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Here's your chance to try a ride with Voyage!

On Friday, January 19, Voyage, the driverless car program, will be hosting the first installment of the "Try a Ride Fridays" program. Villages residents will have the chance to ride in one of Voyage's self-driving vehicles, ask Voyage team members questions, and get set up with Voyage's mobile application. If you've been curious about the self-driving cars you've seen around the community, now's your chance to try a ride!

Rides will be available from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m., leaving from the Clubhouse. Voyage will offer trial rides on the following Fridays in January and February: January 19, January 26, February 2, and February 9. No reservations are required, just visit our booth in front of the Clubhouse, and try your first ride in a self-driving vehicle!

Voyage will have staff members located at the Clubhouse to help you get set up. Residents will be accompanied by a Voyage test driver to walk you through the rider experience. For residents taking their first ride, Voyage will also have small gifts to pass out! Hope to see you there!



Senior Academy: Robotics presentation—please note the change of venue

On Friday, January 19 at Cribari Auditorium from 2 to 4 p.m. the Senior Academy will present a free event on **the future of Robotics and how they will affect our lives.**

Vacuum cleaners, Tesla automobile manufacturing, surgery, toys...what else? How and where are robots used? Will they eliminate jobs? How will robots help me? What is the future in robotics? John Mari- oni has 27 years of experience selling robots and currently is with Kuka Robotics, one of the world's leading robotic manufacturers. He will include video clips highlighting how and where robots are used.

Please note that this event will be held at Cribari Auditorium instead of the location listed in last week's *Villager*. This lecture kicks off the Senior Academy's 2018 season. To join the Academy and receive advance information on future events, contact Gene Gerwe at 408-223-7901 or Monica Facchino at 408-912-5151.

Clubhouse reopens



Very first customers: (Inset) Ron and Bertha James were the first customers to arrive at the newly renovated Clubhouse restaurant on Tuesday, January 9. (Above) Judy McAlister and Sue Morreale are among the first four dining parties to be seated in their elegant new surroundings. (For more pictures see page 9.)

Love to sing? Sing with Village Voices

Do you love to sing? The Village Voices, a senior choral group, invites you to sing with them at open rehearsals starting Wednesday, January 17. Join the party at 6:30 p.m. in Foothill Center for refreshments and then sample music for the spring concert until 9 p.m.

The theme "Colors of Spring," created by Director Ken Carter, sets the mood for the May 4-6 concert. Songs like "She Wore a Yellow Ribbon" or the ambiguous title "The Purple People Eater" will make you laugh. Or, how about "Blue Moon"? Then, at the end of June, the Voices will sing the vocal score of "South Pacific" accompanied by a small orchestra.

Bring a friend and make some new ones. After you have attended three rehearsals, decide if you want to join. Whether you read music or not, you can use the provided music files to learn the music. No auditions are necessary. Open enrollment in the Village Voices goes through February 15.

Voices member Walt Hlavacek had this to say about the choir: "Village Voices provides my wife and I the opportunity to further enjoy singing and meet new

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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.

2 Pulse letters received this week.

0 Pulse letters not meeting Pulse Letter Guidelines.

2 Pulse letters published this week.

Thank you Charlotte Lazar for your encouraging residents to attend Villages Piano Club concerts (Pulse, December 14). The next performance will be on April 29. Yes, there is no ticket fee, and, yes, we appreciate donations to cover the cost of refreshments at our post concert receptions. This month we begin our 2018 Open Studio meetings: January 9 and January 30 at 2 p.m. in Cribari Auditorium. VPC members represent all levels of keyboard expertise, even beginners. Villagers are welcome to attend Open Studio sessions—just to sit in and listen—and enjoy the camaraderie. Performing is not a requirement—we are having fun and sharing music whether at the keyboard or as a listener—you are welcome. (*Music Society: Take Note on the Club Calendars page.*) We will appreciate your being a volunteer for the production of semi-annual matinee performances. If you still have your sheet music and your piano sits patiently waiting for your fingerprints—come join us. Again, Charlotte, thank you for cheering us on!

—Estelle Kabbani, President, Villages Piano Club

I believe that the purpose of providing a venue for Villagers to sell their creations for profit would be better served by a monthly Crafts Fair. Any Villager could rent a table for a nominal fee to sell their artistic creations.

Items for sale would not be limited to handcrafted items, but could include paintings, photography, and other items created by the Villager.

The choice of items for sale would also not be subject to review by the leadership of a club.

—Frank Langben

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.

Villages 2018 Telephone Directory distribution

The 2018 Villages Telephone Directory has been published and will be delivered during early January (weather permitting).

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

Missed or damaged books may be replaced without charge until Friday, February 9. After that date, Villages residents may purchase a telephone directory (or extra directories) for \$10 each.

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

IN MEMORIAM

Donald G. Mountz

June 6, 1917 — January 2, 2018

Dorothy "Dottie" Pegram

July 2, 1927 — December 22, 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.

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

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

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

Delivery: *The Villager* is published on Thursday and distributed to all residents Friday morning. Extra copies of the latest editions are usually available in *The Villager* office and in the Library.

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.

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BOARDS & COMMITTEES

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.

More COMMUNITY NOTICES

SENIOR RESOURCE SERVICES

Property tax transfer between counties

A Villager recently moved here from San Joaquin County. She knew that some counties permit seniors from one county to transfer their former property tax base to their new residence in another county. This law is referred to as Prop 90 (Proposition 90). She was told that Santa Clara County would not transfer her tax base from San Joaquin because San Joaquin will not accept transfers from Santa Clara County.

The Villager discussed this situation with an SRS office volunteer who explained that Santa Clara County will transfer a property tax base from any California county, if all other guidelines are met. Reciprocity between counties is not required. The former county's property tax law is irrelevant.

The volunteer explained the general guidelines of the law. You must be at least age 55; never used the transfer before; the value of the new residence must not exceed the former (with some exceptions); and the transfer claim must be filed within three years of the new purchase.

When you transfer your tax base from another county you must include your last tax bill from that county with your application. This is necessary for Santa Clara County to know the tax base to transfer. Also, there is a processing fee of \$110.

Later a SRS volunteer helped the Villager prepare the county application for transfer. The application was approved by Santa Clara County, and the Villager's annual property tax decreased by almost \$3,000.

A more complete description of the guidelines for transfer is in the December 21, 2017 Villager discussing Proposition 60. The SRS office has copies of the application and it is available at www.sccassessor.org.

If you are thinking about moving to another county in California, there are 10 other counties that honor transfers. They are Alameda, El Dorado, Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, San Diego, San Mateo, Tuolumne and Ventura.

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 Reminder:

Estimated tax due January 15

If you file forms 1040ES and 540ES, the fourth payment for tax year 2017 estimated tax is due Monday, January 15.

Rather than mailing a check to the IRS, you may use the online Direct Pay Service. Go to www.irs.gov and click on the box labeled "Payments" and then "IRS Direct Pay." There is no fee to use the online Direct Pay service.

There is also no fee to use the online Web Pay service to pay your Franchise Tax Board California tax. Of course, you can always pay with a check. Caution: because of tax law changes some Villagers paid their fourth State payment in December. Don't get generous and pay a second time.

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

POST OFFICE NOTICE

On Monday, January 15, 2018, the Villages Post Office will be closed in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day. Normal business hours will resume the following day, 9 a.m. to noon.

Postal rates for a First-Class Letter up to 1 ounce will increase from \$0.49 to \$0.50 on January 21, 2018. Other rate changes will take effect on that date as well.

Need to go grocery shopping? Call the VMA

The Villages Medical Auxiliary (VMA) offers grocery and pharmacy shopping trips to Lucky and CVS the first and third Wednesdays of each month for those Villagers unable to drive. The process for getting on the list is:

1) Call the VMA (408-238-4230) by noon on or before the first and third Tuesday.

2) Your driver will call you to schedule pickup time for Wednesday morning.

MORTGAGE LOANS

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VA * FHA * Conventional

Call: (408) 691-7541

A Villages Resident
Over 25 years lending experience



Russ Glines
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NMLS: 245195

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

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

MANAGEMENT

PUBLIC SAFETY

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 Monday, January 15.

Aluminum can receptacles

Recently the HI-12 club has noticed the aluminum cans are being removed from their containers, which are located within the trash enclosures. The HI-12 club utilizes the money from the cans to purchase American flags and California flags, which fly at the Plaza and the Clubhouse.

Please report to Public Safety if you observe anyone removing the cans from these receptacles.

Missed your Villager?

If you missed delivery of your weekly copy of *The Villager*, please call 408-223-4655 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.

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 408-223-4681; kpatterson@the-villages.com, or go to Building B to sign up in person.

<p>Villages Medical Auxiliary Since 1976 Office: 408-238-4230 Hours: Monday to Thursday, 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Service Coordinator: 408-238-4029</p>	
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January Programs

Caregivers for Memory Support Group: a group designed to provide emotional, educational and social support for caregivers facilitated by Villager, Judy London, Ph.D. Thursday, January 18, 10:30 a.m. to 12 p.m., Patio Room.

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

Grief Support Peer Group: People dealing with grief meet to help each other. January 22, 10:30 a.m. to 12 p.m., Cribari Redwood Room

Diabetes Support Group: A place to share experiences and techniques for successful management of diabetes. Wednesday, January 24, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m., Cribari Redwood Room

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

2018 VMA Calendars

If you would still like a VMA Wall calendar featuring wildlife photos by Lou Alexander, come by the VMA office located in Cribari Center and pick one up for \$15. All profits go to VMA programs.

Public Safety Report December 2017

CLASSIFICATION	Present Month	YTD 2017	YTD 2016
ACCIDENTS			
1) PERSONAL INJURY	0	1	1
2) AUTO	0	13	11
3) HIT & RUN	0	2	0
4) GOLF CART	0	2	2
5) MISCELLANEOUS	0	0	0
AFTER HOURS REQUESTS			
1) LIGHTS	18	464	1105
2) FACILITIES	9	141	184
3) SPRINKLERS	6	69	41
4) LANDSCAPE	2	23	14
5) ACTIVITIES	1	13	11
6) MISCELLANEOUS	0	0	0
7) GOLF MAINTENANCE	0	1	1
8) FOOD & BEVERAGE	0	0	0
9) BUSINESS OFFICE	0	0	0
10) PRO SHOP	0	0	0
11) WATER LEAKS (OUTSIDE)	1	33	33
12) ALARM ACTIVATION	2	26	26
ANIMAL			
1) COMPLAINTS	5	77	96
2) TRAP REQUEST	0	0	0
3) LOST	1	8	18
4) FOUND	0	1	13
CITATIONS			
1) PARKING	1	8	6
2) SPEEDING	54	590	401
3) STOP SIGN	6	87	26
4) MISCELLANEOUS	0	28	39
5) ACC	0	0	0
DISTURBANCE	0	6	2
FIRE / SMOKE	0	6	1
HAZARDOUS CONDITION	0	9	15
LIFELINE			
1) HELP NEEDED	0	18	36
2) FALSE ALARM	1	19	70
3) INACTIVITY	1	3	1
4) MAINTENANCE	0	0	2
MEDICAL EMERGENCY	58	566	483
MISCELLANEOUS	31	244	255
PROPERTY			
1) DAMAGED	6	45	50
2) LOST	0	7	11
3) FOUND	2	12	4
4) VANDALIZED	0	0	1
5) STOLEN	1	32	38
PUBLIC SAFETY			
1) COMPLAINT	15	202	243
2) REQUEST	31	362	371
RESIDENT ASSIST	38	303	268
RESIDENT WELFARE CHECK	9	144	172
SUSPICIOUS CIRCUMSTANCES	0	0	5
TRESPASSING			
1) AUTO	0	0	0
2) PERSON	0	3	1
UNLOCKS	38	375	435
UNSECURED AREA	3	74	54

Comcast Store in San Jose has relocated

Attention Villagers! Comcast's San Jose retail store on 10th Street has moved location. The new address is only two blocks away! Comcast is now located at 1566 Monterey Road San Jose, CA 95112. Stop by and check out the beautiful new store and speak with a store representative to get more information on the latest and greatest XFINITY has to offer.

The VMA wants your used golf cart!



The Villages Medical Auxiliary (VMA) takes donations of gas or electric golf carts (working or not). They are sold and the proceeds used to support the VMA's mission to assist residents to live independent, active and healthy lives.

Your golf cart donation qualifies as a charitable contribution under Internal Revenue Code 501(c)(3). You'll receive a receipt that you can use when completing your taxes.

Need a golf cart? The VMA's donated golf carts are available for Villagers to purchase. Contact the VMA office (408-238-4230) to add your name to the waiting list.

GOVERNANCE MEETINGS

THE DACs

Estates DAC Town Hall is January 18

The Estates DAC Town Hall Meeting will be held Thursday, January 18, from 4 to 6 p.m. in Montgomery Center (new venue).

Discussion topics include: Financials and Fences Ballot Results.
All residents are invited.

Hermosa DAC to meet January 25

The Hermosa DAC will be meeting on Thursday, January 25 at 3 pm at Vineyard Center.

AC NOTICE

Association applications for Owner Alteration Requests for the month of January are due to the Architectural Committee on or before January 19, 2018. See Elissa at the Corporation Yard office to obtain an application. **Meeting date is scheduled for February 1, 2018 at 9 a.m. The meeting is being held in the Foothill Center.**

Association AC Landscape meeting deadline date is **January 19, 2018.**

More COMMUNITY NOTICES

Attention publicity chairs:

Submitting articles for *The Villager*: Upon the arrival of the New Year, the many Villages clubs and organizations will be selecting new publicity chairpersons.

The Villager carries the announcements and news from more than 150 Villages clubs, committees and organizations every week. To process all this material, our staff needs the cooperation of the publicity chairs from all the groups. If you follow these few simple rules, you can make it easier on our editors and designers:

- **Make your deadline**—Editorial materials should be turned in no later than 4:30 p.m. on Thursday, a week before publication. (If your article is going to be late, please call or e-mail and let us know when it might be coming in. That will be very helpful.)

- **Follow the suggested word limits on your articles.** (Most articles should be no longer than 250 words—for articles intended for the front page, the word count should be 150 words or fewer. (Features and articles from the governing boards and management generally require a higher word count and are placed on inside pages.) Features, in general, should top-out at about 600 words.

- **Please fact check and edit** your articles at least twice. Articles full of spelling, punctuation and grammar errors require a lot of staff time and make the production process much more complicated.

- Please put the name of your organization, your **contact information and the desired dates of publication in the header** above your article. Ambiguous details require us to try to contact you and increases preparation time.

- Keep your articles simple. Reconsider complicated instructions, too many graphics, poems, or other special treatments.

- **Place the most important details of your article in the first paragraph** and less important details in subsequent paragraphs. (In the event we have to shorten an article, that ensures that important details remain in the revised article.)

If you have questions please call or e-mail Kory Tran at 408-754-1341 (ktran@the-villages.com) or Scott Hinrichs at 408-223-4655 (shinrichs@the-villages.com).

Publicize your club's events electronically

Channel 26 is a billboard channel that board-recognized organizations may utilize for their promotional needs. It is accessible by all residents through the Villages basic Comcast service. Announcements run for 14 days (generally expiring on the day of your event, or the deadline for registration), and are graphically more flexible than the print counterparts but constrained by the form factor and the 15-second duration of each slide. Submission forms are available in the communications coordinator's office in Building B, as well as a downloadable copy and an on-line form at thevillagesgcc.com/residents in the Facilities and Amenities section under the Channel 26 tab.

Fast Lane: The other promotional avenue that board-recognized organizations have is the Fast Lane, a weekly email blast that is sent out each Wednesday afternoon. Announcements may be placed for two weeks prior to the event. The Fast Lane can accommodate more detail in the announcements than Channel 26, and reaches more than 1,100 Villagers, with an ever-increasing subscription list. To both subscribe to and to place an announcement in the Fast Lane, head over to thevillagesgcc.com/residents and select the Fast Lane tab in the Facilities and Amenities section.

If you have questions about Channel 26 or Fast Lane, email the Communications Coordinator Ken Patterson at kpatterson@the-villages.com, or call 408-223-4681.

BOARD MEETINGS

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

Association

The Villages Association Board of Directors Workshop: Re: Budget objectives will be held on Friday, January 12 at 3 p.m. at Building A.

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.

ENCROACHMENTS

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

- 8603 Vineyard Creek Court—Patio Pavers.

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

FOUNDATION FOCUS

Projects by the Number

By Maxine Amundson, EVF secretary

What is the latest on funding? We have funded 17 projects to date and have approved funding for nine partial or entire projects not yet started or finished. Funds expended are rounded to the nearest hundred.

- 1 - project funded in 2011 - \$9,400
- 1 - project funded in 2012 - \$2,100
- 0 in 2013
- 5 - projects funded in 2014 - \$36,000
- 3 - projects funded in 2015 - \$122,400
- 5 - projects funded in 2016 - \$25,300
- 2 - projects funded in 2017 - \$33,800

A total of approximately \$229,000 has been expended to support capital improvement projects to build a better community. Thank you, donors, for your continued support. To view the projects we have completed go to www.evfsj.org.

We look forward to funding more projects in 2018 from your generous contributions.



Samples of projects the Evergreen Villages Foundation helped fund.

More BOARDS & COMMITTEES, and COMMUNITY NOTICES on pages &

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Friday, January 12

8:30 a.m.	Jazzercise	A
8:45 a.m.	Catholic Mass	CR
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED, SEQ
9:30 a.m.	Open Studio	AR
10 a.m.	Quilters	P
10 a.m.	Tai Chi	VC
10:30 a.m.	Line Dance	MMP
12 p.m.	Senior Academy Lunch	CH
1 p.m.	Ceramics	CER
1:30 p.m.	Opera Movie	VC
2 p.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
3 p.m.	Hand Bell Rehearsal	CR
6 p.m.	Mex. Train Dominoes	MC
7 p.m.	Theater Rehearsal	A
7:15 p.m.	Brandeis Discussion	SEQ

Saturday, January 13

9 a.m.	Ukulele Singing	SEQ
9 a.m.	Saturday Yoga	VC
10 a.m.	Chinese Club	MC
10 a.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
2 p.m.	Theater Rehearsal	A
3 p.m.	High Twelve Dinner	FC

Sunday, January 14

7:15 a.m.	Catholic Choir Practice	CR
8:15 a.m.	Catholic Mass	A
8:30 a.m.	Episcopal Services	MC
9:15 a.m.	Catholic Filwshp.	RED, SEQ
9:30 a.m.	Chapel Worship	F
10 a.m.	Comm. Chapel Service	A
10 a.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
11 a.m.	Chapel Fellowship	CR
3 p.m.	Italian Club Cooking	FC
7 p.m.	Theater Rehearsal	A

Monday, January 15

8:30 a.m.	Jazzercise	A
9 a.m.	Game Day	SEQ
9 a.m.	9 Hole Women Invitl.	VC
9:30 a.m.	Search the Scriptures	FC
9:30 a.m.	Open Studio	AR
10 a.m.	Cardio Class	A
10 a.m.	Line Dance	MMP
1 p.m.	Ceramics	CER
1 p.m.	Stitchery	P

1:30 p.m.	Theater Rehearsals	A
2 p.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
3 p.m.	Stephen Ministry	RED
6 p.m.	Dance Fusion	MMP
6:30 p.m.	Duplicate Bridge	RED
6:45 p.m.	Yoga	MMP
7 p.m.	Movie: American in Paris	VC
7 p.m.	Camera Club Program	CR
7:30 p.m.	Table Tennis	MMP

Tuesday, January 16

8 a.m.	DAC Budget Meetings	BGA
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED, SEQ
9:30 a.m.	Acrylics & Oil Studio	AR
9:30 a.m.	Assoc. Study Session	FC
9:30 a.m.	Line Dance	MMP
10 a.m.	Fall Prevention Wrkshp.	A
10 a.m.	SIR 38 Board Meeting	CH
11 a.m.	SIR 38 Lunch	CH
12:30 p.m.	Flower Arranging Guild	VC
1 p.m.	Ceramics	CER
1:30 p.m.	Club Board Study	FC
2 p.m.	Piano Rehearsals	A
2 p.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
6 p.m.	Chapel Lay Board	P
6:45 p.m.	Band Rehearsal	A
7 p.m.	Coloring Party	AR
7 p.m.	Theater Rehearsals	CR

Wednesday, January 17

8 a.m.	DAC Budget Meeting	BGA
8:30 a.m.	Jazzercise	A
9 a.m.	Game Day	SEQ
9:30 a.m.	Collage Critique Studio	AR
9:30 a.m.	Chapel Bible Study	P
10 a.m.	VMA Health Fair	CR
10 a.m.	Tai Chi	VC
10 a.m.	Total Body Fitness	A
10:30 a.m.	Blood Pressure Clinic	F
1:30 p.m.	Theater Rehearsal	A
2 p.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
2:30 p.m.	Bridge Class	FC
3 p.m.	VMUG	CR
6 p.m.	Dance Fusion	MMP

6 p.m.	Mex. Trains Dominoes	MC
6:30 p.m.	Duplicate Bridge	RED
7 p.m.	Global Village Comm.	CR
7 p.m.	Voices Rehearsal	FC

Thursday, January 18

8 a.m.	DAC Budget Meetings	BGA
9 a.m.	Game Day	SEQ
9:30 a.m.	Watercolor Class	AR
9:45 a.m.	Beginning Line Dance	MMP
10 a.m.	VMA Hearing Screening	MC
10 a.m.	Investors Club	FC
10 a.m.	Walking Class	A
10:30 a.m.	Caregivers for Memory	P
12:30 p.m.	18 Hole Women Lunch	CH
1 p.m.	Ukulele Club	VC
2 p.m.	Ceramics	CER
2 p.m.	Theater Rehearsal	A
2 p.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
3 p.m.	Senior Academy Board	F
3 p.m.	Chapel Choir Rehearsal	CR
4 p.m.	Estates Town Meeting	MC
6 p.m.	Bridge Club	RED
6 p.m.	Amateur Theater Social	FC

Friday, January 19

8 a.m.	DAC Budget Meetings	BGA
8:30 a.m.	Jazzercise	A
8:45 a.m.	Catholic Mass	CR
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED, SEQ
9 a.m.	Villages Golf Comm.	BGA
9:30 a.m.	Friday Open Studio	AR
10 a.m.	Quilters	P
10 a.m.	Tai Chi	VC
10:30 a.m.	Line Dance	MMP
1 p.m.	Ceramics	CER
2 p.m.	Senior Acad. Lecture	VC
2 p.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
3 p.m.	Hand Bell Rehearsal	CR
6 p.m.	Mex. Train Dominoes	MC
7 p.m.	Theater Rehearsals	A
7:30 p.m.	Jewish Services	FC

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	

2018 will be Happy, Wild and Absolutely Awesome!

2018 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		NOW
2/16	Mimi at Clubhouse		NOW
2/24	King & I - Broadway SJ		NOW
3/3	Book of Mormon: Orpheum		NOW
4/1	Cirque du Soleil: Crystal		NOW
4/10	King's Singers & Choral Project		NOW
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



* FIRE SAFETY IN THE VILLAGES
Mon-Thurs: 12, 3, 6 & 9 am/pm
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
Fri: 1, 4, 7 & 10 am 1, 4 & 7 pm
Sat: 4, 7 & 10 am, 4 & 7 pm
Sun: 4, 7 & 10 am, 8 & 11 pm

* SCAMS & OTHER CONSUMER PITFALLS
Mon-Thurs: 1:55, 4:55, 7:55 & 10:55 am/pm
Fri: 1:55, 4:55, 7:55 & 10:55 am & 1:55 & 4:55 pm
Sat: 4:55, 7:55 & 10:55 am & 4:55 pm
Sun: 4:55, 7:55 & 10:55 am & 8:55 pm

* AERIAL VIEWS OF THE VILLAGES
Mon-Thurs: 2:30, 5:30, 8:30 & 11:30 am/pm
Fri: 2:30, 5:30, 8:30 & 11:30 am & 2:30 & 5:30 pm
Sat: 5:30, 8:30 & 11:30 am & 5:30 pm
Sun: 5:30, 8:30 & 11:30 am & 9:30 pm

Channel 26 Club events & notices
 More information at TheVillagesGCC.com/residents in the Facilities & Amenities section
 Complimentary WiFi services is available at the Villages' community centers
 Network: Villages Public
 Password: villages

This Weekend
Tex Ritter
 in
Sing, Cowboy, Sing & Arizona Days
 with
Cowboy From Sundown & Freedom Highway

plus
CHAPTER TWO OF ACE DRUMMOND THE INVISIBLE ENEMY

SUPERMAN
 Mechanical Monster
 &
Tom & Jerry

4 Hours of cinematic fun every weekend
on Channel 27
Friday 8pm
Saturday 12a/pm & 8pm
Sunday 12a/pm & 4pm

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, January 13: Nancy Rumpel (408-238-7535) will lead the long hikers on a 9 mile hike in Alum Rock Park with 1200 ft. elevation gain on the North Rim, Todd Quick and Baccardo Loop trails up to the overlook and back. Bring lunch, water and sticks. Wear boots and layers. Susan Brown will lead a Rambler hike on some of the many other trails in the park. It is about a 20 mile round trip drive.

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.

Saturday, January 20: Pleasanton Ridge. Wate and Johanna Bakker will lead long and Rambler hikes in Pleasanton Ridge Regional Park near Sunol. The hikes are mainly along the ridge-line with beautiful views of the East Bay Hills. To reach the ridge there is an ~600-800-ft climb. The trails are mainly old farm roads with some well-groomed connector trails. Ramblers will hike 3+ miles. Long hikers will do 6-8 miles. Afterwards we can stop in Sunol for coffee and snacks. Dress seasonably and bring lunch and water. Car mileage round trip is about 70 miles. Pleasanton Ridge Regional Park, 9895 Foothill Road, Sunol, CA 94586.

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

Saturday, January 27: Windy Hill Preserve. Amy Meier will lead a hike in Windy Hill Preserve of approximately 7.5 mile with a 1,200 ft. elevation, starting at the Portola Road entrance, hiking a loop on Hamms Gulch and Spring Ridge trails. Bathroom at trailhead, bathroom and picnic tables at lunch stop. (Rain or very muddy trail conditions may cancel the hike.)

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.

CAMERA CLUB

Monday, January 15: Board meeting 9:30 to 11 a.m. in the Patio Room in Cribari Center. Members are encouraged to attend.

Monday, January 15: Don Smith, a member of the Sony Artisan of Imagery Team of Professional Photographers, presents a program on landscape workflow from 7 to 9 p.m. in the Cribari conference Room. All Villagers welcome to this event.

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 16: Adult Coloring Party. 7 – 9 p.m. Art Room. **

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.

Jan 23 & 30: Wire Wrapped Jewelry w/Carol Norden. \$100. All materials furnished. Two Tuesdays from 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. *

January 24: Collage for Relaxation with Barbara Gottesman. Wednesday, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. \$25. All materials furnished. *

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.

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

Wednesday, January 17: Meet club parking lot to carpool/walk to New Seasons. 2 p.m. Games at Cribari.

Thursday, January 18: 12 to 1:30 p.m. Open Bocce with Tony Orlando.

Friday, January 19: Meet at Fairway and Hermosa.

Friday, January 19: Important Notice: Reservations for the January 26 Breakfast is due by **noon today**. Refer to separate email for further information.

Monday, January 22: Meet at club parking lot for a walk in the park.

Wednesday, January 24: Meet at club parking lot to carpool/walk to Evergreen Plaza and Farmers Market. 2 p.m. Games at Cribari.

Thursday, January 25: 12 to 1:30 p.m. Open Bocce with Tony Orlando.

Friday, January 26: Meet at club parking lot for a brisk walk in the neighborhood. 9 a.m. Breakfast in the Club Dining Room. Reservations necessary.

Monday, January 29: Meet at Gazebo.

Wednesday, January 31: Meet at club parking lot and carpool/walk to McDonald's. 2 p.m. Games at Cribari.

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.



MUSIC SOCIETY: TAKE NOTE

Save the Date

Friday, January 12: Opera Lovers presents a DVD of Donizetti's "The Daughter of the Regiment" at 1:30 p.m. in Vineyard Center. No charge. All welcome. Call Bonnie Preston at 408-531-1513.

Wednesday, January 17: Open house for joining Village Voices, a senior choral group, in Foothill Center. Refreshments at 6:30 p.m. followed by a 7 to 9 p.m. (See related article.)

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, January 16 from 2 to 4 p.m. in Cribari Auditorium. Estelle Kabbani at 408-238-7246 or marchstar@comcast. For all piano levels and "just listeners."

Village Voices: Wednesdays starting January 10 from 6:50 p.m. (for warm-ups) to 9 p.m. at Foothill Center. Open enrollment through February 15. Call Chris Leisy at 408-309-2757.

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.thevillagesqcc.com

WHAT'S COOKING?

theclubhouse@the-villages.com

Happy Hour at the Bistro & Bar

Happy Hour times are from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. in the Bistro daily. Come down and join us for a drink!

New Clubhouse Hours

The Clubhouse Restaurant is now open for Dinner from 5 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Tuesday through Sunday.

Early Bird Specials

10 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. Good Only in Clubhouse Restaurant.

Please see our ads in this week's Villager for more information on:

- No Corkage Tuesdays
- Single Diners' Night at the Clubhouse
- Date Night Thursdays
- Prime Rib Friday and Saturday Nights

Jazz Singer Stacy Carter Performing 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 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 1-16
to
Sunday 1-21

Lunch specials are served with choice of soup or salad.

Trio Salad

\$12.95

Chicken Salad, Egg Salad and Tuna Salad over Greens with Fruit—served with Soup

The French Burger

\$12.75

Charbroiled Angus Patty topped with Caramelized Onions, Mushrooms and Swiss Cheese—served with Choice of a Side Dish

Beef Fajita Salad

\$13.50

Beef Strips, Onions, Peppers, Tortilla Strips, Black Beans, Guacamole, Sour Cream and Pico de Gallo—served with a Cup of Soup

DAILY SOUP SPECIALS

Tuesday, January 16

Soup: Cream of Cauliflower with Cheddar

Wednesday, January 17

Soup: Chicken Mulligatawny

Thursday, January 18

Soup: Roasted Pepper and Artichoke with Feta and Cilantro

Friday, January 19

Soup: Manhattan Chowder

Saturday, January 20

Soup: Chef's Choice

Sunday, January 21

Soup: Chef's Choice

DINNER SPECIALS SERVED ALL WEEK

Dinner Specials
Tuesday 1-16
to
Sunday 1-21

Dinner specials are served with choice of soup or salad.

Sautéed Greek Chicken

\$17.95

Pepper Strips, Onions, Artichoke Hearts, Tomatoes and Feta Cheese—served with Soup or Salad

Grilled Mahi-Mahi

\$22.50

Pacific Mahi-Mahi with a Pineapple Ginger Sauce—served with Soup or Salad

Peppercorn Pepper Steak

\$26.95

Peppercorn Pepper Steak with an Oyster Mushroom, Bacon and Scallion Garnish—served with a Soup or Salad

ACTIVITIES

Monday, January 15

NO EVENT

Tuesday, January 16

- SIR #38—Fairway Room—10 a.m. to 11 a.m.
- SIR #38—Sunset, Oak and Fairway Rooms—11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Wednesday, January 17

NO EVENT

Thursday, January 18

- 18 Hole Ladies Luncheon & Cards—Oak and Sunset Rooms—12:30 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Friday, January 19

NO EVENTS

Saturday, January 20

- Private Event—Sunset, Oak and Fairway Rooms—5 p.m. to 11 p.m.

Sunday, January 21

- Private Event—Sunset, Oak and Fairway Rooms—5 p.m. to 10 p.m.

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

Renovated Clubhouse reopens



Director of Food & Beverage John Yu shows Carleen Corsello and Cynie Jackson the new Bistro addition, a space where groups can gather and dine.



At left: "Wow!" was the first words that Judy McAlister and Sue Morreale said as they entered the Clubhouse Restaurant. The combined effects of the color scheme, lighting, wall art and new furnishings impressed everyone who came in to dine or just satisfy their curiosity on Tuesday, January 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 Entrées Section or Weekly Specials. Does Not Include Prime Rib. Good Only in Clubhouse Restaurant.

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

The Clubhouse
408-223-4687
theclubhouse@the-villages.com
Menus at www.thevillagesgcc.com

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.

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

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
1/16	DAC Budget Meeting	8 a.m. – 5 p.m.	Building A
1/16	Association Board Study Session	9:30 a.m.	Foothill Cntr.
1/16	Club Board Study Session	1:30 p.m.	Foothill Cntr.
1/17	DAC Budget Meeting	8 a.m. – 5 p.m.	Building A
1/18	DAC Budget Meetings	8 a.m. – 5 p.m.	Building A
1/18	Estates DAC	4 p.m.	Mont. Cntr.
1/19	DAC Budget Meeting	8 a.m. – 5 p.m.	Building A
1/19	Villages Golf Committee	9 a.m.	Building A

Community Events

Date	Event	Time	Place
1/13	High Twelve Dinner	3 p.m.	Foothill Cntr.
1/14	Italian Club Cooking	3 p.m.	Foothill Cntr.
1/15	Movie: American in Paris	7 p.m.	Vineyard Cntr.
1/16	Fall Prevention Workshop	10 a.m.	Auditorium
1/16	SIR 38 Lunch	11 a.m.	Clubhouse

‘I almost fell!’ –fall prevention workshop

“Oops, I almost fell!” If you have ever uttered these words, this interactive Fall Prevention Workshop is for you. Do you have balance and standing difficulties that challenge your ability to move safely? Vision or ear problems, medications for Parkinson’s Cancer, Arthritis and memory all increase your risk of falling. This direct-hands-on workshop is designed to keep you healthy and doing the things you like to do. It will cover:

- Falls Risk Screening – Learn your personal risk of falling
- How to prevent a fall
- How to fall
- How to get up from a fall
- How to help someone who has fallen
- What to do after the fall
- Any other questions you may have

This Fall Prevention Workshop will be Tuesday, January 16 at 10 a.m. in the Cribari Auditorium. The Workshop will be conducted by Mwezo and Jane, Licensed Fall Prevention instructors. This informative workshop is Free. Please RSVP to the Community Activities Office 408-223-4644 to register. This workshop is sponsored by the Communities Activities Office and Villages Parkinson’s Support Group. If you have other questions, call Alice at 408-223-8033.

Join Super Bowl 2018 Tail Gate Party

It’s party time at the Villages, the Clubhouse and Community Activities have partnered up to bring you a fun time with tailgate party and Super Bowl on big screen on Sunday, February 4. The party starts 2 p.m. with the Super Bowl starting at 3:15 p.m.

The NFL’s Super Bowl LII (52), which will pit the AFC champion against the NFC champion for the league championship, will be held at U.S. Bank Stadium in Minneapolis, Minnesota. The game will mark the second Super Bowl in Minneapolis, which also hosted in 1992. The Super Bowl will be the sixth in a cold weather city. So we can be glad we are here in San Jose!

Here is what the tailgate has to offer: big screen capability, keg draft beers (first one free with ticket at check-in) popcorn, potato salad, corn on the cobb, chili station, burgers, barbecue tri-tip, hot dogs, veggie burgers, cakes, brownies, lemonade, iced tea, and coffee—all for \$49 inclusive. Come on, let’s get ready to party!

Register in the Community Resource Center, Building B. If you want to reserve a table of eight, please make sure you have all of your party’s names and house numbers. We have not done this for a few years so let’s make a showing! Are you ready to rumble?!

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).

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.

Be healthy—start walking!

Research has proven that regardless of age, health or physical condition, whether you have difficulty standing or walking or have other health problems, you still need to exercise! Statistics show that by not exercising, you have more to lose than just your physical ability to move and enjoy the things you like to do. By participating in our Walking for Better Balance class, you will reduce the risk of your becoming ill, falling, becoming disabled and/or losing your independence. By joining our class, you will take the first step toward achieving and maintaining good health and a high quality of life as you age. Whether you are on a walker, in a wheelchair, need post-surgery re-habilitation (get your health care providers approval) or just want to get some serious exercise, this class is for you! Want to have fun? Make new friends? The cost is \$90 per class card, issued and punched in class. This ongoing class is held Tuesdays 11:30 a.m. and Thursdays 10 a.m. in the Cribari Auditorium. Register in Class! For information call Jane at 408-315-1179. This class is sponsored by the Community Activities Office.

Cardio Workout class—Jan. thru Mar.

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.

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.

See 'Book of Mormon'!

"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.

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.

Take Popular Bridge Conventions Class

This class will cover such popular bridge conventions as:

- Stayman and Jacoby Transfers over No Trump. Have you ever wondered how to bid Stayman when you hold 4 Hearts and 5 Spades? Ever wondered how to tell the No Trump opener that you have a long suit?
- Opening bids such as 2Clubs or 2NT will help you in bidding hands with 20 and 22 points or more. Learn how to respond to such bids by partner as well.
- Blackwood and Gerber conventions are used when bidding a slam. When are Ace asking conventions useful? How to stop if you don't have enough Aces? How to handle a void?
- Bidding controls in lieu of Blackwood and Gerber will also be taught.

This class is appropriate for players who have a good basic knowledge of bridge. The book, "Popular Bridge Conventions" by Audrey Grant will be used as a reference book in this class and it is included in the cost of the class. The last 45 minutes of each class will be devoted to playing premade hands.

The class will take place Wednesdays, January 17 through February 14, from 2:30 to 5 p.m. in Foothill Center. The fee is \$85. Sign up in the Community Activities Office, Building B, or by contacting the instructor, Louann Partridge at 408-489-0262 or louannpartridge@comcast.net.

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.

Practice 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.

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.

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.



More COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

Yoga with Harini Madhavan

Performing yoga offers many physical, mental, functional and psychological benefits. The 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.

Don't miss...

Manchester By The Sea
Wednesday, January 24
1:30 p.m.



Starring Casey Affleck and Michelle Williams. A depressed uncle is asked to take care of his teenage nephew after the boy's father dies.

Wednesday, February 14 – "P.S. I Love You": Starring Hilary Swank and Gerard Butler. A young widow discovers that her late husband has left her 10 messages intended to help ease her pain and start a new life.

Wednesday, February 28 – "The Whole Truth": Starring Keanu Reeves and Renée Zellweger. A defense attorney works to get his teenage client acquitted of murdering his wealthy father.

Wednesday, March 14 – "Jackie": Starring Natalie Portman. Following the assassination of President John F. Kennedy, First Lady Jacqueline Kennedy fights through grief and trauma to regain her faith, console her children, and define her husband's historic legacy.

Wednesday, March 28 – "20th Century Women": Starring Annette Bening and Elle Fanning. The story of a teenage boy, his mother, and two other women who help raise him among the love and freedom of Southern California of 1979.

Wednesday, April 11 – "Gifted": Starring Chris Evans and McKenna Grace. When his sister dies, 30-something bachelor, Frank Adler, assumes the care for her 7-year-old daughter. But his plans to raise her are threatened when the child reveals herself to be a math prodigy, and his mom suddenly gets involved.



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 19 – "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.

Monday, March 19 – "Midnight In Paris": Starring Owen Wilson and Rachel McAdams. While on a trip to Paris with his fiancée's family, a nostalgic screenwriter finds himself mysteriously going back to the 1920s everyday at midnight.

Monday, April 16 – "Five Easy Pieces": Starring Jack Nicholson and Karen Black. A dropout from upper-class America picks up work along the way on oil rigs when his life isn't spent in a squalid succession of bars, motels, and other points of interest.

Dance Fusion—the fun way to fitness!

Dancing is the best type of exercise because it gives you a whole-body workout that's actually fun! It's good for your heart, it strengthens and tones your muscles and helps improve your balance and coordination. For those of you who are retired, our 30-minute dance class will help you keep fit to maintain your independence, to travel, play with grandkids and great-grandkids, go for walks, bike rides, hike, play golf or play in the sand on the beach! 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 your whole life. 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 a class card, which is 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.

See '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 beginning on Monday, December 11. 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.

Choral Project and King's Singers concert

Back by popular demand, for one night only! The Choral Project will join again with the internationally renowned vocal ensemble The King's Singers, now celebrating 50 years of music-making. The concert will feature a myriad of musical styles from around the world, as well as charming arrangements of popular standards. The repertoire includes: John Tavener's heavenly motet "As One Who Has Slept" and Francis Poulenc's rarely performed mammoth composition "Liberte" for two six-part choirs.

The combined repertoire will include selections written specifically for The King's Singers anniversary tour. This will truly be a life-affirming program, as the two ensembles once again meld their magnificent voices together.

The Villages will have wonderful seats as usual for this not to be missed concert on Tuesday, April 10. Tickets are \$71 per person that will be well spent as you leave the concert in awe. Please arrive at Cribari Center's Patio Room at 6:15 p.m. for tickets. After receiving your tickets, board the Royal Coach bus for a concert you are not soon to forget. The concert begins at 7:30 p.m. at Cathedral Basilica of San Jose, with return time to The Villages at approximately 10 p.m.

More CLUBS

Ellen Corman—how to say 'Farewell to Falls'

A fall can change your life forever. Even a minor fall can shake your confidence, while a major fall can cause permanent disability and a limited lifestyle. A fall may mean no more golf, no more driving, never again walking without assistance. People who fall and suffer a disability are at major risk for long-term care and institutionalization. Falling is a persistent danger that hovers in the background, especially for seniors.

More than 1 million senior citizens in California fall, trip or slip each year with 200,000 injured. It is estimated that older adults who have fallen previously or who stumble frequently are two to three times more likely to fall within the next year. However, research tell us that regular exercise, a review of medications and making modifications to the home can prevent falls and help us maintain our independence.

Recognizing a need for education around falling issues, the Villages Medical Auxiliary (VMA) is sponsoring a presentation by a local trauma expert. Ellen Corman, Supervisor of Community Outreach and Injury Prevention for the Trauma Service at Stanford Health Care, has over 20 years' experience in injury prevention. Her talk, "Farewell to Falls," will be given on February 1, from 10 a.m. to 12-noon in the Cribari Conference Room. Registration is required.

Ms. Corman will describe how certain exercise programs can increase our balance, mobility and strength—all required to prevent falls. She will address how drug side effects/interactions can increase falls. And she will discuss how home modifications—many of them minor—can prevent the next fall from happening. We will come away from her presentation with many practical tips to protect ourselves.

Ms. Corman will also describe Stanford's free home-based Farewell to Falls program, which is open to us as residents of Santa Clara County.

To register for this important presentation, please contact Cristina Freyer, VMA Service Coordinator, at 408-238-4029.



CLUBS & EVENTS

Opera Lovers: 'Daughter of the Regiment' today

Donizetti's delightful humorous opera, "The Daughter of the Regiment" will be shown today, Friday, January 12 at Vineyard Center at 1:30 p.m. For more info, call Bonnie Preston at 408-531-1513.

Birthday at our Barn: Ruby Tuesday!

Happy Birthday to Ruby Tuesday who turns 11 on January 12! Ruby is an Arabian mare that has been at our barn since last summer.

The Arabian is one of the oldest breeds, with archaeological evidence of horses in the Middle East that resemble modern Arabians dating back 4,500 years. The Arabian developed in a harsh desert climate and was prized by the nomadic Bedouin people, often being brought inside the family tent for shelter and protection from theft. As a result, Arabians developed a close affinity to man and a high intelligence. Historical figures like Genghis Khan, Napoleon, Alexander The Great and George Washington rode Arabians.

An Arabian's most identifiable characteristics are its finely chiseled head, dished face, long arching neck, high tail carriage and short, straight back (usually one less vertebra than is common with other breeds). Its entire appearance exudes energy, intelligence, courage and nobility. Every time an Arabian moves in its famous "floating trot," it announces to the world its proud, graceful nature.



Chinese Club: Estate Planning info session

The Chinese Club will be hosting an Estate Planning information session at the Montgomery Center this Saturday, January 13 from 10 a.m. to noon. The speaker will be 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.

Mac Users Group to meet

A meeting of the Villages Mac Users Group (VMUG) will be held on Wednesday, January 17 in the Cribari Conference Room from 3 to 4:30 p.m. DeDe Rogers will be the presenter. Bring any devices you got for Christmas. Any questions, call Sterling Bundesen at 408-274-3457 or Karin Mills at 408-532-7456.

Create award-winning landscape photos

By Pam Pierson

Professional photographer Don Smith provides the "how-to" on landscape photography and workflow on Monday, January 15, from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Villages Camera Club (VCC) program in the Cribari Conference Room. As a member of the Sony Artisan of Imagery team, Don possesses a unique style and vision using the Sony Alpha camera.

All Villagers are welcome to the program to learn about photography from a pro. If you have a Sony camera or think of purchasing one, bring your questions. After you attend one program as a guest, the VCC invites you to join for \$30 to pay for programs and competitions. Contact Ray Blinde at 408-531-1776 or rwblinde@earthlink.net.

Don uses the latest Sony digital cameras and lenses and has over 16 years of Photoshop experience. He transitioned into the world of fine art landscape photograph in 2002 after 40 years as a sports photographer. Now a renowned stock photographer for Getty images, he teaches 17 workshops a year. His images have been published worldwide in leading publications and displayed in Getty Museums around the world.

The Villages Camera Club (VCC) is a member of the Northern California Council of Camera Clubs (N4C) and The Photographic Society of America (PSA). For details of our activities and competitions, see the Calendar of Events (under activities) from the main menu at the website at www.villagescameraclub.com.

In the fall of 2014, Don was honored by being added to the Sony Artisan of Imagery team of professional photographers as a Global Imaging Ambassador to tell stories through still and moving imagery. Don has also written three books and recently released a 22-chapter video series titled "A Simplified Method to Processing."

Hiking Club celebrates New Year's Day at new picnic table



The Villages Hiking Club Ramblers celebrated New Year's day by climbing the hill trails midway from the top to the new picnic table provided and installed by the Hiking Club with the help of the Riding Club. It was a beautiful day on the trails. The Hiking Club provides both easy and more strenuous hikes for all to enjoy. Why not make a New Year's resolution to get into better shape by joining the Hiking Club? Not only will you feel better getting out into the open with great friendly people, but hiking has many healthful benefits. The club also has many social activities that are either free or at a very low cost. Membership fees are only \$7 for the year. A bigger and better bargain you won't be able to find. For more information about hikes and social activities contact Sy Gelman at 408-532-1239.

Democratic Club meeting



Sudhanshu "Suds" Jain presents facts on Climate Change at Democratic Club meeting.

- Climate Change Impacts on CA
- Droughts and Floods
- Less snowpack - skiing and water storage
- Fires - \$9.4 billion as of Dec 7, 2017
- Sea Level Rise - SRO at extreme risk, beach erosion
- Agricultural Impacts - crops, fishing
- Diseases - West Nile Virus, Dengue, Zika

More CLUBS

World record holder Carlo Facchino to speak

On Tuesday, January 16, Carlo Facchino will be the guest speaker at the SIR 38 luncheon in the Fairway Room at the Clubhouse. Non-SIR members wishing to attend the presentation should arrive at the Clubhouse at 12:30 p.m.

During the summer of 2017, Carlo Facchino, along with the crew of the Polar Row set out from Tromsø, Norway and headed north into the Arctic Ocean. The crew of the Polar Row were the first ever recorded row to go from Norway to the Arctic Ocean archipelago known as Svalbard. Along the way the crew encountered killer whales, walrus, whales, dolphins and lots of cold water. From Svalbard the crew continued north to the permanent Arctic Ice Sheet where they made a U-turn and headed south toward Iceland. Before reaching Iceland the crew had to navigate through dangerous ice drifts, battle Arctic storms and eventually stop on the remote volcanic island of Jan Mayen.

Carlo Facchino was born and raised in San Jose, CA. He was introduced to the sport of rowing as a freshman at the University of California Davis. In 2016 Carlo competed in The Great Pacific Race as part of Team Uniting Nations. Carlo and his three crew mates set the Guinness Book of World Records for the fastest Pacific Ocean crossing from Monterey, CA to Honolulu, Hawaii. As part of the 2017 Polar Row crew, Carlo and his teammates set numerous Ocean Rowing World Records and achieved the northernmost latitude ever reached by a rowing boat.



Carlo Facchino

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.

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Mah Jongg Card Countdown!

By Barbara Smith

How time flies! There are only a few days left to order the 2018 Mah Jongg Card. The final day to order Mah Jongg Cards is Sunday, January 21, 2018. The price of cards remains the same. Small print cards are \$8. Large print cards are \$9.

Barbara Smith is coordinating the sale of Mah Jongg cards again this year. Checks are made out to Barbara Smith. At the end of the sale, one large check is written and all the individual checks are deposited. Please include the number and size of the cards you are ordering in the "memo" place on your check.



Checks can be dropped off or mailed to: Barbara Smith, 2067 Folle Blanche Dr, San Jose, CA 95135 or given to Barbara on Monday when so many people play at Cribari Center. In late March, your Mah Jongg card(s) will be sent directly to your home from the National Mah Jongg League in New York. Happy Mahing!

Get started in Watercolor

"Watercolor has an undeserved reputation as being a very difficult medium to master," said Ciel Duke, watercolorist. "Not so," she continued. "It's all about learning the tricks to control the medium. Water, after all, wants to do its own thing!"

This four-session series of classes, "Getting Started in Watercolor," begins at the very beginning: discussing paper, paints, and brushes. From there, participants will create at least one painting per class, exploring watercolor tricks and techniques in order to produce the wonderfully fresh and spontaneous look of a true watercolor.

Starting with a discussion of basic materials, participants will continue with projects designed to familiarize them with the medium of watercolor. Various watercolor techniques such as wet-on-wet, dry brush, and dragging color, along with the all-important aspect of timing, will result in a finished painting from each session. This class is designed for absolute beginners as well as those who are struggling to make watercolor work.

Register with Barbara at barb.gottesman@gmail.com or 408-531-9402. The class begins Monday, January 22 and runs for four sessions until February 12, from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., in the Art Room. The \$75 fee includes all materials (watercolors, palette, brushes and paper), but participants who already work in watercolor are welcome to bring their own supplies, such as a favorite brush.

New Carol Norden Jewelry Workshop

Now you can design and create your own jewelry with master craftswoman Carol Norden. She is offering a two-part workshop on two Tuesdays, January 23 and January 30 in Wire Wrapped Jewelry Making. The cost for the two part workshop is \$100 for instruction and materials. The workshop will be in the Cribari Center Art Room, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

All materials are furnished to make five wire wrapped pendants or more if you have time. These include gold and silver wire, jasper, rose quartz, aventurine, jade and lampwork beads.

Register with Barbara at barb.gottesman@gmail.com or 408-531-9402 as soon as possible. There is limited enrollment.



Group Meditation for Universal Peace

Group Meditation for Universal Peace takes place Wednesday evenings at 7 p.m. in the Cribari Conference Room. The meditations in January will be on the 10, 17, 24 and 31. Darlene Korb, Pamela Thompson and Mary Edmunds will lead and facilitate these meetings.

Guided meditation allows those who have never practiced meditation, and those who are experts, to partake in this movement to promote world peace by embodying and simultaneously sending out vibrations of peace and love. A brief introduction to meditation is followed by gentle stretches and then 20 minutes of meditation.

While many of us enjoy meditating alone, meditating with others can enhance our spiritual growth significantly. In addition to helping people learn how to meditate, a meditation group can bring a tremendous amount of healing to everyone who attends. This can help us to raise our awareness level and overcome feelings of hurt from past.

All are welcome to join us. There is no fee for participating. These meetings are sponsored by the Global Village club.

Investment expert to discuss financial outlook

Scott Stauffer, the Managing Partner of BetterWealth, LLC, and a very popular speaker at previous Villages Investment Club events, will speak on the financial outlook for the coming year at the club's meeting on Thursday, January 18 at 10 a.m. at Foothill Center. All Villagers and their guests are welcome to attend. Coffee and donuts will be served.

Scott is a Certified Financial Planner (CFP®) and focuses on the unique challenges professionals and families face trying to maximize their wealth and life. He has an MBA from the University of California at Davis, and a BA from Grinnell College where he also received his secondary teaching certificate.

Having worked in the public and social sectors before he was a small business owner and financial advisor, Scott's goal is to help his clients map out their unique financial goals, understand how their wealth is managed, and measure how to meet their goals.

VMA: Have your hearing screened for free

The Villages Medical Auxiliary (VMA) is sponsoring a free hearing screening, conducted by the San Jose office of Hearwell Audiology, Inc. on Thursday, January 18, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., in Montgomery Center. Pre-registration is required. Please contact VMA Social Service Coordinator Cristina Freyer at 408-238-4029 or cfreyer@ncphs.org.

Hearing loss that occurs gradually as you age is common, per the staff at the Mayo Clinic. About 25 percent of people in the United States between the ages of 55 and 64 have some degree of hearing loss. For those older than 65, the number of people with some hearing loss is almost 1 in 2.

"Hearing well is living well," Hearwell Audiology reminds us. The San Jose office emphasizes quality education and training in audiology, years of experience in patient care, and the latest hearing device technology.

The VMA urges you to take the time to have your hearing screened, either at the January 18 free screening or with your own doctor.



You're invited to Senior Academy Meeting!

On Wednesday, January 24, at 3 p.m. in the Clubhouse, the Senior Academy for Education invites all Villagers to attend their special Annual Meeting. New officers and directors will be introduced, and the Academy's classes and courses planned for the next six months will be described. Accomplishments of the past year will be celebrated, with hot and cold hors d'oeuvres. Again, you do not need to be a member of the Senior Academy to attend this meeting.

Founded in 2002, the Academy offers between 15 and 20 classes and short courses at the Villages each year. Membership in the Senior Academy reached a record 535 members this year. The annual cost of a membership is \$15, and includes a subscription to Connections, the twice-yearly newsletter describing upcoming events, special email notifications of all events, and a discount to Senior Academy Courses. The membership fee is billed annually to the member's house number.

Village Readers: Want to join a book group?

A general meeting of The Village Readers Club will be held at 2 p.m. on Wednesday, January 24, at the Montgomery Center. All current Village Readers book group members and any Villagers who would like to join an existing group or to form a new group are invited to attend. There are currently 10 book groups, each with eight to 10 members. Each book group is managed independently and functions differently, from the genre of books read to the food and activities planned around the theme of the book being discussed. Groups usually meet once a month in members' homes. If you love to read, want to make new friends, and enjoy interesting book discussions, please attend. Please contact Trudy Nicholls (trudy_nicholls@hotmail.com) with any questions.

FROM THE BOOKSHELF

By Wate Bakker

“Song of the Lion” by Anne Hillerman: After trying her hand as a journalist, Anne Hillerman, daughter of Tony, who became famous for writing detective stories from Navajo country, decided to continue in her father’s footsteps. All members of the old gang from the Navajo police are here including Lieutenant Joe Leaphorn, Sergeant Chee and his wife Bernie, who’s brighter than some of her male colleagues. A bomb explodes in the Shiprock High School parking lot after a hotly contested basketball game, killing a young man. Was he the intended victim or was it the owner of the car, a mediator for a dispute over a multi-million dollar development project at the Grand Canyon? As usual the situation becomes complex, but count on Leaphorn, Chee and Bernie to finger the real miscreants. Mystery 2017.

“The Painted Queen” by Elizabeth Peters: This novel is set in Egypt during the golden age of Egyptian archaeology, featuring the intrepid Amelia Peabody. There are dark secrets, priceless artifacts and exciting new discoveries, but also cutthroat criminals and thieves or worse. Amelia is relaxing in her bath in an upscale Cairo hotel when a man staggers in with a knife protruding from his back, muttering “murder”—just what Amelia needed to unravel her next mystery. At the same time an important excavation at Amarna must go on. Here the iconic bust of Nefertiti was recently discovered, but unfortunately it has gone missing. More people die, but in the end Amelia will solve this diabolical mystery. Mystery 2017.

“In the Name of the Family” by Sarah Dunant: High drama in Renaissance Italy. There is power, passion, brutality and the ties of blood. The novel is a thrilling exploration of the house of Borgia’s final years as seen through the eyes of Machiavelli. Rodrigo Borgia, a self-confessed womanizer and master of political corruption, sits now on the Papal throne as Alexander the Sixth. His son Cesare rules Florence, is brilliant and ruthless, but increasingly unstable and eventually becomes the model for Macchiavelli’s “The Prince,” his great work on power politics, which is still relevant today. Are there other parallels with the political scene in the US today? Find out! Fiction 2017.

“What Happened” by Hillary Rodham Clinton: We all know what happened. This is Hillary’s side of the story. Lots of blame to go around, both from outside the Clinton campaign and the campaigns over-reliance on statistics and political consultants, blind to what really was going on. Read also the companion book by the Chair of the Democratic Party. Nonfiction, 920 biography.

Incontinence supplies available at VMA office

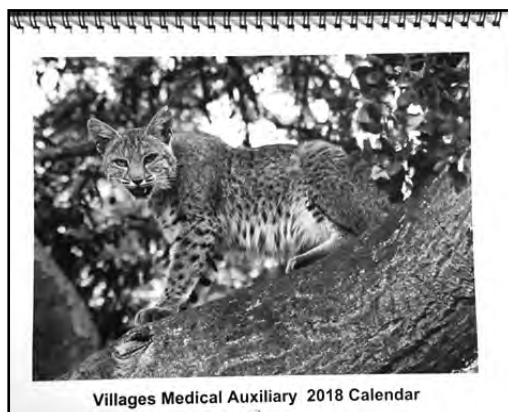
The Villages Auxiliary Medical (VMA) often receives donations of incontinence supplies from Villages residents. By reorganizing a part of the VMA office, these supplies are now stored in a way that Villagers can conveniently pick up items they need. Just go to the VMA office during usual open hours: Monday through Thursday, 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

At any one time we may have pads, underpants and/or bed protectors in various sizes. This will change from week to week depending on donations.

Wildlife Calendars still available

It’s not too late to get a stunning wall calendar with local wildlife photos by Lou Alexander.

Lou designed the 2018 calendar of his work to benefit the VMA. Get your copy at the VMA office in Cribari Center—9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday. The cost is \$15.



Villages Medical Auxiliary 2018 Calendar

The calendar includes dozens of photos of animals and birds along with beautiful views of seasonal foliage. It’s printed on high-quality card stock and includes space for phone numbers and notes.

Republicans start New Year with James Russell

On Thursday, January 25, the Republican Club will hold its first meeting of the New Year at 10 a.m. in the Foothill Center. Our speaker will be James Russell and his topic will be “Which Party is on the Right Side of History? The Verdict is in.” Sounds very exciting.

Mr. Russell is a long time educator in the Campbell Union High School District, as a teacher, coach, administrator, principal and mentor. He has also served in the California State Assembly and is currently a member of the Santa Clara County Republican Party Central Committee and a delegate to the California Republican party.

Come to the meeting and enjoy a delicious brunch provided by Carmen Ackmann and her friends. A donation to cover expenses will be greatly appreciated.



VAT: New Year’s Resolution

One new year’s resolution that is great for you and your family and easy to keep is bringing them to our Spring musical comedy, “Anything Goes.” This provides you with many advantages including introducing your children and/or grandchildren to the theater, family time without the intrusion of cell phones, tablets and video games, sharing a meal at the Bistro or Club and the feeling that you had a successful family day. All this at very reasonable price. A number of Villagers have done this with success. Give it a try. You will be glad you did.

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.



Saturday Sing-Along moves to 9:30 a.m.

What a difference a half hour makes! The 90-minute Saturday Morning Sing-Along in Cribari’s Sequoia Room now starts at 9:30 a.m. People have already started showing up in greater numbers, and on time! In recent sessions we added some holiday songs and most recently we sang nothing but holiday songs the entire time. We have several pianists now who—with enough encouragement—will lead or accompany us on some songs. This is in addition to our regular guitar, ukulele and harmonica players. We even had a flutist with us recently.

No New Year’s resolutions needed! Just drop by when you can: Listen, hum and tap your feet, or sing along, if you want. Our songbook has grown to over 80 songs, but founder Dorene Vettel diligently keeps the loaner books updated and available to all. Some of the visiting time is the most precious. You are cordially invited to join us as we sing and chat our way down memory lane.

Sing along with the Folksters

By Bev Clifford

Led by several guitars, a bass and a harmonica, we are joining our voices in song in the Cribari Conference Room on the second and fourth Thursday evenings each month from 7 to 9 p.m. Our five-minute break goes over a little, as our natural inclinations to socialize take over, but we don’t mind. We currently sing from a list of 50-plus songs, but our Song Committee is encouraging new selections from a number of websites dedicated to the folk revival of the 1960s.

Villagers are invited to visit and see whether this is the group and the activity that “fits the bill” on a Thursday night. We welcome folks who look forward to exercising their vocal chords on a regular basis, plus those who would like to bring an instrument to play as they sing with us. Or people may just want to come and listen, tap their feet, or hum along.

Visitors may look on with one of our friendly regulars until they are able to assemble their own songbooks. There are no dues or other commitments.



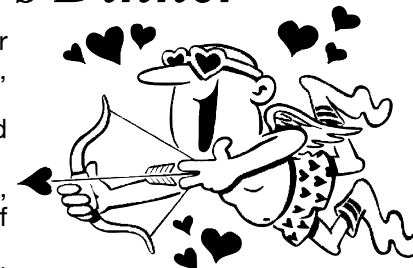
SIR clubs to host Valentine’s Dinner

The combined SIR 38 and 114 members will be holding their annual Valentine’s Dinner/Dance gala on Tuesday, February 13, from 5 to 9 p.m. at the Clubhouse.

Bring your true love or best friend to celebrate and build fond Valentine’s Day memories.

The evening will start with piano and champagne reception, followed by dinner, with wine, and dancing to the music of Jerry Saucedo.

A more detailed SIR Valentine’s Dinner/Dance announcement will be printed in the Villager next week, but please contact your SIR representative at your earliest opportunity to sign up.



RELIGION

COMMUNITY CHAPEL

By Pastor Bill Hayden

When we were young our thoughts were not bombarded with aging and death. If we were injured we expected to recover in full form to do all the things that we enjoyed doing before our accident. After all, to have our lives interrupted at any level was looked at as an inconvenience.

When we see our friends leaving us, we are forever reminded of the brevity of life and how important it is to take care of these bodies as best as we can. We know the need to have a healthy diet and regular exercise is of great importance in maintaining our vitality, but to do it is another thing. At the beginning of the year, most people have these grandiose ideas of getting into shape or making plans to do something that has been put on the shelf year after year. How many times have you heard the expression, "Well, something came up"? For some, they are hoping that something does come up because their hearts are not fully persuaded to achieve their desire.

My sister, who lives alone in St. Anne, Illinois on 12 acres, told me that she would love to come to California. I suggested that she place a label on a large jar stating, "My trip to California" and put her extra change in it. As the story goes, something always comes up and the jar was never put into action. I didn't reveal to her that if she did it I would start a jar on my end, "My sister's trip to California." I soon realized that she did not have a plan in place and like most of us, life happens and we seldom fulfill some of those desires.

This year, let's seek out a friend to hold us accountable to our desires and commitments to achieve our goals. We can make it fun as well as costly (\$\$) if we begin to get lazy and slack off on our commitment. **A commitment focused on the right things will surely bring success. "Commit thy way unto the Lord; trust also in him; and he shall bring it to pass." Proverbs 37:5 KJV**

It's time to make the commitment and join us this Sunday at the Villages Community Chapel in Cribari Auditorium at 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/>**

SEARCH THE SCRIPTURES

Hope your holidays were merry and bright. Time to get serious once again. Search The Scriptures class will meet Monday, January 15 from 9:30 to 11 a.m. at Foothill Center. We will be studying Revelations once again. This is a great way to start the new year, so if you haven't yet joined us, please feel free to do so now. We're looking forward to a good time of learning and fellowship.

Need a Bible or have questions? Call Patt at 408-532-8685.

JEWISH GROUP

Friday night Shabbat Services will be held at 7:30 p.m. on January 19, 2018 at Foothill Center. We will have Rabbi Melanie Aron lead our services, followed by the program. Rabbi Aron will be accompanied by a young man named Henry Stern who plays the guitar and sings beautifully. Her discussion topic following the services will be an open discussion about the current Jerusalem situation. Following the presentation we will have our usual Oneg Shabbat celebration.

All Villagers are welcome. If you are interested in joining The Villages Jewish Group, please contact Joyce Mendel at 408-238-7316.

EPISCOPAL

Episcopal Church Services on Sunday, January 14

Second Sunday after the Epiphany

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

Come worship with us as we welcome the New Year and The Rev. Gerad Flynn 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 will officiate as we celebrate the Holy Eucharist with full choir and organ accompaniment. Come early to hear the new bells!

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

A big thank you from Jean to: Flo Southland, Lorraine Navone, Marilyn Bow, and Louise Connors for donating their time and talent in making the Advent wreaths, which turned into a very successful venture.

END-of-LIFE: A Catholic Perspective. This talk will take place on February 10, from 10 a.m. to 12 pm. in the Fireside room. R.S.V.P. are appreciated, but not required to attend. Please call Frances at 408-223-1770.

Thank you all for the **136 bags of food and clothing** you all so generously donated to our less fortunate. You are a super group of 8:15 'ers.

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

We are still 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.

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 Ghiossi 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.

St. Francis of Assisi Sunday Mass times:

Saturday	5 p.m.	Chapel
Sunday	8:15 a.m.	The Villages
	8:30 a.m.	Chapel
	9 a.m.	Gathering Space
	9:30 a.m.	Grange
	10:30 a.m.	Chapel
	11 a.m.	Gathering Space
	12:30 p.m.	Chapel
	6 p.m.	Youth Mass Chapel
Friday	9 a.m.	Cribari Conf. Room

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

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SPORTS NEWS

18-HOLE WOMEN

By Rosemary Kelley

Bonne année! Buon anno! Heri ya mwaka mpya! Or just in case you don't speak French, Italian or Swahilli, Happy New Year! May all your golf dreams come true in 2018 whether it be multiple holes in one, low putts and Captain's Trophy winner, superabundant birdies and eagles, or part of a team that is the overall winner of the Invitational.

Our first play day for 2018 had a low turn out of players due to unsettled weather conditions. However, the 22 ladies who did play experienced improved weather conditions as the morning progressed and all 22 finished their round. Apparently Cindy Fuller loved the conditions as she shot a gross 91 for a net 67 making her the first Captain's Trophy winner for 2018. As for birdies, chip-ins, and low putt winner, I do not have that information. Look for those results in next week's article. As you know our group we did not have the usual lunch after golf because the Clubhouse restaurant and Bistro were closed for renovation.

What else would your board like you to know?

1. Pat Sear membership chair will be available to hand out the inserts for your green book after lunch each Thursday or you may call her to make arrangements to pick them up.

2. If you want to play from the #2 tees permanently, let the Pro Shop know and you will be put on a list. If you are not on this list, you need to call by Tuesday before our Thursday play day to play from the #2 tees for just that time.

3. Welcome to three new members Julie Henig, Gloria Hernandez, and Gail Tuft.

Happy golfing for 2018.

Welcome New Beginners to Bocce



This 2018 season we are beginning something new with all our beginners. We encourage you to come and play on some or all the dates designated for Boot Camp.

Boot Camp Schedule:

Every Monday in February 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Every Saturday in February 10:30 a.m. to noon

For the first time at the end of the four weeks we will have a one-day "Beginner's Tournament" that will be held on Saturday, March 3. This one-day tournament will give you the feel for the many tournaments the Bocce Club holds within the year.

The only requirement needed is being new to bocce and willing to play. Your tournament coordinator will do the rest.

We will have sign-up sheets at each Boot Camp for this one-day commitment.

Plan on having a great day with lots of fun at the bocce courts with new bocce friends.

First and second place winners will be recognized at the Awards Dinner in November.

Questions? Call Barbara Orlando 408-300-1230 your Beginner's Tournament Coordinator.

SHONIS

By Marge McCandless

Fifteen brave Shonis showed up to play on January 2. It was a rather dreary and cold morning but there were some very nice scores. There were quite a few pars and our Captain's Trophy was awarded to Pauline Robertson who had six pars. That is really impressive. Congratulations to you Pauline. Barbara Karayn had a birdie on Hole #5 and Meg Rogers had a 40 foot chip-in for a birdie on hole #7.

Our new co-captains, Bonnie Evans and Kacy Walden were given some help in the scoring process by Joan Wiseman who was one of our co-captains last year. Both learned quickly and for sure all will go well this year. We couldn't go to lunch due to the Clubhouse renovations but Bonnie brought some great cookies for the scorers—will that be a weekly event?

Teddy Morse has reorganized our Bulletin Board for the new year. As always, it looks great and contains lots of important information. Do go into the Posting Room to see that part of the board and also to see the pictures of the Captain's Trophy winners which our Photographer Vivian Wilczak takes each month. I especially urge our new members to go in there and also urge all of us to read our membership books.



Congratulations to Pauline Robertson, January Shoni Captain's Trophy winner.

Photo by Vivian Wilczak

SWINGERS

By Pam McCarthy

Happy You Near to all you golf enthusiasts! January 2, 2018 introduced itself with a wonderful day for golf. Thirty-two eager Swingers began the New Year on our spectacular course. One member in particular arrived with great energy. Her powerful presence was really felt this first "Game Day" of 2018. She completed her round with a chip-in on holes #13, #16, and #17. Give a "hear-hear!" to Carol Begley! Wow...does golf have a "Hat Trick"?! What a remarkable, phenomenal and memorable day! She deserves the "Golden Wedge" award. What a feat! Carol, we send you bouquets of joy! Congratulations!

Kudos to our illustrious, former Captain Pam Short. Pam's golfing skill rewarded her with the first Captain's Trophy of 2018. Congratulations, Pam.

We want to extend a warm "welcome!" to two new Swingers members from Shonis, Joanie Needham and Sheryl Driskell. Sheryl holds the title of the 2017 Shoni Club Champion. Congratulations on your success, Sheryl.

Our own Alan Walsh is championing his career in the golf industry by taking on the challenge of the Professional Golf Association's Professional Golf Management curriculum, PGA PGM for short. There are three phases to this 30-plus month online course. Each stage is completed with a 40-plus hour class at the PGA PGM Seminar in Port Saint Lucy, Florida. Alan has just returned from successfully completing Phase I of the course. Phase II is now on his radar screen. When he has concluded Phase III Alan will be classified as a PGA Class "A" member. He will have the skill set in place to successfully manage all the aspects of today's golf club. This is an exciting and life changing challenge for Alan. Let's all cheer him on to the finish line! Alan presently gives lessons at the Villages and he loves teaching beginners.

The Swingers January calendar is pretty clear. As the 2018 calendar unfolds it promises to be full and a packed with fun. Here is to an outstanding 2018.



2017 Swingers Captain Pam Short (right) hands over the gavel to incoming 2018 Swingers Captain Nancy Carson.

TENNIS TALK



Judy Volm, Phyllis Mueller, Peggy Marlow, Carol Trenholme, Anna Hewitt, Carolee Ferguson, Maria Stahl, Mary Fitzgerald, Barbara Gerwe.

Photo by Jill MacMitchell

By Phyllis and John Mueller

Time for memory lane. When old writers write, that's all they remember. How about the famous ladies Villages 3.5 team that first went to Napa? The year was 1998 and the Captain was Jill MacMitchell. The ladies were late 50s to early 60s (young for Village tennis ladies). The team won their league in the valley and the next step was Napa, California in May of 1999. The excitement was unbearable! Months of preparation ensued. Howie Blumstein's "slash shirts" were a given and good luck. Weather reports showed maybe warm weather. Alternate sleeveless shirts were ordered. Three night motel reservations were made. More lessons needed for this "Wimbledon like" invitation. Do we take bug spray? Of course, many bugs in Napa in May! How about wine? Of course, many wineries in Napa!

Ten ladies made the trip. Anna Hewitt (always selling houses). Peggy Marlow (always checking out the housing market). Mary Fitzgerald (called tennis shoes sneakers-east coast). Judy Volm (scouting out her previous teams). Maria Stahl (understood the draw and rules). Carolee Ferguson (just off chemo for cancer). Carol Trenholme (Eddie's daughter as he told everyone). Barbara Gerwe (never early, never late but always right on time). Jill MacMitchell (car trunk full of scouting reports of other teams). Phyllis Mueller (take colored cups so our Captain cannot see what we are consuming during happy hour).

We took our men who put up with our "out of body excitement." They hauled ice, provided a team doctor and were all around go-fers. They were loyal, (maybe they did get a little golf in) and paid our bills without a sniff.

The big day came! This win is for the Northern California champions that go to Nationals! Since then, there are two hurdles to get to Nationals. Each team, three matches of ladies doubles. Our first go around we won two out of three and were packing for Nationals. But wait, we have a couple more days of this. Things get fuzzy now but let's just say we started to lose too quickly and our dreams were dashed!

We started saying things like, "How lucky we are to be here," "How nice to have a Napa vacation," "There always is next year." We were a great team and most of us had never had competitive experiences as high schools did not have competitive sports in our day for girls. We took it on the chin and had more wins as the years went by and went to places like Fresno, Milpitas and the Sacramento area. The boys had Carmel Valley! Napa was the first and will never be forgotten.

We lost Carolee, Peggy and Mary but our memories will always be fresh in our minds. We won't mention the losses!

BOCCE NEWS

By Patricia Bruno

Welcome to the 2018 Bocce season! We have so many great events lined up for the Bocce Club you may want to mark your calendars.

Here are the dates for our tournaments in 2018. The Spring Mixer runs from March 10 to April 25. Next up is the Spring Round Robin, May 5 to June 27. The always fun Guys and Gals tournament runs from June 30 to August 1. New this year, we will have a Summer three-week tournament from August 4 to 29. Our last tournament of the year will be the Fall Round Robin from September 8 to October 24.

February is the month of our Bocce Boot Camps. This year we will be holding Boot Camps on Monday (every February Monday at 11 a.m.) and also on Saturday (February 10, 17 & 24 at 10:30 a.m.)

Be sure to mark your calendars for Saturday, February 10. We will be having our Bocce Club Installation Dinner. It should be a fun night of fun, food, and dancing.

Have you ever considered volunteering to be a bocce referee? Our Referee Training will be held on February 28 from 11 a.m. to noon.

Don't forget our Winter Bocce Bash is ongoing throughout the winter. Join us every Thursday at 12-noon at the Bocce Courts. All are welcome!

More information on all these events, and more, will be coming in future editions of The Villager.



IRONMEN

By Bill Travis

This week's Ironmen update includes a special bonus: two weeks of results!

Net Sweeps winners for December 28, 2017 are:

First Place tie between Tony Illich and John Eige each with a net score of 27.

Second Place Prakash Deshmukh with a net score of 28.

Third Place Jerry Weltzin with a net score of 29.

There were four birdies on December 28, 2017:

John Eige on hole 2; Mario Silva on hole 2; Bill Travis on hole 8; and Jerry Weltzin on hole 8.

Net Sweeps winners for January 4, 2018 are:

First Place Bill Travis with a net score of 26.

Second Place Don Bookwalter with a net score of 28.

Third Place tie between Dave Hathaway and Prakash Deshmukh each with a net score of 29.

Our lone birdie of January 4, 2018 was by:

Don Bookwalter on hole 6.

Our deep thought and/or humor for today is: "18 holes of match or medal play will teach you more about your opponent than will 18 years of dealing with him across a desk." - Grantland Rice, Sports Writer

PINSEEKERS

By John Eige

We Pinseekers had three different tee times over about an hour on the back nine this first play day of the New Year, separated by numerous Swingers of the Ladies 9-Hole Golf Club. Our foursome did not find any holdups or difficulties, except those we created ourselves, of course. The net winners were:

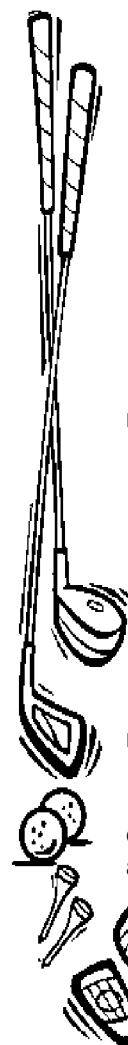
1. Ron Speer with a great net 30.

2. Phil Robinson with a 34.

3. Martin Hoek with a 35.

4. And with just-over-par 37s, Bob Iacopi and I in the same foursome, squeaked into a tie for fourth place.

With almost five months to go, the Championship placings have shuffled the same four top players. First is a tie between Iacopi and Robinson, Second is Cook, and Third is Short.



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Flights TBD depending on number of entries received.

Sign up in the Pro Shop starting January 13.

Eclectic rounds may be played at any time other than a formal Men's Club event and must be attested...i.e. you may not play by yourself.

More SPORTS



MEN'S GOLF CLUB

By Kyle Finley (kylefinley@outlook.com)

Your 2018 Men's Golf Club Executive Committee:

The following gentlemen have volunteered to serve the membership of the Men's Golf Club. Please feel free to contact them with ideas and suggestions. Their contact information will be in your 2018 Green Handbook and will be posted in the Pro Shop Posting Room.

- David (Baci) Bacigalupi — General Chairman
- Gary Chappell — Secretary/VGC Representative
- Jeff Buckingham — Evergreen Tournament Chairman
- Jim Seymour — Treasurer/Hole-In-One Chairman
- Jim Danielski — Tournament Co-Chairman
- Ray Blinde — Tournament Co-Chairman
- David Gonzales — Membership/Handicap/NCGA/Rules Chairman
- Geoff Gault — Home & Home Chairman
- Kyle Finley — Publicity/Web Site Chairman

2017 Most Improved Golfer: Congratulations to Tom Nedney for being the Most Improved Golfer for 2017! Tom went from an 8.8 to an impressive 4.8 handicap—a very difficult task at that handicap level. Tom out-distanced the next five competitors: David Leung, Robert Spoor, Don Lingofelter, Lisi Bettencourt and Doug Canepa. Look for the list in the Posting Room.

2017 Golfing "Animal": Congratulations to Bob Spoor for being the most prolific golfer in the Men's Club. Bob recorded 170 rounds for 2017 and out-distanced the next five competitors: Vince Rossi, Gary Chappell, Winston Bannister, David Bacigalupi, and Rob Davis. Look for the list in the Posting Room.

Hole-In-Ones for December — Congratulations to:

- Frank Perna for his Hole-in-One on December 12 on Hole #4.
- Bob Denike for his Hole-in-One on December 30 on Hole #11.

Eagles for December — Congratulations to:

- David Hathaway for his eagle on December 8 on Hole #15
- David Hathaway (again?) for his eagle on December 15 on Hole #9
- Bill Leonard for his eagle on December 18 on Hole #2
- David Gonzalez for his eagle on December 30 on Hole #2

New Members: Welcome George Welch and John Ochsner!

Please look for these guys out on the golf course, introduce yourself, and welcome them to the Men's Golf Club.

Men's Club Tournament Sweeps for 2018: In order to simplify and make tournament payouts easier to calculate and distribute, the Executive Committee voted to increase the Men's Club tournament sweeps amount from \$11 to \$12 starting in 2018.

Men's Club Tournament Handicaps: Based on input from our members and examples of what other clubs have done, we will be using a Tournament Handicap system for our first tournament of the year, the President's Day tournament. This system uses the lowest of the following two handicaps:

- 1) NCGA handicap as of the time of the tournament or
- 2) A Tournament handicap based on the lowest (5) five tournament scores you have posted at The Villages over the past (2) two years.

Our goal with this new system is to make our tournaments more transparent, fair and equitable for all of our members.

Upcoming Events

New Year Eclectic Tournament: Yes, we are bringing back the Eclectic Tournament for 2018. You will have 10 rounds to post your best net score for each hole. Please see the poster in this edition of the Villager for more details. Signups begin at the Pro Shop on January 13.

The complete 2018 Tournament Schedule and Home & Home Schedule will be coming out soon. Look for additional details here, on the Men's Golf Club Website, www.villagesmensgolf.com, and in the Posting Room of the Pro Shop.

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, February 6. The meetings are open to all members.



2017 Men's Golf Club Chairman Hal Hallock receives Certificate of Appreciation from new Chairman David Bacigalupi.




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SCOREBOARD

BRIDGE

Wednesday, December 27:

First place tie: Marie Chong/Harvey Gogol and Maureen Waltho/Alan Waltho.

SWINGERS

Tuesday, January 2

Flight One:

Susan Sunzeri	47 32
Mitzi Macon	52 34
Carleen Corsello	55 37
Christy Reid	58 40

Flight Two:

Pam Short	52 31
Mary Wagle	54 33
Sherry Benz	54 35
Gisele Barber	59 40

Flight Three:

Kim Christiansen	61 38
Mary Y. Stowers	60 38
Maryann Yahiro	62 39
Victoria Nourian	62 39

Flight Four:

Sandie Jones	61 35
Lois Rountree	62 36
Adele Ratcliff	64 38
Doreen Senior	68 39

PINOCHLE

Wednesday, December 27

Donna Vivoli
Duane Sagen
Phyllis Ogden Sagen
Pat Luebcke

Friday, December 29

Phyllis Ogden Sagen
Pat Luebcke
Shara Ferrara
Duane Sagen

Wednesday, January 3

Donna Vivoli
Duane Sagen
Harvey Gogol
Phyllis Ogden Sagen

Friday, January 5

Donna Vivoli
Mike Cox
Duane Sagen
Shara Ferrara
Harvey Gogol

18-HOLE WOMEN SHONIS

Thursday, January 4

Captain's Trophy Winner:

Cindy Fuller:	Net 67
Low Putts:	
Betty Sharps:	31 Putts

Flight One:

Helen Varenkamp	89 76
Ann Crews	91 70

Flight Two:

Cindy Fuller	91 67
Marky Olsen	100 76
Inge McQuiddy	102 77

Flight Three:

Janis Kiernan	103 76
Sachiko Coleman	103 76

Tuesday, January 2

Flight One:

Pauline Robertson	31 11 20
Barbara Karayn	35 12 23
Betty Stednitz	36 12 24

Flight Two:

Meg Rogers	39 17 22
Linda McCarley	40 16 24
Teddy Morse	43 17 26

Flight Three:

Kacy Walden	46 20 26
Lil Yamada	52 21 31
Juliana Wahlgren	54 21 33

MEXICAN TRAIN DOMINOES

Wednesday, January 3

Sylvia Rozewicz	187
Barbara Varner	277
Vicky Linscott	288
Remy Pessah	297

Friday, January 5

Berta Escamilla	227
Remy Pessah	237
Barbara Varner	244
Cathy Razumich	249

FROM THE PRO



By Scott Steele, PGA Head Golf Professional

2018 Member Golf Calendar: For your information and review, the 2018 Member Golf Calendar in its entirety is now available for you on the golf portal of the Villages website. We are also posting the calendar two months out in the member posting room; the calendars for January and February are posted currently. A reminder—the golf calendar is fluid and a live document, so scheduled dates and times can/will change throughout the season. Any changes to the posted calendars will be updated as soon as possible and will be communicated to you as well. Please let the Pro Shop know if you have any questions.

Golf Course Schedule:

Remember on Monday, January 15 we are open at 7 a.m. for play due to the Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday.

Monday, February 5, the shotgun will start at 11 a.m. instead of 12 p.m., please plan accordingly.

Monday, February 19, we will be open at 7 a.m. for play due to the President's Day Holiday.

Reminder on Tuesdays open play tee times will start at 10 a.m. through January.

Reminder on Thursdays open play tee times will start at 11 a.m. through February.

Just for Fun Frostbite Open: This year's first Just for Fun event, the Frostbite Open, is Sunday, January 28. This fun event is open to all Villagers and guests. The format is a four-person scramble and we will have two divisions—18-hole and 9-hole. Your enjoyable round of golf will be followed by a nice *warm* dinner in the Clubhouse. Sign up in the Pro Shop starting Sunday, January 14.

Men's Club Eclectic Tournament: This year the men's club is bringing back a popular former event...the Eclectic Tournament February 1 through April 30. Ten Eclectic rounds...your best net score on each hole over the 10 rounds will be used for your final eclectic score. Any round except a Men's Club tournament round may be used for your eclectic rounds, each round must be attested. Signups start January 13. See the Pro Shop or Men's Club website for details.

New in the Pro Shop: Come and see what's new in the Pro Shop...

Casual fashion and golf winter wear for women and men from Horn Legend.

Women's golf gear from JoFit.

Men's pinstripe polos from Monterey Club.

Women's golf capris and vests from Monterey Club.

Coming soon...Jamie Saddock women's golf wear, EP Pro women's golf wear, Black Clover headwear, new Taylor Made M3 & M4 woods, plus new PING hooper bag designs!

Tips from the Pro: Hitting the golf ball "fat" this time of year can be messy...literally. Hitting it "fat" means hitting behind the ball and striking the ground before the ball. This is the worst miss in golf because the ball goes nowhere and you can get a bit of mud sprayed on your nice new golf outfit. The most common causes for fat shots are: Hanging back on your right side, flipping your hands through impact, and improper ball position. Remember that you must return your weight to your left hip, leg and foot through impact so your center of gravity is slightly ahead of the ball...this will allow for ball first contact. Remember that the hands arrive at impact before the club-head...this forward shaft lean allows for a downward strike, hitting the ball first...if your club-head arrives at impact first, you are flipping and will hit it fat...try to loosen your right hand grip pressure and tighten your left hand...this will help reduce the flip tendency. And lastly if you are playing off a downhill lie, be sure to move your ball position back in your stance, otherwise you will hit it fat. Try these three tips and see if it helps your ball striking. See you at the course!

Just For Fun Series

4th Annual Frostbite Open

Two Great Tournaments in One
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WHEN: Sunday, January 28, 2018

WHO: A fun, non-postable golf and social event for all.

FORMAT: 4-person teams-Mixer Teams encouraged.

Scramble format- See Rules Sheet for details

HANDICAPS: January 15th handicap-Men-#3 Tees;

Women-#2 Tees. See rules sheet for details.

SIGN-UP: January 14 through January 25 by 4 p.m. with the Pro Shop. Let them know if you need a playing partner(s) and they will arrange foursomes.

FLIGHTS: Sign up for either the 9 or 18 hole tournament; Flights-depending on sign ups for each tournament

TEE TIMES: Anytime, but complete play by 5 p.m.

COSTS: \$58 for those playing 9 holes, and \$69 per player for those playing 18 holes; Golfing guests pay \$5 more than their Villager. Includes golf, sweeps, and dinner. Non-playing spouses, partners and guests can join everyone for dinner at a cost of \$35 ea. incl.-sign them up when making your tee time.

AWARDS/DINNER: 5:45 p.m. - cocktails;

6:30 p.m. - dinner in the Clubhouse.

LANDSCAPE & MAINTENANCE

MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE

Cribari

5090-5094, 5101-5121, 5210-5233, 5250-5257 and 5271-5282 —Landscape maintenance and weed control, in progress.

5364-5399 and 5447-5488 —Landscape maintenance and weed control, 1/15 to 1/19.

Trash Enclosures—Bumper and stopper installation in progress. Cribari Knolls—Window washing in progress; with Cribari Place to follow.

Cribari Place; 5090-5101 —Power washing, prep and paint in progress. Cribari Bluffs; 5077-5089—Power washing, prep and paint in planning.

Cribari Bluffs—Partial power washing and painting of carpools in planning.

Cribari Bluffs—Dry rot repairs in progress.

5205—Water remediation and reconstruction in progress.

5532-5533—Water remediation and reconstruction in progress.

Del Lago

3304-3326—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.

3327-3348—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 1/15 to 1/19.

Turf rejuvenation program; spraying and slice seeding in progress. Gutter cleaning scheduled for 1/8-1/20.

3314 and 3325—Roof repairs in progress.

Estates

8876-8884—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.

8885-8897—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 1/15 to 1/19.

Fairways

4007, 4009 and 4011—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.

4001, 4003 and 4005—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 1/15 to 1/19.

Glen Arden

7797-7813—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.

7815-7837—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 1/15 to 1/19.

Heights

8458-8467—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.

8468-8475—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 1/15 to 1/19.

Hermosa

8340-8349 and 8388-8399—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.

8350-8387—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 1/15 to 1/19.

Colombard Ct.; 8338-8339—Roof replacement scheduled to start 1/15/18, weather permitting.

8375—Water remediation and reconstruction in progress.

Riesling Way; 8348-8360—Main sewer line repairs in planning.

Highland

Buckhaven Dr., Stoneshire Ct. and 7711, 7713 and 7715—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.

Falkirk Dr.—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 1/15 to 1/19.

Montgomery

6137-6168 and 6235-6245—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.

6184-6234—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 1/15 to 1/19.

Whaley Dr.—Sewer line repairs scheduled for this week, weather permitting.

6051, 6057 and 6066—Wood repairs scheduled for next week.

Olivas

8624-8639 and 8655-8664—Landscape maintenance and weed control, in progress.

8640-8654 and 8668-8679—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 1/15 to 1/19.

8799—Gate Valve replacement in progress.

8773—Interior repairs in progress.

Sonata

2065-2076—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.

2077-2081 and 2088-2094—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 1/15 to 1/19.

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.



MATTRESSES: Do not place in a garbage enclosure or dumpster

- If in good condition, please call your local charitable organization for donation options (i.e. Goodwill, Salvation Army, etc.).

- If in poor condition, here are some options: Call a local hauler for a fee, some examples are: Jaco Environmental: 800-741-0172 (www.jacoinc.net); 1-800-GOT-JUNK (www.gotjunk.com). Call The Villages Maintenance Customer Service Office to arrange for a bulk item pick-up by the garbage company. They will pick up three items for a set fee.

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
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.

Valle Vista

9053-9056 and 9061-9066—Landscape maintenance and weed control, in progress.

9046-9052 and 9067-9069—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 1/15 to 1/19.

Verano

7022-7050—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.

7001-7021—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 1/15 to 1/19.

Via Laguna; 7319-7325—Dry rot repairs in progress.

Roundabout to North Verano—Main sewer line repairs in planning.

Association

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 in progress.

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

Golf course restroom at 16th green and 17th tee project to start this week, weather permitting.

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.

BRIDGE HAND

By J.M.K.

NORTH

♠ K 10 5
♥ K 10 8 7
♦ 8
♣ K 8 6 4 3

WEST

♠ 8 7 2
♥ J 6 3
♦ A Q 5
♣ A 9 5 2

EAST

♠ J 6
♥ A 9 5 2
♦ J 10 4 3 2
♣ J 7

SOUTH

♠ A Q 9 4 3
♥ Q 4
♦ K 9 7 6
♣ Q 10

Dealer: West
Vulnerability: All

Bidding: West	North	East	South
Pass	Pass	Pass	1 Spade
Pass	2 Spades*	All Pass	

Contract: 2 Spades by South
Opening Lead: 6 of Hearts

Dealer has at least 1 Heart loser, and 1 or more Diamond losers, and a Club loser.
Strategy: Before pulling trumps, try to ruff some of the Diamond losers.

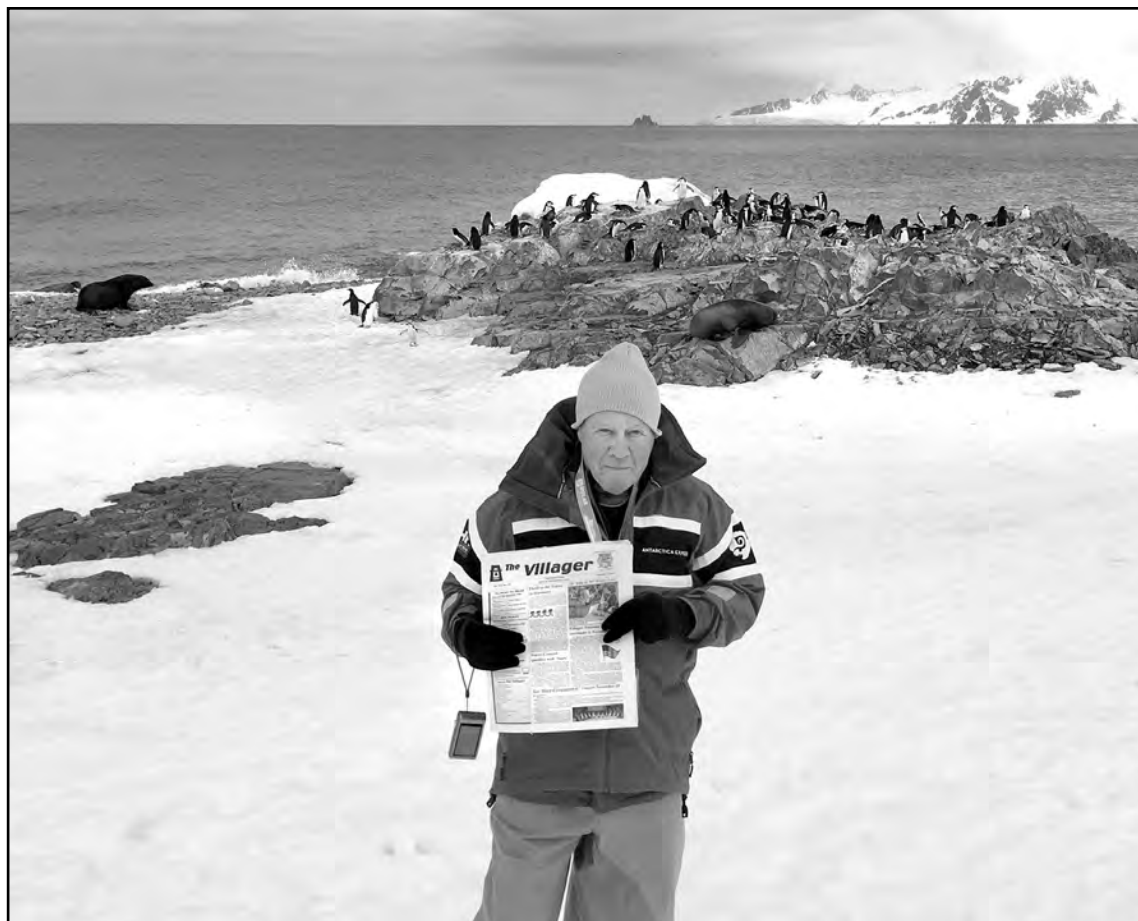
West leads the 6 of Hearts, East, the 9, South covers with the Queen, plays a low Diamond, West follows with the 5, and East wins with the 10. He is aware that the board is out of Diamonds, and notices the number of Diamonds he has, and leads the Jack of Spades to make it more difficult for South to trump Diamonds. South captures the Jack with his Queen, plays a Diamond, and ruffs it on the board. He switches to a Club, Queen from his hand, West takes the trick with the Ace. He continues with the defense of leading a Spade, South has to play the King from the board, then plays the King of Clubs, leads another Club, trumps it in his hand, switches to a Diamond, and West, the Ace. He leads a Heart, King from the board, East covers with the Ace, now leads another Heart, South trumps, next plays the Ace of Spades to draw the last trump, and finally leads his last card, the thirteenth Diamond. Great! The contract is made with an over trick. If the opponents had not started leading trumps then South could easily make game by ruffing more Diamonds.

* Some North players might bid 3 Spades, but South still has a minimum and will pass.

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On a far-flung adventure, John Murphy of Olivas Village on a recent 12-day cruise to the Antarctic Peninsula.

Village Voices...

(Continued from front page)

people while getting involved with our Village life. Together we enjoy giving back to the community through singing." Walt prepares the music files to help members learn the music.

Singing in a choir has many benefits. For 11 health benefits of singing (physical, mental and emotional, and social), check out this link, courtesy of our director Ken Carter: <https://takelessons.com/blog/health-benefits-of-singing>. Kellen Perry, the Alto II Section Leader, found that singing helps her asthma: "The doctor said singing can help my breathing capacity. He was right! Come join us and expand your breathing and social life!"

New member Paulette Dudley appreciates the uplifting quality of being in a choir: "Singing energizes my body, mind and soul. Singing enables me to connect and minister to others and to spread messages of joy, hope, peace, and fun. Singing also allows me to protest peacefully."

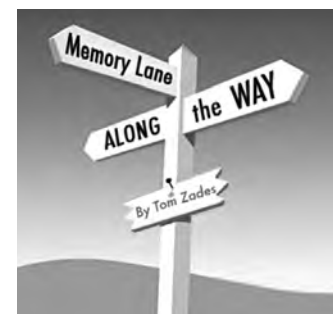
Director Ken Carter and Associate Director Susan Ahlgrimm, both with professional music backgrounds, lead rehearsals and create the musical programs. "The Village Voices is fortunate to have Ken and Susan leading us and to have such a talented accompanist," said Pam Pierson, president of the choir of 60-75 members. Accompanist Tamara Welsh holds a Master's Degree in Piano Performance with a repertoire that includes classical, jazz, Broadway, and liturgical music.

The Village Voices is a part of the Villages Music Society (VMS), a 501(c)3 organization at The Villages Golf and Country Club. Other VMS units include the Villages Concert Band, the Villages Opera Lovers, the Villages Handbell Ensemble, and the Villages Piano Club.

Along the Way—a trip down Memory Lane

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

I wrote my wife a poem on the occasion of our 42nd wedding anniversary in 2008. I was inspired by the Olympic marathon that year (42 kilometers), combined with a lyric from a Johnny Cash/June Carter duet recorded late in their careers. Within the song, they respond to the question of whether they wish they had their lives to live over again with: "That's a race we've already won."



*Remember in the early morn, when the road was strange and new?
The starting line not far behind, the sun just breaking through?
Beginner's luck? Beginner's love? We simply ran the road.
Side by side, stride for stride, sharing...was there a load?
The journey was the destination; the struggle was the prize
The joy we know, the happy glow should come as no surprise
Love ripens with age, becomes so sweet by being allowed to grow.
We tended and nurtured the precious seeds before the weeds could show.
And now the rewards of a love well spent: Satisfaction, contentment and joy,
To have a life of immeasurable worth that started with a girl and a boy.*

Marathons usually start in the pre-dawn, and we are still in the early miles when the sun breaks through the clouds. Most runners settle in beside someone running their own pace. It is easier to maintain an aggressive pace if you chit-chat and "share the load," so to speak.

The rhetorical "Was there a load?" refers to our reality that being happily married and in love always seemed easy. We would hear how marriage was hard work, how you had to work at it, etc. We would look at each other and wonder: When does that start? Now it is a race we have already won.

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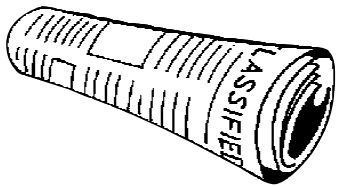
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Dorothy "Dottie" Pegram
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Dorothy "Dottie" Pegram was born Dorothy Kathleen Hoffman July 2, 1927, in Fort Wayne, Indiana. She graduated from North Side High in Fort Wayne and earned a college degree at Valparaiso University. She received a master's degree in education at Indiana University, where she met her husband, Ray Pegram. She taught school and worked as a high school counselor as their family moved about the country, from Indiana to Ohio and St. Louis, Missouri, then to Pittsburgh, and finally to California in 1965, first in Southern California and then to Santa Clara County. She remained in California for the rest of her life. While living in Sunnyvale, she worked at Hewlett-Packard. She and Ray moved to the Villages in 1986.

Dottie loved her friends, playing cards, Bible study, and church activities. And baseball—lots of baseball. She had room for both the Giants and the St. Louis Cardinals in her heart. Dottie was a compassionate, caring person who was a fierce advocate for those she loved.

She was predeceased by Ray and, by just a few weeks, her eldest son, Stan Pegram. Dottie is survived by her daughter, Laura Brewer (Peter) of Los Altos and her son Tom Pegram (Patty Ingram) and grandsons Tavish and Rafferty Pegram of Baltimore.

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