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begin Saturday! Reserved seat ticket sales begin tomorrow!

Tickets are \$15 each. They will be sold on Saturdays, March 24 and 31 in the Cribari Center Redwood and Terrace rooms from 10 a.m. to noon. Numbers will start to be passed out at 9:30 a.m. with ticket sales starting at 10 a.m.

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

Today we introduce Erma Latour. We know her as Connie Hendrickson. one of the very talented stars of "Guys & Dolls." Stageagent.com tells us Erma is a traffic-stopping dame who is indepen-

dent, modern, impulsive, courageous, immoderate and driven by whatever gratifies her at the moment. Connie tells us that she started working in our spring musical, "Anything Goes" because she likes Erma, the ditzy blonde with a "Joisey" accent, who is "cursed with sex appeal." Connie is enjoying creating this character and singing a solo as well.

Combine Connie's talent with fast paced comedy, memorable music, established actors and you get great performances.

Purchase your tickets early and get ready for a very funny, lighthearted musical comedy - a very entertaining outing with family and friends. Odds are, this will be another sell out.



Connie See Hendrickson as Erma Latour

'March Madness!' is this Saturday, March 24

If you miss shopping at the Villages Boutique, this sale's for you! Twenty crafters from the old Boutique are participating in the first sale by the new Villages Crafters Club, which was formed after the Boutique closed

in December.

"March Madness!" will take place in Vineyard Center, March 24 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. A wide variety of handmade crafts will be displayed-all types of jewelry, fabric items from totes to bibs and towels and from T-shirts to knitted works, cork boards and trivets, poetry and origami greeting cards, gift boxes, paintings, mosaic tiles, ceramic pieces, divine biscotti cookies...and more.

"As a long-time Boutique participant I'm really happy that we're Marilyn Murata modeling having this sale. Ever since we one of her customwere closed down in December, designed shirts. I've missed being able to serve

our community. I love making poetry cards and frames for our customers, and feel that this is an excellent way to once again connect with them and give them an opportunity to shop with us," said Diane Goodrich.

According to Barbara Osborne, chair of the Villages Crafters, "We now know that the Boutique will not reopen-the Villages Board of Directors has decided against having a retail operation like the Boutique. Our crafters have wonderful wares and we want to provide venues for them to sell. 'March Madness!' is the first of the annual events we'll sponsor to bring buyers to our sellers." See you Saturday. Parking is available in the Vineyard lot or on the street. Payment for goods is by cash or check.

Community Activities offers Treasure Island Tour!

Here is another new tour with our very own Craig Smith to Treasure Island where we will have lunch at the US Job Corps—Culinary Academy! All this takes place on Wednesday, May 16. We will leave The Villages at 8 a.m. and return at approximately 6 p.m. The cost is \$80 per person. Register in the Community Resource Center, Building B beginning Monday, March 18.

Upon picking up Craig at Treasure Island we will see Pan Am Terminal & Naval West Coast History Mural and re-board the motor coach for a documentary. Then we will continue with the tour of Treasure Island with stopping points of fantastic views of the City and the Bay!

We will arrive at noon at the US Job Corps - Culinary Academy to enjoy lunch. The meal has three courses and usually several choices with a decadent dessert. Please bring a \$2 cash tip with you for service please. I cannot include this in the price of the trip as it needs to be cash. Thank you!

Learn why Treasure Island has that name and also learn about Pan Am Clippers and much more. Also, Craig has special surprise information about himself that he will share with you.

'Just for the Health of It' coming to Cribari Center

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The Villages Medical Auxiliary (VMA) will sponsor a comprehensive health fair on April 21 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in Cribari Center. In addition to more than 50 health-based vendors, the fair will feature speakers, a variety of prizes valued at more than \$800, healthy snacks, and a lot of information that will help you better manage your health. It's all free. Save the date and plan to invite your friends and family.

Since the legalization of marijuana in California there's been strong interest in the benefits of marijuana for problems that are particularly relevant to senior citizens-sleep issues, pain management, stress/anxiety and memory impairment. Carrie Tice, founder of Octavia Wellness in San Francisco will speak and describe the (Continued on page 21)

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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.

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

Some helpful tips on writing a better Pulse letter

For some letter writers, the process of transferring thoughts to the printed page is nothing short of traumatic. Here are a few suggestions to make that process easier:

 Keep your letter as brief as possible. Organize your thoughts, jot down an outline of those thoughts and then fill out the outline in sentence form and that should result in the first draft of your letter.

· Edit, edit, edit! Please do not submit the first draft of your letter. Go through it at least once to get a word count (maximum 200 words), and correct your spelling and grammar. Even then you're not done! Edit it one more time! The more you edit your letter the better it will read. To improve its eloquence, read it aloud to yourself or someone else to see if your sentences read gracefully and make sense. (If English is not your first language, perhaps a friend, a half hour and a couple cups of coffee will result in a letter that your readers will understand. Don't be afraid to ask for a little help.)

• Concentrate on one topic per letter-you can write a companion letter about a related topic.

· Cool your jets! Many letters are submitted in the heat of emotion. If you are angry, take a day or two to cool off, and, after you review the situation, you'll be able to write a better letter.

 Avoid personal attacks or resort to name calling in your letter. If your criticism is fair you should be able to respectfully criticize or disagree with someone.

• Think about the readers. The goal is to share your thoughts with your neighbors.

Be positive. Even if you are offering criticism, you can still do it in a constructive manner.

 If you are offering thanks or recognizing others, don't forget that there are other ways besides writing a Pulse letter. There are the Above and Beyond, Bouquets and Thank You columns.

Any questions you have about the Pulse process can be answered by the staff in The Villager office. Still flummoxed? Call Scott at 408-223-4655, Kory at 408-754-1341 or e-mail: shinrichs@ the-villages.com or ktran@the-villages.com

ABOVE & BEYOND

Many thanks to Albert, Elizabeth and the clubhouse staff for making the Swingers' Golf Luncheon a great success. Much appreciated.

-Maria Civello & Bev Murphy

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 tand at the entrance of Building B or go online to the Villages website-www.thevillagesgcc.com-and download the current and past editions to your computer.

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IN MEMORIAM

Mary Dutrow March 5, 1939 - January 1, 2018

(Please see obituary in our Classified Advertising section.)

Harvey Slater July 14, 1940 — February 5, 2018

(Please see obituary in our 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 or email ktran@the-villages.com.

Sports: Sports copy is acceptable after deadline only by permission of the Managing Editor, 408-223-4655.

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 408-223-4657. Display advertising information is available on The Villages web site at: www.thevillagesgcc.com.

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Call 408-223-4655 to report missed deliveries.

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 to 4:30 p.m. The Villager display advertising office hours are by appointment. Call 408-223-4657 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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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.



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BOARDS & COMMITTEES

FROM THE ASSOCIATION BOARD

Notice to Association Board candidates:

The deadline for nominations for the Villages Association Board of Director candidates for this year's election is May 1, 2018.

Pursuant to the Villages Association Amended Bylaws Section 6.1.1 and 6.1.2, candidates may be nominated by the Nominating Committee or a candidate may place his or her name in nomination for election to the Board by giving written notice to the President or Secretary of the Association. Notice of self-nomination must be received prior to May 1, 2018, at 5 p.m.

Association Members—Another Form Coming Your Way!

By Julia Meadows, Assistant General Manager

First of all, thank you for returning your Statements of Compliance for Smoke and Carbon Monoxide Detectors per Association policy—you still have time if you have not yet done so. Extra forms are available in Building A.

As you know, The Villages Association is a common interest development (CID) subject to California Civil Code Sections 4000-6150 (also known as the Davis-Stirling Act). Passed in 2016 and effective in 2017, California Senate Bill ("SB") 918 added a new Civil Code Section 4041(a). This new section requires all CID owners (owners of condominiums), to annually and in writing provide the HOA (The Villages Association), their contact information for sending HOA notices, and to inform the Association whether the residence is owner-occupied or rented.

Associations are required to solicit these notices at least 30 days prior to the annual association disclosures. For The Villages Association, that is the Annual Budget Report and Annual Policy Statement that are distributed in May. If an owner does not annually provide this notification, the association must deem the last address provided in writing by the owner, or if none, the property address, shall be deemed to be the address to which notices are delivered. Completing this form will not discontinue electronic distribution of association documents if you have signed up for that program.

So, coming with your March statement will be a form (lavender in color) to complete and return that complies with this law. As a result of input received from Villagers last year, we have tried to make the form more understandable and easier to complete. If you have any questions regarding the form, please contact the General Manager's office at 408-223-4634.

When it rocks, EPC will roll

Next time there's an earthquake that breaks glass or knocks things off the shelves, the Villages Emergency Preparedness Committee (EPC) will roll out fully. This means that Area Reps will check their assigned homes and Sector Chiefs will go to the Aid Stations and activate the EPC Radios. The Medical and Emotional Support Teams will open the Medical Center at Cribari Auditorium. EPC Leaders, Communications, Engineering and Security Teams will go the Emergency Operations Center at the Corporation Yard, and we will take a sector roll call.

This decision was made by EPC leadership after a 2008 Calaveras Fault tremor. EPC only partly activated that night because power remained on, land and phone lines were working, and Public Safety reported all was well. EPC leaders feel that we should test ourselves in an unannounced drill. We feel that even in a mild quake there is the possibility of people being hurt or frightened, some infrastructure broken (water or gas pipes) or hazards created (fallen trees or broken glass). Also, a mild quake could be a foreshock with a large quake coming soon afterward.

We request all Villagers to keep their OK Signs handy—use them to signal that you do not need help. If your sign is not showing after a quake, your Area Reps will knock on your door and check on you (even in the middle of the night). Once two hours have passed, please take the OK sign down. This way EPC will check on you again should there be a sizeable aftershock. Remember to keep shoes and a flashlight under your bed, replenish your stock of emergency food and water, and let your neighbors know when you travel. If you need a new OK Sign, they are available at the Public Safety Office.



Foundation Sale—Mark your calendar for Saturday, April 14

By Vivian Brown

The Evergreen Villages Foundation is holding a gently used clothing and accessories sale on April 14 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Foothill Center. The Foundation provides funding for capital improvement projects that benefit the community. We have clothing and accessories from Ann Klein, Liz Claiborne, Ralph Lauren, Ann Taylor, Bebe, Elle, Feragamo, Gucci, Jessica Simpson, Liz Sports, Michael Kors, Chico, Carlisle and

FROM THE HOMEOWNERS

It's spring clean-up time

Spring is in the air—most of the rain is behind us and the weather is generally sunny and dry. This makes it the perfect time to inspect your property for wear and tear. Take some time to walk around your property and inspect everything with a critical eye. How is your house paint holding up? Is it faded? Look at your landscape to make sure shrubs are healthy, attractive and free of fallen leaves and debris. Walk along your fence (inside and outside) to make sure that your fence is in good state of repair and that the paint is still holding up and attractive in appearance.

Not only does maintaining your property bring a sense of pride, it is your responsibility to maintain your home and landscaping in a manner that presents a neat and attractive appearance according to Homeowners' Rule 3.7.6. Be aware that an Architectural Control Committee application may be necessary for some spring cleanup activities including exterior house and fence painting and the replacement of landscaping, fencing, etc. It's best to check with Architectural Control Committee (ACC) Administrator Elissa Caruso at 408-754-1344 or ECaruso@thevillages.com to make sure you are in compliance with the rules. Remember, spring clean-up is one of those chores you can only feel great about when it's done!

Attention Condominium Owners:

All solar installations on condominium roofs require Association Board approval. Please contact Elissa Caruso, AC Administrator, at 408-754-1344 to start the process. Solar panels installed without approval will be removed at owner's expense.

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many others. We even have a pair of Ivanka Trump shoes. Please stop by and shop. Our wonderful personal shopper volunteers will be happy to help you find great selections.

> More BOARDS & COMMITTEES, MANAGEMENT and COMMUNITY NOTICES on pages 4, 5, 9 & 21

Notary services available

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Management

PUBLIC SAFETY

Public Safety notice: Search and Rescue training

On Wednesday, April 4, Search and Rescue will be conducting training in The Villages. They will start at approximately 8 a.m. and conclude at 4 p.m. They will be working their dogs in Cribari, Corporation Yard and possibly Hermosa.



SERVICE YOUR VILLAGE HIGHLAND NEIGHBOR

LARRY FREDIANI, E.A.

Public Safety Report February 2018

CLASSIFICATION	Present	YTD	YTD
	Month	2018	2017
ACCIDENTS			
1) PERSONAL INJURY	0	0	1
2) AUTO	3	3	2
3) HIT & RUN	0	0	0
4) GOLF CART	0	0	0
5) MISCELLANEOUS	0	0	0
AFTER HOURS REQUESTS			
1) LIGHTS	41	69	103
2) FACILITIES	6	16	31
3) SPRINKLERS	1	1	0
4) LANDSCAPE	0	0	4
5) ACTIVITIES	1	1	1
6) MISCELLANEOUS	0	0	0
7) GOLF MAINTENANCE	0	0	0
8) FOOD & BEVERAGE	0	0	0
9) BUSINESS OFFICE	0	0	0
10) PRO SHOP	0	0	0
11) WATER LEAKS (OUTSIDE)	0	0	2
12) ALARM ACTIVATION	5	8	2
ANIMAL		0	-
1) COMPLAINTS	1	4	5
2) TRAP REQUEST	0	0	0
3) LOST	2	2	1
	2	2	
4) FOUND	2	2	0
CITATIONS	0	0	
1) PARKING	0	0	1
2) SPEEDING	40	77	24
3) STOP SIGN	1	4	20
4) MISCELLANEOUS	1	2	6
5) ACC	0	0	0
BIATURBALIAS	0	0	
DISTURBANCE	0	0	1
FIRE / SMOKE	1	3	
HAZARDOUS CONDITION	0	0	1
1) HELP NEEDED	1	1	4
2) FALSE ALARM	2	2	6
3) INACTIVITY	1	1	0
4) MAINTENANCE	0	0	0
MEDICAL EMERGENCY	32	92	111
MISCELLANEOUS	10	27	50
PROPERTY			
1) DAMAGED	3	4	5
2) LOST	1	1	1
3) FOUND	1	1	1
4) VANDALIZED	0	0	0
5) STOLEN	5	6	8
PUBLIC SAFETY			
1) COMPLAINT	12	28	26
2) REQUEST	32	48	57
RESIDENT ASSIST	9	37	52
RESIDENT WELFARE CHECK	9	29	27
SUSPICIOUS CIRCUMSTANCES	0	0	0
TRESPASSING			
1) AUTO	0	Ō	0
2) PERSON	0	0	0
2) TERSON			
UNLOCKS	26	56	59

Shred on April 14

On Saturday, April 14, from 9 to 11:15 a.m., High-12 will sponsor a document shredding service at Cribari Center.

The cost is \$10 for up to 20 pounds. As you do your taxes, put aside your old files to shred. If you have questions, call Ken Brady at 408-238-5372.

Maintenance **Emergencies** and/or Advice

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

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

Villagers' input requested for **Board Candidate** questions

Each year the Communications Advisory Committee generates questions to be answered by the candidates for the Club, Association, and Homeowners Board vacancies. We are requesting input from Villagers for questions to be used. Please mail or email your input to Larry Miller at 8359 Riesling Way or larry. wm.miller@sbcglobal.net.

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GOVERNANCE MEETINGS

BOARD MEETINGS

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

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

Association

The Villages Association Board of Directors Study Session will be held Tuesday, March 27, at 9:15 a.m. in the Clubhouse. (Note new date and time for study session)

The Villages Association Board of Directors regular monthly meeting will be held Tuesday, March 27, following the conclusion of the Study Session, in the Clubhouse.

Club The Villages Golf & Country Club Board of Directors regular monthly meeting will be held Tuesday, March 27, at 1:30 p.m. in the Clubhouse. The Villages Golf & Country Club Board of Directors Study Session will be held Tuesday, April 10, at 1:30 p.m. in Foothill Center. The Villages Golf & Country Club Board of Directors Special Open Meeting Re.: Budget Presentation will be held Tuesday, April 17, at 1:30 p.m. in Foothill Center.

Homeowners

The Villages Homeowners' Corporation Board of Directors Quarterly Meeting will be held Thursday, April 12, at 9 a.m. in the Cribari Conference Room.

Highland Single-Family Homeowners' Town Hall Meeting, Topic: Review Recommendations for Highland Exterior Paint Palette, will be held Thursday, April 5, at 7 p.m. in Foothill Center.

More COMMUNITY NOTICES



The Villages Medical Auxiliary

March Programs

Grief Support Group: a facilitator from Hospice of the Valley will lead this now bi-monthly grief group. Mondays, March 26, 10:30 a.m. - 12 p.m., Cribari Redwood Room.

Diabetes Support Group: a place to share experiences and techniques for successful management of diabetes. Wednesday, March 28, 10 a.m. - 12 p.m., Cribari Redwood Room.

Coming in April

Hearing Screening: Thursday, April 5.

Stroke Awareness by the Stroke Awareness Foundation: Tuesday, April 10 at 10 a.m., Cribari Conference Room.

Just for the Health of It Festival: Saturday, April 21, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m., Cribari Center

Health vendors, guest speakers, snacks, prizes, health screenings, entertainment and fun!

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

> More COMMUNITY NOTICES on pages 9 & 21



SENIOR RESOURCE SERVICES

Where's my refund?

A few Villagers have stopped by the SRS office asking when they can expect to get their tax return refund. The best way to answer this question is to use the IRS tool "Where's My Refund?" available on the www.irs.gov website. You will find this tool on the home page under the Refund tab.

The IRS states it issues nine out of 10 refunds in less than 21 days and that the fastest way to get a refund is to use IRS e-file and direct deposit of your refund.

Questions about tax refunds are the most frequent reason people call the IRS. Rather than waiting on hold to talk with an employee, we recommend taxpayers first use the "Where's My Refund Tool." You need your Social Security number, tax filing status and exact amount of the tax refund claimed on your Federal return. Within 24 hours of filing a return electronically, the tool can tell taxpayers that their returns have been received. That time is extended to four weeks if a paper return is mailed to the IRS.

Once the tax return is processed, "Where's My Refund" will tell a taxpayer when their refund is approved and provide a date when they can expect to receive it. The IRS tool is updated once daily, usually overnight. Consequently, checking it several times a day will not produce a different result.

Alternatively, taxpayers may call 800-829-1954 rather than use the "Where's My Refund" tool. The California Franchise Tax Board has a similar program. Go to www.ftb.ca.gov. On the Home page you will find "Where's My Refund?" California wants to know your Social Security number, the numbers in your mail address, your zip code and the exact amount of the tax refund claimed on your State return.

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.

<u>SRS Reminder:</u>

Charity value guide for donated property

You may deduct the fair market value of property you donate to charity on your tax return as an itemized deduction. How do you determine fair market value? The best way is to determine what it will sell for in a thrift shop. SRS has a handout titled "Fair Market Value Guide for Used Items." Stop by the office for a copy. The website for The Salvation Army has a list of the price range for items in its stores. Check out the valuation guide at www.satruck.org; click on Donation Value Guide near the bottom of the first screen.





\$35 per week!

Call Mario at 223-4657

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ENDAR OF EVENTS

Friday, March 23

8:30 a.m.	Jazzercise		А
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED,	SEQ
9:30 a.m.	Open Studio		AR
10 a.m.	Quilting		Р
10 a.m.	Tai Chi		FC
10:30 a.m.	Line Dance		MMP
12 p.m.	Scarlet Sirens		VC
1 p.m.	Ceramics		CER
1:30 p.m.	SRS Measure H		F
2 p.m.	Table Tennis		MMP
3 p.m.	Bocce Bash		BC
3 p.m.	Hand Bell Rehears	al	CR
6 p.m.	Mex. Train Domino)	MC
7 p.m.	Theater Rehearsal		А

Saturday, March 24

Ukulele Singing SEQ 9 a.m. 10 a.m. Crafters March Madness VC VAT Prod. Ticket 10 a.m. Red, SEQ 10 a.m. Table Tennis MMP **Theater Rehearsal** 2 p.m. А 4:30 p.m. Brandeis Movie Discn. CR 5 p.m. High 12 Ladies Night CH

Sunday, March 25

7:15 a.m.	Catholic Choir Practice	CR
8:15 a.m.	Catholic Mass	А
8:30 a.m.	Episcopal Services	MC
9 a.m.	Chapel Choir Practice	SEQ
9:30 a.m.	Comm. Chapel Service	F
10 a.m.	Comm. Chapel Service	А
10 a.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
11 a.m.	Chapel Fellowship	CR
7 p.m.	Theater Rehearsal	А

Monday, March 26

8:30 a.m.	Jazzercise	А
9 a.m.	Game Day	SEQ
9 a.m.	Villages Golf Comm.	F
10 a.m.	Beginning Watercolor	AR
10 a.m.	Cardio Class	А
10 a.m.	Line Dance	MMP
10:30 a.m.	Grief Support Group	RED
1 p.m.	Ceramics	CER
1 p.m.	Stitchery	Р
1:30 p.m.	News Junkies	CR

EVENT LOCATIONS

Α	Auditorium	(Cribari)	4/10	King's Singers & Choral		NOW	DIMMOND
AR	Art Room	(Cribari)	4/19	Rooftop Tour		NOW	E EDDUMMUND
BC	Bocce Courts		4/26	Marin Tour		SOLD OUT	ACEL THE SQUADRON
BGA CER	Building A Ceramics	(Cribari)	5/10	Italian for a Day — SF		NOW	OF DEATH
CCR	Cribari Club Rm.	(endan)	5/12	Color Purple – Orpheum		NOW	
СН	Clubhouse		5/16	Treasure Island Tour		NOW	SUPERMAN 📥
CR CY	Conference Rm.	(Cribari)	5/19	Giants vs. Rockies		NOW	Destruction,
F	Corporation Yard Forum	(Cribari)	5/31	New Sites of SF Tour	3/22	3/26	& Inc. 75
FC	Foothill Center	(1)	6/6	Yanni at CPA San Jose		NOW	
FHP	Foothill Pool		6/9	Jersey Boys - Broadway		NOW	BELLA BOOD
GP	Gazebo Lobby	(Cribari)	6/14	Presidio Tour	4/12	4/16	
SEQ	Sequoia	(Cribari)	6/24	Giants vs. San Diego	4/12	4/16	4 Hours of on Channel
MC	Montgomery Center	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	6/29	Rooftop Tour	5/10	5/14	cinematic fun every weekend
MMP	Montgomery MP Room		7/15	Giants vs. Oakland	5/17	5/21	and the second
RED	Redwood Datia Daam	(Cribari)	7/20				Friday 8pm
P	Patio Room	(Cribari)	//20	Barbary Coast Tour	5/17	5/21	Saturday 12a/pm & 8pm
TR VC	Terrace Room Vineyard Center	(Cribari)				(Continued on page 11)	Sunday 12a/pm & 4pm

1:30 p.m. Theater Rehearsal **Table Tennis** Arts & Crafts Board Dance Fusion 6:30 p.m. **Duplicate Bridge** 6:45 p.m. Yoga 7:30 p.m. Hiking Club 7:30 p.m. **Table Tennis**

Tuesday. March 27

2 p.m.

3 p.m.

6 p.m.

9 a.m. Game Day RED, SEQ 9 a.m. Line Dance 9:30 a.m. Assoc. Board Meeting CH 10 a.m. Acrylics & Oil Studio 10 a.m. ADL/Parkinson Class 10 a.m. High 12 Board 11:15 a.m. Yoga 11:30 a.m. Walking Class 1 p.m. Ceramics 1:30 p.m. Club Board Meeting 2 p.m. Senior Academy Class VC 2 p.m. Piano Club 2 p.m. Table Tennis 3:30 p.m. Italian Club 6 p.m. Men's Golf 6 p.m. **Theater Rehearsal** 6:45 p.m. Band Rehearsal 7 p.m. Theater Rehearsal

Wednesday, March 28

8:30 a.m.	Jazzercise	А	10 a.
9 a.m.	Game Day	SEQ	10 a.
9:30 a.m.	Ladies Bible Study	Р	10:30
10 a.m.	Collage Critique Studio	AR	1 p.n
10 a.m.	Diabetic Support	RED	1 p.n
10 a.m.	Tai Chi	VC	2 p.m
10 a.m.	Total Body Fitness	А	2 p.m
1 p.m.	Open Studio	AR	3 p.n
1 p.m.	PEO Social	MC	3 p.n
1:30 p.m.	Movie: 20 th Cntry. Wmn.	CR	6 p.n
1:30 p.m.	Theater Rehearsal	А	7 p.n

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MMP	6 p.
AR	6 p.
MMP	6:30
RED	7 p.
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.m. **Table Tennis Dance Fusion** .m. Mex. Train Domino .m. 0 p.m. **Duplicate Bridge** Global Village Comm. .m. Voices Rehearsal .m. Yoga .m.

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Thursday, March 29

9 a.m. Game Day SEQ **Income Tax Service** RED 9 a.m. MMP 9:30 a.m. Exper. Watercolor AR MMP 9:45 a.m. Beg. Line Dance 10 a.m. Walking Class А MMP 11:15 a.m. Yoga 12:30 p.m. 18 Hole Women Lunch CH MMP 1 p.m. **Ukulele Club** VC 2 p.m. Ceramics CER CER 2 p.m. **Table Tennis** MMP Chapel Choir Rehearsal CR 3 p.m. Bridge Club RED 6 p.m. Pickleball Club Board 7 p.m. Ρ VC MMP 7 p.m. SA Great Decisions Comm. Chapel Service A 7 p.m.

Friday, March 30 8:30

8:30 a.m.	Jazzercise	А
9 a.m.	Club Nomin. Comm.	BGA
9 a.m.	Game Day RED,	SEQ
9:30 a.m.	Open Studio	AR
10 a.m.	Quilters	Р
10 a.m.	Tai Chi	FC
10:30 a.m.	Line Dance	MMP
1 p.m.	Ceramics	CER
1 p.m.	Catholic Services	CR
2 p.m.	Catholic Services	А
2 p.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
3 p.m.	Bocce Bash	BC
3 p.m.	Hand Bell Rehearsal	AR
6 p.m.	Mex. Trains Dominoes	MC
7 p.m.	Theater Rehearsal	А

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
4/1	Cirque du Soleil - Crystal		SOLD OUT
4/3	Giants vs. Seattle game		SOLD OUT
4/10	King's Singers & Choral		NOW
4/19	Rooftop Tour		NOW
4/26	Marin Tour		SOLD OUT
5/10	Italian for a Day — SF		NOW
5/12	Color Purple – Orpheum		NOW
5/16	Treasure Island Tour		NOW
5/19	Giants vs. Rockies		NOW
5/31	New Sites of SF Tour	3/22	3/26



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-T	hurs: 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
*SCAM	s & OTHER CONSUMER PITFALS
Mon-T	hurs: 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
*Áŧ	RIAL VIEWS OF THE VILLAGES
Mon-T	hurs: 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

Complimentary WiFi services is available at the Villages' community centers Network: Villages Public Password: villages



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LUB CALENDARS

HIKING CLUB SCHEDULE

What's Happening in ARTS & CRAFTS?

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

Saturday, March 24. Morgan Territory Regional Preserve, North of Livermore. Rich and Wendy will lead a 6-mile hike with a gentle elevation gain of ~ 1000 ft. We should have beautiful views of Spring wildflowers and Mt. Diablo if the weather cooperates. Driving distance to the park is 52 miles. Bring sticks, water and a snack. Lunch or coffee after the hike in Livermore. Due to the distance to the park we will meet at 8 a.m. and leave at 8:15. Wednesday, March 28 (Rambler): Katy Peretti (408-531-0917) will lead a hike to Calero County Park. The 4-mile hike with moderate elevation will take the Pena Trail followed by the Los Cerritos loop trail overlooking Calero Reservoir. Bring water and a snack. Round trip mileage is approximately 30 miles.

Saturday, March 31: Mount Madonna County Park. Nancy Rumple (408-238-7535) will lead the long hikers on a 9-mile hilly hike. We go from the Ranger Station at the top, down the rocky Merry-go-Round trail, across Tie Camp trail, down the Ridge trail to Sprig Lake at the bottom. We will see wild flowers, views of the valley, and the white deer herd. We climb back up the 1200-foot elevation gain on the Sprig Lake Trail. Wear boots and layers. Bring sticks, lunch, snacks and water. Restrooms and water are found throughout this hike. The Ramblers can hike at the top on the various other trails with a leader chosen by the participants. This is about a 60-mile round trip drive.

Wednesday, April 4 (Rambler): Ramon and Marianna Reza (714-306-5333) will lead a hike on the Belgatos Park Trail in Los Gatos. We have cobbled together a hike through forest land and large estate homes with expansive views of the valley below. There will be one challenging but short section of the trail at the

(Continued on page 21)

VILLAGES AMATEUR THEATRE

Ticket sales start tomorrow! Tickets are \$15 each. They will be sold on Saturdays, March 24 and 31 in the Cribari Center Redwood and Terrace rooms from 10 a.m. to noon. Numbers will start to be passed out at 9:30 a.m. with ticket sales starting at 10 a.m. There will be three performances: Friday, April 6 at 7:30 p.m.; Saturday, April 7 and Sunday, April 8 at 2:30 p.m. in the Cribari Auditorium. Your Tony award winning Spring musical comedy "Anything Goes" happens aboard a ship headed for London. Add in fast paced comedy, memorable music, established actors and you get great performances. Please see our CLUB article for a continuing series of articles on our actors and the play.



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

Friday, Saturday, Sunday, May 4-6: "Colors of Spring" concert by the Village Voices and Villages Handbell Ensemble. John Krauss joins in with his fiddle. Ticket sales for reserved seats begin April 14 for \$15 cash or charge to house number. **Rehearsal/Meeting Schedule:**

Villages Concert Band: Tuesdays at 7:15 p.m. in Cribari Audi-

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
- **RSVP for Coloring Party: Wendy Ledamun at wledamun49@gmail.com
- *** RSVP to: Judy Wessler at judywessler@gmail.com

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

March 26: Arts & Crafts Advisory Board meeting. Monday 3 p.m. Art Room.

April 2: Regular Monthly Meeting. Cribari Conf. Room. 1:45 p.m. Free Demo from Guest Artist.

April 2 - 23: "Advanced" Beginning Watercolor with Ciel Duke. Four Mondays. 10 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. \$75 all materials furnished. Prerequisite: One of the Beginning Watercolor Classes or some experience with watercolor. Register with Barbara by March 26.*

April 6: Pick up hanging Art Work from Juried Art Show 10:30 a.m.

April 6: Quarterly Art Exhibit. Cribari Conf. Room, Post Office, Patio Room. Contracts due on March 30. Can be downloaded from website.

April 10: Art Film at 7 p.m. Vineyard Center.

April 17: Adult Coloring Party. Tue. 7 p.m. Art Room. **

April 28: Art in the Park. Gazebo Park. 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Open studio: Wed. 1 p.m. with Jane Hink - 408-270-8922. Fridays with Joan Fury - 408-274-8728. Stitchery: Mondays at 1 p.m. Cribari. Call Roberta at 408-218-8372.

SENIOR ACADEMY CALENDAR

"Artic Ocean Rowing Adventure" - Wednesday, April 4 at 2 p.m. in the Foothill Center. A Free Event - No Registration

"A History of Immigration in America" - Tuesdays, April 17 and 24 at 2 p.m. in the Vineyard Center. An Osher course - \$40 fee. Pre-registration with SCU Osher required at http://scu.edu/osher "Santa Clara County's Crime Strategies Unit" - Wednesday, April 18 at 7 p.m. in the Clubhouse. A Harrington Lecture by Jeff Rosen, Santa Clara County District Attorney. A free event -No Registration. Light refreshments will be served.

"Art in America – from Colonial Times to the Civil War" - Tuesdays, May 8 and 15 at 2 p.m. in the Vineyard Center. A two-session course, \$25 for Senior Academy members - \$30 for nonmembers. Registration is required; contact Bev Murphy at 408-613-2499 or use the Senior Academy "Reggie" system online.

"The Search for Extraterrestrials" - Thursday, May 10 at 2 p.m. in the Foothill Center. A Free Event - No Registration

POLE WALKERS CALENDAR

All walks start at 8:30 a.m. unless otherwise noted.

Monday, March 26: Meet at Gazebo for a walk in the neighborhood.

Wednesday, March 28: Meet at club parking lot and carpool/walk to LaBou.

Friday, March 30: Meet at club parking lot and carpool/walk to Montgomery Hills.

Monday, April 2: Meet at club parking lot for a walk in the park.

Wednesday, April 4: Meet at club parking lot and carpool/walk to New Seasons.

Friday, April 6: Take Villages Parkway to Olivas Circle. Turn right on French Oak. Turn left on Solera and park.

Monday April 9: Meet at Gazebo for a walk in the neighborhood.

Wednesday, April 11: Meet at club parking lot and walk/carpool to McDonald's.

Friday, April 13: Meet at Fairway and Hermosa.

Monday, April 16: Meet at club parking lot for a walk in the park.

Bingo - Remy - 650-776-8850, remypessah@mail.com

Blogs - Marion - logiem@sbcglobal.net

Bocce - Tony - 408-799-9668 tonyorlando49@yahoo.com

Games - Rick or Tony - 858-349-2292, rwodicka@hotmail.com

Special Events - Discuss in Tailgate Meetings, make individual reservations per info in the Villager

CAMERA CLUB

torium. Larry Miller: 408-238-1030.

Village Handbell Ensemble: Fridays at 3 p.m. in Cribari Conference Room. Kathi or Earl Levin: 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: Tuesdays 2 to 4 p.m. in Cribari Auditorium. Estelle Kabbani at 408-238-7246 or marchstar@ comcast.net

Village Voices: Wednesdays from 7 to 9 p.m. at Foothill Center. Chris Leisy: 408-309-2757.

Friday, April 20: May photo competition for members opens for entries. For membership information, contact Ray Blinde at 408-531-1776 or rwblinde@earthlink.net.

Monday, May 7: Competition Night from 7 to 9 p.m. in Cribari Conference Room. Categories: Projected Images (Pictorial, Nature, Creative, Journalism); Prints (Pictorial [color], Pictorial [monochrome], Travel, Journalism).

See winning photographs from the March Competition at www.villagescameraclub.com, in the hallway of Cribari Center, in the Clubhouse, and at the entrance to Montgomery Center.

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Gift Cards available at the **Clubhouse and Pro Shop!**

For Reservations or Information: 408-223-4687

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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!

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

* Items must be from Dinner Entrees Section or Weekly Specials. Does not include Prime Rib.

Offer good only in Clubhouse Restaurant.

Please See Our Ads on pages 9 & 16 for more on: -No Corkage Tuesdays -Single Diners' Night at The

Clubhouse

-Fernando Lezama

-Prime Rib Friday and Saturday Nights

Easter Brunch Buffet: Our annual Easter Brunch Buffet will be on Sunday, April 1.

Currently the 1:30 p.m. banquet and Café seatings are Sold Out.

Some openings in the 10:30 a.m. Café seating remain, but are limited. Hurry and reserve, using the Special Event Line at 408-754-1337.

Please see the ad on page 9 for menu information.

David Johnson Performing: David Johnson will be returning on Friday, April 13 to perform on the Bistro Patio from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.

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

= CLUBHOUSE RESTAURANT =

Monday Closed

E **(** LUBHOUSE

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

LUNCH SPECIALS SERVED ALL WEEK \$13.95 Santa Fe Melt Lunch Specials Sliced Turkey, Bacon, Ortega Peppers, Avocado, Tomatoes and Cheddar Cheese on Grilled Sourdough-served Tuesday 3-27 with Choice of Side Dish **Stuffed Avocado Salad** \$13.95 to Half Avocado Stuffed with Tuna Salad with Tomato, Cucumber and Boiled Egg over Greens-served with a Cup of Soup Sunday 4-1 **Greek Sole** \$13.95 Grilled Sole, Pepper, Onion, Artichoke, Tomatoes, Kalamata Olives, Garlic and Basil with Rice Pilaf **DAILY SOUP SPECIALS** Soup: Potato Leek Tuesday, March 27

Lunch specials are served with choice of soup or salad.

Wednesday, March 28 Thursday, March 29 Friday, March 30 Saturday, March 31 Sunday, April 1

Soup: **Beef Vegetable and Rice** Chicken Noodle Soup: Fisherman Stew Soup: Chef's Choice Soup: Chef's Choice Soup:

DINNER SPECIALS SERVED ALL WEEK

Chicken Saltimbocca \$20.50 **Dinner** Specials Sautéed Chicken Breast with Prosciutto, Artichoke Hearts, Swiss Cheese and a Dash of Cream-served with Soup or Salad Tuesday 3-27 \$22.95 Lemon Pepper Tri-Tip to Charbroiled Tri-Tip seasoned with Lemon and Pepper served with au jus-served with Soup or Salad Sunday 4-1 \$20.50 **Antipasto Salad with Prawns** Zucchini, Portabella, Peppers, Red Onoins, Capicola and Provolone over Greens with Balsamic Vinaigretteserved with a Cup of Soup

ACTIVITIES

Monday, March 26 NO EVENT

Tuesday, March 27

- Association Board Study Session—Oak and Sunset Rooms—9:15 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.
- Association Board Meeting-Oak and Sunset Rooms-10:45 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- Club Board Meeting-Oak and Sunset Rooms-1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.
- Wednesday, March 28
- 2-4 Bridge—Sunset Room—10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- Thursday, March 29
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• 18 Hole Ladies Luncheon & Cards—Oak and St
Rooms—12:30 p.m. to 4 p.m.
Friday, March 30
NO EVENT
Saturday, March 31
NO EVENT
Sunday, April 1
EASTER SUNDAY

	-Appetizers -Grill Items	-Desserts	Ğ
2	Full Bar available with	n Beers on Tap.	LE COL

More CLUBHOUSE ITEMS on pages 9 & 16



The all Online Reservation is going live Page on Monday, April 9 online at The Resident Portal

EASTER BRUNCH

Clubhouse – Sunday, April 1 2018 Two Seatings – 10:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.

MENU

1:30 p.m. seating is Sold Out!

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Hurry! Make your reservations now or call for availability <u>Breakfast Pastries Station</u> Croissants, Danish, Fruit & Nut Loaves Mini Cupcakes, Fruit Scones and Hot Cross Buns

Display Stations

Fruit Kabobs Fresh Fruit Display Domestic and Imported Cheese Display Vegetable Crudités Display Easter Eggs

Salad Stations

-Mixed Baby Spring Mix, Baby Kale, and Romaine Leaves -Assorted Cherry Tomatoes, Assorted Radishes, Cucumbers, Sprouts Baby Spinach, Red Onions, Herbed Croutons, -Peppers, Feta Goat Cheese, Shaved Romano Cheese, Marinated Pepper, Mushrooms and Artichoke Hearts

Seafood Display

-Smoked Salmon with Capers, Cream Cheese, Bermuda Onions, Egg Whites and Mini Bagels. Bay Shrimp Gazpacho Shooters, Prawns and Snow Crab Claws

Omelet Station with all the Trimmings

Carving Stations Featuring Bone-In Virginia Ham and Prime Rib

<u>Under the Chafers</u> Scrambled Eggs and Quiche Country Fried Potatoes Pork Links, and Hickory Smoked Bacon Eggs Benedict and Belgium Fruit Crepes

Tilapia Picatta Irish Lamb Stew Wild and Herb Rice Pilaf Vegetable Medley



<u>Desserts Display</u> Assorted Cakes, Pies, Fruit Tarts, Mini Macaroons, Chocolate Truffle and Petit Fours

Beverages

Orange, Cranberry and Apple Juice, Lemonade, Coffee and Tea

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More COMMUNITY NOTICES

FOUNDATION FOCUS

EVF welcomes new Board Member, Garry Gray

Garry and his wife Kay moved to The Villages in 2011. He grew up in Marin County and received degrees in business from universities in Arizona and Colorado. Since moving to The Villages he has been active in several clubs including being vice president

of the Pickleball Club for the past three years. In addition, he served on The Villages 2017 GM Search Committee.

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Garry spent 32 years working in Information Systems for Hewlett-Packard. He started with HP in Palo Alto and then was transferred to Colorado, Seattle, San Diego and back to Palo Alto in roles ranging from Programmer/Analyst to worldwide Director of Manufacturing, Procurement and Engineering Information Systems.



"We feel very fortunate to live in such a wonderful community. I want to contribute what I can to help The Villages achieve its vision to be the country club of choice for seniors in California. I am honored to have an opportunity to work with the EVF in its efforts to support and fund significant capital improvements."

Foundation Notice:

The Foundation's annual meeting will be held on April 11 from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. in the Patio Room. All residents are welcome to attend.



In Memoriam and Obituary notices

In Memoriam notices are run free of charge.

Notices include name of deceased, date of birth and date of passing. Brief notices of memorial gatherings may be included with the notice, providing event is held in a Villages' facility.

Obituary notices may be placed in the Classified Advertising section for a fee. For more information, please call Kory Tran at 408-754-1341 or Scott Hinrichs at 408-223-4655.



Includes One Glass of Champagne or Mimosa

\$41.95 plus service charge and tax per person Children 5-12 - \$19.95 plus service charge and tax per person Children 4 and under free Reservations Begin Tuesday February 27 at 9 a.m. <u>RESERVATIONS REQUIRED – call 408-754-1337 or</u> <u>e-mail: theclubhouse@the-villages.com</u> Page 10 The Villager March 22, 2018

Community Activities

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

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Board and Committee Meetings

Date	Meeting	Time
3/26	Villages Golf Committee	9 a.m.
3/27	Association Board Meeting	9:30 a.m.
3/27	Club Board Meeting	1:30 p.m.
3/30	Club Nominating Committee	9 a.m.

Place Forum Clubhouse Club House Building A

Tour All That's New in San Francisco

Join our very own tour guide Craig Smith Craig on Thursday, May 31 to see new sites in San Francisco! See the new Salesforce Tower—the new three block long Salesforce Rooftop Park. See The Leaning Millennium Tower (where Joe Montana lives). See where the sidewalk is breaking away from the structure, see the newest Monumental Sculpture and see new developments in China Basin.

We will enjoy lunch at The Delancey Street Restaurant! Lunch begins with a cup of homemade soup of the day and focaccia bread served with olive oil butter. Entrée choices include ½ Rotisserie Rosemary and Garlic Chicken with grilled asparagus; Mediterranean Spinach Salad with Feta cheese, bacon, Greek olives, tomatoes and mint; Cheeseburger or Boca Burger on Kaiser roll served with fries; Pasta Arrabiata, spicy red sauce with fettuccini noodles. This comes with platters of homemade Biscotti (plain and chocolate dipped) and coffee, tea or soda.

Following lunch we will explore the Dogpatch Neighborhood, officially named in 2002, and learn why they called it Dogpatch. We will see the new streetcars/subway to Chinatown, drive by construction of the new Chase Center for Warriors opening in 2019, and lastly drive by the new UCSF Medical School. The bus leaves the Villages at 8 a.m. with estimated return time of 5:30 p.m. The cost of this outing is \$72 per person. Registration begins on Monday, March 26 in the Community Resource Center.

See SF Giants host Colorado Rockies!

See the San Francisco Giants vs. Colorado Rockies on Saturday, May 19! SF Giants Corduroy Caps will be given at the gate upon entering the park. We have the upper section 307, cost of \$59 per person and lower section 126, cost of \$94 per person.

The bus departs the Villages at 10:15 a.m. for game start at 1:35 p.m. with an estimated return time of 5:30 p.m. Register in the Community Resource Center, Building B.

Remember—For all SF Giants games at AT&T Park you may bring the following items: Soft sixpack cooler, plastic bottled soda or water, food and/or snacks of any kind, backpacks, blankets, seat cushions. Always dress for (layers) San Francisco.

See 'The Color Purple' at the Orpheum

"The Color Purple," the Tony Award-winning revival that exhilarated Broadway, is now on tour across North America and we the Villages residents are going to see it at the Orpheum Theatre in San Francisco on Saturday, May 12 matinee. We have reserved loge and orchestra seating—there is no elevator so if you cannot climb stairs the loge is **not** for you. The bus will depart from Cribari Center's east parking lot at 11:30 a.m. following your securing your tickets in the Patio Room at 11 a.m. The estimated return time is 9 p.m.

With a soul-raising, Grammy-winning score of jazz, gospel, ragtime and blues, "The Color Purple" is an unforgettable and intensely moving revival of an American classic. Based on the Pulitzer winning novel and Academy Award nominated feature film, "The Color Purple" leaves its mark on the soul.

Don't miss your chance to be mesmerized; register in the Community Resource Center, Building B. The cost per person is \$194 including musical, dinner and transportation. When registering please select entrée choices of the following: Grilled Salmon, NY Steak, Shrimp & Scallop Combo, Spaghetti with Dungeness Crab, Pasta Angelina (vegetarian). All dinners come with glass of house wine, or draft beer, cup of New England Clam Chowder or Mixed Green Salad, coffee/tea/soda and dessert. Appetizer course of Fresh Tomato Bruschetta and Fried Calamari will be served.

Terrace Room, Sequoia Room to remain unlocked on weekdays

Thank you for all of your feedback. Based on community sentiment the Terrace Room Lounge and Sequoia Room will remain unlocked for drop-in games Monday through Friday.

Community Events

Date	Event	Time	Place
3/23	Measure H	1:30 p.m.	Forum
3/23	Bocce Club	3 p.m.	Bocce Bash
3/24	Crafters March Madness	10 a.m.	Vineyard Cntr.
3/24	High Twelve Ladies Night	5 p.m.	Clubhouse
3/28	Movie: 20 th Century Wmn	.1:30 p.m.	Conf. Rm.
3/29	Income Tax Services	9 a.m.	Redwood Rm.
3/29	18 Hole Women Lunch	12:30 p.m.	Clubhouse
3/30	Bocce Bash	3 p.m.	Bocce Bash

Volunteer Recognition

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The annual Volunteer Recognition, hosted by the Boards of Directors and Management, will be held on Friday, April 27 at 1:30 p.m. This year's theme is "DONUT what we would do without you." Please watch for additional information.

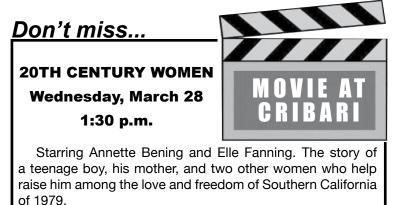
'Jersey Boys' returns!

"Jersey Boys" is coming to San Jose and we are going Saturday, June 9 for the 2 p.m. matinee at Broadway San Jose!

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

Please arrive at 12:30 p.m. to check in. We will depart from the east parking lot, Cribari Center, at 1 p.m. We will enjoy the 2 p.m. matinee. The cost for this wonderful outing is only \$130. Register in the Community Resource Center, Building B.

John Yu is offering a 10 percent discount at the Clubhouse if you make reservations and show your ticket stub from the theatre.





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.

More COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES



SF Giants Opening Day, Tuesday, April 3 2 tickets available - \$145 per person

Up on the Roof Tour in SF

Craig Smith is ready to take you on a tour of the rooftops in San Francisco on Thursday, April 19. You will depart the Villages at 8 a.m. to meet Craig at 10 a.m. at Japan Town. This trip is limited to 42 persons. Register at the Community Resource Center in Building B.

We will tour the Crocker Rooftop Park (now Wells Fargo Bank), depart to Yerba Buena Gardens and see the Martin L. King Waterfall, Children's Center, Zeum of Creativity, and Sister City Garden.

Lunch at the Fog Harbor comes with choice of clam chowder or mixed green or Caesar salad and choice of entrée: Pan Roasted Alaskan Cod, Grilled Chicken Breast or Baked Shrimp Penne Pasta. Complete your meal with coffee, tea or soda and dessert. When you register, please know your entrée choice. If you wish to purchase a cocktail, wine or beer please be prepared to pay your server at the time of service.

Following lunch, we will travel to Hines Building-Rooftop Garden (highest rooftop in the City), then on to Embarcadero Center 2 to see the fountain/sculptures and gardens.

The cost of this outing is \$88 per person. This includes transportation, personal tour guide Craig Smith and lunch. The estimated return time to the Village is 5:30 p.m.

Living with Parkinson's

Once a person is diagnosed with the disease, it is their attitude, lifestyle, medication management and things they do to contribute that determine the direction their life takes. Research shows that a person living with PD can slow the progression of the disease when they exercise three times per week. The Villages Parkinson's Exercise Program offers three classes per week: Tuesdays 10 to 11 a.m. ADL Class in the Auditorium, Wednesdays 10 to 11 a.m. Tai Chi in the Vineyard Center, and Thursdays 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Walking for Better Balance class in the Auditorium. Register in Class! For information call Jane at (408) 315-1179. Sponsored by the Community Activities Office.

2018 Look What's Coming

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7/26	Marin Adventures	5/17	5/21
8/8	Treasure Island Tour	6/7	6/11
8/10	Barbary Coast Tour	5/24	5/29
8/11	WWII History Tour - Potomac	5/17	5/21
8/18	Danny Coots	6/7	6/11
8/25	Les Miserables	6/14	6/18
8/25	Battle of the Bands	6/14	6/18
8/26	Giants vs. Texas	6/14	6/18
9/6	Presidio Tour	7/12	7/16
9/12	Marin Adventures	7/12	7/16
9/15	On Your Feet	6/8	6/19
9/16	Phantom of the Opera	6/15	6/19
9/30	Giants vs. LA	7/19	7/23
10/7	Blue Angels/Potomac	7/26	7/30
10/18	Follow the Seagull Tour	7/26	7/30
TBA	Miss Saigon	TBA	TBA
11/15	Movie Tour	9/6	9/10
11/17	Beach Blanket Babylon	9/27	10/1
TBD	A Bronx Tale	TBD	TBD
12/6	Christmas Light Tour	9/27	10/1
12/10	Union Square	10/11	10/15
12/17	Christmas Light Tour	10/11	10/15

Page 11 The Villager March 22, 2018 Choral Project and The 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. Register in the Community Resource Center, Building B. 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.

See music legend Yanni in San Jose!

Yanni is on his 25 Acropolis Anniversary Concert Tour 2018 and performs concerts across North America and San Jose is one of his stops! The Community Activities office has been able to procure tickets for dress circle on the lower side for Wednesday, June 6, for an 8 p.m. performance at City National Civic. The cost for this outing that includes wonderful seats and transportation is \$159. Please arrive at 6:15 p.m. at the Patio Room to pick up your ticket(s). Departure will be at 6:45 p.m. with estimated return time of 10:30 p.m. Only 40 tickets available; register in the Community Resource Center, Building B.



One of the greatest new age musicians of all times, Yanni was a self-taught artist who continues to push the boundaries

of music. Born in Greece, Yanni became an American citizen. He traveled extensively and used his world experience to create complex and multi-cultural music. He has performed in restrictively exclusive venues like the Taj Mahal and the Acropolis of Athens. His creative and unique approach to music led him to develop his own musical shorthand when he was a child; he still uses it for his compositions. His long creative partnership with PBS proved that he is also effective at fundraising, and has raised millions of dollars to fund his own and other broadcast events. In addition to producing, directing and performing in his own orchestra, he also lends his charitable fundraising efforts to the World Wildlife Fund to promote the conservation of endangered species. As a keyboardist, composer and musician, he has received two Grammy nominations. Although his music is consistently labeled and enjoyed as a great example of the popular new age genre, he famously defies genre definitions and makes unique orchestral music that embodies his international repute.

This is Yanni as you know him best, performing his instrumental hits from shows that have become famous around the world. You will witness Yanni and his world-class musicians as they take the stage to perform his greatest instrumental hits made famous in his shows from the Acropolis in Greece, the Taj Mahal in India, the Forbidden City in China and the Royal Albert Hall in England.

Yanni's orchestra is a truly unique collection of musicians. Yanni has handpicked each member of his orchestra and has been in search for the world's top performers to bring you what you see today.

Filoli Gardens and Stanford Shopping Center

Here is your chance to bring a friend or neighbor of yours and come on a trip to one of the most beautiful places in the Bay Area. The day is planned for Wednesday, March 28. Depart the Villages from the Cribari East parking lot at 8:30 a.m. with an estimated return time of 6 p.m. The cost will be \$68 per person; cost includes admission, docents and transportation. Register for this special outing in the Community Resource Center, Building B, beginning Monday, February 5.

Upon arrival at Filoli we will be split into four groups and met by docents who will take us on a tour through the house (mansion) and gardens, and enjoy the spring flowers so marvelously displayed. Following the tour we will have the opportunity to go to the wonderful gift/garden shop to browse and of course make purchases of the wonderful items offered.

Filoli was built for Mr. and Mrs. Bourn, prominent San Franciscans whose chief source of wealth was the Empire Mine, a hard-rock gold mine in Grass Valley, California. Mr. Bourn was also owner and president of the Spring Valley Water Company comprising Crystal Springs Lake and surrounding lands, which are now part of the San Francisco Water Department. Mr. Bourn selected the southern end of Crystal Springs Lake as the site for his estate. He arrived at the unusual name Filoli by combining the first two letters from the key words of his credo: "*Fight* for

a just cause; *Love* your fellow man; *Live* a good life."

The house contains 36,000 square feet of interior floor space on two floors and a mezzanine. The spacious major rooms have ceiling heights of 17 feet, while the ballroom ceiling is $22 \frac{1}{2}$ feet high. There are 43 rooms and 17 fireplaces.

Following our tour and shopping at Filoli, we will depart for the lovely Stanford Shopping Center where you will be able to get something to eat at one of the many eateries and spend the afternoon shopping. Enjoy San Francisco Bay Area's premier shopping and dining experience. Discover Neiman Marcus, Bloomingdale's, Nordstrom and Macy's, plus 140 other world-class stores, restaurants and services.

Page 12 The Villager March 22, 2018 <u>More COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES</u> Chair Yoga/Standard Yoga

We will offer 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.

Dance Fusion—fun 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.

Fitness Center Committee News

Exciting updates!

This month four pieces of new equipment will be placed in the Fitness Center:

- Lat Pull Down machine
 Leg Press
- Recumbent Stepper
 Treadmill

We are really looking forward to a new floor plan and improved location of the equipment to help to provide the most effective order of the equipment for a beneficial strength workout.

Keep in mind there will be a day when the Fitness Center may need to be closed for an additional hour to allow for the placement of the new equipment and the revision of the floor plan. Watch for updates in the fast lane.

Reminders:

• Take a look at the educational video about the equipment in the Fitness Center on Channel 27 or on The Villages website under "Resident Portal" and then "Amenities." It's always helpful to review how the equipment works!

• The cardio equipment is important to everyone; please adhere to the 30-minute usage guideline. Also, if you have had the opportunity to use a particular machine for your 30 minutes, please be willing to let the next person who would like the machine have the chance to use it too!

Back In Form offers new Wellness Specials!

Back In Form is offering two different Wellness Specials to make you feel and look your best! **Two-4-One Personal Fitness Training:**

Add a partner to your workout for free and cut your rate by 33 percent. Add another training partner and save nearly 50 percent over your regular one-on-one training rate.

Training and Massage Special:

Purchase eight sessions and two at-home massages and save \$100 on the package! These are valid March 1 through April 30, 2018. For more information call 408-455-2887.

New High-Intensity Total Body Workout

The high-intensity, heart-healthy total body fitness class will be taught by Lori Wedge who has over 20 years of physical fitness training experience. The class focuses on building upper and lower body strength, core stability, coordination and cardiovascular endurance with the use of fitness balls, rubber band resistance and aerobics to give you a well rounded and fun workout and includes modifications for every skill level. Bring a mat, towel and water to every class. Classes start April 3 and will be held on Tuesdays from 9 to 10 a.m. in the Montgomery Center. The fee is \$90 for a class card, which is issued and punched



Instructor Lori Wedge

in class. RSVP at Community Activities Office to reserve your space. Sign up in class! For more information call Jane at 408-315-1179.

Tai Chi for healthy aging

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

Cardio Workout—April through June

Take Cardio Workout with instructor Shu-Mei. 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 weights with you to class.

Classes are on Mondays, from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. The cost is \$68 for 12 classes, and you must sign up for all 12 as the cost will be the same. Classes are held in the Cribari Auditorium. There will be *no* class on May 28! Register in the Community Resource Center, Building B.

Circuit Training Class in Fitness Center

Want to restore youthful vitality, lose weight, build strength and/or improve your golf game and personal performance on all levels? Well here's your chance! Our Circuit Training class includes a Personal Fitness Orientation and Assessment to help you determine your fitness requirements and provide instruction on how to personalize and properly perform exercises and use equipment. This fun-filled, action-packed workout offers regular review and monitoring of progress to help participants stay on track to achieve their goals. Classes start April 3, 2018. Classes will be held on Tuesday evenings 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. in The Villages Fitness Center. Class fee is \$20 per session purchased on an 8-session card, which is issued and punched in class. Class size will be limited to 12 participants. Sign up in class! For information call Jane at 408-315-1179.

Total Body Fitness—April through June

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 April to June will be on Wednesdays from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. The cost is \$68; you must sign up for all classes in session, as you will be billed for all. All classes are in the Auditorium. Register in the Community Resource Center, Building B.

Join Yoga with Harini Madhavan

• When the cardio equipment needs to be repaired, it can take time to get the required parts as some of the equipment is harder to find parts for. Please keep that in mind if your favorite machine is out of order a bit longer than desired.

We can stay strong and fit as we age. We have a wonderful fitness center to provide cardio health and lots of options for strength training.

One of the best core exercises is the **plank**, and it helps to improve overall body strength and balance.

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.

CLUBS & EVENTS

P.E.O. Club's Spring Social Gulf War hero visits Veterans Club

Members of the Villages P.E.O. Club, their personal guests, and all Villagers are invited to the Villages P.E.O. Club Spring Social "Some of the best...in the Pacific Northwest" at 2 p.m. on Wednesday, March 28, at the Montgomery Center. The program will be a presentation by John Trudeau of an extensive road trip in the Northwest U.S. and Canada, including views of the recent solar eclipse from Idaho and some spectacular scenery in Glacier National Park, Grand Tetons, Yellowstone National Park, and the Washington Olympic range. Refreshments will be served. The cost is \$5 a person, billed to your house. Please RSVP by March 21 to Trudy Nicholls (408-440-0410 or trudy_nicholls@hotmail.com).

Jazzercise for Flexibility

By Barbara Tommaney

Many common aches and pains stem from tight muscles and poor movement. Our bodies were made to move but today's lifestyle of sitting in the car, at work and at home, means tighter muscles. In addition as we age our connective and muscle tissue naturally becomes stiffer. Therefore the older you get, the more important a regular stretching routine becomes.

The key to good health is to keep your body flexible. This helps your circulatory, lymphatic, and musculoskeletal systems going strong. You feel energized, free of pain, and able to perform daily tasks without feeling tired.

Flexibility training is just one part of your Jazzercise session. Our one-hour session begins with stretching, goes on to aerobics exercise, weight training, balance and flexibility routines and ends with more stretching. Get in the groove and join us at Cribari auditorium any Monday, Wednesday, or Friday, to see for yourself. The first session is free and if you find that you really enjoy it, you can sign up for a full month for only \$36. And if you can't find time for three sessions a week, you can opt for fewer at a reduced price. What are you waiting for? If you have questions, call Herito at 408-238-7511 or Kay at 408-223-7948.

Jim Gleeson is guest artist at Arts & Crafts

Jim Gleeson, of San Francisco, is the guest artist for Arts & Crafts at its regular monthly meeting on Monday, April 2, in Cribari Conference Room at 1:45 p.m.

He is well-known for his defined photo-realistic and collectable San Francisco scenes in oil and watercolor, but his topic on April 2 is

"Figurative Abstracts." His love of the figure and his rapid, loose, vivid and textured abstract figures are part of the Bay Area Figure Painting movement. He will demonstrate for Villagers and their guests how abstract figures can be as evocative and powerful depictions of human beings as more detailed paintings are.

Italian Club to present LBM II



Ken Carter, US Army (Retired) LTC Bert Dollahite, Thomas Moore, Bob Semple

Bv Thomas Moore

The Villages Veterans Club was honored to host US Army (Retired) Lieutenant Colonel Bert Dollahite at its monthly meeting on Tuesday, March 6. LTC Dollahite was the Principal Planner behind Operation Desert Storm and a central figure in its success.

In August 1990, Saddam Hussein, the dictator of Iraq, ordered his army across the border into tiny Kuwait. Kuwait was a major supplier of oil to the United States. The Iraqi takeover also posed an immediate threat to neighboring Saudi Arabia, another major supplier of oil. If Saudi Arabia fell to Saddam, Iraq would control 20 percent of the world's oil supply. All eyes turned to the White House, waiting for a response. President George H. W. Bush issued an ultimatum to Saddam: leave Kuwait by January 15,1991 or face an all-out attack by a multinational force. January 15 came and went with no response from the Iragis. The next night Operation Desert Storm was launched in all its fury. Bombing sorties pummeled Irag's military targets for the next several weeks. On February 24, the ground war was unleashed. The surge was so overwhelming that Kuwait was liberated in only 100 hours. The largest American military operation since Vietnam was completed with smashing success.

The Veterans Club President, Ken Carter, moderated an open forum with lively questions coming from Club members. LTC Dollahite, sometimes humorously, offered fascinating insight into the months-long planning and logistics that went into Operation Desert Storm. The Veterans Club members were especially excited to learn about the heroes LTC Dollahite served with during his career - some of whom became household names - Generals Wesley Clark, Colin Powell, Norman Schwarzkopf, Thomas McInerny, and several others.

For more information, contact Ken Carter at 408-223-9714 or cre8arts@sbcglobal.net. The next monthly meeting of the Veterans Club is April 3 at 2 p.m. in the Foothill Center.

Rod Diridon to speak at SIR #114 luncheon

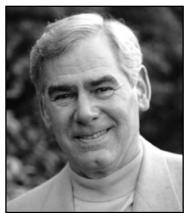
On Tuesday, April 3, Rod Diridon Sr. will be the guest speaker at the SIR #114 luncheon in the Fairway Room at the Clubhouse.

Rod is known as the father of modern transportation in Silicon Valley and has chaired more than 100 international, national, state, and local programs mostly related to transit and the environment.

Nearly every day the Mercury News highlights the new transit opportunity in San Jose and the future Diridon station, named after Rod, will be the hub. That station is expected to become the Google Station of the West. The station and the surrounding area is the hottest real estate and city-building opportunity west of the Mississippi.

Transit-oriented development makes sense and Google is being innovative in placing workers near this future San Jose transit hub.

From 1993 to 2014, Rod was executive director of the Mineta Transportation Institute (MTI), a transportation policy research center created by Congress.





The Villages Italian Club is presenting an all-new version of La Bella Musica on April 22 at Cribari Center. Introduced last year, the show was the outstanding hit of the year. Our Maestro, Ken Carter assembled the finest group of top-drawer musical artists who provided a Sunday afternoon of wonderful entertainment. They'll be back with a few additions and a repertoire that will knock your socks off! The price will be right and the wine will be free. Save the date and stay tuned for details. Don't let this one get away.

Non-SIR members are invited to attend the presentation and should arrive at the Clubhouse around 12:30 p.m.

Calling all artists! April Exhibit for Arts & Crafts

Members are invited to complete a contract for exhibiting a painting in the Cribari Conference room for the April 6 - August 3 exhibit of members' artwork. A contract can be downloaded from the website. The theme for this exhibit is "Landscapes, Seascapes and Flowers." For more information, contact Exhibits Chair Barbara Gottesman at barb.gottesman@gmail.com

FROM THE BOOKSHELF

By Elizabeth Benson

"Fire and Fury" by Michael Wolff: This is the book that had Washington and the pundits discussing for about a week before moving on to the next firestorm. The author claims extraordinary access to the Trump White House and was present for the first nine months of Trump's term that he called "stormy, outrageous and absolutely mesmerizing." Wolff in his explosive book provides a wealth of new details about the chaos in the Oval Office. Opinions will be as divided as the American people. 2017

"Goodbye, Vitamin" by Rachel Khong: Freshly disengaged from her fiancé and feeling that life has not turned out quite the way she planned, 30-year-old Ruth quits her job, leaves town, and arrives at her parents' home to find family life more complicated than she'd realized. Her father, a prominent history professor, is losing his memory. Her mother, like Ruth, is smarting from a betrayal. But over the course of a year, the comedy in Ruth's situation takes hold, gently transforming her grief. Drawn from a well of insight, humor, and unexpected tenderness, author Khong, pilots through the loss, love, and absurdity of finding one's footing in life. Fiction. 2017

"Dead of Winter" by Wendy Corsi Staub: An idyllic small town populated by mediums, a ruthless killer, and a gutsy heroine makes the perfect ingredients for a mystery. Lily Dale, New York, has witnessed its share of eerie occurrences. But things take an even stranger turn when a murderer dumps a corpse into the lake across Valley View—just as widowed mom Bella Jordan happens to be at her window, not quite realizing what she's seen. Bella's also unaware that the killer has spotted her silhouette and is headed straight for her door, stopping only when he's interrupted by the specter of a black cat. A superstitious gambler, he gets spooked and leaves the scene. A neighborhood kid looking for the black cat, stumbles across the killer and is gripped by a premonition of being kidnapped during the first season's snowstorm. The storm strikes, and he vanishes. A worthy read for mystery lovers. Mystery. 2017

"The Wife Between Us" by Sarah Pekkanen and Greer Hendricks: Twisted and deliciously chilling, this book deftly explores the hidden complexities of marriage and the dangerous truths we ignore in the name of love. A twisty, mind-bending novel about marriage and betrayal. Fiction. 2017

"This Is How It Always Is" by Laurie Frankel: This is Claude. He's 5 years old and loves peanut butter sandwiches. He also loves wearing a dress, and dreams of being a princess. When he grows up, he wants to be a girl. His parents want Claude to be whoever he wants to be. They're just not sure they're ready to share that with the world. Soon the entire family is keeping Claude's secret. Until one day it explodes. This is a novel about revelations, transformations, fairy tales, and family. Fiction. 2017

Tennis Club Open House

All Villagers Invited Monday, March 26 1 to 3:30 p.m.



Free!

 Tennis Tips from Benjy Robins, tennis pro at CordeValle Golf and Country Club and Brad Baldinger of Tennis Anywhere in Los Gatos

- · Lots of Prizes...sponsored by Wilson
- Try out the latest equipment from Tennis Anywhere
- Jump Start kicks off for beginners and "rusties"

Global Village: discuss 'Intrinsic Visualization'

By Susan Howe

Please note the corrected time: Intrinsic Visualization will be discussed on Wednesday, April 4 at 7 p.m. at Cribari Conference Room. Have you wondered why some people seem to be able to navigate life so easily? These individuals embrace change. Very little disturbs them. They glide from one activity to the next. It's as if they have a secret knowing or invisible power that also allows them to stay centered, positive and energized. Accomplishing their goals and creating what they want seems to require very little effort. Whether at home, with family, at work or play, life flows like a river for these special people. **Intrinsic Visualization** is about manifesting your desires. It's been used to break negative habits, help athletes improve at their game, assist business people achieve goals, stay centered, reduce stress and much more.

Submit questions for San Jose Police Chief

On April 4, Edgardo (Eddie) Garcia, the San Jose Chief of Police will be coming to the Foothill Center at 3 p.m. Eddie has a very ambitious Agenda for San Jose to share with us. But we know the Villagers will have a host of questions and concerns to raise with Eddie and he is open to discussing them with us.

To help manage the questions and give everyone a fair chance to be heard, we invite you to submit your questions by March 30 to give us time to collate them and present them to Eddie ahead of time to let him be fully prepared.



Please submit your questions by email to

Nancy Pyle (nancy.pyle@comcast.net) or Tony Berg (anthonydberg@gmail.com).

Eddie was born in San Juan, Puerto Rico and moved to San Jose, California as a child. He was hired by the San Jose Police Department in 1992 and worked the Patrol division and then the Narcotics Enforcement Team and subsequently was selected to work in Special Operations - M.E.R.G.E (Mobile Emergency Response Group and Equipment).

Eddie was promoted to Captain in 2010 and held command of the City's Central Division and then the Bureau of Investigations. He was designated as Acting Deputy Chief for the Bureau of Investigations in 2011 and then to Deputy Chief. In 2013, he was promoted to Assistant Chief of Police. Assistant Chief Garcia was confirmed as Chief of Police in 2016.

This event is presented by The Villages Democratic Club, but all Villagers are welcome.

World record holder Carlo Facchino to speak

"Arctic Ocean Rowing Adventure," a presentation by Carlo Facchino, will be offered Wednesday, April 4 at 2 p.m. at Foothill Center. Sponsored by Senior Academy, this event is free and no registration is required.

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, walruses, whales, dolphins and lots of cold water. From Svalbard the crew continued north to the



Carlo Facchino

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.

Help the VMA—donate your vehicle

Perhaps you are unable to support the Villages Medical Auxiliary (VMA) through a monetary donation, but you want to help. There is another way and that is through the VMA's vehicle donation program.

Are you replacing your old golf cart with a new one? Perhaps you no longer use a golf cart.

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Strawberry Shortcake served to all!

Free! Reservations not needed.

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Brian Dombroski (408-499-2633 or Bddski@aol.com)

The VMA will take your cart off your hands, working or not.

Do you have a car that you no longer use? The VMA will sell it for you. The VMA will handle all the details including arranging to have your vehicle towed and sold at auction.

Accepting vehicle donations would not be possible without the help of Villagers Gary Walden, Dick Frey, and Noel and Betty Lanctot. These dedicated VMA volunteers spend countless hours preparing the vehicles for sale. If you've got a golf cart to donate contact Gary Walden (408-270-3492). For car donations contact Walden or Dick Frey (408-532-6031).

Golf cart and car donations qualify as a charitable contribution under Internal Revenue Code 501(c) (3). When your vehicle is picked up you'll receive a receipt for tax purposes.

Thank you to all those participating in this program supporting our VMA.

More CLUBS Meet the Tri-Directors of Art in the Park!

Laurie "Porges" Truman is a former marketing manager and educator. She has a ceramics niche of sculpting people's custom life story into vertical ceramic totems. She is a guest art teacher in local school districts and occasionally on board cruise ships.

Claudia Welch is a former technology marketing manager, now ceramicist. She serves as Secretary on the Arts & Crafts Advisory Board. She enjoys ceramics, writing memoirs and genealogy.

Diane Finley owned a very successful sign/ graphic and lighting company in San Diego. She is also on the Highland DAC, is a sector chief with the EPC and is the manager of the Ceramics Room. When she's not playing with clay, she's playing with her five grandchildren.

Diane, Claudia and Laurie are working hard with their committees and crews to create a great day for residents, friends, family and artisans! More to follow.

Save the Date! Art in the Park is April 28, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Gazebo Park. There will be door prizes.

Free hearing screening—Have you heard?

The Villages Medical Auxiliary (VMA) has scheduled the next free hearing screening, conducted by the San Jose office of Hearwell Audiology, Inc., for Thursday, April 5, 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, cfreyer@ncphs.org.

Studies show that it is quite common to experience a gradual hearing loss as we age. Without necessarily thinking about it, we may be turning up the volume on our televisions and cell phones, or frequently asking people to repeat themselves. 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 50 percent.

Hearwell's hearing screening is popular with our residents. The process takes about ten minutes in front of a computer, where we tap the screen each time we hear something in the headphones. Once completed, the computer generates our individual results, including "Pass" or "Fail." Hearwell technicians will consult with each resident, answer questions and describe further testing options for those with "Fail" results. Residents who pass are encouraged to return for re-testing annually.

The San Jose office of Hearwell Audiology brings years of experience in patient care and the latest hearing device technology. The staff has extensive education and training in audiology and reminds us that "Hearing well is living well." Remember to pre-register by contacting your VMA Social Service Coordinator Cristina Freyer, 408-238-4029, cfreyer@ncphs.org.

Corena Green Golf Classic

Villagers! It is that time again when our Women's Long Nine Golf Club begins its search for young women golfers between the ages of 8 and 17, to play in this year's 28th annual Corena Green Junior Girls Golf Classic. This is a great event planned and sponsored by WNHGA. It will be held this year at Contra Costa Golf & Country Club on August 7.

There are two age groups, 8-13 and 14 -17. They do not have to be terrific players, but have to have played enough to know the rules and proper etiquette of the course. Prizes and scholarships will be awarded. Last year we sponsored six young ladies and they all had a great time.

So, ladies and gentlemen of the Villages, if you have a granddaughter or niece, or have a friend who knows someone who might qualify and would like the experience of playing in a 9 Hole Golf Tournament, application forms will be coming out soon. Spots do fill up very quickly, particularly in the 14 to 17 age group, so if you have someone who is interested, please contact the representative listed below early for the applications.

For more information, contact Swinger Representative Mary Stowers at 408-440-2856.

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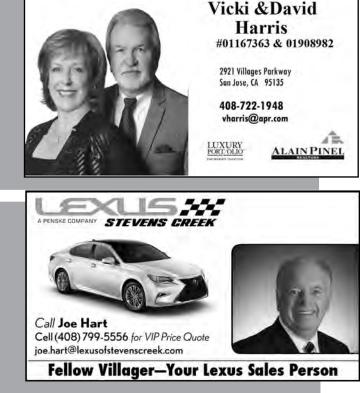
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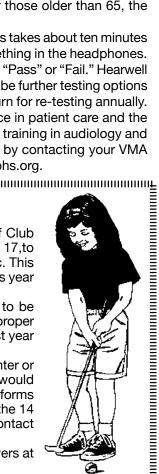
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Laurie Truman. Claudia Welch and Diane Finley.



LAUGH Tom's LINES 2

After a few poor shots, the exasperated golfer tells the caddy in no uncertain terms, "Do not say another word. I do not need your advice." The golfer then hits a beautiful shot that avoids a tree, clears a sand trap, and lands right in the middle of the green. He turns to the caddy and asks, "What do you say to that?" The caddy says, "That was not your ball."

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More CLUBHOUSE



Hey! Where did I put that thingamajig?

(Don't forget to check lost and found)

Did you lose something recently, perhaps a set of keys, your glasses, or maybe some jewelry? Then don't forget to check the lost and found, which is located in Building B. Items are donated to charity after 30 days.

Clubhouse Restaurant proudly presents

Fernando Lezama and his Romantic Music Every Thursday from 5:30 pm to 8:30pm March 29 through May 3

We are delighted to introduce you to the enchanting World Music of Fernando Lezama's romantic voice and keyboard. Fernando has been playing internationally as a keyboardist for over 29 years. During that time he has not only sang with but also accompanied some of Latin America's best-known singers.

Fernando has been a San Francisco Bay Area favorite since 2009 playing from San Francisco, to Santana Row and other San Jose venues, Napa Valley, Sausalito, Berkeley, Half Moon Bay, Tiburon, San Mateo, Portola Valley, Carmel, Belmont and Burlingame, and will now delight us for dinner on Thursday nights.

His repreitua covers wide array of musical styles and his versatility always amazes his audience. Swing to the beat of his Latin Jazz balads, Boleros, Brazilian Bossa-Nova, and his versions of well-known Italian, American, and European selections. Fernando is always happy to satisfy requests and will make your romantic dinner at The Villages Golf and Country Club Restaurant even more special with his crooning voice!



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.





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

Early Bird Specials 5 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

10% Discount on Entrées*

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

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



Join us Thursdays, starting March 29, for our great food and our special live music with Fernando Lezama! 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.

Religion

JEWISH GROUP

Sign up for Passover Seder

Passover, the celebration of the Exodus of the Jewish People from Egypt, is a joyous holiday that is best when shared with children of all ages, family and friends. How fortunate we are to live in the Villages where we have a community to join us commemorating this passage to freedom.



The Villages' Jewish Group is pleased

to announce that our annual Passover Seder will be held at the Clubhouse on Wednesday, April 4. Registration starts at 5 p.m., and the Seder will begin promptly at 5:30 p.m. This popular annual event features a full-course dinner complete with Seder items and an accompanying service by Rabbi Laurie Matzkin. (Note: This year the Seder does not fall on the first or second night of Passover).

The menu includes Gefilte Fish, Chicken Soup with Matzo Balls and two dinner choices, both with seasonal vegetables: Chicken Breast with Matzo Meal Breading and Tagine Sauce with Red Potatoes or a Vegetarian Choice of Potato Pancake Napoleon with Grilled Eggplant and Portobello Mushrooms and a Roasted Pepper Coulis, Cauliflower, Carrots and Broccoli. Dessert follows with coffee, hot tea (on request) and apple juice for "juniors."

The prices are \$38 for adults and \$15 for children between 8 and 12. There is no charge for children 7 and under. Make reservations by contacting Irene Blanco at iblanco@prodigy. net or 408-270-4210. Provide your names, menu choices and seating requests when making your reservations. The reservation deadline is Thursday, March 29. You will be billed to your Villages' account. For more information, contact Joyce Mendel at 408-238-7316.

SEARCH THE SCRIPTURES

Search the Scriptures class will meet Monday, April 2 at Foothill Center from 9:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. We are studying Revelation at this time and welcome all Villagers and guests to join us. We meet the first and third Mondays of each month. Please join us! Need a Bible or have questions? Call Janet Stevenson at 408-768-2999.

EPISCOPAL

Episcopal Church Services on Sunday, March 25 Sunday of The Passion: Palm Sunday

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

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

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

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

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

If you have not yet given to the **ADA 2018**, please consider doing so. There is such a shortage of priests, and this fund helps educate those who need the funds to follow this wonderful calling. This is only one of the special places where your money goes.

St. Francis of Assisi will be hosting a **blood drive** on Saturday April 7, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Gathering Hall. Please consider being a donor.

The last date to receive the **Sacrament of Reconciliation** will be March 28. Please mark your calendar.

Please mark your calendars for the Soup and Stations **Lenten Series** every Friday from now to March 23. Soup supper begins promptly at 6 p.m. in the Gathering Hall. Stations of the Cross at 7 p.m. in the Chapel.

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.

COMMUNITY CHAPEL

By Pastor Bill Hayden

There is a feeling of emptiness whenever we lose something precious to us, from treasured items to relationships. I don't think that anyone relishes the idea of losing anything that they have invested their money, time and talents in. I think about the people who lost their homes due to fire, job loss and natural disasters, and others who suffer loss because of unwise business decisions in order to gain financial independence. Yet there still remain those who suffer physical, mental and social loss. Suffering is part of the human experience, for to be human is to suffer in some form or another.

We can do our best to safeguard ourselves from suffering loss but life happens and every person suffers loss at some point in their lives. Imagine a person investing their life in a relationship that ends in death or divorce. Imagine a person who finally builds their dream house only to lose it as a result of a natural disaster. Imagine a person having a career as a mechanic and one day loses his right hand and can no longer be that ace mechanic on the job.

As much as we want to be in control of every detail in our lives, there are things outside of our influence and abilities. Having control of every detail would be disappointing in the long run. By having control, we would never experience the sense of accomplishment that occurs through the struggle of growth.

I think that if we had control of every detail, we would never experience disappointment and how to grow from it. Would your life be better if you were in complete control? Would you be a more compassionate person who understood the sufferings of others or would you have an attitude that they should be more like you?

Looking at the landscape of our world, people everywhere suffer, from those living in castles on the hilltops to those living in tents. But...if you Dare to believe, there is another side to suffering, **The Reward!**

Romans 8:18 NKJV "For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us."

Please feel free to join us this Sunday and sit among friends at the Villages Community Chapel in Cribari Auditorium 10 a.m. to be encouraged over the Word, a cup of coffee and cookies. **The chapel is a place for needs to be met, faith to be affirmed and people to love.** We would love to meet you. If you would like to make an appointment with Pastor Bill please call the office at 408-238-3079. *To learn more about the Villages Community Chapel visit our website at http:// www.villagescommunitychapel.org/*

Community Chapel Special Music Events for Holy Week March 25, 29 & April 1

You are invited to attend special music events sponsored by the Villages Chapel. Sunday, March 25: Pastor Unruh will lead the Annual Palm Sunday Hymn Sing. Join us at 7 p.m. in the Cribari Auditorium Conference Room. You will have an opportunity to request your favorite hymns. Pie and coffee will be served!

Space is limited: seating will be on a first come basis. Room opens at 6:30 p.m. Capacity is 60

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



Thursday, March 29: Pastor Bill Hayden and the Chapel Choir will present a special Maundy Thursday pictorial and musical service celebrating the "Last Supper" with Jesus and his disciples, leading to the tragic event of the Crucifixion. Come to Cribari Auditorium at 7 p.m. Easter Sunday, April 1: Our joyous Easter Celebration will be held in the Cribari Auditorium on Sunday morning, at 10 a.m. Enjoy Pastor Bill Hayden's Easter Sunday Message, the beautiful Christian Cross decorated with flowers and celebratory Easter music led by the Chapel Choir and directed by Susan Ahlgrimm.

You are invited to attend any or all of these events, which recognize and celebrate our Christian faith.

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Sports News

Sunday Partners Golf

SWINGERS

By Bev Poellot and Mary Wagle

The daylight savings time series, Sunday Partners Golf, launched on Sunday, March 11. Nine holes of golf, starting at 2 p.m., was played by six foursomes. Congratulations to Mike and Bev Poellot, who got a net 30, playing in the two-person team format. The winners are as follows:

First place and tournament winners – Mike and Bev Poellot, net 30



Mike and Bev Poellot

Second place - Jack and Pam McCarthy, net 30 tie breaker Third place – Larry Martinson and Maxine Amundson, net 31 Fourth place - Gary and Laura Swenson, net 32 Fifth place – Jim and Kathleen Holt, net 34

Sixth place - Ken and Joy Rem, net 34 tie breaker

After golf, everyone met in the Clubhouse for a good time with non-hosted food and drink and handing out prizes. We even had others in the golf community, who hadn't played golf that day, join in on the festivities.

The next Sunday Partners Golf event will be held on April 15. The format will be announced soon, so please line up your friend, significant other, or spouse to play in the second Sunday Partners Golf. Be ready to sign up your twosome, because the March 11 event filled up in one day. You do not need an 18-hole handicap to join in the fun.

Thanks to all who participated.

Tennis Club Open House

All Villagers Invited Monday, March 26 1 to 3:30 p.m.



Free!

 Tennis Tips from Benjy Robins, tennis pro at CordeValle Golf and Country Club and Brad Baldinger of Tennis Anywhere in Los Gatos

- Lots of Prizes...sponsored by Wilson
- Try out the latest equipment from Tennis Anywhere
- Jump Start kicks off for beginners and "rusties"

By Mary Wagle

Tuesday, March 13, turned out to be rainy, super rainy. When some of us called the Pro Shop to cancel, Alan Walsh decided to have some fun by saying that everybody else was down there, so he asked why we were canceling. After a moment of silence, he told us he was just kidding. In any event, we went ahead with our General Membership Meeting and Luncheon, which started at 11:30 a.m. on March 13. Lois Hayes from the 18 Hole Ladies spoke at the luncheon to remind us about the mixer with them on April 19, and she told us that her club was looking forward to having us join them for a fun filled day of golf and lunch. It's an 8:30 a.m. shotgun start, and all of us will be playing from the #2 tees. Don't forget to sign up, as there will be a sheet in the Pro Shop.



February's Most Improved Player Sheryl Driskell.

Lucy Tremoureux and Batool Shaikh were handling sign ups for the mixer with the Shonis on April 24, and they were able to get guite a few more ladies to commit. On that day, we'll all play

from the #2 tees as well. Please keep in mind that the golf course will be closed on MARCH 27, so Swingers' sweeps play will be on Monday, March 26, with a 9 a.m. shotgun start. Also, don't forget about Thursday Afternoon Golf, open to everyone. There was no invitation this week, because it's forecasted to rain, and because some of us are playing with the 18 Hole Ladies Club on their Friendship Day that morning. Our Friendship Day with them is next Tuesday. March 20. Lastly, we want to recognize Sheryl Driskell as our most improved player for the month of February.

At our luncheon, our Director of Golf and Head Pro, Scott Steele, gave us a great presentation on rules that we found very interesting and interactive. Scott told us the Pro Shop's Mini-Rules Clinics will resume May 8, and they will be held the second Tuesday of each month during Daylight Savings Time. Plus, during Scott's presentation, he showed a series of jokes, which we thoroughly enjoyed.

In this game of golf, humor seems an important component. So, in that spirit, a man comes home from golf one day, and his wife said, "Honey, how was your golf game?" The husband told her, "I had a terrible game today. Ralph must have forgotten his insulin, and he passed out on the course." The wife said, "Oh no, that's just awful," to which the husband replied, "Yeh tell me about it. Hit the ball, drag Ralph. Hit the ball, drag Ralph."

SHONIS

By Ann Campbell

Ah, "Father Time" and "Mother Nature"! Up to your old tricks again, I see. On March 13, Father Time recently presented us with his annual "spring forward" exercise, which made our tee time of 9:30 a.m. arrive very early in the morning. But, alas, there was to be no teeing up at all as Mother Nature decided our wonderful greens and fairways needed more water so down came the rain, much to our chagrin. At our Captain, Meg Roger's suggestion, in lieu of golf, whoever was interested could meet at 8:30 a.m. at the Bistro for a nice breakfast. Two Shonis, Joan Wiseman and Ursula Gibson joined Meg for an early repast. Since there was no golf, let's all look to the future and to our many fun events to come.

The Eclectic Tournament: (April 17-May 29) Joan Wiseman will begin collecting fees for this event on Tuesday, March 27, which are \$4. This tourney is always well received as each Shoni pits her game against no one but herself.

The Swingers Invitational: (April 24) This is a much anticipated gathering and always great fun. For any new Shonis who are playing in this for the first time, do not be intimidated, as it is in a "best ball" format, meaning all four teammates play from the longest ball throughout the game. Sign-up sheets are in the posting room both on the Shonis and Swingers boards. If you do not have a partner as yet, please sign up anyway and you will be assigned a partner at a later date.

Chuckle of the Day: After church on Sunday, one of the churchgoers walked up to his priest and said "Father, is it a sin to play golf on Sunday?" "My Son," said the priest, "I've seen your golf game, it's a sin any day."

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More SPORTS MEN'S GOLF CLUB

By Kyle Finley (kylefinley@outlook.com)

St. Patrick's Day Tournament: Unfortunately, Mother Nature had other plans for this past weekend and we had to cancel the tournament. However, we are thankful for the rain we desperately needed. Our next POTY tournament will be the Spring Open Mixer on April 14.

2018 Evergreen Tournament: The 2018 Evergreen Tournament is scheduled for July 12-14 this year. The Tournament Committee, spearheaded by Chairman Jeff Buckingham has already had its first two meetings. The next meeting is Tuesday, April 10th at 8:30 a.m. at the Vineyard Center. The Committee is still looking for volunteers to assist with the tournament. The meeting is open to all Men's Club members.

Eclectic Tournament is *still* in Full Swing! It's not too late, the tournament doesn't end until April 30. Get your scorecard now at the Pro Shop and challenge your golf buddies. More details are available in the Pro Shop and on our website, www.villagesgolfers.com.

Upcoming Events

Spring Open Mixer Tournament: The next Men's Club POTY tournament is scheduled for Saturday, April 14. The format is 2-net best ball/stableford points for four-man teams randomly set by the Pro Shop by handicap (A, B, C, D players). Flights are from the #4 and #3 tees based on handicap. Shotgun start at 8 a.m. with coffee and donuts at 7 a.m. Sign-ups start March 31.

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 will be on Tuesday, April 3. The meetings are open to all members.

Reminder: Our Handicap Committee reports that recent audits of scorecards have found numerous posting errors. We are all Villagers and prone to some mental errors but remember that we audit scorecards and tee sheets to protect all of us. Please make sure that you are posting your scores correctly, including adjustments (ESC) based on your handicap, and post your scores as soon as possible after your round. Thanks!

TENNIS TALK

By Sherry Benz

You don't want to miss the Tennis Club Open House on Monday, March 26 at 1 p.m. Brad Baldinger, of Tennis Anywhere in Los Gatos, will again host the program along with Tennis Pro, Benjy Robins, from CordeValle Golf and Country Club, who has some important tennis tips to share. Brad is bringing some of the newest racquets for you to try out along with a few drills to hone your skills...come shod in tennis shoes for "on the court" fun. There will be prizes, games and strawberry shortcake!

Jump Start kicks off at the Tennis Club Open House. If you have never played tennis, but wonder if you could pick it up in your later years, Jump



2017 Jump Start "graduates" Bill Travis, John Riehm and Susan Parker.

Start is for you! If you played at one time and would like to test your rusty skills, Jump Start is for you! Jump Start will meet on Monday afternoons for 12 weeks with coaching from our Villager "experts." It will include basic strokes, ball machine work, and court time with Villager players. Many of our Jump Start graduates are now playing regularly, even in the tournaments! Don't have a racquet? No worry, we have racquets donated by our members and would love to give one to you. This is a wonderful opportunity to learn, meet others at your playing level and...all free of cost! Questions: Call Sherry Benz at 408-223-6882 or sabenz@sbcglobal.net.

The USTA 65 teams have started their season. The women's team (Village Divas), captained by Cheryl Diltz, logged their first win. The men's team, captained by Jim Murphy, started with a tough loss against Morgan Hill. The players love an audience! Check the tennis calendar and come down to the courts to cheer on our Village teams.

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BOCCE NEWS



Jeanne Anne Whitacre and David Cook enjoying our new player benches.

By Patricia Bruno

Court Updates: If you have been to the bocce courts lately, you may have noticed a few new upgrades! Four new player benches will give players a place to sit in comfort during play. Extra handrails have been added at the ends of the courts to help players safely get on and off the courts. The umbrellas are out, and this time we have the crank up types for safety reasons! Hooray! No more standing on benches or looking for a tall person to get those umbrellas up! Lastly, landscaping plants have been added around the northeast player bench for safety and to add a little eye appeal to our courts. We hope you enjoy the new amenities at the courts!

Spring Mixer: We had a great start for our first tournament of the year! We are fielding 24 teams this tournament with 185 players. This year, for the first time, we have Saturday play. Last year we had 163 players in the Spring Mixer so this is the largest turnout yet! Thank you, Tournament Director Jeanne Anne Whitacre for doing a fantastic job coordinating this tournament.

Upcoming Tournaments and Coordinators: Here are the upcoming 2018 tournament names, dates, and coordinators for your calendar.

- Spring Round Robin, May 5 to June 27, Tony Orlando, Coordinator

- Guys and Gals, June 30 to August 1, Tony Orlando, Coordinator

- Summer Three Week Tournament, August 4 to 29, Bob Rosenberg, Coordinator

- Fall Round Robin, September. 8 to October 24, Paul Anderson, Coordinator

- Villages Challenge, September 22, Tony Orlando, Coordinator

Did You Know...Today, Friday, March 23, is National Chip and Dip Day? You might find chips and dips at the Bocce Bash today. The Bash is held every Friday from 3 to 5 p.m. Bring your own beverage and a snack to share! All are welcome so come on down.



VMA offers free blood pressure checks

You don't have to go far from home for a blood pressure check. The Villages Medical Auxiliary holds free blood pressure clinics every Wednesday from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. in the Forum Room next to the Boutique in Cribari Center.

According to the American Heart Association, your blood pressure should be below 140/80. Take care of yourself, get your blood pressure checked Wednesday.

Scoreboard

BRIDGE

BOCCE

Monday, March 12:

1. Maureen Waltho/Marilyn Ribardo 2. Dorthy Staehs/Joseph Henry 3. Sumi Minami/Barbara Varner

Thursday, March 15:

1. Marie Chong/Joe Henry 2. Jan Kiernan/Sumiye Minami

MEXICAN TRAIN DOMINOES

Wednesday, March 14

Beverly Wharton

Sylvia Rozewicz

Friday, March 16

Joanne Cooke

Vicky Linscott

Earl Magoun

Audrey Osuna

Barbara Varner

PINOCHLE

Wednesday, March 14 Donna Vivoli Harvey Gogol Duane Sagen Shirley Bellavance

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IRONMEN

By Bill Travis

We had the trifecta last week: cold, windy, and a little rain. We are thankful for the rain, but had to cancel our play for the day. However, the tournament leaderboard has changed. Here are the current standings:

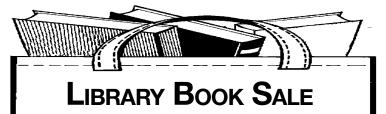
There is a tie for first place now between David Hathaway and Jerry Weltzin.

Third place is Mario Silva.

- Fourth place John Eige.
- Our deep thought and/or humor for today:

A U.S. Citizen is vacationing on his own in Ireland. He decides to play a round of golf and is paired with three locals. He takes a few practice swings, steps up to the first tee, and proceeds to hook the ball out of bounds. He shakes his head, reaches into his pocket and re-tees another ball. He tells his playing partners that he is taking a Mulligan. He then proceeds to pound one down the center of the fairway about 250 yards out. With a big smile he asks the others, "In the U.S. we call that a Mulligan; was wondering what you called it here in Ireland?" After a moment of silence, one of the locals replies, "Hitting three."

And finally: The record for the longest drive is 515 yards in 1974 by Mike Austin. Recently, Dwayne Johnson (The Rock) is reported to have hit a 490-yard drive while filming the HBO show "Ballers."



Spring Mixer Tournament

Week One: Saturday 10:30 a.m.: Bill's Team 2-0, Paul's Team 1-1, Pat's Team 1-1, Tony's Team 0-2 Monday 10:30 a.m.: Dave's Team 2-0, Libby's Team 1-1, Ros's Team 1-1, Jim's Team 0-2 Monday 3 p.m.: Gail's Team 2-0, Kerry's Team 1-1, Yves Team 1-1, Loanne's Team 0-2 Wednesday 10:30 a.m.: Rained Out

Thursday 10:30 a.m.: Rained Out Thursday 1:30 a.m.: Rained Out

FROM THE PRO



By Scott Steele, PGA Head Golf Professional

Sign up now...Entry forms in Golf Shop! Sunday, April 29 – Swinging for Memories Golf Classic – 9:30 a.m. shotgun with lunch. The Villages Golf & Country Club will be hosting the inaugural "Swinging For Memories" Golf Classic. We are inviting you to be a participant in this very special occasion. We are fundraising to raise awareness about Alzheimer's disease and to advance the care, support and research efforts of the Alzheimer's Association. Together with the Alzheimer's Association we will make a positive impact on those facing the disease. Please mark your calendars, save the date and show your support.

Put your foursome together now for this promising event! If you do not golf, please join us for lunch and show your support. For more information, please call Hannah Summerhays or Scott Steele at the Pro Shop at 408-754-1331.

Greens Aeration—This coming Monday & Tuesday! We will be aerating the greens on the long course on Monday, March 26 and Tuesday, March 27.

Nine holes will be available on Monday, March 26. The entire long course will be *closed* on Tuesday, March 27. The Pro Shop will also be *closed* on March 27 all day. The Par 3 Course will be open for play on March 27 with a sign in sheet on the Pro Shop door.

Demo Days start tomorrow! There is some great new golf equipment being launched this year! And you have the exclusive opportunity to try all the new products right here at The Villages!

Callaway Demo Day – Friday, March 23, 10 a.m. – Come and try the new Rogue woods with jailbreak technology not only in the driver, but now in the fairway woods and hybrids and their patented "Face Cup" technology that helps off center hits perform as well as the sweet spot.

Ping Demo Day – Friday, March 30, 10 a.m. – The new G400 is their hottest driver yet! And the brand new G400 MAX boasts a lower center of gravity and the highest moment of inertia in golf!

Taylor Made Demo Day – Friday, April 13, 11 a.m. – Taylor Made is always an industry leader in golf club technology. Taylor Made's new Hammerhead technology in M3 and M4 creates a massive sweet spot that enhances ball speed and forgiveness across the entire face.

Pedestrians on the Golf Course – Please remember that the golf course is strictly for golfers only during daylight hours; and pedestrians and pets are not allowed on the golf course during times of golf play. Here are the current allowable times for pedestrians:

Mondays - Prior to 1 p.m. and after 7 p.m.

Tuesdays - Prior to 8:45 a.m. and after 7 p.m.

Wednesdays - Prior to 7 a.m. and after 7 p.m.

Thursdays – Prior to 8 a.m. and after 7 p.m.

Fridays to Sundays – prior to 7 a.m. and after 7 p.m. As the summer progresses, walking will be prohibited until after 8 p.m. and I will keep you

As the summer progresses, walking will be prohibited until after 8 p.m. and I will keep you informed as times change. Let's remember to be safe! It's about safety, nothing else! Thank you for your cooperation.

Tips from the Pro—Speed is Key...Hit your Lag Putts Close. How often do you hit your approach shot inside 10 feet? Or even inside 20 feet? Yet when I watch our golfers practice putting, they rarely work on lag putts of 30 feet or more. Think of your last round of golf and how many putts you had of 30 feet or more. I bet it was at least nine. So work on lag putting as much as anything else in your game and you will shave strokes. Here are a few tips for lag putting practice...

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.

All are welcome!

Lay a bath towel on the green...line up four balls, one each from 25 feet, 30 feet, 35 feet and 40 feet, then roll the balls onto the towel and try to stop the balls on the towel. Do this from all four sides of the towel so you are putting uphill, downhill, right to left and left to right. Putt with one ball from 30-40 feet and try to 2-putt everything.

Phil Mickelson Lag Drill...put a tee in the ground at 30 feet, 40 feet and 50 feet. Putt five balls from each tee and try to get all five balls inside four feet.

Let us know if these drills help. See you at the course!

Along the Way—a trip down Memory Lane

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

Standing in front of the candy counters of our lives

I have mentioned elsewhere the subtle way in which the Internet has "obsoleted" the people skills we may have learned from Dale Carnegie. That kind of training encouraged us to speak in terms of the other fellow's interests, and not our own. Of course, if both parties tried to use the same technique at the same time, the conversation would never get off the ground. What I mean,



though, is that these days if we ask more than one or two questions about someone's profession or work, both parties start thinking, "Why don't you Google it, if you're so interested?"

But another way in which the Internet interferes—"robs us" —is in reminiscing and sharing our experiences from memory. I was telling my granddaughter what I could remember about the penny candies we had growing up. They were called dots, and they were basically just sugar, I think. As I remember it, they came attached to strips of waxed paper about 1 ½ inches wide. I think there were two colorful dots side by side and maybe 20 or so in a 12-inch long strip. Then I realized that I could probably Google the things and tell her exactly what they were like; maybe even print out a picture of them for her. "And therein lies the rub," as they say.

It is more fun for me to try to remember as best I can and tell a tale from years gone by, than it is to look something up and recite from Wikipedia. Hopefully, it is more fun for her, too. There is a chance we are making a memory of my storytelling that will stay with her for years to come, long after she has perhaps forgotten the exact details. There is a better chance that she would remember how she felt sitting and listening if she weren't thinking, "Why don't we just Google it and be done with it?" I certainly remember sitting and listening to my grandparents, although I couldn't tell you what they were talking about. I remember the feeling of being loved and being important to them.

There were several other penny candy products back then, but that is all I remember. I was young. A motivational speaker brought the memory back for me years later. He asked the audience, many of whom must have been older than me, to recall the excitement of having a penny in each hand, standing in front of the local candy counter, and trying to decide what two treats to choose...how to use the resources we had been given or earned. He described the colorful displays, the wonderful aromas in the store, the kindly person behind the counter, and so forth. He even described the feeling of being in control—of being able to decide how we would spend our two pennies.

He then got to his message. We start each day, he said, with two resources: Time and Talent, and we get to decide each day how we will spend them. He told us to try to recapture that child-like excitement at the seemingly endless choices and possibilities that greet us each day. I can't say that I followed his advice very well, but I certainly never forgot his analogy. But is it too late now? Many of us have more talent than we ever had, but of course less time. Or do we? What if we allow the time we have and the related talent we have to point us to the choices and possibilities that are not only dear to us, but near to us?

Retired engineers know how quickly their skills have become obsolete. Surely other skills and professions are the same. But instead of serving companies or clients, who are focused on the "next generation" leading edge of things, what about serving our children and grandchildren who just need someone with sound judgement who cares about them and their issues? We can offer something they cannot get from the Internet: a lifetime of experience.

One of my joys has been reading the same "young adult" books my granddaughters were reading and discussing with them. I'm thinking, for example, of the "Divergent" series, "The Fault in our Stars," "The Maze Runner" series, the "Twilight" series, "The Hunger Games." Now that they are juniors and seniors in high school, we discuss what they are learning about history, literature, journalism, current events, and the like. I am a life-long reader, obviously, but there are many other examples. Often granddaughters can have girl talks with their grandmas that they can't have with their mothers for one reason or another.

We can still see ourselves, can't we, standing in front of the candy counters of our lives, eagerly deciding how to use our precious time and talent to greatest advantage each day.

VMA Health Fair...

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products/benefits of using marijuana products to address these issues. Other speakers will also be featured.

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HI NEIGHBOR

Please help us say "hi!" to **Deann and Roger Reedy**. This month marks one year since they moved to Village Olivas! Deann attended UCB and SFSU and works as a decorator. Her career includes working with cancer patients, working for a telephone company in marketing, and working for small stores doing displays. Roger graduated as a civil engineer from the Illinois Institute of Technology, spent three years in the Navy, worked at Chicago Bridge & Iron Co for 20 years, and founded Reedy Engineering consulting in the design, construction and operation of nuclear power plants. In their spare time, Deann enjoys decorating and gardening and Roger enjoys history and genealogy.

Please say hi to **Sherry and Russell Barto** next time you see them in Village Highland. This month last year they moved to The Villages from Santa Cruz. Sherry is a local realtor, born and raised in San Jose. Russell is a Chicago native, attended San Jose State University and has been doing home loans for Fremont Bank for more than three decades. Growing up, the Bartos both attended Silver Creek High School near The Villages! They are very active—Sherry enjoys horse riding, traveling, shopping and ceramics while Russell likes fishing, hiking, traveling and has just started golf.

Give a warm greeting to **Tom and Mira Dytko**, Hermosa residents who moved here last year from Morgan Hill. Tom is a Chicago native and works as a senior project manager at Washington Hospital in Fremont. Mira is a technical writer. She was born in Lviv, Ukraine, attended university in Vladivostak, Russia and completed her Ph.D. in Lviv before moving to Thunder Bay, Canada. In 1996, the Dytkos met each other at University Studios, Hollywood, and in 1998 Mira moved to California for work. In their free time, Tom enjoys art, music (jazz), automobiles and classic films, while Mira's interests include gardening, hiking and singing.



Hiking Calendar

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beginning, followed by a longer flat section, before exiting the park for a series of rolling but moderate ascents through estate homes. We will then return to the park for a gradual descent to our starting point. Optional lunch at a nearby custom burger place or neighboring deli. The hike is approximately 3.5 miles long, roundtrip. Round trip mileage is approximately 30 miles. Please arrive at Cribari Center by 9 a.m. for a 9:15 a.m. departure. Saturday, April 7: Pinnacles. John Trudeau (949-887-6524) will lead a hike to the High Peaks - Condor Gulch Loop in Pinnacles National Park with the hope of spotting some California Condors close up. This is a 6-mile loop with an elevation gain of 1350-ft. The trail starts at the Bear Gulch area, goes through some interesting caves to the small reservoir. We will continue up to the High Peaks area covered in rock spires and equally impressive boulder-filled gorges, closing the loop down to the Bear Gulch area. This is a full-day adventure: bring plenty of water and a lunch. It's about 75 miles to the park and the hike will take about three hours. Ramblers will do a shorter hike exploring the caves. Please note: We meet in front of Cribari Center at 8 a.m. (instead of the usual 8:30 a.m.) for an earlier start due to the long ride.

Vendors will be situated in booths throughout Cribari Center where they'll dispense information and samples. They represent a broad spectrum of health care—from physical therapy to assisted care. Some of our vendors have donated valuable prizes that will be raffled off throughout the day.

Several health screenings will be offered as well: blood pressure, blood glucose, mild cognitive impairment, bone density, balance and hearing. And, while you enjoy free snacks from New Seasons Market, you can hear wonderful music provided by a group of harpists that will play on the Cribari Auditorium stage. They'll be sponsored by the Villages Music Society Harp Connection. You won't want to miss this event. If you have any questions please contact Cristina Freyer, VMA's Social Service Coordinator, at 408-238-4029.

LANDSCAPE & MAINTENANCE

MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE

Cribari

5001-5058 and 5433-5446-Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.

5059-5089 and 5154-5195-Landscape maintenance and weed control, 3/26 to 3/30.

Liquidambar fruit sprav control scheduled for March.

5012 and 5386-Dead tree removal in planning.

Cribari paint project is on hold till spring time due to the rain; notices will be passed out prior to project starting.

Cribari Bluffs-Dry rot repairs in progress.

5017, 5018, 5019, 5020 and 5021-Utility room flat roof replacement scheduled to start 3/26, weather permitting. 5022, 5023, 5024, 5025, 5026 and 5027-Utility room flat roof

replacement scheduled to start 4/2, weather permitting. 5132-5134—Trench line in common area for electrical repairs in

progress.

Plumbing inspections throughout the district, in progress. Del Lago

3349-3366 and 3414-3419-Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.

3401-3413 and 3420-3431-Landscape maintenance and weed control, 3/26 to 3/30.

Liquidambar fruit spray control scheduled for March.

3129-Interior repairs in planning.

Estates

8809-8821 - Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress. 8822-8831 - Landscape maintenance and weed control, 3/26 to 3/30. 8875-Repairs to the sewer line in the street, in planning.

Fairways

4013 and 4015-Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress. 4017 and 4019-Landscape maintenance and weed control, 3/26 to 3/30.

Turf slit seeding in planning.

Glen Arden

7839-7867—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress. 7698-7721 - Landscape maintenance and weed control, 3/26 to 3/30. Liquidambar fruit spray control scheduled for March.

Turf reduction project in progress; lawn spraying, weather permitting. Turf slit seeding in progress.

7748-Dead tree removal in planning.

Gutter cleaning scheduled for 3/19 to 3/24.

Heights

8476-8481 — Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress. 8482-8489-Landscape maintenance and weed control, 3/26 to 3/30. 8487, 8488, 8493 and 8511-Sections of cement walkway replacement in planning.

Gutter cleaning scheduled for 3/26 to 3/31.

Hermosa

8406-8437 — Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress. 8400-8405 and 8438-8447 - Landscape maintenance and weed control, 3/26 to 3/30.

Liquidambar fruit spray control scheduled for March.

8106-Dead tree removal in planning.

Winery Ct.; 8081-8082, 8083-8084 and 8085-8086-Roof replacement in progress, weather permitting.

Winery Ct; 8079-8080-Roof replacement scheduled for 3/26, weather permitting.

Riesling Way; 8348-8360-Main sewer line repairs in planning. 8021-8022 - Curb repairs, in planning.

Highland

7661-7679, 7692-7696, 7699 and 7701 - Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.

Roof & Rain Gutter cleaning schedule for 2018

The following are approximate start and completion dates for rain gutter cleaning, weather permitting.

Completion Date

March 24

March 31

March 31

Village	Start Date
Glen Arden	March 19
Heights	March 26
Club Buildings	March 28

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

Villages Overseeding Project Schedule

By Mike Ney, Branch Manager for BrightView Landscape Services

We want to reach out and provide an update on the status/progress of the Villages overseeding project. To date we have completed approximately 90 percent on the areas to be overseeded. We postponed the remaining 10 percent of the project from January through mid-February while germination conditions were inhibited. With the longer days and improving germination conditions we are ready to resume the project. We will begin spraying out selected undesirable grass species this week. This will be followed by mowing the remaining lawns very low, applying the seed with a slice seeding machine and covering the overseeded area with mulch. We will work through the remaining neighborhood as outlined in the schedule below. We will be starting with Highlands and end with Valley Vista. The project should be completed by the end of March.

Villages	Acres	Start Date	Completion Date
Highland	1.5	February 2018	March 2018
Glen Arden	0.3	March 2018	March 2018
Olivas	1.4	March 2018	March 2018
Fairways	0.1	March 2018	March 2018
Sonata	0.2	March 2018	March 2018
Valle Vista	0.1	March 2018	March 2018
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Notice of weed treatment

TrueGreen will be applying Turf weed treatment to complete a pre-emergent crabgrass application in all areas of the Villages with the exception on the areas to be slit seeded. We will complete a Broadleaf weed application in all areas with the exception of areas that were recently over seeded. Caution signage will be posted prior to commencement of the chemical application.

].	Liquidambar fruit spray control scheduled for March. Dead tree removal in planning. 6265 and 6287—Driveway replacement in planning. Olivas	Association Monitoring of lake levels, progress.
5.).	8665-8667, 8680-8690 and 8701-8712—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.	Pro chip bark jet mulchi installation in progress at va
y	8691-8700, 8713-8722 and 8763-8768—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 3/26 to 3/30.	ous locations throughout t Villages.
	Liquidambar fruit spray control scheduled for March. Turf slit seeding in planning.	Club Centers
5.	Sonata	Clubhouse parking area
b	2060-2064 and 2082-2087 – Landscape maintenance and weed	Liquidambar fruit spray cont
	control in progress.	scheduled for March.
	2049-2059 — Landscape maintenance and weed control, 3/26 to 3/30.	Cribari, Foothill and Mo
	Turf slit seeding in planning.	gomery Pools - Closed for t
f	Valle Vista	winter, scheduled to open 4
	9037-9045 and 9070-9072 – Landscape maintenance and weed	Golf course restroom
i,	control in progress.	16th green and 17th tee proje
	Parks and Banks—Landscape maintenance and weed control,	in progress, weather perm
	3/26 to 3/30.	ting.
	Turf slit seeding in planning.	Montgomery Center pa

Entry Hillside—Planting project; rosemary removal in progress.

9044-Fence repairs in progress.

9064-Fence repairs in progress.

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Montgomery Center parking lot – Painting of bollards in planning, weather permitting. Sonata gate - Gate opera-

7582-7594, 7680-7691, Findhorn and behind Caledonia-Landscape maintenance and weed control, 3/26 to 3/30. Liquidambar fruit spray control scheduled for March.

Turf slit seeding in progress.

Jet mulch installation in progress.

Montgomery

6204-6213 and 6246-6281 - Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.

6282-6294 and 6332-6357-Landscape maintenance and weed control, 3/26 to 3/30.

9066—Fence repairs scheduled for next week.

9041-Mail box repair scheduled for next week.

Verano

7227-7251 — Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress. 7200-7226—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 3/26 to 3/30. Liquidambar fruit spray control scheduled for March.

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

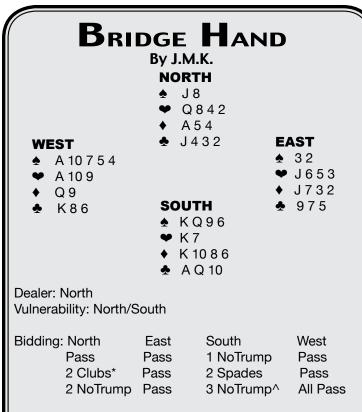
Common area light fixture replacements in progress.

7319-Building repairs in progress.

tor and bollard installation in planning.

Cribari Center - Replace storage doors next to the wood shop and next to the auditorium, in planning.

Cribari Center – Install kick plates at the hobby rooms, in planning.



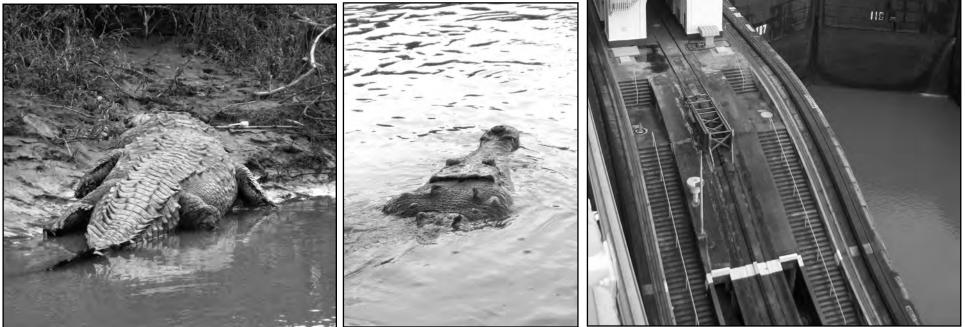
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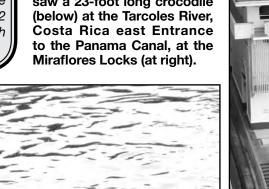
Dealer has maybe 2 winners in Spades, 1 winner in Hearts, 2 in Diamonds and 2 in Clubs.

Strategy: Since he has one more card in each of the minor suits compared to the majors, he tries to develop some extra tricks in the minors.

West leads the 5 of Spades, South, the Jack, switches to the Ace of Diamonds, then a Diamond to the King in his hand, continues with the 10, and East takes the trick with the Jack. He next leads a Spade, South, the King, West, the Ace, then plays the 10 of Hearts, and South wins with the Ace. He leads his good 8 of Diamonds, next plays Ace of Clubs, continues with the Queen of Clubs, and West wins with the King. He switches to the Ace of Hearts, then follows with another Heart, South takes it on the board with the Queen, now plays the good Jack of Clubs and follows with his last card, the 4 of Clubs. Great! The contract is made exactly.

* This is the popular Stayman convention, making an artificial bid of 2 Clubs asking his partner to bid a four-card major. If opener doesn't have a four-card major, he will bid 2 Diamonds denying a four-card major. After opener bids his major, his partner will support that major or bid NoTrump signaling he has the other major. If responder has 8 -9 HCP he will bid 2 NT, and with 10 or more he will go to game in NT. After North bids 2 NT, South bids game due to having 17 HCP.



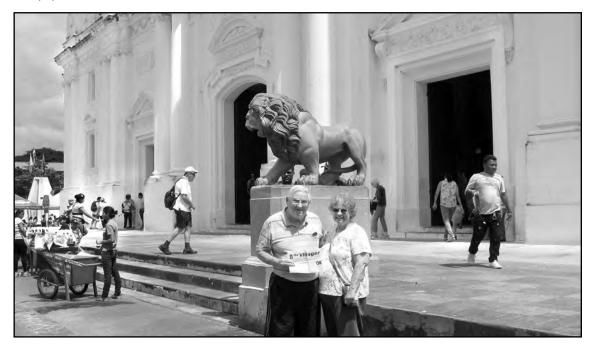


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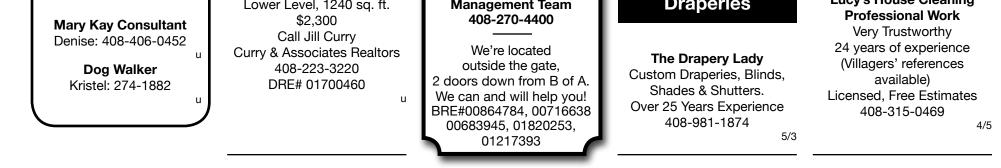
Larry and Darleen Cormier of Village Highland took a 16-day cruise on Holland America's Eurodam. They started in San Francisco, cruising down the west coast of Mexico, with stops at Puerto Vallarta and Puerto Chiapas, then stopping at Puerto Quetzal, Guatamala, Corinto, Nicaragua, Puntarenas, Costa Rica, through the Panama Canal, Cartagena, Columbia and ending at Fort Lauderdale, Florida. They are shown above in Leon, Nicaragua at the Leon, Nicaragua, Cathederal. They saw a 23-foot long crocodile

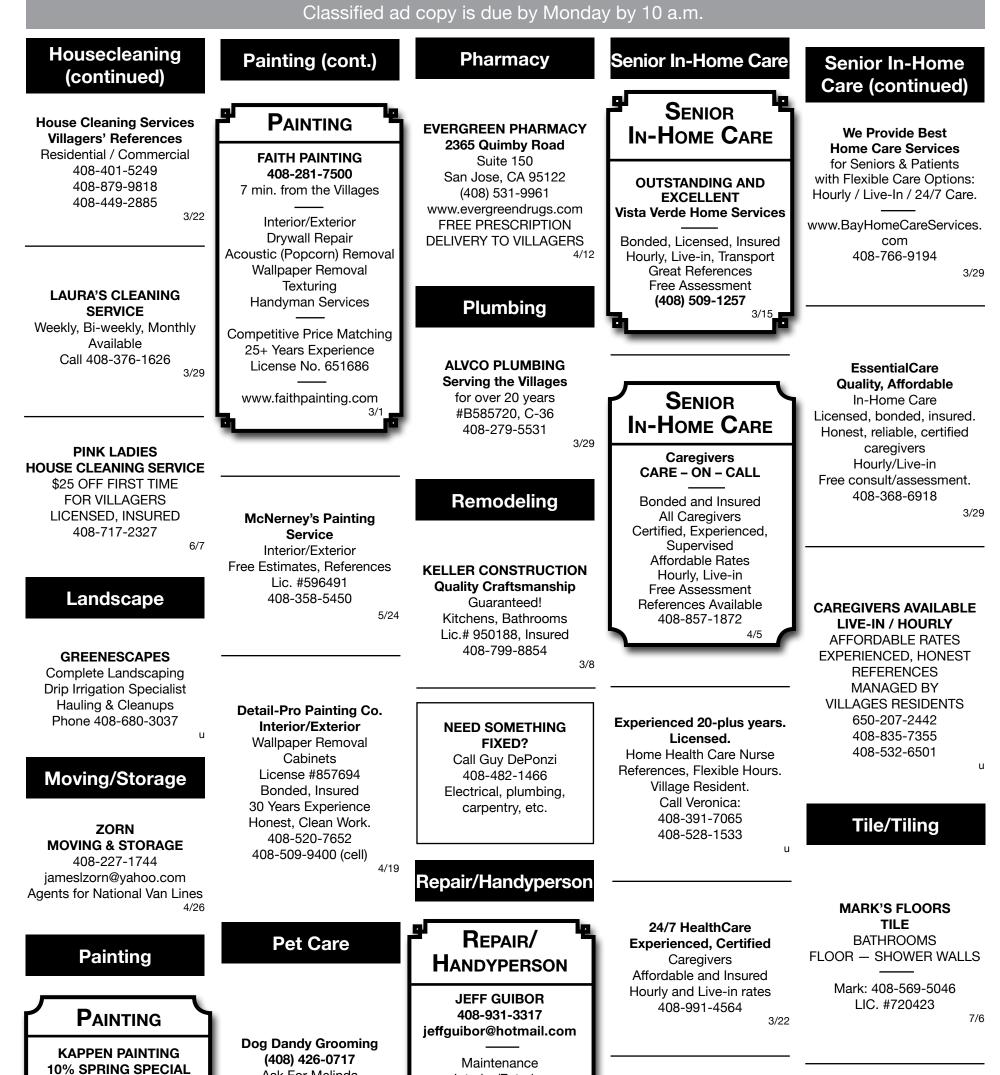


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OBITUARY

Mary Dutrow March 5, 1939 – January 1, 2018



Mary Dutrow, 78, of San Jose died January 1, 2018 in her home, after a 5-year battle with cancer.

Born March 5, 1939, in Bemidji, Minnesota, Mary and her sister Betty lived, and worked on the family owned dairy farm (with no electricity and skiing to school!), until the family moved to Redwood City, California when Mary was a teenager.

Mary married Bob Shipp and they had two children, John and Melanie. Bob's job with GE took the young family overseas where they lived in Japan, Spain and Switzerland and traveled to many other far flung and interesting places.

Mary began working at IBM in San Jose after the end of her first marriage, and went on to have a fruitful career working for IBM and the San Jose Unified School District.

In 1987 Mary fell in love with, and married Bob Dutrow. Shortly thereafter they moved to The Villages in San Jose. The two of them enjoyed being part of the community of their new home. They played golf and socialized and traveled with many of their friends and neighbors. After Bob Dutrow passed away in 2008, Mary found support, safety and camaraderie in her Villages community.

Mary was involved in many activities and liked to stay busy and be social. She was loved by all who knew her and is remembered by all as an exceptional and amazing woman. Besides travel, her interests included, calligraphy, flower arranging, reading, golf, mahjong, attending the theater, and spending time with friends and family. She will be missed by so many who cherished her and enjoyed being in her company.

Mary is survived by her son John Shipp, (Catherine), daughter, Melanie Richards, stepsons Stan Dutrow (Joan), Patrick Dutrow, (Debbie) Matt Dutrow, (Natasha) Mark Dutrow, and 8 grandchildren: Skyler and Grace Shipp, Gavin, Theo, Brayden, Trevor, Calvin and Taylor Dutrow, as well as her niece, Diane Fortenberry (Steve).

Ubituary

Harvey Slater

July 14, 1940 — February 5, 2018

Harvey Slater, MD, 77, son of the late Joseph and Della (Zionts) Slater of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania passed away on February 5, 2018 in San Jose, CA. A longtime resident of Pittsburgh, he attended Peabody High School and graduated from University of Pittsburgh. He married his high school sweetheart Beverly Botnik and then completed his medical degree at Thomas Jefferson University Medical School in 1965 and his surgical internship at Montefiore Hospital in Pittsburgh. Following his internship, he was drafted into the U.S. Army and served as surgeon to a combat engineer battalion in Vietnam. He was awarded the Bronze Star for valor under fire. Following his service in the U.S. Army, he completed his surgical residency at West Penn Hospital in Pittsburgh and began working in the burn center and as assistant to

the chief of surgery. During his tenure as a burn and general surgeon, he introduced many changes to the Burn Center improving the quality of care and use of innovative technologies. He pioneered the use of anesthesia during dressing changes and introduced innovations in the use of grafts and dressings along with nutritional support for the burned patient. His innovations and practice generated 60 published papers in medical, surgical and burn journals, a chapter in a textbook and speaking invitations to conferences worldwide. He also trained burn surgeons from all over the world. He treated more than 20,000 patients over his 50-year career and was honored multiple times and was the recipient of numerous academic awards and recognition.

Dr. Slater was a longtime and active member of B'nai Israel Synagogue in Pittsburgh. With his speaking ability, scholarship and knowledge of history, he was often called upon to lead discussions and events.

He and his wife Beverly (pre-deceased) had three children. Upon his retirement, they moved to San Jose to be close to their daughter and son-in law. During his retirement, he pursued his long time hobbies of amateur radio, golf and swimming, and remained keenly involved in current affairs, history, politics, religion and the Free Masons. He will be greatly missed by his family, friends, colleagues, and the Surgical Burn community.

He is survived by his children, Susan Slater Ellenberg and husband Steve Ellenberg of San Jose and grandchildren Zachary, Molly and Naava; Adam Slater of Toronto, Canada and grand-daughters Julia and Audrey; David Slater and wife Heidi of Reno, Nevada and grandson Max.

Services have been held.



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Computer Classes for Adults still available

Registration for the Almaden 408-674-1401 to enroll. Community Center Computer Classes for Adults (CCA) spring session has already occurred, but with classes just starting (April 2 through May 25), you can still enroll in courses and workshops. Go to almadencca.org, where you'll find the complete schedule and course descriptions. Then call

CCA is a nonprofit, educational organization that teaches adults how to use smart phones, tablets and PC computers that run Windows. The name is new, but the staff has almost 18 years of experience with computers.

The Session 2 schedule includes iPhone, iPad, and An-

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droid phone and tablet courses as well as a variety of PC instruction. The Computer Basics course is tailored for beginners or those who want to reinforce their skills and get a good start using Windows 10. There are courses on using Gmail and Google Photos, Microsoft Word 2016, and fun projects using either Print Shop or Photoshop Elements 2018. If you have trouble finding the files you're looking for, there's a course called Organizing and Finding Your Stuff that can help you make more sense of it.

Two-hour workshops cover many areas, and most are new this session. Topics range from tips on buying a laptop or using Uber and Lyft to downloading photos from your smart phone to your computer or songs to your smart phone. Workshops are an informative and productive way to spend a couple of hours on a Wednesday afternoon. Fees are: four-week courses \$15, eight-week courses \$20, and workshops \$10. Membership in a national organization is not necessary to take courses at Almaden CCA.

A gathering of turkey vultures at Montgomery pond

Earlier this month, residents of Mongomery Village were perplexed by the appearance of about 20 turkey vultures that gathered at Montgomery lake. Some people were concerned about the danger to their pets. Fear not, vultures are not interested in pets while they are still moving and full of life. The gathering of scavengers may have had something to do with the social habits of the birds-perhaps it's time to select mating partners-or perhaps it was just a group of birds looking for places to roost overnight. The birds are known to arrive in regular places in large numbers - Hinckley, Ohio has been holding its annual Buzzard Sunday in early March to welcome hundreds of vultures back from their winter haitus. The celebration has been held since 1957.



Up on the roof







Not to be outdone by buzzards, a Canada Goose takes a gander at the view from a roof.

Photo by Matt Giordono