keep you on the list, do not respond to the request for information. It is not a call from the Registry.

Note that at the Do-Not-Call site there is also a tab labeled "Report Unwanted Calls." You might wish to use this the next time you receive a sales call from a firm you suspect is simply going through The Villages directory. Also, you may report the phone number for robocalls. You need to listen long enough to be able to tell what the call is about—e.g. medical equipment, home security. Charities, political organizations, telephone surveyors and debt collectors may continue to call you even though your number is on the Do-Not-Call registry.

GOVERNANCE MEETINGS

AC NOTICE

Association applications for Owner Alteration Requests for the month of December were due to the Architectural Committee on or before December 20, 2017. See Elissa at the Corporation Yard office to obtain an application. **Meeting date is scheduled for January 4, 2018 at 9 a.m. The meeting is being held in the Foothill Center.**

Association AC Landscape meeting deadline date is **December 20, 2017.**

ENCROACHMENTS

The following encroachments have been submitted to the Architectural Committee and the Board of Directors:

- 5235 Cribari Hills—Drain line.
- 7035 Via Valverde—Walkway.

Owners in the area are invited to comment to the General Manager's office.

Villages holiday office closures

Villages business offices will be closed Monday, December 25 and Tuesday, December 26 for the Christmas Holiday. Offices will also be closed on Monday, January 1 for New Year's Day.

BOARD MEETINGS

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

Association

The Villages Association Board of Directors Study Session will be held Tuesday, January 16, at 9:30 a.m. in Foothill Center

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

Club

The Villages Golf & Country Club Board of Directors Study Session will be held Tuesday, January 16, at 1:30 p.m. in Foothill Center.

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

Homeowners

The Villages Homeowners' Corporation Board of Directors Quarterly Meeting will be held Thursday, January 11, at 9 a.m. in the Cribari Conference Room.

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

More COMMUNITY NOTICES

Villages Medical Auxiliary
Since 1976
Office: 408-238-4230
Hours: Monday to Thursday, 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
Service Coordinator:
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The Villages Medical Auxiliary

2018 VMA Calendars Available

With about one week left in 2017, what better time than now to get your 2018 VMA calendar! Wall calendars featuring wildlife photos by Lou Alexander are available in the VMA office located in Cribari Center for \$15. All profits go to VMA programs.

Ongoing Programs in December

Blood Pressure Clinic—drop in and have your blood pressure checked by qualified Villager residents. Wednesday, December 27, 10:30 a.m. -11:30 a.m., Forum Room

Starting January 3, 2018 we will hold the Blood Pressure Clinic on the first Wednesday of every month, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m., Forum Room.

Diabetes Support Group—a place to share experiences and techniques for successful management of diabetes. December 27, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m., Redwood Room.

Coming Up in January 2018:

Dr. James Joye on **Hypertension**, January 9 at 10 a.m., Vineyard Center.

Managing Stress presentation by Catholic Charities, January 11 at 10:30 a.m., Montgomery Center.

Hearing Screenings by Hearwell Audiology, January 18, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.; Montgomery Center. Registration required.

For further information about programs please contact VMA Social Service Coordinator Cristina Freyer, cfreyer@ncphs.org, 408-238-4029.

Happy Holidays to all!

FOUNDATION FOCUS

Support your non-profit the easy way

By Vivian Brown

Escrip is a program that allows non-profits to earn a percentage of the dollars when members shop at merchants that are registered in the program. As a member you can designate up to three schools or non-profits to be recipients. It is such an easy way to provide funding to your favorite charity.

It is very easy to become a member. Go to www.escrip.com and follow the instructions for registering and for selecting your non-profits. You can register any grocery store card that you currently use and add a credit or debit card. When you add these cards, any purchase you make will be designated to your selected charities.



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Escrip has been in business since 1999 and have an A+ rating with the Better Business Bureau. Their site security is as good as any online shopping site.

For more information go to our web site at www.evfsj.org.

Generous Villagers help with Family Giving Tree Donations

So many Villagers and Village's employees participated in this year's Family Giving Tree with donations of toys, slumber bags, clothing, gift cards and other items helping to fulfill the wishes of thousands of very low-income children and seniors in the Bay Area. These donations helped to brighten the holidays for those in need in a direct and personal way. The overwhelming response is very heartwarming, but not surprising, as Villagers traditionally prove to be generous when there is a need.

Happy Holidays!



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 BOARDS & COMMITTEES
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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Friday, December 22

8:30 a.m.	Jazzercise	A
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED, SEQ
9:30 a.m.	Open Studio	AR
9:30 a.m.	Quilters	P
1 p.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
6:15 p.m.	Mex. Train Dominoes	MC

Saturday, December 23

9 a.m.	Ukulele Sing A Long	SEQ
10 a.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
7:15 p.m.	Brandeis Movie Study	SEQ

Sunday, December 24

7:15 a.m.	Catholic Choir Practice	CR
8:15 a.m.	Catholic Mass	A
8:30 a.m.	Episcopal Services	MC
9 a.m.	Chapel Choir Practice	SEQ
10 a.m.	Chapel Choir Services	A
10 a.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
11 a.m.	Chapel Fellowship	CR
5 p.m.	Catholic Mass	A

Monday, December 25

9:30 a.m.	Painting & Critique	AR
10:30 a.m.	Grief Support Group	P
1:30 p.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
7:30 p.m.	Table Tennis	MMP

Tuesday, December 26

9 a.m.	Game Day	SEQ
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED
9:30 a.m.	Acrylic & Oil Studio	AR
3:30 p.m.	Tennis Club Board	P
4 p.m.	Table Tennis	MMP

Wednesday, December 27

8:30 a.m.	Jazzercise	A
9 a.m.	Game Day	SEQ
9:30 a.m.	Drawing Studio	AR
9:30 a.m.	Prayer & Bible Group	P
10 a.m.	Diabetes Support	RED
10:30 a.m.	Blood Pressure Clinic	F
1 p.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
1:30 p.m.	Movie: Lion	CR

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

6:15 p.m.	Mex. Train Dominoes	MC
6:45 p.m.	Duplicate Bridge	RED
7 p.m.	Global Village Comm.	P

Thursday, December 28

9 a.m.	Game Day	RED
9 a.m.	Game Day	SEQ
9:30 a.m.	Watercolor Class	AR
10 a.m.	Hadassah Study	MC
1 p.m.	Ukulele Club	VC
3 p.m.	Chapel Choir Practice	CR
4 p.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
6 p.m.	Bridge Club	RED
7 p.m.	Folksters	CR

Friday, December 29

8:30 a.m.	Jazzercise	A
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED, SEQ
9:30 a.m.	Open Studio	AR
1 p.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
2:30 p.m.	Organ Practice	A
6:15 p.m.	Mex. Train Dominoes	MC

Saturday, December 30

9 a.m.	Ukulele Sing A Long	SEQ
10 a.m.	Table Tennis	MMP

(Continued on next page 7)



2017 Look What's Coming

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

Date	Event	In Villager	Registration
2/4	Super Bowl	1/4	1/8
2/16	Mimi at Clubhouse		NOW
2/24	King & I - Broadway SJ		NOW
3/3	Book of Mormon: Orpheum		NOW
3/16	Love Never Dies: Broadway SJ	1/4	1/8
4/1	Cirque du Soleil: Crystal		NOW
4/10	King's Singers & Choral Project	1/11	1/15
4/14	Rain - Broadway San Jose	2/8	2/12
5/12	Color Purple: Orpheum	2/1	2/5
6/9	Jersey Boys: Broadway SJ	2/22	2/26
9/15	On Your Feet: Gldn. Gate Theatre	2/22	2/26
6/9	Waitress: Golden Gate Theatre	2/22	2/26



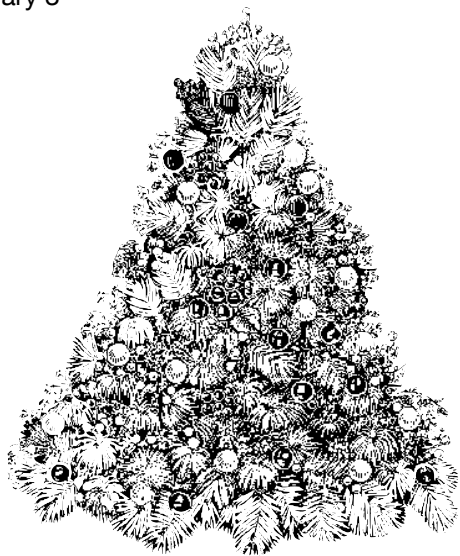
2017/2018 Christmas tree pickup schedule

Christmas tree pickup this year will be on the following days:
 • Wednesday, December 27 and Thursday, December 28
 • Tuesday, January 2 and Wednesday, January 3

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

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

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



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Fri:	12, 3, 6 & 9 am 12, 3 & 6 pm
Sat:	6 & 9 am, 6 pm
Sun:	6 & 9 am, 10 pm

*VILLAGES FITNESS CENTER	
Mon-Thurs:	1, 4, 7 & 10 am/pm
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Channel 26 Club events & notices
 More information at TheVillagesGCC.com/residents
 In the Facilities & Amenities section

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LIBRARY BOOK SALE REMINDER
 The Villages Library Book Sale is open for business all year long on Wednesdays and first Saturday of the month at 10 a.m. to noon.

After hours Maintenance Emergencies

The Maintenance Services Department's general work hours are Monday through Friday, from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

If you experience a maintenance emergency outside of those hours or during a holiday, please call Public Safety at 408-223-4665.

The Public Safety Department will then contact the Maintenance Area Supervisor and/or the appropriate contractor.

Together, they will help to resolve your maintenance emergency.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Saturday, December 30

9 a.m. Ukulele Sing A Long SEQ
10 a.m. Table Tennis MMP

Sunday, December 31

7:15 a.m. Catholic Choir Practice CR
8:15 a.m. Catholic Mass A
8:30 a.m. Episcopal Services MC
9 a.m. Chapel Choir Services SEQ
10 a.m. Comm. Chapel Service A
10 a.m. Table Tennis MMP
11 a.m. Chapel Fellowship CR
7 p.m. Mex. Train Dominoes MC

Monday, January 1

9 a.m. Game Day SEQ
9:30 a.m. Ceramics CER
9:30 a.m. Open Studio AR
10 a.m. Hill Hike FC
1 p.m. Stitchery P
2 p.m. Table Tennis MMP
3 p.m. Stephen Ministry RED
6:30 p.m. Duplicate Bridge RED
7:30 p.m. Table Tennis MMP

Tuesday, January 2

8:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study CR
9:30 a.m. Acrylics & Oil Studio AR
9:30 a.m. Ceramics CER
9:30 a.m. Line Dance MMP
10 a.m. ADL/Parkinson A
10 a.m. Club Rules Committee VC
11:30 a.m. Walking Class A
1 p.m. Brandeis Study Group P
2 p.m. Veteran's Club FC
2 p.m. Table Tennis MMP
7 p.m. Catholic Council Meet MC
7 p.m. Astronomy Club FC
7 p.m. Theater Rehearsal A

Wednesday, January 3

8:30 a.m. Jazzercise A
9 a.m. VMA Board CR
9 a.m. Game Day SEQ

9:30 a.m. Ceramics CER
9:30 a.m. Collage Critique Studio AR
9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study P
9:30 a.m. Democratic Board FC
10 a.m. Parkinson's Caregivers RED
10 a.m. Tai Chi VC
10 a.m. Total Body Fitness A
10:30 a.m. Blood Pressure Clinic F
2 p.m. Democratic Club FC
2 p.m. Theater Rehearsal VC
2 p.m. Table Tennis MMP
6 p.m. Dance Fusion MMP
6 p.m. Mex. Train Dominoes MC
6:30 p.m. Duplicate Bridge RED
7 p.m. Global Village Comm. CR

Thursday, January 4

8 a.m. Assoc. AC Meeting FC
9 a.m. Game Day RED
9 a.m. Game Day SEQ
9 a.m. Chapel Music P
9:30 a.m. Ceramics CER
9:30 a.m. Watercolor Classes AR
9:45 a.m. Line Dance MMP
10 a.m. Cancer Support Group CR
10 a.m. Genealogy VC
10 a.m. Music Society Sort F
10:30 a.m. Walking Class A
12:30 p.m. Wmn's 18 Hole Lunch CH
1 p.m. Ukulele Club VC
2 p.m. Theater Rehearsal A
2 p.m. Table Tennis MMP
3 p.m. Chapel Choir Rehearsal CR
6 p.m. Bridge Club RED
7 p.m. Italian Club Board P

Friday, January 5

8:30 a.m. Jazzercise A
8:45 a.m. Catholic Mass CR
9 a.m. Game Day RED, SEQ
9:30 a.m. Ceramics CER
9:30 a.m. Open studio AR
10 a.m. Quilters P
10 a.m. Brandeis Musical FC
10 a.m. Tai Chi VC
10:30 a.m. Line Dance MMP
2 p.m. Music Society Music A
2 p.m. Table Tennis MMP
3 p.m. Handbell Rehearsal CR
6 p.m. Mex. Train Dominoes MC
7 p.m. Theater Rehearsal A

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



This Weekend
Barton MacLane
in
NABONGA



and
TO THE LAST MAN

Next Weekend
Lew Ayres
in
MURDER WITH PICTURES



and
The Capture

plus
THE GREEN HORNET

Chapter Twelve:
Panic in the Zoo



Final Chapter:
Doom of the Underworld

Comedy Hour
Starring Bob Hope



The Dinah Shore Show



The Christmas Tree & Snow Foolin'



BETTY BOOP



4 Hours of cinematic fun every weekend

27

on Channel

Friday 8pm
Saturday 12a/pm & 8pm
Sunday 12a/pm & 4pm

NOW PLAYING on Channel **27**

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Club events & notices
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Gift Cards available
at the
Clubhouse and Pro Shop!

THE CLUBHOUSE

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

2017 Holiday Hours:
December 24: Clubhouse & Bistro Closes at 2 p.m.

December 25: All Dining Facilities Closed

December 31: Clubhouse Closed for NYE Festivities (Reservation Only)

-Bistro Open Regular Hours
Happy Hour at the Bistro & Bar: Happy Hour times are from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. in the Bistro daily.

Early Bird Specials: Ten-percent discount on entrées* from 5 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

*Must be from Dinner Entrées Section or Weekly Specials. Does Not Include Prime Rib. Offer good only in Clubhouse Restaurant.

Please see our ads for More Information on:

-No Corkage Tuesdays
-Single Diners' Night at The Clubhouse

-Date Night Thursdays
-Prime Rib Fri. and Sat. Nights

N.Y.E. Festivities: Our Early Bird Seating's at 5 p.m. and 7p.m. as well as our Midnight Dinner Dance are both Sold Out. To be placed on a waiting list, please call: 408-754-1337.

Please specify the event you're interested in attending.

Jazz singer Stacy Carter to perform at Clubhouse:

Starting on January 11 and running until February 8, Jazz Singer Stacy Carter will be performing in The Clubhouse Restaurant on Thursday evenings. Performances will be from 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Stacy will also be performing on the evening of February 14 in The Clubhouse Restaurant. Reservations are suggested.

Clubhouse chairs for sale-\$30 each!



Chairs will be available for pickup Tuesday, January 2 to Friday, January 5.

If interested, please contact John Yu at 408-223-4676 or email: jyu@the-villages.com

CLUBHOUSE RESTAURANT

Monday Closed

Breakfast: Saturday & Sunday 7 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Lunch: Tuesday through Sunday 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Dinner: Tuesday through Sunday 5 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Sunday Breakfast Buffet: 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Appetizer Menu: Tuesday through Sunday 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.; 5 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

(Not available in Restaurant 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.)

Music Entertainment on Sunday Nights!

LUNCH SPECIALS SERVED ALL WEEK

Lunch Specials
Tuesday 12-26
to
Sunday 12-30

Barbecue Bacon Cheddar Burger

\$12.50

Angus Patty with Hickory Bacon, Cheddar Cheese and Barbecue Sauce—served with Choice of Side Dish

Salmon Mango Salad

\$13.95

Filet of Salmon, Mango Chunks, Cucumber and Enoki Mushrooms with Ginger, Lime Dressing—served with Soup

Linguini and Clams

\$13.95

Linguini Pasta with Hard Shell Clams in a White Wine and Clam Sauce—served with Soup or Salad

DAILY SOUP SPECIALS

Lunch specials are served with choice of soup or salad.

Tuesday, December 26

Soup: Chicken Noodle Mint

Wednesday, December 27

Soup: Split Pea

Thursday, December 28

Soup: Roasted Pepper and Artichoke with Feta and Cilantro

Friday, December 29

Soup: Clam Chowder

Saturday, December 30

Soup: Chef's Choice in Bistro

Sunday, December 31

CLOSED for New Year's Eve events

DINNER SPECIALS SERVED ALL WEEK

Dinner Specials
Tuesday 12-26
to
Sunday 12-30

Blackened Tilapia

\$17.95

Seared Filet of Tilapia with Cajun Seasoning with a Remoulade Sauce—served with Soup or Salad

Chicken Picatta

\$17.95

Sautéed Chicken Breast, Shallots and Capers with a White Wine, Lemon and Butter Sauce—with Soup or Salad

New York Pepper Steak

\$26.50

10-oz. New York Pepper Crusted Steak with Oyster Mushroom and Bacon Scallion Garnish—with Soup or Salad

Dinner specials are served with choice of soup or salad.

ACTIVITIES

Monday, December 25

Clubhouse & Bistro will be closed: Merry Christmas!

Tuesday, December 26

• Private Event—Fairway Room—noon to 3 p.m.

Wednesday, December 27

NO EVENTS

Thursday, December 28

NO EVENTS

Friday, December 29

NO EVENTS

Saturday, December 30

NO EVENTS

Sunday, December 31

Clubhouse Closed for New Year's Eve Festivities (By Reservation Only)

THE BISTRO & BAR

Open Daily: 7 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Breakfast: Monday through Friday 7 a.m. to 10:45 a.m.

Lunch: Monday through Sunday 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Appetizer Menu: 11 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Dinner: Monday through Sunday 5 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Casual a la carte dining. No reservations required.

-Breakfast

-Vegetarian

-Starters

-Baskets

-Appetizers

-Pizzas

-Grill Items

-Desserts

Full Bar available with Beers on Tap.

More CLUBHOUSE ITEMS on page 9

New Clubhouse Hours
 Clubhouse Restaurant
 5 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Tuesday through Sunday

Early Bird Specials
 5 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.
 10% Discount on Entrées*

*Must be from Dinner Entrees Section or Weekly Specials. Does Not Include Prime Rib. Good Only in Clubhouse Restaurant.



NO CORKAGE TUESDAYS

Bring your favorite bottle of wine and your favorite people any and every Tuesday at The Clubhouse Restaurant. No Corkage will be charged with a dinner order. 1 bottle limit per 2 guests. Standard size bottles only. Program begins on Tuesday February 7th.



Clubhouse Restaurant Only


**Please note:
 Holiday and remodeling closures**

Sunday, December 24—Christmas Eve day—the Clubhouse and Bistro will close at 2 p.m. after the Sunday Brunch. Clubhouse and Bistro will be closed all day on Christmas Day, Monday, December 25 and re-open for regular hours on Tuesday, December 26.

The Bistro and the Clubhouse Restaurant will be closed for remodeling from Tuesday, January 2 through Monday, January 8, opening for regular hours of business on Tuesday, January 9.

Sunday, January 7, we will be open for breakfast only from 8 a.m. to noon. We will be featuring a full breakfast buffet only.

Date Night Thursdays
 Clubhouse Restaurant



Dinner For Two
 COMPLIMENTARY
 SPLIT OF CHAMPAGNE AND AMUSE BOUCHE FOR 2
 (GOOD WITH DINNER ONLY)

PLEASE MAKE RESERVATION AND NOTE
 "THURSDAY DATE NIGHT RESERVATION"
 LIMITED TO 1 COUPLE PER TABLE

Join us for the Smooth Jazz Sounds of
Stacy Carter
 at The Clubhouse Restaurant

Performing **Thursdays**
 Starting January 11 until February 8
 Also Performing Valentine's Eve, February 14

5:30 p.m. to 8:30p.m.
 Reservations Suggested



Stacey Performs All Around The Bay Area and has also Performed in Japan and Dubai

New Year's Eve 2018
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Midnight Countdown
 New Years Eve Dinner Dance
 Sunday December 31, 2017 7 p.m. to 12:30 a.m.
 7 p.m. Reception 8 p.m. Dinner
 12 a.m. Champagne Toast

Sold Out
 Please call
408-754-1337
 for Waiting List information

Dancing to the Sounds of the Jerry Sauceda Band
 Balloon Drop at Midnight
 Midnight Champagne Countdown
 Decorations & Party Favors
 \$65 Plus Service Charge & Tax
 Reservations Begin on Tuesday November 28 at 9 a.m.
 Please call 408-754-1337
 or e-mail theclubhouse@the-villages.com
 Please make sure to give your entrée selection



The Clubhouse
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Prime Rib
 Served at The Clubhouse
 Every Friday and Saturday Nights



Single Diners' Night
 Lets Dine Together!
 Every Wednesday at The Clubhouse



Shared Table, Complimentary Glass of Wine included with your Dinner and Great Conversations.
 Please make reservations and note "Single Diners' Reservation"
 Every Wednesday at 5:30 p.m.

★ 2018 ★
New Year's Eve

Early Bird Dinner
 Sunday December 31, 2017
 Two Seatings 5 p.m. or 7 p.m.

Sold Out
 Please call
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\$42 Plus Service Charge & Tax
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 Please make sure to give your desired time & entrée selection

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

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

Board and Committee Meetings

Date	Meeting	Time	Place
1/2	Club Rules Committee	10 a.m.	Vineyard Center
1/4	AC Association	8 a.m.	Foothill Center

Community Events

Date	Event	Time	Place
12/27	Movie: Lion	1:30 p.m.	Conf. Room

Join Mimi for Ragtime concert and dinner!

Mimi Blais has been awesome in her previous concerts here at the Villages, so the Community Activities office is extending an invitation for her 10th visit. Mimi promises us another wonderful evening of Ragtime; I can't wait for this year. This venue will be at the Clubhouse on Friday, February 16.

Register in the Community Resource Center, building B, \$54 per person. No-host bar begins at 5:30 p.m. with dinner served at 6 p.m. We will be enjoying a South of the Border buffet. Book a table for 8. Mimi was born in Quebec City, Quebec, and makes her home in Montreal. She had her first piano recital at age 8, after one year of lessons. She studied at Le Conservatoire de Musique de Quebec, entering at age 14, then at McGill University where she earned a Licentiate, a Bachelor's degree in music performance and a concert diploma. She then toured Canada and Europe as a soloist, chamber musician and accompanist.

In 1990, she "discovered" ragtime music and began to devote all her time and effort to its study. She gave her first ragtime performance in 1990 in Montreal followed by Sedalia, MO where she thrilled festival-goers with her dynamic interpretations of ragtime. She has gone on to captivate audiences at concerts in Canada, Europe and the United States and continues to be a headliner at the major ragtime festivals. She has been dubbed "The New Queen of Ragtime" by Ed Berlin, author of several books on ragtime including a definitive biography of Scott Joplin's life.

Mimi performs as a comedienne and actress as well as pianist and has also been called the female "Victor Borge of Ragtime." For two years, she acted, sang and played the piano for a play written by the co-founder of the "Cirque du Soleil" at the Montreal Casino. She has played piano in a Tango quartet that toured Texas and Nevada. Mimi represented Ragtime in a concert at the Olympics in Atlanta. Always versatile and full of surprises, Mimi plays both solo and in ensemble and in one concert may include music of Bach, Beethoven, Chopin, Mozart, Gershwin, Brubeck, Joplin and Eubie Blake.

Mimi's performances have been described as masterful, energetic, colorful, romantic, and poetic. This talented performer adds a variety of classical and jazz elements to her ragtime arrangements that gives them a unique sound. Mimi's charming personality, her sensitivity and love for music blends with her extensive classical training and expertise at the keyboard to always bring her audiences an unforgettable concert.



Correction: Last week's Villager listed an incorrect date for when fitness classes will start in 2018. Fitness classes with Jane and Mwezo will resume **Tuesday, January 9.**

'Crystal' by Cirque du Soleil

Yes indeed, we have tickets to Cirque du Soleil's "Crystal" on Sunday, April 1 at 1:30 p.m. at SAP Center. The cost is \$125 per person, which includes excellent seats in section 114 and transportation. Register in the Community Activities office. Tickets are limited to two per household!

Please arrive at Cribari Patio Room at 11:45 a.m. to get your tickets; bus departs at 12 p.m. with return time 5 p.m. There is walking and some stairs; if you need assistance with either, please make accommodations.

"Crystal" is not just an ice show, it's the very first experience on ice from Cirque du Soleil. Watch world-class ice skaters and acrobats claim their new frozen playground with speed and fluidity as they challenge the laws of gravity with never-before-seen acrobatics. This is a new kind of performance as Cirque du Soleil meets the ice to defy all expectations.

Follow Crystal, our lead character, on an exhilarating tale of self-discovery as she dives into a world of her own imagination. Feel the adrenaline as she soars through this surreal world at high speed to become what she was always destined to be: confident, liberated, and empowered.

Yoga with Harini Madhavan

This class is taught by Kujiweza Instructor Harini Madhavan. She is a certified, registered yoga teacher who has been teaching Yoga for more than five years. She uses the overall wellness approach that combines breathing, relaxation and asanas (postures) that relax and improve posture, strength, flexibility, endurance, energy and coordination simultaneously focusing on integrating the mind and body. Her aim is to give everyone a fun, safe and accessible yoga experience. The cost is \$9 per class for full-time enrollment, billed monthly. The classes are held Tuesday and Thursday, 11:15 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. in the Montgomery Multi Purpose Room. Register in class! For more information, call Jane at 408-315-1179. This class is sponsored by the Community Activities Office.

Tai Chi for healthy aging

Our mission is to help older adults maintain a quality life as they age and Tai Chi is the perfect exercise to help us achieve. Tai chi can be performed for exercise, relaxation, healing and spiritual development by anyone regardless of age or physical condition. 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., see The Villager's Calendar of Events for location. This class sponsored by the Community Activities Office.

Total Body Fitness 2018—Get fit!

Combine fun with fitness to increase your cardiovascular endurance, muscular power, balance, flexibility and coordination with a variety of standing, seated and mat-based exercises. Upper and lower body strength exercises with hand-held weights, rubber band resistance, and bodyweight as well as core strengthening, balance and coordination exercises using a small fitness ball give you a well-rounded workout designed to improve your overall fitness and functional ability.

Classes for January to March will be on Wednesdays. There will be only one class for this session from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. The cost is \$68; you must sign up for all classes in session. All classes are in Cribari Auditorium. Register in the Community Resource Center, Building B.

Cardio Workout: January through March

OK, time to get fit after the holidays! Here is a fun, energetic workout that combines low impact aerobic exercise and strength training with light weights and rubber band resistance to give you a great full body workout. End each workout with stretching for all of your major muscle groups. Please bring weights of 1 or 2-pound weight with you to class.

Join instructor Shu-Mei for this class, which runs January to March on Mondays from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. The cost is \$68 for 12 classes; you must sign up for all 12. Classes are held in the Cribari Auditorium. Register in the Community Resource Center, Building B.

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.

Back In Form—Holiday special!

With the Holiday Season returning to the Villages so are our Back In Form Holiday Gift Certificates. This year, give the gift of health and wellness and purchase a Holiday Gift Certificate good for Massages, Personal Fitness Training or Nutritional Counseling. Certificates can be purchased in any dollar amount to be applied to future purchases or made out for a specific number of massages, training or nutritional counseling sessions.

Call us today for the perfect holiday gift at 408-455-2887 or email us at Backinforminc@gmail.com

Learn to Line Dance!

Have fun in the new year by learning how to line dance. This introductory class will be held on Thursday mornings from 9:45 to 10:45 a.m. at Montgomery Center. Class will run January 4 through February 8. The cost is \$15 for six sessions (only \$2.50 per class). Enjoy dancing to a wide variety of music while exercising both body and mind. Register now at the Community Activities office, Building B, as space is limited. No partner needed. Any questions, contact the instructor Deana Megginson at 408-238-1180.

Chair Yoga/Standard Yoga

We will be offering both Standard Yoga and Chair Yoga 30-minute classes. Exercising while seated allows each person to better control the level of effort expended on each pose thereby, minimizing the possibility of injury. Yoga is the best way for you to maintain a youthful body, improve balance and stability and get rid of chronic aches and pain. It restores youthful vitality and energy while at the same time strengthening the body and slowing the aging process. Chair yoga is highly effective especially for beginners and those with physical stiffness and weakness or who lack mobility and/or unable to get up and down from the floor. Modifications are made to accommodate all fitness levels. Work at your own pace. Classes are held Mondays 6:45 to 7:15 p.m. and Wednesdays 7 to 7:30 p.m. in the Montgomery Multi Purpose Room. Please wear comfortable loose-fitting clothing and bring a mat and a pillow to class. The cost is \$56 for an eight-class card, which is punched in class. Start anytime! Sign up in class! For information call Jane at 408-315-1179. This class is sponsored by the Community Activities Office.

Don't miss...

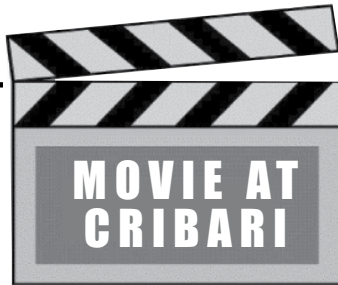
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Cribari Conference Room

Wednesday, December 27

1:30 p.m.

Starring Dev Patel and Nicole Kidman. A 5-year-old Indian boy gets lost on the streets of Calcutta, thousands of kilometers from home. He survives many challenges before being adopted by a couple in Australia. 25 years later, he sets out to find his lost family.



Upcoming Evening Movies

The following movies are shown free of charge at **Vineyard Center at 7 p.m.** on the dates and times designated. For additional information, please contact the Community Activities office.

Monday, January 15 – “An American in Paris”:

Starring Gene Kelly and Leslie Caron. Three friends struggle to find work in Paris. Things become more complicated when two of them fall in love with the same woman.

Monday, February – “Cool Hand Luke”: Starring Paul Newman and George Kennedy. A laid back Southern man is sentenced to two years in a rural prison, but refuses to conform.



See Broadway’s ‘The King and I’!

The multi-Tony winning “The King and I” dances its way out of New York for a much anticipated national tour in 2018. The latest revival of Rogers and Hammerstein’s classic musical captures all the old-school Broadway magic of the original, while draping it in a whole new level of opulent finery. We have tickets for marvelous seats at a 2 p.m. matinee on Saturday, February 24 at Broadway San Jose. Also, John Yu is offering residents a 10 percent discount if you make reservations for dinner and show your ticket stub.

The cost for the musical and transportation is \$124 per person. Please arrive at the Patio Room in Cribari Center at 12:15 p.m. to get your tickets for the musical prior to boarding the bus. Bus will depart at 12:45 p.m. with an estimated return time of 5:30 p.m. Register in the Community Resource Center, Building B.

Based on a true story, “The King and I” traces the blossoming romance between an English governess and the King of 19th Century Siam. Part love story and part culture clash comedy, the show contains some of musical theatre’s greatest numbers, from “Shall We Dance” to “Getting to Know You” to “I Whistle A Happy Tune.”

The musical was an immediate hit, winning Tony Awards for Best Musical, Best Actress (for Gertrude Lawrence) and Best Featured Actor (for Yul Brynner). Lawrence died unexpectedly of cancer a year and a half after the opening, and the role of Anna was played by several actresses during the remainder of the Broadway run of 1,246 performances. A hit London run and U.S. national tour followed, together with a 1956 film for which Brynner won an Academy Award, and the musical was recorded several times. In later revivals, Brynner came to dominate his role and the musical, starring in a four-year national tour culminating in a 1985 Broadway run shortly before his death.

‘Book of Mormon’ to return to Orpheum

“The Book of Mormon” will return to the Orpheum this spring in San Francisco. This outing will be on Saturday, March 3—a 2 p.m. matinee. The price includes orchestra seating, dinner and transportation. Please arrive at 11:45 a.m. at the Cribari Patio Room to get your tickets. Departure from the Villages east parking lot at Cribari Center will be at 12 p.m. The cost for this outing is only \$208 per person. The cost includes theatre, transportation and dinner at Swiss Louis at Pier 39. Register in the Community Resource Center, Building B. Dinner choices are Grilled Salmon, Petite NY Steak, Shrimp & Scallop Combo or Spaghetti with Crab.

“The Book of Mormon” follows two young missionaries who are sent to Uganda to try to convert citizens to the Mormon religion. One missionary, Elder Price, is an enthusiastic go-getter with a strong dedication to his faith, while his partner, Elder Cunningham, is a socially awkward but well-meaning nerd whose tendency to embroider the truth soon lands him in trouble. Upon their arrival in Africa, Elders Price and Cunningham learn that in a society plagued by AIDS, poverty and violence, a successful mission may not be as easy as they expected.

Composed by South Park creators Trey Parker and Matt Stone and Avenue Q’s Robert Lopez, “The Book Of Mormon” is an old-style musical with a modern sensibility. This blockbuster show features several big song-and-dance numbers accompanied by some old-fashioned Broadway belting. An equal opportunity offender, the show playfully pokes fun at religion, sexuality, poverty and race, while inspiring an after-the-show discussion of religion in general.

Living with Parkinson’s exercise program

Once a person is diagnosed with the disease, it is attitude, lifestyle, medication management and things you do to contribute that determine the direction your life takes. Research shows that a person living with PD can slow the progression of the disease when you 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 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 p.m. Walking for Better Balance class in the Auditorium. Register in Class! For information call Jane at 408-315-1179.

Dance Fusion for Functional Fitness and Fun

Our 30-minute dance exercise program will reduce stress, anxiety, depression and dementia and will improve your mobility and balance to help you avoid falling. In short, it will elevate your mood and help you stay physically and mentally functional. For those who are still working, our 30-minute dance exercise class can be the perfect way for you to relax at the end of a stressful day. You will get in better shape, be more functional, productive, relaxed, healthier and happier. So come join the fun as you re-shape and tighten your body! Dance at your own pace! Classes are held Mondays and Wednesdays from 6 to 6:30 p.m. in the Montgomery multi-purpose room. The cost is \$56 for an eight-class card, issued and punched in class. Start anytime! Sign up in class! For information call Jane at (408) 315-1179. This class is sponsored by the Community Activities Office.

New Cancellation Fees to begin January 1, 2018

At the Board meeting on September 26, the Club Board approved fees for failing to cancel a reservation at least two weeks in advance. Board Recognized clubs and organizations will be charged a \$20 cancellation fee if their meeting or event is canceled less than two weeks in advance January 2 through the day before Thanksgiving, and \$50 Thanksgiving through January 1. The cancellations are to be in writing (electronically or hard copy).

Private meetings or events will be charged a \$20 cancellation fee if their meeting or event is canceled less than two weeks in advance January 2 through the day before Thanksgiving, and \$100 for dates Thanksgiving through January 1 if their event is not canceled 60 days in advance. The cancellations are to be in writing (electronically or hard copy).

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. Bring water, snacks and lunch, and always wear layered clothing appropriate to the current weather; hats and sunscreen are also recommended.

Saturday, December 23: Hill Hike. Wate Bakker (408-223-2190) will lead a moderate hill hike suitable for both Ramblers and Long hikers. The hike will start at the **Upper Garden parking lot** and will be 4-5 miles long with an elevation gain of 1000 ft. Bring water and a snack.

Wednesday, December 27 (Rambler): Johanna Bakker (408-223-2190) and Bonnie Preston (408-531-1513) will lead a hike around the Villages to prepare us for our annual New Year's Day hike up the hill.

Saturday, December 30: Hikes in honor of Stan Pegram. Stan was one of the most faithful and active members of the hiking club, even during his protracted illness. Wate and Johanna Bakker will lead long and ramble hikes in memory of his friendship and contributions. Both hikes will start at the upper garden parking lot at 10 a.m. Johanna's hike will be about 3 miles with 300-400-ft elevation gain. Wate's hike will be about 4 miles long with a 1000-ft elevation gain. After the hike we will share a meal with Stan's family in the Foothill center, starting at 12:15 p.m., to reminisce about Stan's time at the Villages and celebrate his life with us.

Wednesday, January 3 (Rambler): Brad Hinckley (408-274-2616) will lead a hike along Coyote Creek to Hellyer Park from Blossom Hill Road on a paved trail. Total distance is about 3-4 miles. We can go out to lunch afterward. Bring water and a jacket.

Wednesday, January 10 (Rambler): Wate and Johanna Bakker (408-223-2190) will lead a hike in the Shoreline Park of Mountain View. We expect to see many migratory and other shoreline birds. Thus bring your binoculars and cameras. Johanna will lead a 2-3 mile hike emphasizing bird watching. Wate will lead a longer hike along the levies toward Palo Alto. Afterward we will have lunch in the Shoreline cafe. To avoid excessive traffic we will gather at Cribari at 9:30 a.m. for a 9:45 a.m. departure. Bring water and a snack. Dress seasonably. Round trip car mileage about 35 miles.

Wednesday, January 17 (Rambler): Al Girolami (209-531-6553) will lead a hike in our own open space. We will meet and start at Foothill Center at 8:30 a.m. and do the following trails: Past the Stables to Rawhide, up to Ohlone (Indian), crossover to Skyway and visit the Indian Grinding Rock. Then down on Skyway and up on Bay and down on Richter and then taking Joe Marsh to the Upper Gardens and passing through Valle Vista and back to Foothill Center. Hike will take less than three hours and be less than 3.5 miles with an elevation gain of about 700 ft. There will be an option to take Turkey off of Rawhide, eliminating a half mile and with 300 ft. less elevation gain, but also missing out on seeing our historic Indian Rock. Bring water, and poles are recommended. Following the hike we can meet and relax at the Bistro.

Wednesday, January 24 (Rambler): Sy Gelman (408-532-1239) will lead a Rambler hike along Los Alamitos Creek Trail. Starting

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CAMERA CLUB

Thursday, December 28: Meetup for members for the Gilroy Gardens "Holiday Nights." Carpool from the Cribari parking lot near the library at 3:30 p.m. Return by 9 p.m.

Friday, January 19: February photo competition opens for entries. Categories for both projected images and prints: Pictorial (Color), Pictorial (Monochrome), Travel, Journalism.

Sunday, February 4: December competition closes 2 p.m. Click the Competition Entry tab at www.villagescameraclub.com

Monday, February 5: Competition Night from 7 to 9 p.m. in Cribari Conference Room.

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

Ceramics Room: Open Studio Monday to Saturday. See website.

January 4 – 25: Beginning Ceramics with Diane Finley. Four Thursdays. 10 a.m. – noon. \$75. All clay and supplies furnished. *

January 4 – February 8: Experimental Watercolor with Linda Sieker. Thursdays 9:30 – noon. \$60. *

January 9: Art Film. 7 p.m. Vineyard. Hosted by Pamela Oliver Lyons.

January 9 – 30: Continuing Ceramics w/Diane Finley. Four Tuesdays at 10 a.m. – noon. \$65. All supplies furnished. *

January 22 – February 12: Watercolor from the Very Beginning w/Ciel Duke. Four Mondays at 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. \$75. All materials included. * Register soon.

January 29: Advisory Board Meeting. 3 p.m. Art Room.

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

Boutique: Handcrafted items for sale. Current showcase: Christmas. 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 408-218-8372.

POLE WALKERS CALENDAR

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

Monday, December 25: Christmas Day. Happy Holiday.

Wednesday, December 27: Meet at Club parking lot and walk/carpool to LaBou. 2 p.m. Games at Cribari.

Thursday, December 28: 12-noon. Open Bocce with Tony Orlando.

Friday, December 29: Meet at Club parking lot and walk Sonata & Del Lago.

Sunday, December 31: New Year's Eve. Happy New Year.

Monday, January 1: Happy New Year. No walks scheduled.

Wednesday, January 3: Meet at club parking lot and walk/carpool to Evergreen Plaza. 2 p.m. Games at Cribari.

Thursday, January 4: 12-noon to 1:30 p.m. Open Bocce with Tony Orlando.

Friday, January 5: Meet at Montgomery Center.

Monday, January 8: Meet at club parking lot for a walk in the park.

Wednesday, January 10: Meet at club parking lot and walk/carpool to McDonald's. 2 p.m. Games at Cribari.

Thursday, January 11: Noon to 1:30 p.m. Open Bocce with Tony Orlando.

Friday, January 12: Meet at Solero.

Monday, January 15: Meet at Gazebo for a walk in the neighborhood.



MUSIC SOCIETY: TAKE NOTE

Save the Date: All events \$15 and in Cribari Auditorium unless otherwise noted. Ticket sales in Cribari Lobby from 10 a.m. to noon on the Saturday stated below except as noted.

Rehearsal/Meeting Schedule:

Villages Concert Band: Thursdays at 7:15 p.m. in Cribari Auditorium. Call Larry Miller at 408-238-1030.

Village Handbell Ensemble: Fridays at 3 p.m. in Cribari Conference Room. Call Kathi or Earl Levin at 408-270-5458.

Opera Lovers: Second Fridays of the month at 1:30 p.m. in Vineyard Center. Call Bonnie Preston at 408-531-1513.

Piano Club Open Studio: Tuesday 2 to 4 p.m. in Cribari Auditorium: January 16. Estelle Kabbani at 408-238-7246 or marchstar@comcast.com.

Village Voices: Wednesdays starting January 10 from 6:50 p.m. (for warm-ups) to 9 p.m. at Foothill Center. Rehearsals open to new members. No auditions. Call Chris Leisy at 408-309-2757.

VILLAGES AMATEUR THEATRE

Please mark your calendar for the performances of "Anything Goes," the Tony Award-winning musical comedy with music and lyrics by Cole Porter. It has music that is ever popular, a plot that is full of laughs and an overall experience that you will long remember. There will be three performances—Friday, April 6 at 7:30 p.m.; Saturday, April 7 at 2:30 p.m.; and Sunday, April 8 at 2:30 p.m. in the Cribari Auditorium. Please see our Club article for additional information.

Notice of Proposed Change to Association Architectural Rule D-4 Windows/Sliding Doors/Screens; Installation and Replacement

The following proposed changes to The Villages Association Architectural Rule D-4 Windows/Sliding Doors/Screens; Installation and Replacement were conditionally approved by the Association Board of Directors at its November 14, 2017, study session. However, before formal approval consideration, the proposed changes must be noticed and published 30 days as required by California Civil Code 4360. To that end, the proposed changes will be considered for formal approval at the January 30, 2017, monthly meeting (9:30 a.m. at the Clubhouse). The Board will hear and consider comments regarding the proposed changes both at the January 16 study session and also at the January 30 monthly meeting. Response to the proposed policy changes may be made by one or more of the following methods: 1) Participation in the discussion of the proposed changes at the Association Board of Directors study session, 2) via written comments delivered to the Board through Maria Hernandez (mehernandez@the-villages.com) in the General Manager's office.

The purpose of the proposed changes (wording changes) is to add clarification of the frame and fin width requirements to the windows. Also, the frame color selection guideline chart needs to be updated to provide more detail and clarification.

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

AC RULE: D-4 Windows/Sliding Doors/Screens Installation and Replacement

Installation and replacement of windows, sliding glass doors/screens and French/glass doors (new or additional) may be permitted upon compliance with required conditions. The installation and replacement of windows, sliding doors/screens, and French/glass doors require an owner alteration agreement application and approval by the AC. All work shall be done by an insured licensed contractor.

a.) An Owner Alteration Request, signed by the owner, including complete plans and specifications, must be submitted to the Committee for approval. The application shall include written comments by the owners of adjoining villas, (within field of view, as applicable and as designated by the Committee). In obtaining comments from adjoining villa owners, the applicant shall provide plans (plan view and/or elevation view as applicable) in sufficient detail to enable those owners to assess the visual and/or aesthetic impact of the modification. Comments from these adjoining villa owners will be given full and careful consideration by the Committee. Final plans shall be drawn to scale upon substantial paper and of sufficient clarity to indicate the location, nature and extent of the work proposed and show in detail that it will conform to provisions of this rule.

The plans must include:

1. A floor plan showing the location of all windows, sliding doors/screens, and French/glass doors to be installed.
2. A photo or drawing of the windows, sliding doors/screens, and French/glass doors.

3. Manufacturer specifications, construction details and section profiles. ~~Trim material and dimensions. Window/door surround molding (fin) must be maximum 3" in width, see figures C & D.~~

b.) The external appearance both physical and color of windows, sliding doors/screens, and French/glass doors must be attractive, in harmony, or similar in color with the basic building as well as the general area.

1. Non-glare materials or paint must be used.
2. In multi-story buildings, the color of the exterior frames of windows, sliding glass doors/screens, or French/glass doors must be consistent within the building.
3. Upon approval of an exterior color of windows, sliding doors/screens, and French/glass doors, all additional windows, sliding doors/screens and French/glass doors installed on the building will be limited to similar colors unless otherwise approved by the AC.
4. A change from the current exterior frame color of windows, sliding doors/screens, and French/glass doors within a multiple unit building will require a change to a similar color of all the units within the building. The change in color of the frames may be accomplished by replacement of the windows, sliding doors/screens, and French/glass doors or by painting the exterior frames. A change in exterior frame color does require an application and approval of the AC.
5. A uniform color of windows, sliding doors/screens and French/glass doors frames must be maintained throughout each villa (front, side and back of the building).
6. It will be the responsibility of the applicant seeking approval from adjoining villa owners to inform them of the color limitations and to include the documentation with the application.

7. The proposed alteration shall not extend beyond the boundaries of the Limited Common area, with the exception of bay windows, box windows, and garden windows, and it shall meet the setback requirements established by the City of San Jose Planning Department.

See attached "GUIDELINES FOR COLOR SELECTION: Page 6 3 for acceptable colors.

c.) After the Committee approves an application, if a building permit is required, the applicant shall apply to the city of San Jose for a building to assure that the alteration is in compliance with all applicable building codes. All work shall be

done by an insured licensed contractor. The exterior window/door surround trim molding (fin) must be a maximum of 3" width, see figures B, C & D. When the exterior façade of the structure includes wood trim or stucco bands adjacent to the window/door the surround molding must be cut so that it fits inside the wood trim or stucco band (see figure A). Any caulking used to seal the new window/door must be painted to match the adjacent color of the existing structure.

d.) It is the responsibility of the applicant to obtain the necessary City Building Permit prior to starting the alteration. The applicant shall provide a copy of the application approved by the AC when applying for a Building Permit. If the City requires modification of the plans, the applicant must submit the modified plans to the AC for approval prior to the initiation of the modification. In any event, the applicant must submit a copy of the Building Permit to the AC prior to starting work. Upon completion of the modification and as a condition of the AC final inspection, a copy of the Building Permit shall be filed with the AC Administrator.

e.) Periodic repainting of the alteration shall be done by the Association or its agent at the same time the building is repainted. If the alteration is an addition or requires special maintenance, the repainting shall be done at the owner's expense in accordance with the provisions of the Governing Documents and Policies of the Board.

f.) The applicant shall be responsible for maintaining the structural integrity of the modified building.

g.) If the Association is, for any reason required to restore the building to conform to its original plan, the cost of such restoration shall be borne by the owner. A document to this effect will be recorded in the Office of the Santa Clara County Recorder to provide constructive notice to possible future owners.

h.) By signing the OWNER ALTERATION REQUEST to which this rule is attached, the applicant agrees that if the alteration is damaged in any way the Association will rebuild the damaged portions. The rebuilding must be done in accordance with the provisions of the Governing Documents and Policies of the Board and insurance currently in place. If the alteration is rebuilt for any other reason, it must be done at the owner's expense.

GUIDELINE FOR COLOR SELECTION

#D-4 (Windows/Sliding doors/screens)

PURPOSE: Many residents have indicated a desire to upgrade or provide energy saving improvements to the exterior of their villas or homes. Recognizing the differences in architectural styles, materials and colors within the various districts, the Architectural Committee (AC) has developed the following guidelines of acceptable colors for the replacement of windows and sliding doors/screens.

BASIS OF COLOR SELECTION

1. **ARCHITECTURAL APPEARANCE:** Architectural harmony with rest of the building and the general neighborhood should not be compromised.
2. **IMPACT ON PROPERTY VALUE:** The selection of a color must not have a negative impact on the property value and the surrounding area.
3. **PRECEDENT SETTING CHANGES:** Changes that become prevalent in an area are acceptable if they result in a general upgrade of the standard for the neighborhood. Changes that adversely affect the character of the neighborhood are not acceptable. As an example, the change of windows and/or sliding doors/screens on only one unit within a two story, multi-unit villa, would not be considered an upgrade to the property.

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<u>WINDOW REPLACEMENT</u>												
<u>White</u>			Yes	Yes				Yes	Yes		Yes	
<u>Almond</u>	Yes	Yes			Note 1		Yes			Note 1		Yes
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<u>Dark Bronze</u>	Yes	Yes			Note 2	Yes	Yes			Note 2		Yes
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NOTES:

1. **Single story only: Almond and Bronze**
2. **Multi story units (or ALL windows in the entire building the same color) : Bronze only**
3. **Grids required when viewable from the street**
4. **Grids optional**
5. **No grids allowed**

CLUBS & EVENTS

Boutique: As we say goodbye

By Tere Barbella

Twenty-one years ago this month the Villages Boutique first opened its doors just in time for the holiday season. Born from the success of Village crafters who sold their items at events like the Holiday Faire, the boutique was developed to be a year-round shop that provided residents with quality handcrafted gifts, cards, wearable items, ceramics, wood crafts and so much more. Paul and Noreen Betten, who still live in The Villages today, were the first directors. Over time the boutique expanded into the two rooms in Cribari Center that it currently occupies. Directors and items in the boutique changed many times over the years, but the one thing that remained constant was the dedication to craft and quality that every artist put into each item for sale.

That dedication and love of creating new and beautiful things is what has kept the boutique vibrant and successful. Our commitment to quality and service is what has kept our customers coming back. As our artists pack away their crafts (for the time being), we want to thank you for the outpouring of support and concern regarding our unfortunate closure. We would also like to assure you that we are working diligently to re-open as a separate entity here in The Villages offering the same quality of crafts and service that you have come to expect. We promise to keep you informed every step of the way—because you are the reason why we create. It has given us enormous pleasure to serve this community and we are looking forward to doing so again in the future. Please watch for postings and articles regarding our progress in upcoming issues of the Villager and on Fast Lane.

Have a peaceful and joyous holiday season and may the New Year bring you an abundance of wonders—and a newly outfitted, fully stocked, ready for shopping Villages Boutique!



Group Meditation for Universe Peace

Group Meditation for Universal Peace, sponsored by the Global Village Club, will have one meeting left this month on December 27.

This guided meditation is open to anyone interested in meditation, from beginner to expert. We begin with a brief introduction about meditation, followed by gentle stretches, and then 20 minutes of meditation.

Group Meditation for Universal Peace usually takes place Wednesday evenings at 7 p.m. in the Patio Room. All are welcome and there is no fee for participating.

Jazzercise for a Happy New Year

It's hard to believe but 2017 is over and we face a new year. How many promises we made to ourselves last year were kept? I'm told that nationally less than 30 percent of us keep our resolve. Now, fortunately we face a clean slate and hopefully we will make and keep a resolution to improve our health, get fit and exercise. In a perfect environment, exercise should be fun, it should have regularity and should be done with people we enjoy being with.

Jazzercise provides that environment. Classes are held three times a week offering a consistent opportunity for exercise. Modern music accompanies our efforts and makes the hard work more fun. And you will make lots of new friends. The workout is tailored to each participant's individual needs. You don't have to jump around, but if you want to, you can. You will boost your energy, improve your mind, your mood, your memory, as well as your health.

A Jazzercise class is 60 minutes long, starting with a gradual whole body warm up, followed by an aerobic segment, weight training, stretching and range of motion routines. We meet in the Cribari Auditorium from 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. A full month of classes is a bargain at \$39. And you can choose to take fewer classes, at a lesser price, if your schedule so demands. We offer a free first class for you to test the program out. Just get started and don't procrastinate. If you have questions, call Herito at 408-238-7511 or Kay at 408-223-7948.

Celebrate the New Year on top of our hill

On Monday, January 1, the Hiking Club will once again celebrate New Year's Day at the top of our tallest hill, at 2,300 ft. elevation. Rich Bainbridge will lead the long hikers to the top, starting from Foothill Center, leaving at 9:45 a.m. It will take about 1 1/2 hours to make it to the top, so the celebration will start at about 11:30 a.m. at the top of the hill. Please bring snacks and suitable libations to share with friends and fellow hikers. Total hiking distance is 4-5 miles round trip, depending on which trails we take. For a more leisurely pace and a slightly shorter distance, hikers can also start at the upper garden parking lot. The easiest route is Skyway trail to Indian trail to Rawhide trail, then to alt Rawhide (left where the trail splits) to go up the switchbacks. Time your start to make it to the top by 11:30 a.m.—perhaps starting between 9:30 and 10 a.m.

Katy Peretti will lead the Ramblers on the lower hill trails to the picnic tables at the intersection of Sky and Indian trails, a distance of about 1.5 miles one way. The Ramblers will meet at the parking lot of the upper gardens on Village View drive at 9:30 a.m., and expect to be at the picnic area about 11 a.m.

In case of bad weather the celebration will be held at Foothill Center at 11:30 a.m. For more information, please contact Richard Bainbridge at 408-960-8335 (oma.opa@comcast.net) or Katy Peretti at 408-531-0917 (kmpereetti@aol.com).

Red Hats generate toy donations



Marines representing Toys for Tots received monetary and toy donations from the Scarlet Sirens and Crimson Charmers on December 8.

Photo by Carol MacKenzie.

Hikes to honor Stan Pegram

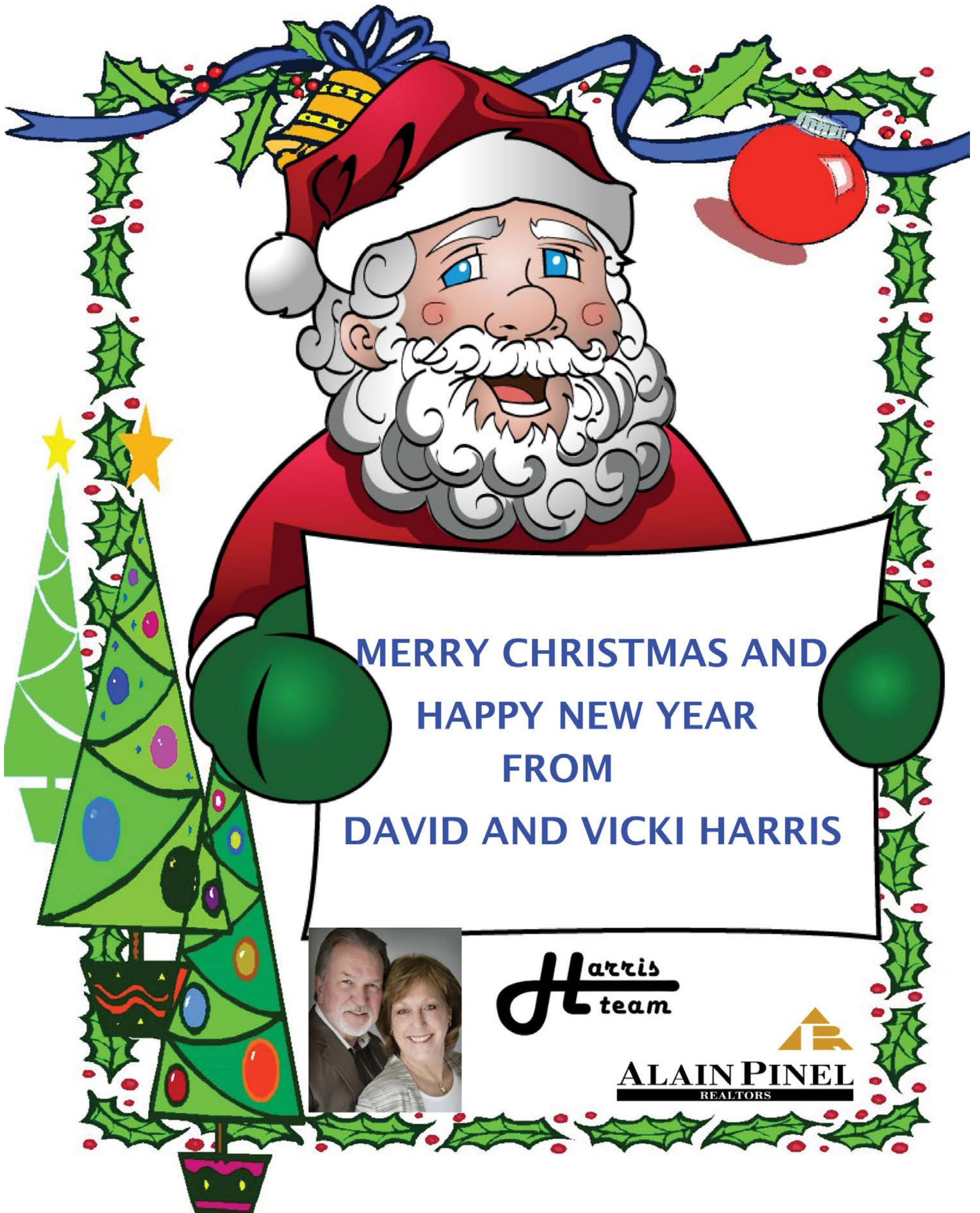
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Blood pressure clinic to be offered on monthly basis

The Villages Auxiliary Medical (VMA) has been offering free weekly blood pressure clinics for many years. With the availability of inexpensive and accurate home devices we've seen a substantial decrease in the number of people who come to our weekly clinics. As a result, effective January 1, 2018, a blood pressure clinic will be offered once a month on the first Wednesday of the month in the Cribari Center Forum Room, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.

VMA will continue to expand its offering of blood pressure clinics at Villages events, such as regular organizational meetings, so that more people can be tested in a more efficient manner. We are available for most large Villages gatherings. Please contact the VMA office for more information at 408-238-4230.

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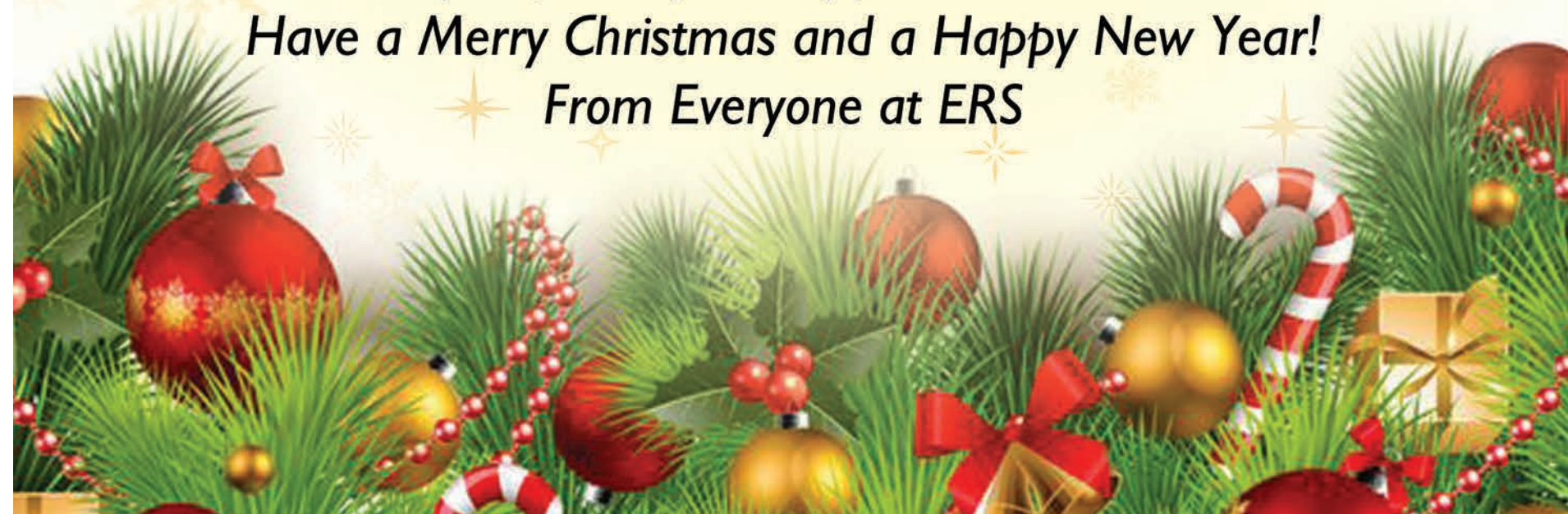

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FROM THE BOOKSHELF

By Wate Bakker

“This Fight is Our Fight” by Elizabeth Warren: In this book Senator Elizabeth Warren tells eye-opening stories about her battles in the Senate and vividly describes the experiences of hard-working Americans, who have too often been given the short end of the stick. If you are left leaning you will probably agree with her vision of the future of our country and what she tries to achieve. Most people would agree that the status quo is not an option. Nonfiction, 305.5 people by social and economic levels, 2017.

“My Mother’s Kitchen” by Peter Gethers: No, this is not a cookbook. Peter Gethers wants to give his aging mother a very personal and perhaps final gift: a spectacular feast featuring all her favorite dishes. The trouble is he really does not know how to cook. Thus he embarks on an often hilarious and touching culinary journey that will ultimately allow him to bring his mother’s friends and loved ones together at the table one more time, once his cooking skills are adequate. Nonfiction, 920, biography, 2017.

“The Midnight Line” by Lee Childs: Another thriller featuring Jack Reacher, one of the most original, tantalizing pop-fiction heroes of our time, according to the Washington Post. On a stroll through a small Wisconsin town, Reacher sees a class ring in a pawnshop window: West Point, 2005. It is a small ring for a woman. Her initials are engraved inside. Reacher decides to find the woman and return the ring. So begins a harrowing journey through the upper Midwest. The deeper he digs, the more dangerous the journey becomes. Turns out the ring was only a small link in a much darker chain. Powerful forces are guarding a vast criminal empire. Some lines should never be crossed. But then neither should Jack Reacher. Mystery, 2017.

“My Absolute Darling” by Tallent Gabriel: Turtle Alveston is tough. At 14 she roams the woods along the Northern California coast. But while her physical world is expansive her personal one is small and treacherous. Her mother is dead and her father is a reclusive survivalist, whose towering eloquence can lapse unpredictably into violence. Then Turtle meets Jacob, a dreamy high school boy, who whiles away his days making jokes and dreaming up elaborate plans to save the world. He is surrounded by close friends and a loving family. He represents the society her father has always scorned. How can she escape the unsustainable life at home and join a wider, brighter world? Her survival skills will be critical in breaking free. Fiction, 2017, large print.

The Tiger’s Prey by Wilbur Smith: Wilbur Smith has chronicled the lives of the swashbuckling Courtney family, seeking fame and fortune on the Malabar coast of Africa during the rise of the British empire in the 18th and 19th century, fighting Arab slave traders and Dutch colonists in South Africa with equal fervor, while getting rich in the process. In this novel the lives of two members of a younger generation of the Courtney’s collide in southern Africa. The sins of their fathers will forever change the fate of the younger generation. The title of the novel may be a misnomer, as tigers do exist only on the Asian continent. Fiction 2017, large print.

Brandeis: ‘University on Wheels’

By Cy Axelrad

On Monday, January 8 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Villages Clubhouse, we will welcome Professor Rajesh Sampath, a dynamic speaker, an Associate Professor of Justice, Rights and Social Change at the Brandeis University Heller School.

Professor Sampath has published over 85 articles on ethics, religion, current policies, economics of Africa, healthcare, aligning Global economics and many other interesting areas of controversial journalism.

He has come from Brandeis University on the East Coast. His informative talk is entitled “Is Extreme Poverty A Human Rights Violation?”

This is a wonderful luncheon starting with Minestrone Soup and followed with a choice of: Chicken Caesar Salad, Grilled Petrale Sole, or Vegetable Napoleon.

All of this is ended with a great dessert Chocolate Raspberry Cake. Please send your check for \$36—payable to BNC, to Jean Maxheimer, 2055 Folie Blanche Dr. San Jose, CA 95135. You may put your meal choice on the back of your check. If you have any questions, please call Jean Maxheimer at 408-223-9892.

‘Will California survive climate change?’

Will California survive climate change? Mark your calendars: Special guest Gary Latshaw, Ph.D, will address the Democratic Club on Wednesday, January 3. He will present his ideas and research on the answer to that question.

Governor Brown has stated our recent fires are the “new normal.” And recently a group of young people is suing the federal government about fossil fuels ruining the environment and being in denial of man-made climate change.

This meeting will take place in Foothill Center. The schedule will be as follows: 3 p.m. refreshments, 3:30 p.m. presentation.

Global Village: ‘Can Poetry Change Your Life?’

The Global Village community will meet next on Wednesday, January 3 at the Cribari Patio Room at 7 p.m. The topic will be: Can Poetry Change Your Life?

“It has changed my life for sure,” said Franz Spickhoff. He will briefly tell you his story from his first encounter with William Blake 40 years ago, from falling in love with the poems by T. S. Eliot to publishing his own poetic musings entitled, “You’re Eating My Words” two years ago on Amazon. He will describe some lessons he learned along the way. There will be time for a Q & A and time for you to share your encounter with poems or proverbs or words that have touched you or changed your life. Bring them to our meeting. Here are a few two-liners from poems by poets that have captured his imagination and inspired his own poetry:

“The heart breaks and breaks

And lives by breaking.” - S. Kunitz

“What we call the beginning is often the end

And to make an end is to make a beginning.” - T. S. Eliot

Genealogy: Preserving Photos and Documents

The next meeting of the Genealogy Club will be held on Thursday, January 4, 10 a.m. at the Vineyard Center. We will have a presentation from Kat Contento on preserving family photos, documents and more. Our Club meets monthly to learn about and share our searches for family history. Come join us and start the search for your ancestors! For questions or more information, please call Linda McMullen at 510-507-1400 or e-mail lindavillage8392@gmail.com.

Art Film for January 2018—‘Bomb It!’

By Pam Oliver Lyons

Our New Year will begin with the showing of the international graffiti documentary film, “Bomb It!” on Tuesday, January 9 at 7 p.m. in the Vineyard Center. This film was a highly regarded 2007 Tribeca Film Festival Candidate. Throughout the film, graffiti artists challenge the viewer about the use of public space and the legitimacy of the counter culture message.

From illegal street “bombing” to getting six-figure commissions from major museums, such as the Louvre, MET, Whitney, Groningen and collector galleries, graffiti invites each individual to consider if this is art and/or a “nuisance.” Brown University graffiti researcher/historian Stefano E. Bloch and Director/Producer Jon Reiss provide us with extra background to consider our response.

Women artists such as Lady Pink of LA, Tracy 168 of Brooklyn, Faith47 of South Africa and the Godmother of Japanese graffiti BELx2 are interviewed as well as many more artists from around the world. In our times graffiti often speaks to banned politics, social issues, poverty and censorship. Often these artists resist with their lives, but only a few are rewarded. This film shows us the motivations of both the lesser and the well known artists.

Join us Tuesday, January 9 at 7 p.m. in the Vineyard Center. We will have a lively discussion afterward. What are the limits to public art? Who decides? Let’s talk!

This event is presented by the Villages Arts and Crafts Association.

Dr. James Joye to lead hypertension discussion

Over 85 million Americans suffer from hypertension, or high blood pressure. Because this affliction affects a significant percentage of Villagers, the Villages Medical Auxiliary (VMA) has always stressed the importance of maintaining a normal blood pressure and routinely offers blood pressure tests.

The VMA will host Dr. James Joye, a noted local cardiologist, for a broad discussion of hypertension on January 9 at 10 a.m. in the Vineyard Center. Registration is not required. Topics will include a definition of high blood pressure and acceptable ranges, risk factors, symptoms, causes, treatment, interventions and what happens if it is left untreated.

Dr. Joye has been affiliated with El Camino Hospital in Mountain View, CA for over 20 years where he has served as Director of Research & Education, the Cardiac Catheterization Suites, and the Structural Heart program for the Norma Melchor Heart & Vascular Institute.



Dr. James Joye

Bingo to return in February

The Afternoon Bingo game for January has been canceled. We hope to see you in February. Enjoy your holidays. Any questions? Contact Betty Stednitz at 408-300-1989.

Water District rep to speak at SIR 114

Luncheon on January 9

The SIR 114 speaker for January 9 will be Colleen Valles, a public information representative from the Santa Clara Valley Water District (SCVWD). She handles media relations and writes District publications, in addition to other communication responsibilities. Colleen has nearly a decade of experience as a reporter and editor of newspapers and the Associated Press, a policy aide to an elected official, and a spokesperson for the local transportation authority. She is a graduate of the University of California Santa Barbara.

The presentation will cover background information on the SCVWD, as well as current activities the District is undertaking. There will be a questions and answer period for specific requests.

Guests are invited to attend. Please come to the Clubhouse around 12:30 p.m.



Colleen Valles

Opera Lovers: 'The Daughter of The Regiment'

DWe begin our new year 2018 with Donizetti's delightful opera on Friday, January 12. It will bring vocal thrills and an abundance of laughs, a combination that's hard to beat. The stars are Juan Diego Flórez and Natalie Dessay, who are in top form in their bel canto roles. Flórez's mellifluous tenor has nine high C's in "Ah! Mes Amis," and is supple enough to make his tender love arias moving. Dessay is poignant in such heart-tugging pieces as her farewell to her regimental "fathers" and her misery as the victim of the Marquise's well-meaning attempts to teach her to be an aristocratic lady, yet she's a terrific comic actress beginning with her doing the regiment's laundry, and her antics with the iron and the ironing board while singing elaborately difficult coloratura passages. This will induce many laughs. You'll enjoy the fine playing of the Orchestra and Chorus of the Royal Opera House and world class singing actors. Conductor Bruno Campanella leads a spirited performance, Laurent Pelly's enhanced stage direction is wonderful for its comic touches and Chantal Thomas' simple but effective sets add to the delights. We'll meet at Vineyard Center at 1:30 p.m. and the DVD will run for two hours and 10 minutes. Come and bring a friend. For more info, call Bonnie Preston at 408-531-1513.

Chinese Club: Estate Planning info session

By Chong "Albert" Chan

Many of our members have expressed desire to learn more about important issues affecting their senior living. Thus, the Chinese Club has developed a series of teaching sessions to help them get a better handle on 1) Estate Planning, 2) Dental Care, and 3) Vision Care, respectively. The first of these series is going to be held at the Montgomery Center on Saturday, January 13 from 10 a.m. to 12-noon. Our speaker is Connie Yi, a well-established attorney as well as a licensed certified public accountant (CPA), who provides comprehensive estate planning, trust administration, probate advice and counsel around the Bay Area. Her depth of experience with tax and international estate issues helps her clients identify the most effective way to protect their personal wealth and share it efficiently with those they choose. Connie is here not to give a sales pitch of her services. Her focus is to empower our members with the basic but crucial knowledge needed to make better decisions regarding their estate matters. The teaching session will be conducted mainly in English. But for some of our Chinese members who are more comfortable conversing with Chinese, Connie is fluent with the Mandarin and Cantonese dialects and thus can address questions and/or issues with such dialects.

Non-members of the Chinese Club are also welcome to attend. However, due to space limitation, i.e. there are only 50 seats at the Montgomery Center, members may have first priority in seating arrangement if there is a shortage of seats.

Take Computer Classes for Adults

Computer Classes for Adults at the Almaden Community Center will be holding its winter class registration on January 6, at 11:30 a.m., 6445 Camden, San Jose. The Winter Session dates will be January 22 through March 19.

For the past 17 years, the SeniorNet Learning Center of Almaden has taught adults how to use their computers, tablets, and smartphones. Starting in January, our name will be Computer Classes for Adults, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit education organization. We'll also be known sometimes as AlmadenCCA. Same location. Same staff. New name. Same goal of helping you make better use of technology so you can keep up with the modern world.

We welcome all adults who want to know more about their computers, smartphones, and tablets, and who want to learn at a comfortable pace, with individual help when needed. Classes are taught using PC computers with Windows 10; no Apple Mac computers. Students taking iPhone, iPad, and Android courses bring their own devices to class.

Winter session topics include Computer Basics (for beginners and anyone who wants to refresh their skills), Windows 10, iPhones and iPads, Android phones and tablets, the internet, Facebook, Gmail, Google Photos, Microsoft Word, Print Shop party projects, organizing the stuff on your computer, and even an iPad course for musicians. The two-hour workshops are a quick take on a variety of subjects. You can sign up by attending registration or by using the proxy form in the eight-page brochure (mailer), which includes the schedule and descriptions for all courses and workshops. If you do not receive the mailer directly, you can find it at www.almadencca.org

If you were on the old mailing list, you'll receive the mailer. Copies will also be available at the information desk in the lobby in late December, or visit www.almadencca.org, where you'll find links for the schedule, mailer, and a proxy form. Call 408-674-1401 if you have questions.

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More CLUBS

Ceramics class for beginners

Take a fun class to learn the basics of hand-building and slab work with clay. This four-week class for beginners starts Thursday, January 4 through Thursday, January 25, 10 a.m. to 12-noon in the Ceramics Room at Cribari. All materials are supplied; just show up and we'll make some clay projects for you to take home, including this "Villages" tile. The total cost is \$75. Contact Barbara Gottesman at 408-531-9402 or email: barb.gottesman@gmail.com. The class is limited to six students, so call today and reserve your place.



Continuing Ceramics Class

In Continuing Ceramics, learn more about decorating your clay pieces. In this class you'll learn specialty techniques of sgraffito, slip-trailing and carving. This is a four-week class starting Tuesday, January 9 through Tuesday, January 30 from 10 a.m. to 12-noon in the Ceramics Room at Cribari. Decorating materials will be supplied; just bring your clay and we'll make some fun projects for you to take home. The total cost is \$65. Contact Barbara Gottesman at 408-531-9402 or email: barb.gottesman@gmail.com. Class is limited to six students, so call today and reserve your place.



VAT: 30 actors auditioned for 'Anything Goes'

The Villages Amateur Theatre's Board of Directors would like to thank the 30 people who auditioned for roles in our upcoming spring production of "Anything Goes." Seven of them are new to the VAT. We appreciate new actors as they bring different backgrounds, fresh ideas, and new talent. They also help us keep our promise to bring you the absolute best entertainment value at the Villages. Our last two plays featured new actors in leading roles—Lou Figone in "Guys & Dolls" and Connie Hendrickson in "Blithe Spirit."



You may be interested in knowing that of the 30 who auditioned, eight were men, and 22 were women. The Audition Committee will be meeting over the next several days to finalize the casting decisions for the production. It is expected that the major characters will be named first, followed by the others. Before being given a role, actors will be required to agree to the rehearsal schedule for the production. The major components in choosing the actors for the production will be singing and acting ability, and comedic timing.

The play's website tells us, "All Aboard for this saucy and splendid production of 'Anything Goes,' winner of three 2011 Tony Awards® including Best Musical Revival and Choreography! One of the greatest musicals in theater history, Cole Porter's first-class musical comedy is sailing across the country! The New York Times hails it a 'musical comedy joy' and USA Today calls it 'glorious and exuberant!'"

There will be three performances—Friday, April 6 at 7:30 p.m.; Saturday, April 7 at 2:30 p.m. and Sunday, April 8 at 2:30 p.m. in the Cribari Auditorium.

Please mark your calendars and get ready for a very funny, light hearted musical comedy—a very entertaining night out with family and friends.

Hiking Calendar (Continued from page 12)

from Almaden Lake the trail follows Los Alamitos Creek on mostly level ground. Hike mileage is 3-4 miles. Auto mileage is about 30 miles round trip. Lunch nearby is an option.

Wednesday, January 31 (Rambler): Katy Peretti (408-531-0917) will lead a 4-5 mile hike to Starbuck/New Seasons. Participants will have an opportunity to catch up during a coffee break. Optional return hike via Farnsworth.

Peninsula Food Runners need volunteers

Are you looking for a satisfying but flexible volunteer opportunity? Peninsula Food Runners is a volunteer organization dedicated to alleviate hunger and reduce food waste. We are building our volunteer base in Santa Clara County and invite you to join us.

Peninsula Food Runner volunteers pick up excess perishable and prepared food from Donors (restaurants, caterers, corporate cafeterias, etc.), and then deliver the food directly to our Recipients (shelters, day centers for the elderly, Boys and Girls Clubs, etc.).

Surplus food is available, but we have too few drivers in San Jose to transport the food to local non-profits, which feed the hungry. Please join us as a volunteer!

Shifts normally take less than 90 minutes and can work around your schedule. Interested or curious? Please email Molly Rhine at m.rhine@comcast.net or call her at (408) 396-8705.

BRIDGE HAND

By J.M.K.

NORTH

♠ 10 7
♥ A 6 5
♦ A K 10 8 6
♣ J 6 3

EAST

♠ J 9 6 2
♥ J 7 3
♦ J 9 5
♣ A K 2

SOUTH

♠ A Q
♥ K Q 10 9 4 2
♦ Q 4 2
♣ 5 4

WEST

♠ K 8 5 4 3
♥ 8
♦ 7 3
♣ Q 10 9 8 7

Dealer: South
Vulnerability: None

Bidding: South	West	North	East
1 Heart	Pass	2 Diamonds	Pass
2 Hearts	Pass	4 Hearts	All Pass

Contract: 4 Hearts by South
Opening Lead: 10 of Clubs*

Dealer has 1 possible loser in Spades, maybe 1 in Hearts, and 2 in Clubs.

Strategy: Take out trumps and run the Diamonds

West leads the 10 of Clubs, South plays the Jack from the board, East, wins with the King, continues with the Ace, then a low Club, and South trumps. He plays the King of Hearts, then leads a Heart to the Ace on the board, next a Heart to the Queen in his hand. He switches to the Queen of Diamonds, continues with a low Diamond to the Ace on the board, next the King of Diamonds, then the 10, sluffs the Queen of Spades from his hand, and now claims since his last three cards are trumps. Well done. The contract is made with one overtrick.

* Leading from an interior sequence is far better than leading away from a King which often allows a Queen to take the trick.

Along the Way—a trip down Memory Lane

(With Tom Zades—contact him at: tomzades@gmail.com)

Not a Christmas goes by that I don't think about the story that

Mom used to tell every year as I was growing up. She and her nine sisters and three brothers were raised during the depression. As first generation Irish immigrants, they had very little, to be sure.

The only present Mom wanted for Christmas one year was a doll like the one her older sister had. How it must break a mother's heart not to be able to make a girl happy on Christmas morning. As Mom remembers it, she opened the present with her name on it and found a doll, but quickly recognized it as her sister's. Her mother had tried to clean it up and put some different material on it, hoping it would at least make her happier than receiving no doll at all.

Mom said that within a few days she was already regretting the tantrum she had thrown about receiving a hand-me-down doll. But it was years before she understood how much it pained her parents not to be able to give her a new doll for Christmas, and how much worse she made them feel that Christmas morning. I have a few black and white photos of Christmas mornings during my own childhood that show my absolute delight with a new bike or a cowboy outfit. My folks had no money for such things, but they did it anyway. They eventually lost our little house, because they couldn't make the mortgage payment, but my brother and I were more important, even if only for those brief hours or those few days. Mom and Dad have been gone for many years now, but they left a living place in my heart through the choices they made all those years ago.



Tom Zades as a youthful gunslinger

RELIGION

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

Wishing all of you a very **Happy and Holy Christmas and New Year**. Thank you all for your generosity during this last year, when asked to help the less fortunate people around us.

Our Christmas Eve Mass will be Sunday, December 24, at 5 p.m. in **Cribari**. There will also be our regular **Sunday morning Mass** at 8:15 a.m. to fulfill our obligation. Please mark your calendars.

If you are not receiving your **Green envelopes** please check at the back table. We will have some there for you.

We are taking donations for running our **Shelter** and are also asking people to donate their time in helping. Please call Leona Karayan at 408-223-2325 or Bob Dolci at 408-223-1855. They will be happy to hear from you.

We are still looking for voices for our **beautiful choir**. You do not have to sing solo, just sing along with the choir. You will be sure of a seat at Mass especially at Christmas. Call Mary Mazer at 408-528-1732.

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

Food and Clothing Drive: Please be generous with you donations of non-perishable foods and clothing for the needy at Christmas. Thank you all so much for your donations.

Sunday Altar Set-Up: If Pope Francis or Bishop Patrick were coming to the Villages to say Mass, we would have many people offering to dress the altar. We actually have a much more important guest who comes every Sunday—our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Dressing the altar for Him is a huge privilege. We need two people to fill a vacancy we now have. Geri Wilk would love to hear from you at 530-307-9131. This is one wonderful area of **Stewardship**.

If you are new to the Villages and would like to find out more about our Ecclesial Community, contact Karen Kosmala at 408-223-2620.

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

There is Friday Mass at 9 a.m. the first three Fridays of every month in the Conference room. It is preceded by the Rosary at 8:30 a.m.

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.

SEARCH THE SCRIPTURES

Search The Scriptures class will next meet on Monday, January 15, 2018. **Happy New Year to all!**

COMMUNITY CHAPEL

By Pastor Bill Hayden

It's not like the way it was in times past. There was a time when you could secretly leave someone a bag of groceries or presents at their door while hiding to see their reaction. Those kind and loving gestures today are frowned upon because people have become suspicious of foul play, especially if they have been a victim of someone's evil deeds. "The Age of Trust" is melting away like an iceberg. If a package is delivered to a door without any indication of who sent it, the police may be called, or the package be thrown away without ever being opened.

In a way, it's becoming increasingly difficult to do those kinds of deeds anonymously because people are conditioned to think that someone is trying to bring harm and not kindness. The word "Kind" seems to be fading away like an old pair of jeans. To be kind is a characteristic of the nature of a loving God. There is power and healing in being kind. Ephesians 4:32 NKJV "And be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God in Christ forgave you."

There are opportunities all around us to be kind, especially during this Christmas Celebration. If you choose to be kind to someone, life has a way of returning the kindness you have shown to others. Together we can make our community glisten with kindness and we can spread it all around like snowflakes falling from heaven.

Don't look for a gift under the tree; be the gift for someone who doesn't have a tree to decorate or gifts to give. I can't think of a better gift to receive than the gift that has been given to us by God in sending His son. May this Christmas be the most memorable and meaningful for you and yours.

Please join us this Sunday in our Christmas Eve Service and Communion at the Villages Community Chapel in Cribari Auditorium 10 a.m. to be encouraged over the Word, a cup of coffee and cookies. The chapel is a place for needs to be met, faith to be affirmed and people to love. We would love to meet you. 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/>*

Wishing you all a very Blessed Christmas.

EPISCOPAL

Episcopal Church Services on Sunday, December 24, 2017

Fourth Sunday of Advent

at The Villages – Montgomery Center at 8:30 a.m.

Come worship with us as The Rev. Mary Morrison celebrates the Holy Eucharist and we transform the club room into a house of God. "There is a place at God's table for everyone." Join us after the service for fellowship and breakfast in the Clubhouse. All are welcome.

at Trinity Cathedral – 81 North Second Street, San Jose at 10:30 a.m.

The Very Rev. David Bird, Dean of Trinity Cathedral, will celebrate the Holy Eucharist with full choir and organ accompaniment.

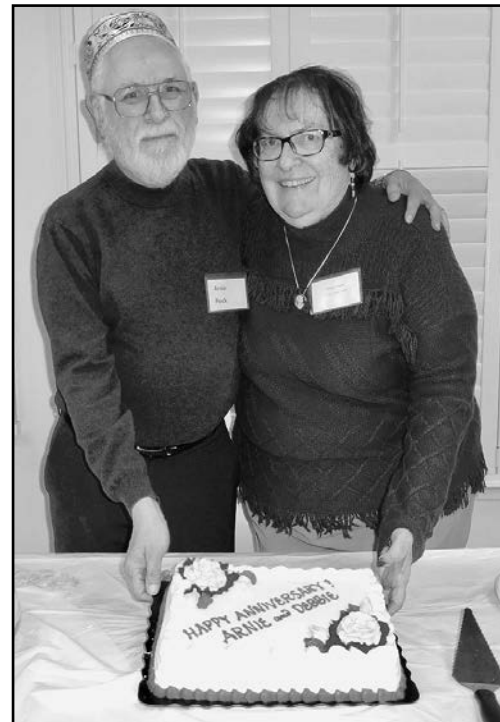
"May the beauty of this Christmas season surround you with Love, Peace and Hope."

JEWISH GROUP

Happy Chanukah and Happy Anniversary!



Happy Chanukah from the Jewish Group and Happy 60th wedding anniversary to Arnie and Debbie Pinck. Photos by Judy Stein



Let us Pray

St. Francis of Assisi Sunday Mass times:

Saturday—5 p.m. Chapel
 Sunday—8:15 a.m. 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
 Friday—9 a.m. Cribari Conf. Room

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

SPORTS NEWS

SWINGERS



A special guest “rocked” the house at the Swingers’ Annual Christmas Holiday Luncheon on Tuesday, December 12. Left: Elvis with Jan Flynn. Right: Connie Fortner, Mitzi Macon and Elvis with Swingers’ Captain Pam Short.

By Linda Piersol

Do the Swingers know how to have a good time? Both on the course and off, you better believe they do! Such was the case when we held our Holiday Luncheon recently. After 62 of us played on a warm December day on our beautifully groomed course, we sat down to a delicious lunch of mixed green salad, chicken pasta, enhanced by a flavorful sauce, and ending with the festive chocolate Yule Logs. A huge thank you to our party planners, Carol Begley, Giselle Barber, and Charlotte Waugh.

After lunch the fun continued with a surprise performance by a very famous entertainer and heart-throb, “Elvis Presley!” He sang all our favorites while moving in typical “Elvis fashion” from table to table, delighting every one of us. The cheers, laughter, and clapping “rocked” the entire Clubhouse.

We are all looking forward to another wonderful year of golf here with old friends and newcomers.

Pizzazz proceeds benefit Charitable Outreach

The proceeds from Pizzazz, the Swingers 2017 Charity of Choice event, have been given to Charitable Outreach, a program under the VMA that provides support for the homeless population in our county. With over 6,500 individuals homeless on any given night, there is a tremendous need.



Pam Short (Swingers Captain), Sherry Benz and Linda Curyea (Pizzazz Co-chairs), and Pam Leonard and Margaret Campisi (Charitable Outreach Coordinators).

Margaret Campisi and Pam Leonard, Charitable Choice coordinators, are networking with local churches, shelters and agencies to help meet the need. The things we take for granted, like a clean pair of underwear, socks or toiletries, are given to folks who are without. Meeting these basic needs is compassionate and helps as other agencies provide support and services to the homeless through counseling, job training and a move to find permanent housing.

VMA has purchased a storage unit for Charitable Outreach. That means they have room to receive your generous donations of clothing, blankets, and new toiletries. If you are interested in donating items or your time to help Charitable Outreach, contact Margaret Campisi (408-532-8644) or Pam Leonard (408-613-2194).

18-HOLE WOMEN

By Barbara Swiontek

Thursday, December 14—Onto the fairway they did drive with visions of eagles, birdies, pars and chip-ins before their eyes. Some visions were realized and some not. But here are the visions that were got:

- Eagles—so sad—no eagles were around.
- Birdies—Lyn Strong (#8) and Lanette Carey (#1).
- Pars—Too many to count.
- Chip-ins—Lyn Strong (#8).

And the golf was embellished with the presence of seven guests on Friendship Day—Terri Neidigh, Gloria Hernandez, Fungha Chang, Dan Affourtit (birdie on #4), Brooks Fuller, Jeff Schlageter and Mike Swiontek.

And bringing the morning to a close, Elizabeth brought forth the luncheon fare. Many thanks to Elizabeth for caring for the 18-Hole Ladies throughout the year!

Remember ladies Santa is coming with a bag full of birdies and pars so be good—but have fun. Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!



18 Hole Ladies thank Elizabeth from the Clubhouse!

Working Women Group

By Barbara Swiontek

One of the options to playing on Thursday in 18 Hole Women’s Golf group, for those ladies still in the working world, is to participate as a member of the Working Women’s Golf—a group that tees off each Saturday throughout the year. One of the notable accomplishments of that group was a hole-in-one on September 30 by Mary Ann Diridon. If you are still working or find that the Thursday tee time does not meet with your schedule, please join the Saturday Working Women’s Golf group. Contact Chris Leisy for further information.



Mary Ann Diridon had a hole-in-one!

MEN’S GOLF CLUB



By David Bacigalupi (baci1786@aol.com)

Holiday Thoughts From The Men’s Golf Club: Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah and a very Happy New Year for 2018 from all the members of the 2017 and 2018 Men’s Golf Club Executive Committee, including Hal Hallock, David “Baci” Bacigalupi, Jeff Buckingham, Gary Chappell, Jim Seymour, David Gonzales, Jim Danielski, Geoff Gault, Kyle Finley, Ray Blinde, Rob Davis and Jack McCarthy! And my special message to Santa... This year I would like a *large* bank account and a *low* golf score. Please don’t mix them up like last year!

HOLE-IN-ONE AND EAGLES: Congratulations to Michael Actman for his Hole-in-One on November 21 on Hole #11. Also congratulations to Rob Davis, scoring an eagle 3 on Hole #2 on November 29.

NCGA Dues For 2018: The NCGA has increased their dues for 2018 from \$36 to \$39. All Men and Ladies with NCGA memberships who wish to cancel must contact Membership Chairman David Gonzales at dm001@sbcglobal.net before December 31, 2017. Men’s Club members must maintain their NCGA membership through the Villages Men’s Golf Club even if they are members elsewhere. Members no longer golfing who don’t want to pay the NCGA dues can become an Associate Member. See below.

Men’s Club Dues For 2018: Due to inflation (i.e. cost of meals, tournament donuts etc.), the Executive Committee voted to increase the Men’s Club dues to \$30 starting in 2018. Billing will be in January.

Welcome Associate Members: Associate Members are eligible to participate in all non-golfing events of the Men’s Golf Club (Summer Barbecue, General Meeting lunch, etc.). Associate Members pay the same Men’s Club dues, (except Hole-in-One fees, as they are opted out of this program) but are no longer required to pay NCGA dues. Former Men’s Club members who are no longer playing golf and therefore dropped out are invited to re-join as Associate Members to share in the camaraderie. Contact Membership Chairman David Gonzales at dm001@sbcglobal.net to apply.

Executive Committee Meeting: The Men’s Golf Club Executive Committee meets the first Tuesday of the month at 8:30 a.m. in the Cribari Patio Room. Our next meeting of the Men’s Club Executive Committee will be on Tuesday, January 2. The meetings are open to all members. Also, remember to visit our website at www.villagesmensgolf.com for the latest information.

Miscellaneous: Don’t forget to convert your Sweeps Credits at the Pro Shop to a gift card before December 31! Use them or lose them. *** See you in 2018, as there will not be a Villager next week. ***

SHONIS

By Marge McCandless

Nineteen members were out playing on our last official sweeps day of 2017. The rest of us were home dressing up in our best outfits to attend the annual Holiday Luncheon. It was actually a comfortable day to play. Lorrie Scott chipped in for a Birdie on Hole #8 and Teddy Morse had Birdies on Hole #5 and Hole #7. Our next regular Sweeps Day will be on January 2, 2018. Our Thursday just-for-fun play will continue the rest of the year at 10:30 a.m. If you wish to play on the remaining Tuesdays, show up before 10:30 a.m. to play for fun.

We arrived at the Sunset Room around noon on December 12 and were greeted by Co-Chairs June Cramer and Vivian Wilczak. They had prepared nice table decorations and candy cane holders for our name tags and luncheon choices. Our brand new membership books were ready for us and we thank Harriet Tower who had prepared them. Dot Lesyna played a variety of holiday tunes on the piano while we gathered to say hello to our regular players plus a few of the ladies who are now social members. The very special photo album was on display. Thank you, Vivian, for the pictures you take all year of our special people and events.

Captain Meg Rogers introduced and thanked the 2017 Board Members: Co-Captains Marlene Wilde and Joan Wiseman, Secretary Nancy Chesterton, and Treasurer Maggie Winters. Meg will continue as Captain and will be joined by Co-Captains Bonnie Evans and Kacy Walden, Secretary Barbara Karayn, and Treasurer Teddy Morse. Meg reminded us to use up any sweeps money by buying merchandise in the Pro Shop or putting money toward a gift card or a Pro Shop card, which can be used for driving range balls. Bonnie Evans was called to the front table to receive the official whistle to use to start play each Tuesday. June Cramer told us that the centerpiece Christmas trees on each table were to be given to the person who has a birthday closest to Christmas Day.

After a delicious luncheon prepared and served by Clubhouse staff and selected by June and Vivian, the trophies of the year were presented. Most Birdies: Meg Rogers; Most Improved Player, Teddy Morse; Most Captain's Trophies, Bonnie Evans; Club Champion, Sheryl Driskell. Congratulations to these special members. Meg was then presented a beautiful orchid plant as thanks for being our Captain.

New Year's Resolution: Get out and play more often, lower my handicap, have fun with a great group of women!

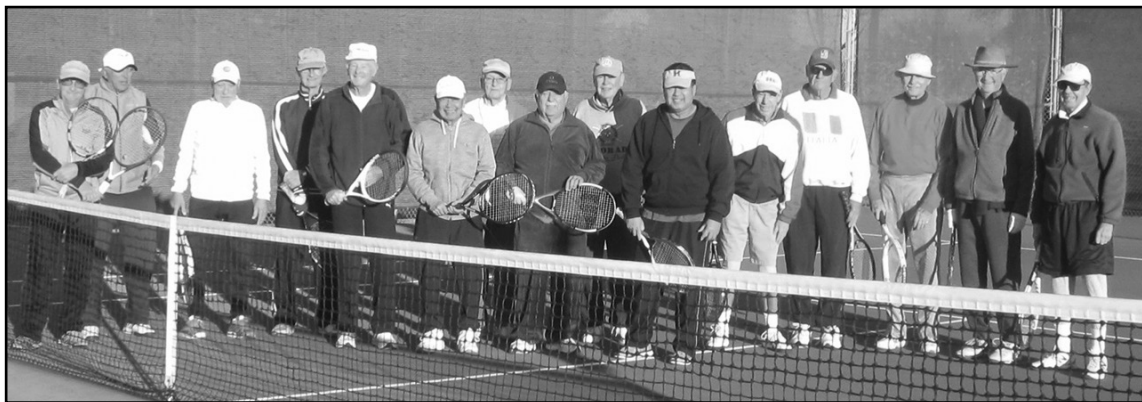


Congratulations to Sheryl Driskell, 2017 Shoni club champion.



The Shonis welcome new member Diane Davis. Photos by Vivian Wilczak

TENNIS TALK



Tuesday-Thursday-Saturday Drop-In Boys!

Photo by John Mueller

By Phyllis and John Mueller

What do you do on Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday at 7:30 to 9 a.m. on courts 1-4? If you are an experienced tennis player, you could be one of approximately 20 guys who play "Drop-In" tennis on three mornings a week.

Everyone plays and there are no teams, just a rotation with the opportunity to play with all the guys present on any particular play day. Lots of laughs and giggles but also some serious tennis. One of the best parts about "Drop-In" is that if a player can't play, they have no responsibility to get a replacement. They just don't show up.

This is certainly one of the premier activities sponsored by our Tennis Club. Other "Drop-Ins" sponsored by the Tennis Club are: Sunday-Mixed Drop-In 10:30 a.m. to noon, Tuesday and Thursday Men's Drop-In 9 to 10:30 a.m., Friday Women's Drop-In 7:30 to 10:30 a.m.

We recently have had some sad news of tennis players joining that big court up in the sky. Our thoughts are with them and their loved ones and the fond memories we all have.

Happy Holidays to all and a Happy 2018!

TABLE TENNIS

By Alan Waltho

Don't forget to sign up for the Holiday dinner at 6:30 p.m. on Friday, January 26 at the Clubhouse. For an all-inclusive price of \$36 per person you get a choice of the dinner entrees below:

Chicken - Balsamic Glazed Chicken Piccata with Lemon and parsley sauce, rice pilaf and seasonal vegetables.

Fish - Stuffed Filet of Sole with mornay sauce, brown rice and seasonal vegetables.

Beef - Villages Lemon Pepper Tri-tip with choice of Potato and seasonal vegetables.

Vegetarian - Eggplant Parmigiana with marinara sauce, mozzarella cheese and pasta.

All meals include wine or soft drinks, rolls, mixed green or Caesar salad, desert and coffee or hot tea.

If you have not already signed up, please register with your choice of meal at alan.waltho@comcast.net by phone at 408-238-3435 or sign up in the MMR. All current and prospective players are welcome.

IRONMEN

By Bill Travis

It was another great day to play golf. We continued on our winter schedule, teeing off at 1 p.m. The weather was sunny and warm. We had an enthusiastic turnout and the results are as follows:

Net Sweeps winners for this week are:

First Place Tony Illich with a net score of 20.

Second Place Mario Silva with a net score of 23.

Third Place John Eige with a net score of 29.

There were three birdies today:

John Eige on hole 9; Mario Silva on hole 2; and Bill Travis on hole 9.

Our deep thought and/or humor for today is:

"Nothing increases your golf score like witnesses." - Unknown

PINSEEKERS

By John Eige

The course was in fine condition and we had no excuses, except maybe cold hands at first. The net winners this week were all better than par, and the competition came down to whether one long shot or putt landed right or wrong.

First place was a tie by Gary Holmquist and Tim Short with net 32s.

In second with another tie were Dick Frey and Martin Hoek with 33s.

Third was a three-way tie by John Murphy, Richard Petroski, and John Eige with 34s.

And fourth place was held by Phil Robinson alone with a 35.

The competition for Club Champion of 2018 is still close, and the present high point counts are: Dave Cook 38, Tim Short 37, Bob Iacopi 36, and Phil Robinson 34.

BOCCE BEAT



Happy Holiday Greetings from the Bocce Club. Keep your eyes out for the Installation Dinner Invitation, which will be announced here in the Villager, The Fast Lane and the TV channel 26.



SCOREBOARD

BRIDGE

Monday, December 11:
 1. LouAnn Partridge/Marie Chong 2. Lorrie Scott/Mary LeGrand 3. Tahera Khalil/Kausalya Iyengar

Wednesday, December 13:
 1. Mary LeGrand/Jonna Robinson 2. Barbara Varner/Joseph Henry 3. Jan Kiernan/Sumi Minami

Thursday, December 14:
 1. Mary LeGrand/Marilyn Ribardo 2/3 tie. Joseph Henry/Marie Chong 2/3 tie. Jonna Robinson/Ed Logg. 4. Cathy Struck/Ray Struck

MEXICAN TRAIN DOMINOES

Wednesday, December 13	Friday, December 15
Shirley Bellavance 155	Kit Hultquist 198
Beverly Wharton 185	Theresa Meditch 242
Vicky Linscott 209	Cathy Razumich 243
Earl Magoun 341	Vicky Linscott 318

18-HOLE WOMEN SWINGERS

Thursday, December 14	Tuesday, December 12
Flight One: Monica Saneholtz 85 75 Lyn Strong 89 73	Flight One: Renee Woolard 48 34 Connie Fortner 55 39 Kay Gray 55 39 Gail Tuft 55 40
Flight Two: Mary Ann Diridion 89 68 Betty Sharps 97 74 Jay Lee 98 74	Flight Two: Laura Swenson 52 33 Wendy Ledamun 55 35 Anka Hoek 55 35 Beverly Murphy 54 36
Flight Three: Alice Glazer 99 71 Cathy Struck 105 75 Geri Wilk 103 75	Flight Three: Karen Kosmala 58 34 Linda Lamanno 59 35 Sandie Jones 64 38 Victoria Nourian 61 38
Flight Four: Jo Ann Bundgard 104 73 Barbara Swiontek 116 76	Flight Four: Laura Volz 64 35 Janet Knapp 65 38 Lois Locatelli 72 39 Doreen Senior 69 40
Flight Five: Barbara Nilsen 96 71 Ann Crews 100 75	

SHONIS

Tuesday, December 12
Flight One: Barbara Karayn 35 12 23 Sheryl Driskell 36 11 25 Joanie Needham 39 13 26
Flight Two: Teddy Morse 40 17 23 Johanna Bakker 41 18 23 Jonna Robinson 42 16 26 Bonnie Evans 43 17 26 Lorrie Scott 42 16 26
Flight Three: Jeannie Kane 44 24 20 Tahera Khalil 43 19 24 Juliana Wahlgren 47 21 26

PINOCHLE

Wednesday, December 13
 Phyllis Ogden Sagen
 Shirley Bellavance
 Pat Luebcke
 Shara Ferrara

Friday, December 15
 Donna Vivoli
 Mike Cox
 Al Diamond
 Duane Sagen



FROM THE PRO

By Scott Steele, PGA Head Golf Professional

The Villages Pro Shop is a perfect place to find a gift for that golfer in your life!

Give the gift of Golf—A gift certificate for a round of golf or a golf lesson is that perfect stocking stuffer that will make any golfer happy. Visit the Pro Shop now.

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Come see the Holiday Blowout Sale Rack full of great golf gear and some surplus 50th Anniversary merchandise at a fabulous discount!

Now through December 31, order any dozen Titleist Golf Ball (Except New AVX) and get **free personalization**...Up to three lines of imprint at 17 characters/line maximum in black, blue, red, green, or pink imprint. Come by the Golf Shop to get your order in ASAP!

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Pro Shop Sweeps Credits

This is a friendly reminder that if you have any prize money on your Pro Shop Sweeps account, you must transfer that to a Villages Gift Card by December 31. If you cannot make it to the Pro Shop by the end of the year, please call us at 408-754-1331 and we will be happy to assist you and we will create a gift card in your name and transfer the sweeps balance for you and hold your card until you can pick it up.

Golf Course Schedule

Now that the holidays are upon us, remember that if the weather is nice, the golf course will be busy. Be sure to try to call to reserve a tee time in advance, especially if you want to bring out some guests. If I remember correctly, we will be very busy during the week prior to and the week after Christmas, so please plan ahead.

On Sunday, December 24, the golf course will open at

7:18 a.m., the Pro Shop will be open from 7 a.m. to 1 p.m., and closed at 1 p.m. in observance of **Christmas Eve**.

On Monday, December 25, the Pro Shop and Clubhouse will be closed all day in observance of the **Christmas** holiday. If you endeavor to play golf that day, please be aware of potential **frost** on the golf course and wait until the temperatures exceed 45 degrees and there is no visible frost on the golf course. Playing on frost will kill the grass. Thank you!

On Tuesday, December 26, the golf course will be open for play for **all members** at 7:18 a.m. and all day. Come enjoy your wonderful golf course!

Colored Flags

Remember now that winter is here, the golf course can and most likely will be affected by the weather. Remember to check the flag at the Driving range to see what color it is for the day.

Green Flag means the course is open and carts access is permitted

Yellow Flag means that there is a frost delay and no play is allowed until lifted

Red Flag means that golf carts are restricted to the cart paths only due to wet conditions

Black Flag means that the golf course and practice areas are completely closed due to dangerous or abnormal conditions

Roped-off & Flagged areas on golf course

Please remember to avoid driving on the newly seeded areas on the golf course. We had some surplus seed from the fall overseeding process, and while the weather is still cooperative, we are using this surplus seed to fill in some bare areas on the golf course. These bare areas being re-seeded are in the rough under trees and in areas of excessive cart traffic. Please be aware of these areas...they are identified with yellow flags and/or stakes and rope. While the seed is germinating, please keep cart traffic away from these yellow flagged areas and roped-off areas. And certainly please do not remove any flags, ropes or stakes from their position. We appreciate your cooperation!

Happy Holidays...See you at the course!



2018 Just For Fun Golf Series

Announcing the full schedule of events for 2018'S JUST FOR FUN GOLF Series at The Villages:

January 28: Frostbite Open
July 22: Giving Something Back - VMA
October 7: Golf For Gazebo Park - EVF

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LANDSCAPE & MAINTENANCE

MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE

Cribari
5309-5363 and 5400-5432—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.
5423-5428 and 5489-5553—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 12/25-12/29.
Trash Enclosures—Bumper and stopper installation in progress.
Cribari Knolls—Window washing in planning; with Cribari Place to follow.
Cribari Place; 5090-510—Power washing, prep and paint in progress.
Cribari Place—Partial power washing and painting of carports in progress.
Cribari Place—Dry rot repairs in progress.
Cribari Bluffs—Dry rot repairs in planning.
5205—Water remediation and reconstruction in progress.
Inspections and repairs of stair treads in planning.
5470—Water remediation and reconstruction in progress.
5532-5533—Water remediation and reconstruction in progress.

Del Lago
3101-3123—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.
3124-3126 and 3207-3226—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 12/25-12/29.
Daytime watering in progress.
Turf rejuvenation program; spraying and slice seeding in progress.

Estates
8842-8853—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.
8855-8866—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 12/25-12/29.

Fairways
4002, 4004 and 4006—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.
4008, 4010 and 4012—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 12/25-12/29.

Glen Arden
7741-7748 and 7750-7757—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.
7759-7775—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 12/25-12/29.

Heights
8502-8509—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.
8510-8519—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 12/25-12/29.

Hermosa
8005-8032—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.
8096-8125—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 12/25-12/29.
8334-8335 and 8398-8399—Roof and gutter replacement and stucco repairs in progress.
Colombard Ct.; 8338-8339—Roof replacement scheduled to start 1/15/18, weather permitting.

Highland
7528-7538 and 7541-7559—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.
7500-7527 and 7539-7540—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 12/25-12/29.
Turf rejuvenation program in planning.

Montgomery
6001-6045—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.
6046-6068 and 6120-6136—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 12/25-12/29.
Whaley Dr.—Sewer repairs in planning.
Gutter cleaning scheduled for 12/27-1/6.

Olivas
8736-8750, 8769-8775 and 8778-8782—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.
8776-8777, 8783-8785 and Grape Wagon—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 12/25-12/29.
Gutter cleaning scheduled for 12/11-12/23.
8767—Interior repairs in progress.

Sonata
2012-2024—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.
2000-2011 and 2030-2031—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 12/25-12/29.

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

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 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.



Christmas trees

Christmas tree pickup this year will be on the following days:

- Wednesday, December 27 and Thursday, December 28
- Tuesday, January 2 and Wednesday, January 3

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

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

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

Update on the Maintenance Work Order Process

The Maintenance Services Department is pleased to inform you that we have implemented a new email notification system for work order requests. In order to institute this new process, we ask you for your help. We plan to update our database to include your email address. Please send an email to: workorder@the-villages.com and provide us with your name, address, phone number and email address so we can enable the emailing status of your requested work orders.

Thank you for your efforts and support!

—Maintenance Services Department

Roof & Rain Gutter cleaning schedule for 2017-2018

The following is an approximate start and completion date for subject to rain gutter cleaning at all the Villages, weather permitting.

Village	Start Date	Completion Date
Olivas	December 11	December 23
Montgomery (Lower & Upper)	December 27	January 6
Del Lago	January 8	January 20
Fairways	January 22	January 27
Cribari	January 29	February 17
Verano	February 19	March 3
Highland	March 5	March 17
Glen Arden	March 19	March 24
Heights	March 26	March 31
Club Buildings	March 28	March 31

Should you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to call the Maintenance Services Customer Service line at 408-223-4670.

9015-9021 and 9028-9030—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 12/25-12/29.
9052—Leak detection in progress.

Verano

7331-7356—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.
7357-7377—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 12/25-12/29.

Daytime watering in progress.

Via Granja; 7300-7307—Dry rot repairs in progress.

Association

Turf aeration and turf fertilization in progress.

Monitoring of lake levels in progress.

Turf/grub activity damage control in progress.

Chemical treatment, animal trapping of skunks and raccoons, and lawn repairs at various districts in progress.

Mowing scheduled for every other week, weather permitting.

Club Centers

Cribari, Foothill and Montgomery Pools—Closed for the winter.

Clubhouse renovation project to start 1/2/18-1/5/18.

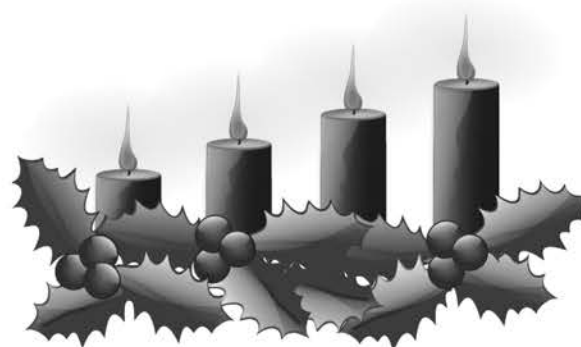
Golf Course #4 doors on the 5th tee replacement in progress.



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Sale price not available till escrow closes

	List price	Sq. Ft.	DOM
Verano	\$715,000	1568	42
	\$600,000	1442	60
	\$569,000	1386	62
Cribrari	\$460,000	1223	6
	\$419,000	1223	66
Montgomery	\$524,000	1127	3
Highlands	\$699,950	1497	64

CONDOS SOLD, CONT.

	List price	Sale price	Sq ft	DOM
Olivas	\$950,000	\$950,000	2281	29
	\$819,000	\$819,000	1675	4
Del Lago	\$744,500	\$758,000	1679	4
Heights	\$735,000	\$732,000	1571	0
	\$629,999	\$620,000	1497	59
Highlands	\$730,000	\$730,000	1509	1
	\$725,000	\$720,000	1509	31
	\$630,000	\$630,000	1490	7
Verano	\$699,950	\$726,500	1442	6
Cribrari	\$454,900	\$465,000	1240	14
	\$429,955	\$425,000	947	62
	\$399,000	\$415,000	947	7
	\$408,000	\$405,000	1223	22



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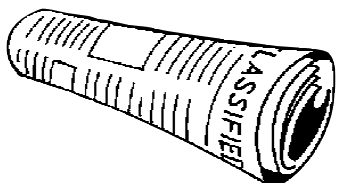
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OBITUARY

Glenn Dale Hamilton

October 6, 1929 — December 5, 2017

Glenn Dale Hamilton passed away unexpectedly on December 5, 2017. He is survived by his son, Alan Hamilton and his wife, Joan, and their sons, Christopher and Jeffery; Glenn's wife, Dolores, her son, Scott Litsinger and daughter, Lisa Escobar. The extended family includes seven grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. Glenn was predeceased by his first wife, Marjorie, in 1963.

Glenn was born October 6, 1929 in Kansas City, Missouri to Clifton and Viola Hamilton. Very early he developed two great passions—Aviation and the Science of Weather. A U.S. Navy scholarship enabled him to pursue both during his lifetime. He left the Midwest, graduated from UCLA with a B.A. in Meteorology and an M.A. in Meteorology from the Naval Post Graduate School in Monterey. He earned his wings at the U.S. Naval Air Training Command in Pensacola, Florida, in 1954. Recognizing his outstanding intellect, the Navy selected him to pursue a Ph.D. in Meteorology at the University of Stockholm, Sweden. Accompanied by his son, Alan (then three years old), he completed his Doctorate and went on to positions of leadership.

Glenn completed 24 years of active service in the U.S. Navy, having achieved the rank of Captain. Among his duties were: Aviator; Aircraft Carrier Navigator/Meteorologist/Oceanographer; Executive Officer of the Naval Fleet Numerical Oceanography Center in Monterey, California and the Navy Weather Research Facility in Norfolk, Virginia; Commanding Officer of the Naval Environmental Prediction Research Facility in Monterey, California; Commanding Officer of the Fleet Weather Central/Joint Typhoon Warning Center in Guam; and Deputy Director of Naval Oceanography and Meteorology in Bay St. Louis, Mississippi.

After retiring from the Navy with distinction, Glenn continued his work in Meteorology and Oceanography with the National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA). He directed the Data Systems Analysis at the National Data Buoy Center in Bay St. Louis, Mississippi.

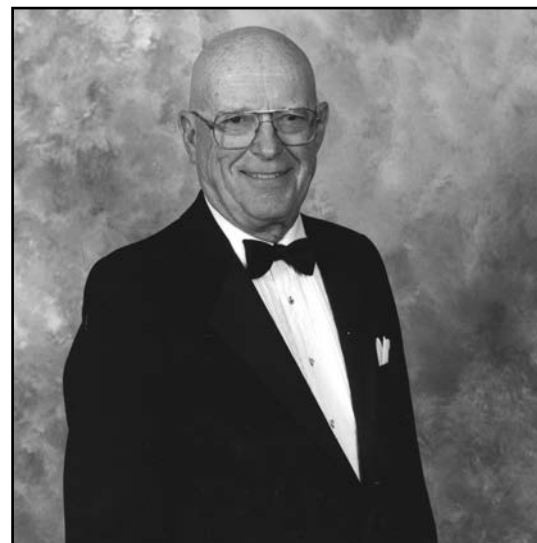
Glenn's life's journey ended in "The Villages" in San Jose, California, where he retired to be close to his son and family. In 1992 he met Dolores at a tennis function; they married in 1993. Together they traveled extensively, enjoyed many quiet hours together, as well as many social hours with good friends and family. He served on the Villages Rules Committee, but delighted in being President of the Tennis Club and guiding it during the trials of new construction. Glenn is characterized as having been: reserved but friendly; accomplished but humble; one who was firm and secure within himself but compassionate with others.



OBITUARY

Donald Reese Armitstead

May 13, 1927 — December 17, 2017



Don passed away on December 17, 2017 at the age of 90. He was born in San Francisco to Dr. Reo and Agnes Armitstead. The family moved to Ventura, California before Don was a year old. Don graduated from Ventura High School, and then attended Stanford University, the University of San Francisco and San Jose State University, where he graduated with a degree in education. His teaching career began at Fremont High School in the Mountain View/Los Altos Union High School District. In 1958 he moved to the Campbell Union High School District as a mathematics teacher and later was an administrator at Campbell, Blackford and Del Mar High Schools. He subsequently earned a master's degree in school psychology and counseling, and became a psychometrist for the same District.

In 1982 Don married his second wife Edith. The next year they moved to The Villages in San Jose, which has been their home ever since. He also took up golf about the same time, and quickly found a calling as a Rules Certified volunteer official for the Northern California Golf Association. Along with officiating at golf tournaments across northern California, he also became the "go-to" guru for golf rules as far as fellow Villages golfers were concerned. He finally and reluctantly retired from all officiating duties at age 85.

Don's interests and hobbies were many and varied. During his early years as a schoolteacher he worked weekends in a hardware store, which helped him to hone his skills in electrical work, carpentry and other crafts. His own homes, as well as his daughters' homes, benefitted from his expertise over the years. He was also always ready to master new challenges, such as learning to sail a boat, fly a single engine plane, downhill ski, and scuba dive.

In addition to playing every variety of card and board game and doing lots of all types of puzzles, Don and Edith enjoyed many years of extensive travel to various parts of the world, both by land and by sea. They particularly enjoyed their annual extended stays in the Hawaiian Islands, where Don served several years on the Board of Directors for a major timeshare development on the island of Kauai.

Don was preceded in death by his parents, his first wife, Margaret Hall Armitstead and an infant son. Don is survived by his wife of 35 years, Edith; daughter Julia and her husband Loren Bell, and grandchildren Jensina and Erik Bell, all of Washington State, and daughter Dierdre and her husband Karl Gabriel, and grandson Phillip, all of New Jersey. He is also survived by brothers-in-law David Shantz (Patt) and Don Shantz, and sister-in-law Alice Shantz.

At Don's request, no services will be held. Donations in Don's name may be made to the Villages Medical Auxiliary, 5000 Cribari Lane, San Jose, CA, 95135.

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Mary O. Bowman

1921 — 2017

Mary Bowman, a 17-year resident of The Villages, passed away after a short illness November 6, 2017. Mary was a professor in the Department of Human Performance at San Jose State University until her retirement in 1984. Her professional career ranged from early teaching and administration in primary and secondary schools to her immersion in university teaching, scholarship and administration until her retirement.

Receiving her Ph.D. in 1958 from Iowa State University, Mary was hired to be the first chairperson to guide the merger of Men's and Women's Physical Education at San Jose State University broadening the curriculum to develop new careers other than teaching, creating an adult fitness program and a fitness research lab. She was the first woman to serve as President of the San Jose State Academic Senate and represented the university statewide in numerous capacities.

A native of Ellensburg, Washington, Mary had a life-long interest in sports, actively following the Stanford Women's Basketball team as well as the San Jose State Football team.

Mary leaves behind a large family including the Lynn Neander, James Neander and Kimberly Luebbers families in Gilroy; the John Bowman and Michael Bowman families in Oregon; the Tom and Sue Epperson family and Ross Yamada and Cathy Rockwood families in Washington; the Jeffrey Bowman family in Washington; the Milton Jensen and Warren Jensen families in Northern California and the Warren Spangler family in Texas.

Once asked about her personal philosophy, Mary said she would not allow herself to be blocked by preconceived barriers if she could see a way to overcome them. Her life was a testament to her success in overcoming barriers, not only for herself, but for those who followed.

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