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Community TV channels:

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

- Fire Safety Presentation
- The Villages Fitness Center

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Yale Alley Cats deliver

An undergraduate a cappella group from Yale University delighted Villagers with their performance the afternoon of Sunday, March 10 in Cribari Auditorium. Those who attended were delighted by this group of talented young men from the Ivy League school.



Explore Filoli Gardens and Stanford Shopping Center

Explore Filoli Gardens and Stanford Shopping Center on Thursday, April 18! 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. We will depart the Villages from the Cribari East parking lot at 8:30 a.m. with an estimated return time of 5 p.m. The cost will be \$72 per person; cost includes admission, docents and transportation. Register for this special outing in the Community Resource Center, Building B.

Upon arrival at Filoli we will be split into three groups and met by docents who will take us on a tour through the house (mansion) and gardens, enjoy the spring flowers so marvelously displayed. Following the tour we will

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See Macy's Easter Flower Show at Union Square

On Thursday, April 4, bring a friend and spend the day shopping at Union Square in San Francisco, the epicenter of Bay Area shopping. This is also the time of year that Macy's has its spectacular flower show, with more information to follow. Enjoy the day by having breakfast or lunch or both at one of the many wonderful restaurants located in Union Square.

Experience the unique character of San Francisco's Union Square District, where the best names in fashion, dining and theater have resided for over a century. After the great earthquake of 1906, Union Square became San Francisco's premier shopping district and, by the 1930s, the site of the world's first underground parking structure. It's a great place to meet, enjoy coffee, or just see the world go by.

We will leave from the Cribari Center's east parking lot (hobby room side) at 8:30 a.m. and return at approximately 5 p.m. The best part is you don't have to drive, find a parking place and pay for parking. Just get on the bus and leave everything else to the Royal Coach driver. The cost is only \$41 per person for a great day with your friends. Register in the Community Resource Center, Building B.

Enjoy world class music on the way to the Forum

One of the many reasons you will want to attend the Villages Amateur Theatre's performance of "A Funny Thing Happened On The Way To The Forum" is the music of Stephen Sondheim. An American composer and lyricist known for more than a half-century of contributions to musical theater. He wrote both lyrics and music for "A Funny Thing Happened On The Way To The Forum," a farce based on comedies by the ancient playwright Plautus. This musical comedy ran for nearly 1,000 performances and won a Tony Award for best musical.

In addition, Sondheim has received an Academy Award, seven other Tony Awards, (Continued on page 21)

March Band Concert: 'Going Places' on March 17

Picture a huge map of the world. Now close your eyes, and imagine sticking a pin randomly into some part of that map. Then open your eyes and look-where did you end up? Somewhere exotic. The Villages Concert Band is ready to transport you on a journey around the world on Sunday, March 17 at 2:30 p.m. in Cribari Auditorium. You can purchase open seating tickets for \$15 (cash or house charge) in the auditorium lobby on Saturday, March 16 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m., or at concert time.

Do you long for the mists and green fields of Ireland? Londoderry Air (to the tune of Danny Boy), will take you there.

The Villages Handbell Ensemble will carry us to South Africa with their rendition of the Zulu song Sivahamba.

If Nepal and China call to you, the composition Mount Everest captures the majesty and might of one of nature's greatest creations. The siren song of Bali Hai plus the allure of Kauai are embodied

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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.

Letters may be submitted electronically through the Pulse Submission Form on the Resident Portal: resident. thevillagesgcc.com/pulse, or emailed to Villager Managing Editor S. Hinrichs: shinrichs@the-villages.com. E-mailed letters must include the text within the body of the e-mail and the subject line must read PULSE LETTER.

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

Attention Pulse authors!

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

- Include your name, address and telephone number at the end of your letter. Your contact information is important in case the Communications Committee members have questions or need to verify your identity.
 - Sign your letter if you are bringing a paper copy to the Pulse mailbox in Building B.
 - Put the word count of the letter at the end of the letter—Remember, it's 200 words or fewer.
- Put "PULSE" in the subject line of your e-mail if you are sending it in electronically. (E-mail your Pulse letters to: shinrichs@the-villages.com)

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

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

FOUNDATION FOCUS

New Sustaining Donors for EVF



By Diana Hallock, EVF Board member

Pictured at left are Jim and Mary Neill, both very active Villagers. Most of you know Jim from his years on the Association Board and now he serves on the Club Board.

Mary works on the Verano DAC, is a member of the Long 9, and an avid swimmer. She participates in the Dippy Dolphins, Investment Club, and the Villages Amateur Theatre.

Back in December, they became Sustaining Donors of the Evergreen Villages Foundation, contributing to enhancements of Villages amenities for all of us. "When you make a Donation to the EVF, you actually see where your money goes...we like that!" You can join Jim and Mary by becoming a Sustaining Donor at www.evfsj.org

EVF to hold annual meeting April 10

The Evergreen Villages Foundation annual meeting will be held April 10th at 3:30 p.m. in the Patio Room in the Cribari Center. All Villagers are encouraged to attend.



EVF thanks you for your donations for its upcoming sale

Our storage units are packed with great items for the March 30 and 31 clothing sale. We will not be accepting more clothing for this sale. We will soon publish drop-off dates for next year's sale.

IN MEMORIAM

Charles Lewis July 9, 1927 – February 22, 2019

Dolores C. Haines November 7, 1930—March 5, 2019

There will be a Celebration of Life for Dolores Haines at the Clubhouse, Fairway Room on Sunday, March 24 from 2 to 7 p.m.

Irene Blanco Passed away March 2, 2019

There will be a Celebration of Life for Irene Blanco at the Cribari Auditorium on Thursday, March 28 at 1:30 p.m.

(Please see obituary in Classified Advertising section.)

DEADLINES

General Copy: All general copy, other than sports, is due by 4:30 p.m. Thursday, seven days prior to publication. For editorial information call 408-754-1341 or 408-223-4655 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: Chair Larry Miller at 408-238-1030, Diane Carr at 408-528-8456, Barbara Karayn 202-641-6339, Lou Lively-Singh 408-838-5555, and Pamela Oliver-Lyons 408-693-9250.

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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BOARDS & COMMITTEES

FROM THE ASSOCIATION BOARD

Why Run for the Association Board of Directors?

The latest update from the Association Nominating Committee confirmed that of the people approached to run for and serve on the Association Board not one individual has stepped forward to run and serve.

Serving on the Association Board is important to maintain, preserve and enhance the Association's 2,309 Villas. The Association Board, along with their associated committees, such as the Architectural Committee work to maintain not only the integrity of the villas but also the consistent appearance of districts. Recent examples of the efforts by the Association Board are the Solar Guidelines, the renewed Landscape Maintenance contract, infrastructure improvements, and the Work Order submission capabilities.

It is also the Association's responsibility to, along with management, prepare the operating budgets and maintain reserve balances for the long-term maintenance needs. An important part of that process is to develop a budget that balances the desires of residents within each district and the costs of these services. The Association takes these challenges seriously.

As an Association Board member, the time commitment is represented by a monthly study and Board meeting, both held on the last Tuesday of the month. Board members are expected to have reviewed the Board meeting materials and come to the meeting prepared to discuss and vote on proposed actions. Additionally, Board members act as liaisons to District Advisory Committees (DACs).

If you are interested in how the Board conducts business, please attend an Association Board meeting. Also, consider running for the Board and serving your community. Please contact the Association Nominating Committee Chair Kathleen Ashby if you are interested in running for the Association Board.

FROM THE CLUB BOARD

Club Nominating Committee seeking Board candidates

The Club Nominating Committee is actively seeking candidates for election to the Club Board of Directors. The Club governing documents provide that there shall be seven directors, and election will be held during May and June for two director positions to serve three-year terms. The Club Board is responsible for the management of Club operations including, but not limited to, all recreational, social, and cultural events in operation at the Villages, maintenance of the streets, the community centers and adjoining swimming pools, the Clubhouse/Pro Shop complex, the two golf courses, and tennis courts.

It's a rewarding experience to participate in the governance of this vibrant community. The Nominating Committee urges all Villages' property owners to consider involvement in community decisions through service on the Villages Golf and Country Club Board of Directors.

If you are interested in being a candidate, and/or need additional information, or if you're interested in filling a vacancy on the nominating committee, please contact any of the Club Nominating Committee Members: Nancy Fodor at 408-528-0476; Rick Jiloty at 408-528-8116; Tom McLaughlin at 408-531-8874.

EPC SEZ..

A disaster supply kit should include emergency contacts for your family and doctors, your medications, flashlight and hearing aids (with batteries for both), eye glasses, denture needs, cash, notepad and pencil. If you have questions, please contact EPC at updates@thevillagesepc.org

-The Villages Emergency Preparedness Committee

The What I Love About The Villages column is a place where you can share your positive comments about The Villages community. (To be in compliance with VGCC Rule 1.30, please do not name businesses or other commercial, religious or political entities.)

If you have an uplifting comment to share about some aspect of life at The Villages, please email your contribution to Villager Associate Editor Kory Tran: ktran@the-villages.com, Villager Managing Editor Scott Hinrichs: shinrichs@the-villages.com or submit it in the Villager Article Submission area on the Resident Portal: resident.thevillagesgcc.com/villager/artsub/

WHAT I LOVE ABOUT THE VILLAGES

WOW! Are You Ready?

On Monday morning, March 18 at 10 a.m. in the Clubhouse ballroom, the Villages Technology WOW Project Team and Villages Management will co-sponsor the next "Welcome to Our Website" (WOW) event! This event is designed to teach you about some very useful services available on The Villages' improved "Resident Portal" website. Bring your laptop or smartphone; fellow residents will provide demonstrations and clear take-home instructions to teach you everything you need to know about how to use these Villages self-service features.

Thanks to the work of staffer Ken Patterson, the Resident Portal, which can be found at: https://resident.thevillagesgcc.com/ has gone through a number of positive changes over the last year including the addition of a growing number of self-service applications that allow you, the resident, to communicate with Villages services easily and effectively. You can now go on-line to make a Clubhouse restaurant reservation, pay your HOA dues, place a work order, or notify the Public Safety gatehouse of incoming visitors. Interacting via the Web means no more waiting, no more long phone calls or email exchanges with staff, no more uncertainty about confirmations or replies.

General Manager Tim Sutherland is committed to adding additional self-serve applications to give you even more control and satisfaction in your dealings with Villages Management and Staff.

We schedule a WOW event every eight weeks, so watch your Villager and Fast Lane for more details on the next WOW events in coming weeks. Even if you have attended a previous event, please feel free to attend as often as you like. We are here to help you!

Villager input requested for Board candidates 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 Nick Yannaccone at 8098 Cabernet Court or solutions@yannaccone.com, or call 408 440-1765.

More MANAGEMENT and COMMUNITY NOTICES on pages 4 & 5



MANAGEMENT

PUBLIC SAFETY

Public Safety Report February 2019

CLASSIFICATION	Present	YTD	YTD
	Month	2019	2018
ACCIDENTS			
1) PERSONAL INJURY	4	1	0
2) AUTO	2	2	3
3) HIT & RUN	0	0	0
4) GOLF CART	0	0	0
5) MISCELLANEOUS	0	0	0
AFTER HOURS REQUESTS			
1) LIGHTS	25	44	69
2) FACILITIES	22	33	16
3) SPRINKLERS	1	_ 1	1
4) LANDSCAPE	2	3	0
5) ACTIVITIES	0	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)	4	5	0
12) ALARM ACTIVATION	1.1	1	8
ANIMAL			
1) COMPLAINTS	6	13	4
2) TRAP REQUEST	0	0	0
3) LOST	0	0	2
4) FOUND	0	0	2
CITATIONS			
1) PARKING	0	0	0
2) SPEEDING	29	65	77
3) STOP SIGN	0	- 1	4
4) MISCELLANEOUS	0	2	2
5) ACC	0	0	0
DISTURBANCE	0	0	0
FIRE / SMOKE	0	1	3
HAZARDOUS CONDITION	0	1	0
MEDICAL EMERGENCY	29	69	92
MISCELLANEOUS	21	44	27
PROPERTY			
1) DAMAGED	5	10	4
2) LOST	0	0	1
3) FOUND	0	1	1
4) VANDALIZED	0	0	0
5) MISSING	1	1	6
PUBLIC SAFETY			
1) COMPLAINT	12	22	28
2) REQUEST	17	43	48
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RESIDENT ASSIST	17	51	37
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RESIDENT WELFARE CHECK	8	14	29
SUSPICIOUS CIRCUMSTANCES	0	14	0
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TRESPASSING	0 1	n	
1) AUTO	0 2	2	0
2) PERSON	- 2	- 2	0
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UNLOCKS UNSECURED AREA	20	40	56
LIMSECTIBET ADEA	1	3	21

For safe walking, pick up free reflective vests



Betty Garcia and Sherry Benz wear the reflective vests.

The Villages Medical Auxiliary (VMA) is responding to the concerns raised by Villagers regarding walking safely in our lovely community, especially in the evening and/or early morning, by providing reflective vests (as pictured) for **free**.

The VMA's mission is to assist residents to live independent, active and healthy lives as long as possible and this is another way we are contributing.

If you would like a vest, please stop by the VMA office in Cribari Center during business hours (Monday through Thursday, 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.) and pick one up.

These vests are **free**, however, small donations are accepted and greatly appreciated to help the VMA continue its many programs to assist Villagers.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Service Coordinator, Cristina Freyer at 408-238-4029 or email: cfreyer@ sequoialiving.org.

Reflective clothing recommended for evening/ morning walkers

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

Questions for Comcast? They will answer!

Comcast/Xfinity will be back to answer your questions about your service that you now have or upgrading your services on Thursdays, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. beginning February 21 through April 25. See the schedule below for locations so you can get those answers you want on your service with Comcast/Xfinity. This is a very nice service that they are offering you so take advantage of it now! There is no availability for March 13 or April 11.

3/21/19	Conference Room
3/28/19	Conference Room
4/4/19	Montgomery Center
4/18/19	Conference Room
4/25/19	Conference Room

Pedestrian Safety on Villages streets

Walking in the Villages is great exercise and an excellent way to see our beautiful community. Walking can also be dangerous; however, one in six traffic fatalities is a pedestrian. To avoid being a statistic, take note of a few tips for walkers and drivers alike.

Always walk on the side-

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walk. If there is no sidewalk and you have to walk in the road, always walk facing traffic, so you can see any car that might go out of control. Make eye contact with drivers and dress to been seen. At night, wear light or reflective clothing and carry a small flashlight.

Drivers of all vehicles must take care to respect the right-of-way of pedestrians. California Vehicle Code requires you to yield the right-of-way to a pedestrian crossing the roadway within any marked crosswalk or within any unmarked crosswalk of an intersection. This does not relieve pedestrians, however, from the duty of being cautious and watching out for their own safety.

GOVERNANCE MEETINGS

THE DACs

Glen Arden DAC to meet March 20

The Glen Arden DAC Quarterly meeting will be held on March 20 at 4 p.m. in the Vineyard Center.

AC NOTICE

Association applications for Owner Alteration Requests for the month of April are due to the Architectural Committee on or before March 21, 2019. See Elissa at the Corporation Yard office to obtain an application. **Meeting date is scheduled for April 4, 2019 at 9 a.m. The meeting is being held in the Foothill Center.**Association AC Landscape meeting deadline date is **March 21, 2019.**

ENCROACHMENTS

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

• 8724 McCarty Ranch Drive — Stairs.

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

More COMMUNITY NOTICES

SRS SENIOR RESOURCE SERVICES

Get prepared for your DMV test

Will your birthday this year include the need to renew your driver license? The current renewal notice includes this statement:

"To renew your license, you are required to: Complete an application online at www.dmv.ca.gov" Just follow the computer wizard. At the end you will be given an access code for the DMV to use to print your application. We suggest you print this access code. This procedure is to speed the renewal process by eliminating the step of completing the application at the DMV office. If you don't have access to a computer, stop by the SRS office and a volunteer will complete it for you and print out the access code.

Your renewal notice should arrive between 60 to 90 days before your birthday. But plan ahead and mark your calendar because you can make an appointment up to 90 days before your desired appointment. There is no need to wait for your notice.

Do you want to study DMV written exams before you take the test? Sample exams are available to you on the Internet at www.dmv.ca.gov. Under the "driver license" tab menu, you will find "I want to make sure I'm prepared." Under that heading is "Driver License Knowledge Test." There are five sample tests. As you complete the exams online, you are immediately corrected if you make a mistake. Or you may print the questions and answers. If you do not have a computer, ask a neighbor or friend or grandchild to print the questions and answers for you.

If you need the current Driver Handbook, you may download or print one from the Internet site or you may order one by phone at 1-800-777-0133. On the telephone tree you will select "Order Forms," followed by "Other Form," and then "Driver Handbook." The Handbook will arrive in the mail in about two weeks.

Want more test practice? We have heard favorable comments about the site www.dmv-writtentest.com. There are 16 tests available. At this site under Frequently Asked Questions there is a California DMV Cheat Sheet. There is a four-page cheat sheet available to read while you are waiting for your test appointment. However, the cheat sheet costs money and we suspect you will be adequately prepared from the free tests and by making your own cheat sheet.

You will find other sites with the same format of free sample tests and a cheat sheet available for sale. You will soon realize you are seeing the same questions on each site.

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

SRS Instruction:

Itemized deductions for California

Question: May I itemize my deductions on my California return even though I claim the standard deduction on my Federal return?

Answer: Yes. And because the Standard Deduction is only \$4,401 (single) and \$8,802 (married) many Villagers are finding it is worth listing or itemizing their deductions. Here's how:

Figure your California itemized deductions by completing Schedule CA (540), Part II, lines 1 through 30. Enter the result on Form 540, line 18.

If you did not itemize deductions on your federal income tax return but will itemize deductions for your Form 540, first complete federal Schedule A (Form 1040), Itemized Deductions. Then check the box on Side 2, Part II of the Schedule CA (540) and complete Part II. Attach both the federal Schedule A (Form 1040) and California Schedule CA (540) to the back of your tax return.

Yes, it is weird to complete Federal Schedule A, even though you will not attach it to your Federal return but must attach it to your California return.

BOARD MEETINGS

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

Association

The Villages Association Board of Directors Special Meeting Re.: Review Property Insurance Funding and Financing Options: A.) Consideration of Financing Options for All or a Portion of the Insurance Premium, B.) Consideration of Borrowing All or a Portion of the Insurance Premium from Reserves, will be held Monday, March 18, at 1 p.m. in Building A.

The Villages Association Board of Directors Study Session will be held Tuesday, March 26, at 9:15 a.m. in Foothill Center.

The Villages Association Board of Directors regular monthly meeting will be held Tuesday, March 26 directly after the Study Session in Foothill Center.

Club

The Villages Golf & Country Club Board of Directors regular monthly meeting will be held Tuesday, March 26, at 1:30 p.m. in Foothill Center.

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

Homeowners

The Villages Homeowners Quarterly Meeting will be held Thursday, April 11, at 9 a.m. in Foothill Center.

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

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8:30 a.m. Ja 8:45 a.m. C. 9 a.m. G. 9 a.m. V. 9:30 a.m. C. 9:30 a.m. O. 9:45 a.m. Ta 10 a.m. Li 10 a.m. Q. 2 p.m. Ta 3 p.m. Ba 3 p.m. Ba 6 p.m. M.	azzercise atholic Mass ame Day GC – Golf Course eramics pen Studio ai Chi ne Dance uilters able Tennis occe Bash and Bell Rehearsa lex. Train Dominoo lah Jong/Karaoke heatre Rehearsal	als es	A CR SEQ BGA CER AR FC MMP P MMP BC CR MC RED A	9:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10 a.m. 10 a.m. 10 a.m. 1 p.m. 1:30 p.m. 1:30 p.m. 2 p.m. 3:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 6:45 p.m. 7 p.m.
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Saturday, March 16

9 a.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
9 a.m.	Ukulele Singing	SEQ
9:30 a.m.	Ceramics	CER
10 a.m.	Concert Ticket Sale	L
4 p.m.	Cribari Social	Α
7 p.m.	Brandeis Trivia Night	FC

Sunday. March 17

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7:15 a.m.	Catholic Choir Rehearsal	CR
8:15 a.m.	Catholic Mass	Α
8:30 a.m.	Episcopal Services	MC
9 a.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
9 a.m.	Chapel Choir Rehearsal	SEQ
9:30 a.m.	Chapel Prayer	F
9:30 a.m.	Chapel Worship	CR
10 a.m.	Comm. Chapel Service	Α
11 a.m.	Chapel Fellowship	CR
2:30 p.m.	Band Concert	Α
5:30 p.m.	Montgomery Social	FC
7 p.m.	Theater Rehearsal	Α

Monday. March 18

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8:30 a.m.	Jazzercise		Α
9 a.m.	Camera Club Boar	ď	Р
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED,	SEQ
9 a.m.	VGC - Golf Clubs		CR
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EVENT LOCATIONS

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

9:30 a.m.	Ceramics	CER	10:30 a.m.	VMA Stem Cell	CR
9:30 a.m.	Assoc. Rules Comm.	F	2 p.m.	Ping Pong	MMP
9:30 a.m.	Flower Arranging Guild	VC	2 p.m.	Theater Rehearsal	Α
9:30 a.m.	Open Studio	AR	3 p.m.	VMUG	CR
10 a.m.	Cardio Class	Α	4 p.m.	18 Hole Wmn. Invit. Meet	: P
10 a.m.	Montg. DAC Study	MC	4 p.m.	Glen Arden DAC	VC
10 a.m.	Line Dance	MMP	6 p.m.	Mexican Train Domino	MC
10 a.m.	WOW Event	CH	7 p.m.	Global Village Comm.	CR
1 p.m.	Stitchery	Р	7 p.m.	Village Voices	FC
1:30 p.m.	Better Living Club	CR	7 p.m.	Yoga	MMP
1:30 p.m.	Table Tennis	MMP			
2 p.m.	Theater Rehearsal	Α	Thured	lov Morob 91	
3:30 p.m.	Chapel Ministry	Р	ı ııur5u	lay, March 21	

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Game Day

Ceramics

Game Day

Income Tax Services

Hiking Club Board

Watercolor Classes

Investment Club

Table Tennis

Yoga

7:30 p.m.

Duplicate Bridge

Movie: The Rodeo Girl

Camera Club Program

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9 a.m.	Game Day Red	, SEQ	10:30 a.m.	VMA Caregiver Support	Р
9:30 a.m.	Acrylics & Oil Studio	AR	11 a.m.	Comcast Q & A	CR
9:30 a.m.	Ceramics	CER	11:30 a.m.	Yoga	MMI
10 a.m.	ADL/Parkinson Class	Α	12:30 p.m.	18 Hole Women Lunch	CH
10 a.m.	Ukulele – Advanced	Р	1 p.m.	Ukulele Club	VC
10 a.m.	Line Dance	MMP	2 p.m.	Table Tennis	MMI
10 a.m.	SIR 38 Board	CH	2 p.m.	PEO Social	MC
11 a.m.	Men's Golf Club	F	3 p.m.	Senior Academy Board	F
11 a.m.	SIR 38 Luncheon	CH	3 p.m.	Chapel Choir Rehearsal	CR
11:30 a.m.	Walking Class	Α	6 p.m.	Bridge Club	RED
11:30 a.m.	Yoga	MMP	7 p.m.	Senior Academy Course	VC
2 p.m.	Table Tennis	MMP	7 p.m.	Theater Rehearsal	Α
2 p.m.	Piano Open Studio	Α			
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6:30 p.m.	Art Night	AR	8:30 a.m.	Jazzercise	Α

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8:30 a.m.	Jazzercise	Α	9:45 a.m.	Tai Chi	FC
9 a.m.	Game Day RED,	SEQ	10 a.m.	Line Dance	MMF
9:30 a.m.	Ceramics	CER	10 a.m.	Quilters	Р
9:30 a.m.	Critique & Open Studio	AR	2 p.m.	Table Tennis	MMF
9:30 a.m.	Democratic Club	BGA	3 p.m.	Bocce Bash	BC
9:30 a.m.	Ladies Bible Study	Р	3 p.m.	Hand Bell Rehearsal	CR
9:45 a.m.	Tai Chi	FC	6 p.m.	Mexican Train Domino	MC
10 a.m.	EPC Cert Training	VC	7 p.m.	Theater Rehearsal	Α
10 a.m.	Total Body Fitness	Α	7:15 p.m.	Jewish Services	FC

9 a.m.

Look What's Coming 2019

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

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4/4	Union Square - Macy's Flower Show		NOW					
4/7	Giants vs. Tampa		NOW					
4/13	Golden Gate Fields		NOW					
4/18	Filoli Gardens		NOW					
4/28	Giants vs. New York		NOW					
5/2	Legion of Honor - Monet		SOLD OUT					
5/6	Napa Wine Train		NOW					
5/9	Hamilton		SOLD OUT					
5/14	Carmel	3/21	3/25					
5/17	Sandy Hackett Comedy	3/14	3/18					
5/23	California Academy of Sciences	3/21	3/25					
5/25	Giants vs. Arizona	3/21	3/25					
6/8	School of Rock - Broadway	4/11	4/15					
6/9	Giants vs. Dodgers	TBD	TBD					
6/10	Choral Project	TBD	TBD					
7/14	Hamilton (Mezzanine)	TBD	TBD					
7/21	Giants vs. Mets	TBD	TBD					

Missed your Villager?

If you missed delivery of your weekly copy of The Villager, please call 408-223-4655 to report it. (Please do not call before 11:30 a.m.)

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

Get in the Fast Lane!

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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.

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.

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Club Calendars



HIKING CLUB SCHEDULE

Unless otherwise indicated, all hikes meet at Cribari Center at 8:30 a.m. and depart at 8:45 a.m. Bring water, snacks, poles and lunch as necessary. Wear layered clothing appropriate to the current weather.

In addition to scheduled hikes, the following hikes occur regularly: **Every Wednesday** - Villages Hill Hike. 8:45 a.m. from Foothill Center. **Every Saturday** - Villages Hill Hike with Russ Glines 9 a.m. from Foothill Center

Saturday March 16: Rich Bainbridge (408-499-1789) will lead a hike up our hill starting at the upper garden. The route and length will depend on the weather and participants.

Wednesday, March 20 (Rambler): Coyote Valley Open Space. Katy Peretti (408-531-0917) will lead a hike to Coyote Valley open space off Palm. The approximately 4-mile undulating hike with moderate elevation is through a mixture of trees and open area. Hiking poles would be helpful. Bring snack and water. Lunch nearby is an option. Round trip mileage is about 30 miles.

Saturday, March 23: Hiking Club Annual Trail Maintenance Day. We will meet at 8:30 a.m. at Foothill Center to divide into teams, pick up tools and start departing via mules by 8:45 – 9 a.m. A lunch will be provided by the Hiking Club in Foothill Center starting at 11:30 a.m.

Wednesday, March 27 (Rambler): Coyote Creek South. Brad Hinckley (408-274-2616) will lead a hike on a paved trail along Coyote Creek going south from Silver Creek Road. We will hike until the pavement stops or we get tied. We will meet at 8:30 a.m. at Cribari for an 8:35 departure.

Saturday, March 30: Wate and Johanna Bakker (408-223-2190) will lead rambler (4-5 miles) and long (6-7 mile) hikes in the Caste Rock state park, known for its exotic rock formations and scenic waterfall. Total elevation gain is 500-700 ft, but there are many ups and downs and some rock scrambling, especially for the long hike. Bring water and a light lunch, wear hiking boots and dress for the season in layers. Hiking poles recommended. Libation stop in Saratoga optional. Round trip car mileage about 90.

SENIOR ACADEMY CALENDAR

March 19 and 26: F. Scott Fitzgerald and The Jazz Age. 2 p.m. at Cribari Conference. \$25 for SA members-\$30 for non-members. Nancy Wambach, English Professor, back by popular demand will teach this course. E-mail Susan Dooley at susandooley@sbcglobal.net or call Jane Carnoy at 561-252-7934.

CAMERA CLUB

Monday, March 18: Program meeting by Taf Tafarrodi, our N4C (Northern California Council of Camera Clubs) representative, from 7-9 p.m. in Foothill Center. Topic is "Photographing Translucent Flowers Using Lightbox." Visitors welcome. Membership: Ray Blinde at rwblinde@earthlink.net.

Monday, April 1: Photo competition for members from 7-9 p.m. in Foothill Center. Categories are Pictorial, Monochrome, Travel, Journalism. Judge is Melanie Lewert, whose passion in photography is to capture and celebrate life. See the club website for more information. Submission closes on Sunday, March 24, at 2 p.m.

For information on meetups for photography, contact Susie Martin at susie9474@comcast.com. The "Best of Show" photograph for March went to Jane Wang. See winning photographs from March at the club website at www.villagescameraclub.com, A new display of competition winners is in the clubhouse hallway to the left of the main entrance and in the hallway of Cribari Center.

What's Happening in ARTS & CRAFTS?

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

Website: www.villagesartsandcrafts.org

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

*Registration contact: Barbara Gottesman at barb.gottesman@gmail.com

** **RSVP to: Judy Wessler** at judywessler@gmail.com

Ceramics Room: Open Studio Monday through Friday. See website for times.

Art in the Park contracts available to download from our website.

March 19: Third Tuesday. *Free* Art Night. 6:30 p.m. Art Room. "Painting on 6 x 6 Panels" with Monita Bowman. All materials furnished. Wine and cheese snacks.

March 25: Monday 3 p.m. Art Room. Regular Monthly Meeting of A&C Advisory Board.

April 1: Monday at 1:45 p.m. Cribari Conf. room regular monthly meeting.

April 9: Art Film. Tue. 7 p.m. Vineyard Center. "Pablo Picasso".

April 16: Third Tuesdays *Free* Art Night. 6:30 p.m. Art Room Origami with Rae May Li. All Materials furnished. Wine and Cheese snacks.

April 27: Saturday. Art in the Park. 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. Co-Directors: Diane Finley and Mary Goodnough. **April 29:** Monday. 3 p.m. Art Room. Regular Monthly Meeting of A & C Advisory Board.

Open studio: Mondays 1 to 3 p.m. with Jane Hink. Wednesdays 10 a.m. to noon with Barbara Gottesman. Fridays 9:30 a.m. to noon with Joan Fury.

Stitchery Group: Mondays. Patio Room 1 – 3 p.m. Call Roberta at 408-218-8372.

POLE WALKERS CALENDAR

Meet at 8:30 a.m. at the Clubhouse Parking Lot unless otherwise indicated Every first and third Monday – Meet at the Gazebo
First Wednesday of the Month - Walk to Le Boulanger
Second Wednesday of the Month - Walk to the Farmers Market
Third Wednesday of the Month - Walk to New Seasons
Fourth Wednesday of the Month - Walk to McDonald's
Fifth Wednesday of the Month - Walk to the Farmers Market
First Friday of the Month - Walk Highlands, meet at Gazebo
Second Friday of the Month - Walk Hermosa, meet at Fairway
Third Friday of the Month - Walk Olivas, meet at Solera
Fourth Friday of the Month - Walk Del Lago, meet at Clubhouse
Fifth Friday of the Month - Meet at Montgomery Center

For more information, contact Remy at 650-776-8850 or remypessah@gmail.com

VILLAGES AMATEUR THEATRE

The Villages Amateur Theatre (VAT) will be performing "A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum," a rollicking comedy set in ancient Rome. Performances will be 7:30 p.m. Friday, April 5; 2:30 p.m. Saturday, April 6; and 2:30 p.m. Sunday, April 7 in the Cribari Auditorium. \$15 tickets go on sale Saturday, March 23 and continue on March 30 from 10 a.m. to noon, in the Cribari Center's Redwood/Terrace rooms. Please note that all seats will be staggered to provide better views. See our article in the "Clubs & Events" section for more details.



MUSIC SOCIETY: TAKE NOTE

Save the Date

Sunday, March 17: "Traveling Tunes" by the Villages Concert Band, 2:30 p.m. Ticket sales March 9 and 16. (See related article.) Joining in the program are the Villages Handbells Ensemble and the Dixieland Jazz Ensemble.

Saturday, March 30: Robyn Carmichael, pianist, 2:30 p.m. A Showcase Concert sponsored by the Village Voices. Tickets sales March 16 and 23.

Meeting Schedule/Rehearsal

Villages Concert Band: Tuesdays at 7:15 p.m. in Cribari Auditorium. Larry Miller at 408-238-1030. **Villages Handbells Ensemble:** Fridays from 3 to 5 p.m. in Cribari Conference Room. Kathi or Earl Levin at 408-270-5458.

Opera Lovers: Second Fridays for monthly meetings, 1:30 p.m. in Vineyard Center. Bonnie Preston at 408-531-1513.

Piano Open Studio: Tuesdays at 2 p.m. in Cribari Auditorium. Listeners are welcome. For information contact Estelle Kabbani at 408- 406-7447 or marchstar@comcast.net.

Village Voices: Wednesdays, 7 to 9 p.m. in Foothill Center. New members welcome. No auditions needed. Aileen Reid at 408-809-4884.

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

For Reservations or Information: 408-223-4687

2800 Villages Fairway Drive, San Jose CA 95135

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

WHAT'S COOKING?

theclubhouse@the-villages.com

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

Come down and join us for

a drink!

Open Mic Night: Come join us as on Monday, March 25, from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. for our next Open Mic Night featuring Ed Knott and talented Villagers who may sing, dance, play ukulele-or whatever!

\$8 admission with a complimentary cocktail, wine or beer. Full menu will be available for purchase. Special \$8 corkage price for wines. For reservations call Anne at 408-754-1339 or e-mail theclubhouse@ the-villages.com

Easter Brunch Buffet: The annual Easter Brunch Buffet will be held Sunday, April 21.

Reservations will begin on Tuesday, March 19 at 9 a.m.

Please see the ad in this week's Villager for menu and reservation information.

Early Bird Specials: Get a 10-percent discount on entrées* from 5 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

*Must be from Dinner Entrees Section or Weekly Specials. Does Not Include Prime Rib.

Offer good only in the Clubhouse Restaurant.

Clubhouse Reservations: It's easier than ever to make restaurant reservations.

Go to: www.clubhousereservation.

com and sign-up to make restaurant reservations quickly and easily. Confirmations are automatically sent to you via e-mail or text.

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Monday Closed

Breakfast: Saturday & Sunday 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. **Lunch:** Tuesday through Sunday 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. **Dinner:** Tuesday through Sunday 5 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Sunday Breakfast Buffet: 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

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



ACTIVITIES

Monday March 18

- Wow Event—Sunset, Oak and Fairway Rooms—10 a.m. to 12 p.m. **Tuesday March 19**
- SIRs 38 Board Meeting—Sunset, Oak and Fairway Rooms—10
- SIRs 38 Luncheon—Sunset, Oak and Fairway Rooms—11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Wednesday March 20

• Private Event—Fairway Room—11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Thursday March 21

• Women's 18 Hole Golf Open Day—Oak and Sunset Rooms—12:30 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Friday March 22

NO EVENT

Saturday March 23

- Private Event—Sunset, Oak and Fairway Rooms—10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
- Private Event—Oak and Fairway Rooms—5 p.m. to 10 p.m.

Sunday March 24

• Private Event—Oak and Fairway Rooms—2 p.m. to 7 p.m.



More CLUBHOUSE ITEMS on pages 9 & 12



Monday March 25th 5pm to 8pm Clubhouse

Join Ed Knott and the Talents of the Villagers for Singing,

Dancing, Ukulele or Whatever Talent You May Have

Or Just Come and Cheer.

\$8 Admission with a Complimentary Cocktail, Wine or Beer.

Full Menu Available for Purchase

\$8 Corkage on Wines

Call Anne at 408 754 1339 or email Clubhousemanagers@the-villages.com

The Clubhouse Prime Rib

Carved Tableside Friday and Saturday Nights





Join Exec Sous Chef Silvester Melendez Serving you Tableside

> Reservations www.clubhouserestaurant.com 408 223 4687

"Sure and begorra!"

CORNED BEEF & CABBAGE SPECIALS

\$15.95 for LUNCH \$17.95 for DINNER

FOR SUNDAY, MARCH 17

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. One-bottle limit per two guests.

Standard size bottles only.

Clubhouse Restaurant Only



New Clubhouse Hours

Clubhouse Restaurant

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

Early Bird Specials

5 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

10% Discount on Entrées*

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





IMPOSSIBLE HAMBURGERS

Made entirely of plants for meat lovers. Now being served at the

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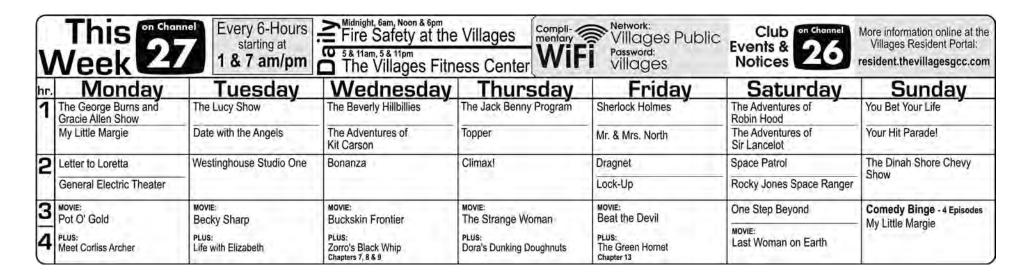
Single Diners' Night
Lets Dine Together!
Every Wednesday at The Clubhouse



Shared Table, Complimentary Glass of Wine included with your Dinner and Great Conversations.

Please make reservations and note "Single Diners' Reservation"

Every Wednesday at 5:30 p.m.



COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

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

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3/22

Board and Committee Meetings

Meeting	Time	Place
VGC - Golf Course	9 a.m.	Building A
VGC - Golf Clubs	9 a.m.	Conference Room
Association Rules Committee	9:30 a.m.	Forum
Montgomery DAC Study	10 a.m.	Montgomery Center
EPC Certification Class Training	10 a.m.	Vineyard Center
Glen Arden DAC	4 p.m.	Vineyard Center
	VGC - Golf Course VGC - Golf Clubs Association Rules Committee Montgomery DAC Study EPC Certification Class Training	VGC – Golf Course 9 a.m. VGC – Golf Clubs 9 a.m. Association Rules Committee 9:30 a.m. Montgomery DAC Study 10 a.m. EPC Certification Class Training 10 a.m.

The Villages celebrates volunteerism

April is National Volunteer Recognition month. The Villages Boards of Directors celebrates the contributions of its volunteers with a reception each spring. This year's volunteer recognition will be Friday, April 5 at 1:30 p.m. in the Clubhouse. We are looking forward to sharing our appreciation with you.

Volunteer recognition photos—photographer available

This year's Volunteer Recognition will feature a slide show with Villages volunteers in action. The Community Activities office is collecting photos. Please submit to us your favorite photos. If your committee/group does not have a recent photo, there are several dates set aside for your committee/group to have their photo taken. On Wednesdays, March 6, 13, 20 and 27, a photographer will be available from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. in Building A. No appointment is needed. For additional information please contact the Community Activities office at 408-223-4643.

SF Giants host Tampa Bay at Oracle Park

See the San Francisco Giants vs. Tampa Bay on Sunday, April 7. Wait until you see the new high definition screen at Oracle Park. The upper section cost is \$69 per person and lower section cost is \$106 per person.

The bus will depart The Villages at 10:45 a.m. for game start at 1:05 p.m. with an estimated return time of 5 p.m. Register in the Community Resource Center, Building B.

For all SF Giants games at Oracle Park, you may bring the following items: Soft six-pack cooler, plastic bottled soda or water, food and/or snacks of any kind, backpacks, blankets, seat cushions. Always wear layers for San Francisco.

SF Giants host NY Yankees at Oracle Park

See the San Francisco Giants vs. the NY Yankees on Sunday, April 28. Wait until you see the new high definition screen at Oracle Park. The upper section cost is \$78.75 per person and lower section cost is \$127.25 per person.

The bus will depart The Villages at 10:45 a.m. for game start at 1:05 p.m. with an estimated return time of 5 p.m. Register in the Community Resource Center, Building B.

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

Cardio Workout - New Instructor GiGi

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 lbs. to class.

Join GiGi (also aquatic instructor) for these classes on Mondays beginning on April 1 through June 30, there will be **no** class on May 27 in observance of Memorial Day. Class is from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. The cost is \$75 for 12 classes, and you must sign up for all 12 classes held in the Cribari Auditorium. The cost has gone up due to wage increase.

Get ready for some great cardio exercise! Register in the Community Resource Center, Building B.

Community Events **Place Date Event Bocce Courts Bocce Bash** 3/15 3 p.m. Foothill Center Brandeis Trivia Night 3/16 7 p.m. 3/17 Band Concert 2:30 p.m. Auditorium 3/17 Montgomery Social 5:30 p.m. Foothill Center 3/18 **WOW Event** 10 a.m. Clubhouse 3/18 Movie - The Rodeo Girls 7 p.m. Vineyard Cntr. 3/19 SIR 38 Lunch 11 a.m. Clubhouse 3/19 Art Night 6:30 p.m. Art Room

9 a.m.

3 p.m.

11 a.m.

Redwood

12:30 p.m. Clubhouse

Conf. Room

Bocce Courts

Income Tax preparation time!

Yes! It is that time of year again! Senior Resource Services is sponsoring the tax programs. Please refer to the Villager article or contact the SRS office at 408-239-5253.

On Thursdays, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., the Redwood Room and the Terrace Room Lounge will be used for tax preparation.

Attention: Card and Mah Jongg players, the Redwood Room and Terrace Room will be closed for play on Thursdays, through April 11 until after 5 p.m. The Sequoia Room will be open as usual.

Village Dancers in April!

Village Dancers are coming in April...join us! No dance experience needed!

Income Tax Services

18 Hole Women Lunch

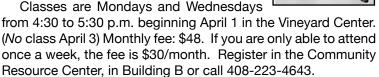
Comcast Q&A

Bocce Bash

Fire up your synapses, work your muscles and let your spirit soar with the music! Learn new dance styles: Broadway, Jazz, Hula, Flamenco, Lyrical, Ballet, Latin—the choice is ours. As a group, we will vote on the dance style for the following month's choreography.

For April, we will learn a sassy jazz routine to Bob Fosse's "All That Jazz."

Dance for fun! Make new friends! Build balance, flexibility and strength! Exercise your mind and body while feeding your soul!



Should you have any questions, please contact Bernice at 408-506-3348 or Bernice.Toy@gmail.com.

Walking for Better Balance

WFHB is offered two days per week Tuesdays (Auditorium – 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.) and Thursdays (Auditorium – 10 to 11 a.m.). This is a fast-paced class designed to improve balance. The cost is \$90 for a class card, issued and punched in class. Humor and music are motivation tools used to keep participants striving to maintain a quality life. Start anytime! Register in class! For information call Jane at 408-315-1179.

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.

Total Body Fitness - Instructor Shu-Mei

Combine fun with fitness to increase your 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 run April 3 through June 26 for a total of 13 classes on Wednesdays from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. The cost is \$81.50. You must sign up for all 13 classes, as you will be billed for all. All classes are in the Auditorium. The cost has gone up due to wage increases. Register in the Community Resource Center, Building B.

Personal Training—bring a friend and save!

2 for 1 Special (good through March 31)

Whether your goal is to improve your health, manage a chronic health issue or simply to stay in shape, we offer customized exercise programs for you. Bring a partner and share the cost for personal fitness training saving 50 percent over the regular one-on-one training rate. Add a third friend and save even more! There are 60 and 30-minute sessions available!

Small Group Training: Enjoy a Semi Personal Training workout at a lower cost!

The pricing is as follows:

\$35/hour/student with 4 participants

\$30/hour/student with 5 participants

\$25/hour/student with 6 participants

To sign up, call Harmut at Back in Form at 408-455-2887.

Sandy Hackett to present Comedy Show with wife Lisa Dawn Miller and Comedian Jeff Applebaum

See a Comedy Dinner Show at the Clubhouse on Friday, May 17 at 5:30 p.m., with cocktails and seating at 6:15 p.m., and a buffet dinner with show following dinner. The cost per person is \$64, which includes lots of good food, dessert and lots of laughs. Tables will be for eight persons. To reserve a table, register for all at your table. Registration begins on Monday, March 18, in the Community Resource Center.

Sandy Hackett is a comedian, actor, writer, producer, singer, TV and radio host. If laughter is the best medicine, then Sandy Hackett is the surgeon. Sandy made his debut on "Rowan & Martin's Laugh In" at age 11 and eventually made his national debut on The Tonight Show with Johnny Carson.

Hackett, a natural, honed his comedic skills at the Casbar lounge of the Sahara Hotel & Casino in Las Vegas. Since he was the son of comic Buddy Hackett, expectations were high and he had to prove himself. "It was never easy. Everybody expected me to be great. I wasn't at first, but it was always my goal." Sandy played the national comedy club circuit and developed his "chops." Someone from CBS saw Sandy and hired him for a TV pilot. Sandy fell in love with acting and landed roles in several movies.

In addition, he has owned and managed Comedy Clubs in Laughlin's Golden Nugget and Gold River Hotel/Casinos, as well as at the Stardust in Las Vegas. Currently, "Sandy Hackett's Comedy Club" is located at the Greek Isles Hotel & Casino in Las Vegas.

Sandy will be joined on The Villages stage by wife, Lisa Dawn Miller, and comedian Jeff Applebaum. Lisa, a former investment banker, is a songwriter, singer, producer and director. She produced and appeared in the Broadway production of "Sandy Hackett's Rat Pack Show." Lisa's father was legendary songwriter Ron Miller, known for such hits as "For Once In My Life" and "Touch Me In the Morning."

Jeff Applebaum's comedy draws from his life experiences in Queens, New York, which includes being the only white kid on his Little League team, marrying a Chinese wife, and raising children who refer to themselves as "Jewnese."

Applebaum made his national debut on CBS TV as a comedian on the Late Late Show with Craig Ferguson. Jeff appeared in movies and plays the role of Joey Bishop in the Rat Pack Tribute Show. He is also the co-creator of Latkes & Laughs, an annual fundraising event at Temple Emanuel.

Chair Yoga/Standard Yoga

We are offering both Standard Yoga and Chair Yoga 30-minute classes. Exercising while seated allows each person to better control the level of effort expended on each pose, thereby minimizing the possibility of injury. Yoga 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 are unable to get up and down from the floor. Modifications are made to accommodate all fitness levels. Work at your own pace. Classes are held Mondays 6:45 to 7:15 p.m. and Wednesdays 7 to 7:30 p.m. in the Montgomery Multi Purpose Room. Please wear comfortable loose-fitting clothing and bring a mat and a pillow to class. The cost is \$56 for an eight-class card, which is punched in class. Start anytime! Sign up in class! For information call Jane at 408-315-1179. This class is sponsored by the Community Activities Office.

Don't get left behind. Register early!



Spring Bash is next month

The Spring Bash is getting closer. It is a community-wide event on Saturday, April 27 featuring a classic car show, vendor expo, Art in The Park, Music, food and informational displays. The activities take place at Cribari Center and Gazebo Park. We have a shuttle van that will take participants between Gazebo Park and Cribari Center. Please plan on joining us.

Napa Wine Train, all aboard!

On Monday, May 6, get on board the Napa Wine Train. The Wine Train route is a three-hour, 36-mile, round trip excursion from the historical town of Napa through one of the world's most famous wine valleys to the quaint village of St. Helena and return.

Dining in style with choice of four entrée selections (vegetarian menu is available upon request). The Villages will have the first seating excursion which begins in the Dining Car, approximately 1-1/2 hours later we will be escorted to a Lounge Car to enjoy dessert and coffee. A glass of sparkling wine will be served with your lunch; if you would like to try any other wines, the server will collect directly from you.

Lounges and Wine Tasting Cars lavishly restored 1915 vintage turn-of-the-century Pullman carriages replete with swivel lounge chairs, love seats, rich polished woods, etched glass. One lounge features a Tasting Bar and piano, and you can visit this car during the journey.

Plan on arriving at Cribari Center's east parking lot at 7:15 a.m. The bus will depart from The Villages no later than 7:30 a.m. Group check-in is at 10:30 a.m. at Napa Train Station. Boarding the train will be at 10:50 a.m. Departure from Napa will be at 11:30 a.m. and return at 2:30 p.m.

Upon return to the Napa Train Station you will have approximately 45 minutes to shop in the Retail Wine Shop and the Boutique. Plan to be ready to board the bus for return to the Villages at 3:15 p.m.

Register in the Community Resource Center, Building B, Monday, March 11. The cost of this outing is only \$197 per person, and includes transportation, train ride and gourmet lunch.

Don't miss...

GOD'S NOT DEAD Wednesday, March 27 1:30 p.m.



Starring Megan Alexander and Adeeja Rochele Anderson. Pastor Dave responds to the unimaginable tragedy of having his church, located on the grounds of the local university, burned down.



Don't miss...

RODEO GIRL Monday, March 18 7 p.m.



Starring Kevin Sorbo, Sophie Bolen and Derek Brandon. Shipped off to her American dad's ranch for the summer, a teen and her horse Lucky Lass compete for a spot at the National Youth Rodeo.



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The Villages appreciates pet owners cleaning up after their pet while on walks. The pet poop should go into the dumpsters in the trash enclosure for your home or in the designated pet poop stations in the center parking lots. Several dog walkers throw their pet poop in restroom garbage containers or inside the refuse containers at the various centers. This creates a very unpleasant environment in the restroom or building until the next scheduled cleaning. Please help us with odor control by properly disposing of your pet poop.

Tai Chi for healthy aging

Our mission is to help older adults maintain a quality life as they age, and Tai Chi is the perfect exercise to help us achieve that. 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 9:45 a.m., see The Villager's Calendar of Events for location. This class sponsored by the Community Activities Office.

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EASTER BRUNCH

Clubhouse - Sunday, April 21, 2019 Two Seating's - 10:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.

MENU

Breakfast Pastries Station 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, Romaine Leaves and Beets -Assorted Cherry Tomatoes, Assorted Radishes, Cucumbers, Sprouts Baby Spinach, Red Onions, Herbed Croutons 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 Stone Crab Claws

Omelet Station with all the Trimmings

Carving Stations Featuring

Bone-In Virginia Ham and Prime Rib

Under the Chafers

Scrambled Eggs and Quiche Country Fried Potatoes Pork Links, and Hickory Smoked Bacon Eggs Benedict and Belgium Fruit Crepes Garlic Butter Salmon Rosemary and Thyme Braised Leg of Lamb Wild and Herb Rice Pilaf Vegetable Medley

Desserts Display

Assorted Cakes, Pies, Fruit Tarts, Mini Macaroons, Mini Beignets Petite Cheesecakes and Petit Fours

Beverages

Orange, Cranberry and Apple Juice, Lemonade, Coffee and Tea Includes One Glass of Champagne or Mimosa

\$43.95 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 March 19 at 9 a.m. RESERVATIONS REQUIRED - call 408-754-1337 or e-mail: theclubhouse@the-villages.com

CLUBS & EVENTS

March Artist of the Month is Rich Bainbridge

By Ruth Keiser

Rich Bainbridge was selected as Artist of the Month at the general meeting of the Villages Arts and Crafts Association on Monday, March 4, 2019.

Rich was awarded the honor for his unique ceramic creation titled, "Climbing Vine." This charming ivory tower with its green climbing vines was completed in January of this year. The idea for this delightful piece evolved from a class that Rich took in the Ceramics Room with Claudia Welch. Rich has also taken classes with Diane Finley and he now serves as a monitor in the Ceramics Room on Fridays.

An interesting aspect of Rich's tower piece is that each side of the tower is unique and different. Rich said, "It happened that way because nature is never the same so I didn't want the sides to be the same. I wanted them to reflect what is in nature.'

Rich's artistic talent also extends to wood carving. He is famous for his walking sticks and some beautiful relief carvings. One of his wood carvings, the Tree of Life, later became a prototype for a piece in clay.

Rich was born in Michigan in the middle of a blizzard. As Rich tells it, "My dad actually drove a tractor with a manure spreader attached to get the doctor to deliver me at home." Now, that is some home birth! Rich also spent time in Germany. He saw many castles there which he believes was what inspired him to create his "Climbing Vine." He moved to California to help train people for reentry into the job market. His specialty was in cable TV and he worked for Comcast for 24 years. Rich moved to the Villages in 2013 and is an avid hiker as well as an accomplished artist. He and his partner, Wendy Ledamun, often lead hikes for the Hiking Club here in the Villages. They also have enjoyed their own "bucket list" hikes in Death Valley and the Grand Canyon.

We hope you will visit Rich's booth at our Art in the Park event this year. We also welcome you to any and all of the myriad of art events sponsored by our organization throughout the year.

Better Living Club: To Drive or Not to Drive

The next Better Living Club (BLC) meeting will be held on Monday, March 18, at 1:30 p.m. in the Cribari Conference Room. We will be refining our new discussion group format at this meeting with the topic "When to Stop Driving—and Possible Alternatives."

One of the questions that many seniors have to eventually face (even England's Prince Phillip) is when is it time to stop driving. Who decides? How do they decide? What are your options? Are self-driving cars, like our Voyage Auto, part of the solution? These are questions we'll be addressing at our next meeting. Join us and offer your opinions on this important topic. We are also arranging for one of the managers of the Voyage driverless-car project to give us a quick update on their progress here at The Villages, and to share their ideas about how technology might alleviate some of the issues around our becoming unable to drive.

We will also hear from the Gen2Gen project group on progress on volunteering with reading partners. There are some very interesting opportunities coming up quite close to us here at The Villages. We look forward to seeing you on Monday the 18th!

Senior Academy: 1920s 'Jazz Age' and its major author

On Tuesday, March 19, and Tuesday, March 26, at 2 p.m. in the Cribari Conference Room, Senior Academy will present a two-session course focusing on F. Scott Fitzgerald, a major American fiction writer, who both through his novels as well as his dramatic life with his wife, Zelda, exemplified that dramatic period in the 1920s known as the Jazz Age. While he achieved popular success, fame and fortune in his lifetime as a member of the "Lost Generation," Fitzgerald is now widely regarded as one of the greatest American writers of the 20th century with his novels, "The Great Gatsby," "Tender Is The Night," and "This Side of Paradise."

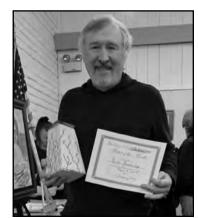
Our popular professor Nancy Wambach will lead this course. She is the English Professor Emerita at Evergreen Community College where she also served as Chair of the Women's Studies Department and Director of the Campus Writing Center. She will lead an in-depth discussion on Fitzgerald's life, his writing style and the novels he wrote.

The cost of this two-session course is \$25 for Senior Academy Members and \$30 for Non-Members. Pre-registration with Senior Academy is required to attend. To register for this course, e-mail Susan Dooley at susandooley@sbcglobal.net or call Jane Carnoy at 561-252-7934.

Roll up sleeves for Annual Trail Maintenance Day

The Hiking Club's Annual Trail Maintenance Day is Saturday, March 23, 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Please join our fun group of volunteers to help maintain the hiking trails in our beautiful hills. We will meet at Foothill at 8:30 a.m. and split up into work parties. Villages Maintenance Services will provide "mule rides" to the work sites. Tools will be provided, however, you can also bring your own if you wish.

Lunch will be served at Foothill Center starting at 11:30 a.m. If you think you can help out, please call or email Rich Bainbridge at 408-499-1789 or oma.opa@comcast.net to let him know you're coming so that we can get a rough count for lunch. If you can't work on the hill, we can also use a bit of help in serving the lunch and cleaning up afterward.



Rich Bainbridge "Climbing Vine."

Photo by Ed Knott

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Foothill Center



March Group Meditation for Universal Peace

Are you interested in learning to meditate or join a Villages group that gets together to meditate on Wednesday evenings? The Global Village Community group includes new meditators and experienced ones. If you're new, you'll find the group is very supportive. There are different leaders each week, so you'll have a chance to experience different approaches and techniques for meditation. We usually start with a brief introduction, do a few relaxing stretches, and then meditate for about 20 minutes.

We meet Wednesday evenings from 7 to 8 p.m. in the Cribari Conference Room. This month we meet March 13, 20 and 27. (On March 6, we have a guest speaker who will talk on a subject related to meditation.) There's no need to sign up and no participation fee. Please join us-all Villagers welcome!

Photography: Translucent flowers

Flowers whose petals allow the passage of light challenge photographers. Photographer Taf Tafarrodi of the Villages Camera Club (VCC) will share his skills using a light box at the program meeting Monday, March 18, from 7 to 9 p.m. in Foothill Center. The topic for the night is "Photographing Translucent Flowers Using a Light Box."

Creative flower photography is a hobby of many gardeners and flowers aficionados. Taf will walk you through the process from setting up your camera to providing tips on post-processing. With a light box, you can take pictures of such objects with soft lights and no background. The end result is an inventive and beautiful photograph. Some of Taf's topics include the how-to of manual exposures, RGB and LAB color spaces, Photoshop layers and blending modes, brushes, selective corrections, manual HDR, and adding backgrounds to your images.

The VCC welcomes all Villagers to its programs on the first and third Mondays of the month. After you attend one program as a guest, you can join the club for \$30. For membership information contact Ray Blinde at rwblinde@earthlink.net.

The club website with Webmaster Peter Nicholls contains information on activities, meetups, competitions, and benefits of membership. Visit www.villagescameraclub.com. The Villages Camera Club (VCC) is a member of the Northern California Council of Camera Clubs (N4C) and The Photographic Society of America (PSA).

VMUG meeting is March 20

The next meeting of the Villages Mac Users Group (VMUG) will be on Wednesday, March 20 in the Cribari Conference Room from 3 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. DeDe Rogers will be the presenter. Any questions, call Sterling Bundesen at 408-274-3457 or Karin Mills at 408-532-7456.

FROM THE BOOKSHELF

By Wate Bakker

"Trumpocracy" by David Frum: From Russia to South Africa, Hungary, the Philippines and Poland, autocratic leaders have smashed restraints on their power. Until the 2016 elections this seemed impossible to unlikely in the USA. The author, a Republican and former speech writer for President George W, Bush, urges us in this book to help prevent this from happening in the U.S. In the past few years the present administration has frequently disregarded the traditional limits placed on the power of the presidency, which has already grown far beyond what our founding fathers intended. The present radicalization of the political landscape makes it possible that this trend may continue under another administration. He outlines what we can do to prevent it. Nonfiction, 321.8 democratic government, 2018

"The Overstory" by Richard Powers: This is a science fiction novel in which it is discovered that plants and trees can communicate with each other and on occasion save human lives. Several of these survivors band together in a last and violent stand to save the last few remaining virgin forests, and trying to end the conflict between humans and nonhumans, a world alongside us,vast,slow,interconnected and almost invisible to us. Fiction 2018

"Paris by the Book" by Liam Callahan: When eccentric novelist Robert Eady abruptly vanishes, he leaves behind his wife, Leah, and hidden in an unexpected place, plane tickets to Paris. She moves to Paris with her daughters. Upon arrival she discovers an unfinished manuscript set in Paris. To enter the literary world in Paris she buys a small, floundering bookstore mentioned in the novel. Will she find her husband and a happy reunion? Fiction, 2018

"The Lost Girls of Paris" by Pam Jenoff: Grace Healy finds a suitcase full of photographs in grand central station, London. The photos are of 12 female secret agents send to France to help the resistance, but never return. This is their story, especially that of a young mother Marie, whose daringmission overseas reveals a remarkable story of friendship, valor and betrayal. Fiction 2019

"The Room on Rue Amelie" by Kristin Harmel: This is a story set in Paris during the German occupation. An American wife of a Frenchman, an 11 year old Jewish girl and a Royal Air Force pilot, turned secret agent interact with each other in turbulent and dangerous times. Will they all survive? Fiction 2018

Tuesday Art Night is full

Registration is full for the Villages Arts and Crafts Association's

night of art and friendship on Tuesday, March 19 beginning at 6:30 p.m. in the Art Room in Cribari Center. This time we are "Painting on Canvas!" We supply the paint, brushes and a small 6"x6" canvas panel to "play" on.



This event is *free* and open to all residents of The Villages, but due to limited space, RSVP is required.



SIR 38: Wisdom and Humanity from Ancient Chinese Culture

As the speaker at the March 19 SIR 38 luncheon meeting, Mr. Nan Su will reveal the ancient philosophies deeply rooted in the Chinese culture since its very beginning, and explain how traditional Chinese culture was built based upon these philosophies. This event will be held in the Fairway Room of the Clubhouse. Non-SIR members wishing to attend the presentation should arrive at the Clubhouse at 12:30 p.m.

Many people have long been interested in China. This is true today more than ever before. The ethical values and principles derived from traditional Chinese culture helped create 5,000 years of splendor in Chinese history. With the current state of the world, understanding the true China has never been more important.

Born and raised in China, Mr. Nan Su came to the U.S. in 1989. Mr. Su has been serving as a news commentator for SOH International Chinese Radio Network and NTD International TV network since 2003, and has made many speeches at public events in the past decade on China-

related topics.
In addition to his media work, Mr. Su has also been an activist for China's human rights. He was one of the coordinators of Human Rights Torch Relay in 2008 prior to Beijing Olympics Game. Starting from Athens, Human Rights Torch Relay spanned from July 2007 to July 2008, with stops at more than 140 cities around the world in order to raise international awareness of

the torch relay in North America.

Besides his involvement in the public, Mr. Su holds a Master degree in Engineering, and has been a professional engineer for over 28 years.

China's human rights situation. Mr. Su was instrumental in making San Jose as the first stop of



The Thursday, March 21 meeting of the Investment Club will feature two speakers from Fisher Investments. This meeting will be held 9:45 a.m. at Foothill Center and will feature both managing financial investments in stocks and bonds, and considerations in making broader use of assets such as real estate equity. Making plans to address unlikely but expensive contingencies such as long-term care, and recovery after an earthquake will be considered as well as retirement income needs.

The representatives are Sharon Gutierrez, Investment Counselor, and Mary Jo Saavedra, Aging Life Care Manager.

Guests are encouraged and welcome to learn more about important elements of family retirement planning. Determine for yourself how many years you may be able to afford to live in the Villages! Success depends on more than stocks and bonds, as many are well aware. While your personal plan may be rock solid, this information also may help you guide your sons, daughters and grandchildren who may be too busy raising a family or going to college to spend as much time as needed on their future financial plan.

The April meeting of the club will be April 18, 9:45 a.m. to noon at Foothill Center.

The May meeting will be May 16, same time and place with the topic, still to be determined. The club does not normally meet during July and August, but is considering a series of one or two 3-day classes, or a series of 12 once per week classes, on elements of investment management, depending on interest among members and interested Villagers.

The April meeting is planned to include a roundtable discussion of various club and newsletter portfolios, and exchanges of information between members on 2019 market and regional developments. Ideas on how to deal with the cost of living in what is now one of the most expensive housing markets in the United States may be shared on an informal basis between our members, taking into account personal privacy concerns and legal guidelines. The club does not recommend specific stocks, bonds or other investments, but may review hypothetical educational case studies as is traditional in business schools.

These ideas developed by VIC member committees will be reviewed at future VIC meetings, including the March 14 meeting as part of a learning and educational process. Your personal data will remain totally confidential. Past club members are welcome, and encouraged to rejoin to participate in the new club emphasis. Dues are still \$30 annually, and pay for newsletters, meeting refreshments and AV costs. Questions? Please contact Bob Williams at 408-225-7623 or Ken Brady at 408-238-5372.

P.E.O. Club: Do-it-yourself Easter decoration demo

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 "DIY Easter Decorations" at 2 p.m. on Thursday, March 21 at the Montgomery Center. The program will be a demonstration by Carla Evans of Do-It-Yourself Easter Decorations. Light refreshments will be served. The cost is \$5 a person, billed to your house. Please RSVP by March 18 to Trudy Nicholls at 408-440-0410 or trudy_nicholls@hotmail.com.

Evergreen Blood Drive is March 23

The next Evergreen Blood Drive, sponsored by St. Francis of Assisi of Evergreen and the Stanford Blood Center, will be held on Saturday, March 23 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the St. Francis Community Center on 5111 San Felipe Rd, Evergreen, San Jose, CA 95135. The event is open to the public and any and all eligible donors are encouraged to come by that Saturday and become a blood donor. We encourage folks to sign up in advance to minimize waiting times for all. Donors can call Tom Mitchell at 408-476-6104 or go to https://www.sbcdonor.org and click on "schedule an appointment."

Calling All Watercolorists

It's time to bring out those watercolor brushes and paints and tap into your "inner artist"! Ciel Duke will be giving a four-week Intermediate Watercolor class, from Monday, March 25 through April 15. "Springtime is an excellent time of year to paint watercolors," said Ciel. "The colors of the sky, the hills, trees and mountains just beg to be painted!"

Each 2.5 hour class includes a brief lecture on a new watercolor technique followed by a demonstration. Students then use the new technique to complete their own painting. Emphasis will be placed on establishing your own artistic style, which is something that just "happens naturally" with more and more painting experience, according to Ciel. Since watercolor is a spontaneous, fairly fast process, students will complete one, possibly



"Post and Pail" by Ciel Duke.

two, paintings per class. At the conclusion of each class, paintings are displayed for comments. This process always produces unexpected benefits, as students see the many ways others have interpreted the same subject along with the thrill of receiving sincere compliments on their own work! Prerequisite: Prior experience in watercolor, either in Ciel's Beginning Watercolor class or

elsewhere. Cost: \$70 for members; \$75 for non-members, includes all materials and supplies. Ciel's popular classes always fill up quickly, so don't delay in contacting Barb Gottesman, Arts

& Crafts Class Coordinator, at barb.gottesman@gmail.com to register.

Hiking Club: 'Hiking in Northern Italy'

The Hiking Club invites all Villagers to attend the monthly meeting of the Villages Hiking Club on Monday, March 25, starting at 7:30 p.m. After a brief business meeting Wate and Johanna Bakker will give a talk on their hiking vacation along the famous Cinque Terre coastline. Five small towns cling to steep seaside hills, dotted with vineyards and connected by steep and sometimes rough hiking trails. Hiking along these tails provided beautiful vistas and sometimes sore legs. They also visited Pisa with its leaning tower and the Carrara valley, where marble, used by Michelangelo for his classic sculptures, comes from. A short summary of the rich but sometimes violent history of the region will also be provided. Coffee and cookies will be served. Everybody is welcome.

Global Village Field Trip Schedule

Open to all Villagers, Global Village field trips take place on the fourth Tuesday of the month and include having lunch at noon on or near destination. We will meet in the Cribari Center lobby to carpool. Below are the dates and times with approximate return time to The Villages. The estimated travel times are also listed.

Sikh Gurdwara Temple — Tuesday, March 26, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. 3636 Gurdwara Ave., San Jose (15 minutes) East/West Book Store — Tuesday, April 23, 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. 324 Castro St, Mountain View (30 minutes) Rosicrucian Egyptian Labyrinth & Peace Garden—Tuesday, May 28, 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., 1600 Park Ave., San Jose (30 minutes). Note: Egyptian museum closed on Monday and Tuesday. Mount Madonna Center — Tuesday, June 25, 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. 445 Summit Rd, Watsonville (1 hour). We will then visit the **Buddha Temple** at 574 Summit Rd (20 minutes). **Note:** Please bring a picnic lunch.

Peter Verbica to speak to Republican Club

The Republican Club at The Villages is pleased to announce that Peter Verbica, President of the California Congress of Republicans, will be the guest speaker at its March 28th monthly meeting. He will be giving us the news from the recent California Republican Convention, and the Party's plans for the upcoming months. The meeting will be held in Foothill Center, beginning at 10 a.m., where we will enjoy a continental breakfast provided by Vicki Harris and her committee. There will be a short business meeting before Mr. Verbica speaks.

In addition to usual political goals, one of Peter Verbica's major goals is more inclusion. He said, "We envision an inclusive Party in California. We are the party of hope and opportunity for all Californians. We know what works and we have clearly seen what doesn't work. Californians want a clear path to the best schools, reasonable gasoline and income taxes, dams and roads which are maintained, and land use policies which allow for affordable homes.'

Mr. Verbica has served the community on various non-profit boards and committees, including KTEH-TV, DeSeisset Museum, Bellarmine College Preparatory's Board of Fellows, Boy Scouts, Rotary Club of Santa Cruz and others. Peter grew up on a cattle ranch in Northern California. He graduated from Bellarmine College Prep in San Jose. He earned his BA at Santa Clara University, a JD from Santa Clara University School of Law, and an MS from MIT.

Down in the dumps? Try Jazzercise

By Barbara Tommaney

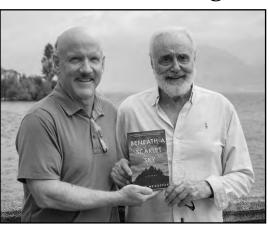
Did you know that physical exercise can help prevent depression? Studies have examined the connections between exercise, moods, and psychological wellbeing.

Most have concluded that physically active people tend to be happier and less prone to anxiety and depression than less active people. We know that exercise is good for us. It improves our fitness, reduces disease risk, improves our heart health and makes us stronger. Now add to all that list, the happiness factor. For me, getting up in the morning and knowing I will start my day with Jazzercise, gets my day off right. I will be exercising to fun, uplifting music along with the many friends I have made in the Jazzercise class.

Come join me any Monday, Wednesday, or Friday, and try a free class. We meet three times a week at Cribari auditorium at 8:30 a.m. The instructor is a trained professional who will be happy to work with you. If you decide to join us, the cost is affordable—\$35 for a full month of classes. And if three sessions a week (12 or 13 classes in the month) interferes with other obligations we also offer the option of fewer classes at a reduced price. Lift your spirits and improve your health with Jazzercise. If you have any questions, call Herito at 408-238-7511.

'Under a Scarlet Sky' author to speak at SIR 114 meeting

On Tuesday, April 2, Michael Lella will be the speaker at the SIR 114 luncheon in the Fairway Room at the Clubhouse. This is a no-miss luncheon as the speaker is the story behind the current best-selling book "Under a Scarlet Sky" by many of us and



Mark Sullivan. So Michael Lella and his father Pino Lella

our friends have recently read this best-selling book.

Michael is the son of Pino Lella who will share the story of the little understood phenomenon of the World War II years and the resistance to the German occupation of Italy. As in other parts of Europe, Jewish people were rounded up and sent to concentration camps. For many average Italians who had lived with their Italian-Jewish neighbors for generations, this was truly an incomprehensible act. Michael will speak of his 94-year-old father Pino, now living in Italy, who as a teenager, joined the German Army becoming the driver of one of Hitler's top generals and turning into a spy for the Allies and providing information that resulted in massive safe people movement from Germany to Switzerland.

Michael is a resident of Alpine Lake, CA and will provide the background of his father Pino's espionage activities as part of a resistance to the Nazi and Italian Fascist government. The speaker presents a gripping story of resistance and all are invited to hear Michaels's story about his dad Pino's role in saving thousands of Jewish and Allied lives during the war.

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

> Reminder: Articles are due by 4:30 p.m. Thursday, one week before publication





More CLUBS

Sing and play with the Villages Ukulele Club

By Tom Zades

The core Ukulele Club sings and plays on Thursday afternoons from 1:30 to 3 p.m. in Vineyard Center, with beginners' help available starting around 12:30 p.m. There is opportunity during snack break and afterward to visit and ask any questions. Villagers wanting to just listen or sing along are warmly invited, as well.

We recently added song number 146, "Galway Bay," and number 147, "Song Sung Blue." Our song list is clearly a mixed bag. Most Villagers are familiar with Neil Diamond's "Song Sung Blue." But thanks to YouTube, beautiful renditions of "Galway Bay" by Bing Crosby and others are available, too. Members make song suggestions, and the song committee searches for renditions in keys and chords that seem suitable for the group. If song leader Bill Rodman says he can sing the song in the proposed key, the song is introduced at the next weekly session.

All the Ukulele Club songs are available on-line at zadesworld. org, but are also attached to the email announcing the new song. New members have the option of buying a songbook for \$10 or using the free on-line version via their iPads. There are no dues. As previously noted, we have several loaner ukuleles available. Contact John Laws for help getting started. John is in the phone directory. His email is johnhlaws@gmail.com. We also have basic chord progressions to practice with in getting started.

The Villages Ukulele Club: You can tap your foot and listen. You can sing along. Or you can learn to play the ukulele.

Hermosa Party alert!

Village Hermosa residents, time to mark your calendar: April 12 is a day to celebrate our new residents and our "old" ones with a catered party at Foothill. You will not want to miss this. There will be a flyer in your tubes so please watch for it.

Save the Date—Friends of SJSU Annual Golf Tourney

Put a little "Ole!" in your Cinco de Mayo at the Friends of SJSU's annual golf tournament. This year's tournament will be held on Sunday, May 5 beginning at 11 a.m. This tournament is a **fun** tournament using a scramble format with prizes for the top five foursomes, a longest drive contest along with a closest to the pin event.

Not a golfer? Not a problem! Join us for the party after the tournament. Mix and mingle with fellow Spartans and friends for cocktails and camaraderie along with the opportunity to win wonderful opportunity drawing prizes. The party will feature a post-tourney dinner and tournament recap! And because this event is a fundraiser for our annual scholarship donation program, it is as they say, "tax deductible as allowed by law."

So grab those calendars muy pronto and circle the date, Cinco de Mayo 2019. It will be a fiesta for the friends and you don't want to miss it!

SIR 114 and 38 Golf Tournament

Monday, August 19, 10:30 a.m. Shotgun



Four-man teams, two best balls
Please join us as we compete for chapter
bragging rights! Teams by flight,
closest to the pin, and low gross
and low net awards.
A day of golf, fun and comradery!

For more information, email rajames5959@gmail.com Registration and tournament fee information available in March 2019

Save the date!

See Mary Goodnough at Art in the Park

By Laurie Porges Truman

Six months ago, Mary Goodnough had never touched clay, but you'd never know it. Now she creates a world of sensational little creatures. Hummingbirds, lions, dogs, cats, fairies, turtles, and so much more. She certainly found her inner artist and will showcase and sell her little kingdom of creatures at Gazebo Park next month along with other unique artists and crafters.

Mark your calendar for April 27—Art in the Park, sponsored by The Villages Arts & Crafts Association. The fun begins at 10 a.m. and continues until 2 p.m. If you're an artist/crafter that would like to have a table to show and sell your pieces, we invite you to join. For more information, visit villagesartsandcrafts.org



Help Veterans and High Twelve recycle cans

By Greg Stewart, Villages High Twelve Club President

Volunteers from The Villages Veterans Club have joined High Twelve Club volunteers collecting aluminum cans in The Villages. Ken Carter is the president of the Veterans Club.

Most of The Villages trash enclosures have a container for only aluminum cans, which are recycled on a regular basis. Monies received from the recycled cans are then donated to many Villages projects and organizations such as the VMA and the Evergreen Foundation.

Your help is needed. The aluminum cans you place in the High-12 containers located in trash containers near your home become the property of the High Twelve Club. Recently, cans are being taken by unauthorized individuals. In some villages, we've experienced a major reduction in the number of cans collected by our club volunteers, thus a reduction in funds being available for The Villages. Please contact Public Safety at 408-223-4665 when you see unauthorized persons gathering cans. Our volunteers wear an orange vest. You are not required to provide your name or address, just a description of the violation such as a car license number. Please—do not confront anyone. Thank you.

Brandeis: Have 'Lunch with the Authors'

The Santa Clara Valley Chapter of Brandeis National committee with the support from Assistance League of San Jose cordially invite you to **Lunch with the Authors** on Wednesday, April 17. The

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Hours: Monday to Thursday, 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

event is 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at Villa Ragusa, 35 South Second Street, Campbell, California. Minimum donations are \$80. Donations in excess of \$55 per person is a charitable contribution to BNC Magnify

the Mind Campaign and the community program of ALSJ.
The Literary line-up features
Ann Bridges—This Silicon

Ann Bridges-This Silicon Valley executive re-booted as an author of fast-paced international thrillers, winning 2015 Best Business Fiction for her debut novel "Private Offerings." Its sequel, "Rare Mettle," inspired the 2018 non-fiction collaboration "Groundbreaking! America's New Quest for Mineral Independence." Yet her latest novel, "Kit's Mine" is an unabashed love story of freedom against the harsh backdrop of 1870 California. Ann is a featured speaker at leading business conferences, talking about the impact of technology worldwide. She

lives in San Jose.
Other authors include W.
Bruce Cameron, the awardwinning #1 New York Times
and #1 USA Today author of
15 books; Roberta R. Carr, and
Cathryn Michon. Larry Gerson
returns as moderator.

We hope you can join us at the 29th Annual Lunch with the Authors. Again, this is a charitable event with donations in excess of \$55 per person as a charitable contribution to BNC's Magnify the Mind Campaign Fund and the community programs of ALSJ. If you have questions you may contact Janet Atkins at 408-270-6127 or ja42151@gmail.com.

Service Coordinator:
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The Villages Medical Auxiliary

Programs in March

Stem Cell Therapy: Dr. Thomas Santucci will be discussing this alternative healing method. Wednesday, March 20,

10:30 a.m. – 12 p.m., Cribari Conference Room.

Caregivers Support Group: a group designed to provide emotional, educational and social support for all caregivers facilitated by Villager, Judy London, PhD. Thursday, March 21, 10:30 a.m. – 12 p.m., Patio Room.

Grief Support Group: a facilitator from Hospice of the Valley leads this monthly grief group. Monday, March 25, 10:30 a.m. – 12 p.m., Patio Room.

Diabetes Support Group: a place to share experiences and techniques for successful management of diabetes. Wednesday, March 27, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m., Cribari Forum Room

If you need incontinence supplies (diapers, bed pads, etc), please stop by the VMA office during our regular business hours. All items are free.

The VMA is also providing free reflective vests to any interested Villagers. If you walk at night or early morning this would be great for you! Stop by our office and pick one up. Small donations are accepted and greatly appreciated.

If you have any questions or need information regarding our upcoming programs or the services we provide, please contact VMA Service Coordinator Cristina Freyer at cfreyer@sequoialiving.org or 408-238-4029.

RELIGION

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

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

Villages Catholic Community Brunch: The event will be held at Foothill Center, at 10 a.m. on March 24. You will be able to sign up after Mass on March 17. The cost will be \$20.

Friday Lenten Soup Suppers & Stations of The Cross, every Friday during Lent, starting with Vespers, at 6 p.m., followed by a meatless soup meal, six-part video series "The Mass," and Stations at 7:15 p.m.

Lenten Penance Liturgy will be on Wednesday, April 3, at 7 p.m., at the Chapel. Confessions will also be offered on Good Friday, from 9 to 11 a.m. in the Chapel's Reconciliation Room.

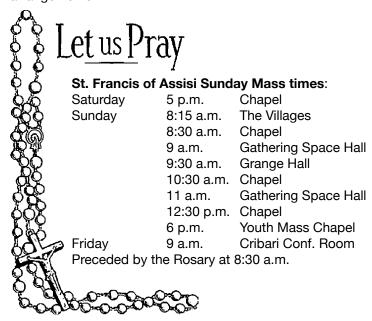
Eucharistic Adoration at St. Francis of Assisi is now every Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. On First Fridays it will be in the Chapel, and on all other Fridays it will be in Garden Room A.

If you are new to the Villages and would like to find out more about our Ecclesial Community, contact Marion Burry at 408-528-8231.

If you would like to have a Mass said for someone contact Jean Ghiossi at 408-384-2701. Please submit your request at least four weeks in advance if you want it listed in the Church bulletin. You can now schedule a Mass up to a year in advance. See Jean Ghiossi for more information.

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 Marilyn Rodman at 408-274-4521, 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.



EPISCOPAL

Episcopal Church Services on Sunday at The Villages - Montgomery Center at 8:30 a.m.

Come worship with us as we celebrate the Holy Eucharist and we transform the club room into a house of God. We are part of Trinity Cathedral (downtown San Jose) and all are welcome to join us in the glorious celebration of God's word. Each week you will receive an uplifting and spiritual message from either Rev. Gerad Flynn or Rev. Penelope Duckworth. Join us after the service for fellowship and breakfast in the Clubhouse.

Lord, strengthen me with your blessing, teach me to live with eternity in view and tune my spirit to the music of heaven.

COMMUNITY CHAPEL

By Pastor Bill Hayden

I was notified the other week from a text that I received from CVS that a prescription was available for pickup. Since I was going to CVS, my wife asked me to pick up a few items for her as well, and I did. Without fail the cashier asked me a question that I would find a reason to make a joke or two about: Sir, "Did you find everything that you were looking for?" I am asked that same question almost every time I make a purchase, at almost every store.

When I returned home my wife asked, "Did you get everything on the list?" We sat at the dining room table having a casual conversation about one of our grandchildren who was interviewing for a new job. During our conversation I was reminded about the question, "Did you find what you are looking for?" I brushed it off because I had found everything that was needed on the list. However, the thought kept returning and I began that think about other people who have been asked that very same question. The wheels began to turn and I pondered about life.

I thought about the many times I had gone from store to store to find an item on my list. Sometimes it was an exercise in futility because it was no longer available anywhere. Can you imagine a person going through life running from place to place and never finding what they are looking for, or really need? What a nightmare that would be to live constantly looking for something that was out of reach or didn't exist.

A lot of stores' goals are to be a "One stop shopping place" for all your wants and needs. Out of all the stores and aisles that I have walked down, I have yet to see an aisle for: mending broken hearts, forgiveness, acceptance, love, peace, joy, happiness or wealth. I realize that some things can only come from the one who created us. Philippians 4:19 NLT "And this same God who takes care of me will supply all your needs from his glorious riches, which have been given to us in Christ Jesus."

Today, I can say Yes, I've found everything I'm looking for in having a relationship with God. Let's get the support we need. Please join us this Sunday 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.

JEWISH GROUP

Friday night Shabbat Services will be held at 7:30 p.m. on March 22 at Foothill Center. Please note that this is a departure from our normal meeting date of the third Friday of each month that we have services. Rabbi Melanie Aron of Congregation Shir Hadash will be conducting services and following services will be conduction a special Purim program. Please plan to attend and wear a costume if you are so inclined. We are sure it will be an enjoyable evening.

All Villagers are welcome. In addition, one of the Jewish Group's goal is to support our San Jose community in its help with the needy. We will start by bringing non-perishable food cans and packages for the Second Harvest Food bank to our monthly services. Joyce Mendel will then deliver the items to the food bank each month.

If you are interested in membership in the Villages Jewish Group, please contact Joyce Mendel at 408-238-7316.



Sports News

18-HOLE WOMEN



18 Hole Ladies' 2019 board of directors

Photo by Nancy Keane

By Rosemary Kelley

It was a rare Thursday because even the most determined, dedicated, dyed-in-the-wool 18 hole ladies chose to just say, "No," to 18 holes of golf. The course was wet, the red flag was flying, and the play day was officially canceled. Let's hope that the old adage, "When March comes in like a lion it goes out like a lamb," will really be true this year.

Nevertheless, the scheduled General Meeting went on as planned starting a little earlier than the usual 1:30 p.m. time. In attendance were 35 ladies, which is enough for a quorum if we needed to vote on some issue.

Captain Vivian called on members of her board of directors to give brief reports. Here are some of the highlights:

- 1. Co-Captain Vicki Krattli promulgated this year's 2019 invitation theme, "Under the big Top." More announcements will be forthcoming in preparation for the August 8th and 9th two day Invitational.
- 2. Pat Sear membership chair reported we currently have 133 regular members and 28 associate members. Pictures of our new members should soon be on the bulletin board in the posting room.
- 3. Geri Wilk Thursday Play Days' Director sadly stated we only had two play days in February.
- 4. Diana Hallock, who wears two hats as tournament director and chair of the Thursday Lunches, discussed the problems with the restaurant breaking even money-wise when serving our group lunch on Thursdays. One possible solution might be to eliminate having lunch in December, January, and February beginning in 2020. Talk to Diana for more information.
- 5. Rules' Director Judy Owen explained how to get the USGA rules application on smart phones. Secondly, she offered bag tags which clarify the rules for \$3.
- Be aware that we are involved with the Alzheimer's Charity Day Tournament on Sunday, April 28. Look for more information on how to sign up for the tournament or volunteer to help. Check with Charlotte Dickson our charity chair.
- 7. Marky Olsen team captain made a plea for members to sign up by April 1 to compete in the Silicon Valley League.
- 8. Kitty Ohtaka captain of our Valley League team pleaded for a member to help her this year and take over next year as captain.

I am going to stop here for this week and will add some more information next week. Remember "March winds and April showers Bring forth May flowers."

More SPORTS on pages 19 to 20

SWINGERS

By Mary Wagle

March 5 dawned like every other dreary, wet, "atmospheric river" wintery day. Something was different for three Swingers, this author included, as we felt the call of the wild and headed out on the back nine. Joining me, Mary Wagle, was Bee LeVander and Joyce Mukuno for a game that included no birdies, no chips-in, and no holes-in-one. Based on today's score, you would have never known that this author was the most improved player for the month of February. It took our threesome under two hours to play nine holes; we were the only players on the course, save for the maintenance crew and the water fowl.

Before the three of us headed out, and in hopes of getting the half price rate for the month of March, we checked with Scott Steele to make sure the flag was still green. As luck would have it, the flag was not red. By the time we got to hole 12, the rain had stopped, and by hole 18 the rain started again. Therefore, we were not too wet at the end of our play.

This date was to have been Captain's Trophy Day, but regular sweeps was cancelled, as well as the trophy competition. Next week we will have our quarterly General Meeting and luncheon, and it should be Captain's Trophy Day for sweeps. There are currently 51 ladies signed up for the luncheon. On March 14, the WNGHA Spring Area Meeting will be held at Saratoga Country Club, and some of our leadership ladies will be attending. On March 26, there will be an Exchange Day with San Jose Country Club, and our course will be closed, so our regular sweeps will be on Monday, March 25, starting at 9 a.m.

There will be a Stroke Awareness Walk-A-Thon for our Charity of Choice event, so please save the date of October 14 on your calendars, with more information to follow in the upcoming months. The Swingers will invite everyone at The Villages to participate in getting sponsors and walking, not just our club.

In conclusion:

Golfer: "I'd move heaven and earth to be able to break 100 on this course."

Caddy: "Try heaven. You've already moved most of the earth."

SHONIS

By Tom Zades

In all, seven Shonis made it to the Bistro for breakfast on a cold and rainy Tuesday, March 5. Last month's Captain's Trophy winner, Julianna Wahlgren, was the only Shoni out on the course this morning. There should be some sort of award for that, too! There may be a kind of cosmic scorekeeper, though: The Captain's Trophy was put on hold the first Tuesday of February, as well, so Julianna gets to keep it on her mantle at least a week longer.

Please note that March 5 was our last 10:30 a.m. tee time until November. Daylight Savings Time began March 10, so our 9:30 a.m. tee times are in effect beginning March 12, with sign-ins from 8:30 to 9:10 a.m. (Does anyone have influence with the cosmic weather person?)

Per the Fast Lane's Pro Shop edition, the Pro Shop will be closed on Tuesday, March 26, but the short nine course will be open for play, with a sign-in sheet on the Pro Shop door. The entire long course will be closed on Monday and Tuesday, March 25 and 26 for aeration of the greens.

The Second Annual "Swinging for Memories" tournament, benefitting the Alzheimer's Association of America, is scheduled for Sunday, April 28. It is a scramble format, similar to our once-a-month long 9 practice rounds with the Swingers, but it is played on the full 18-hole course. Not many Shonis are likely to play, but all are encouraged to help out. It takes a lot of volunteers to help make a tournament successful. Contact Renee Woolard in the Pro Shop.

Chip Shot: After a few poor shots, the exasperated golfer tells his 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."

PICKLEBALL

Pickleball—beginners welcome

By Bill Pomeranz

Pickleball is fun, but how do I get started? It's easy. All you need is a pair of non-marking shoes. Come to Court 5 at 1 p.m. on any Wednesday or Friday, and Mike Walias will get you started. We have paddles and balls for you to use. After your class come on down to the courts at 10:30 a.m. on Thursday and/or Sunday for our regular beginners' drop-in play. These sessions give you a chance to begin the sport, and have some fun. No one cares if you win or lose (really), so stop by and get some experience while having some fun (laughing is permitted). Several of us started playing this year in our late 70s and 80s, and believe me, we are not world class athletes, but we sure are having fun, and enjoying ourselves. See you there.

MEN'S GOLF CLUB

By Kyle Finley (kylefinley@outlook.com), website www.villagesgolfers.com

St. Patrick's Day Tournament was canceled due to rain: the next tournament will be the Spring Open! Please note: The Spring Open is listed incorrectly in the Green Book. The actual date is April 20, not April 13. We will reschedule our lunch meeting for this event where we will be discussing POY, Member/Member, and Rules Changes. You won't want to miss it. More details to follow.

Message from the Handicap Committee: The 2019 Handicap Committee is comprised of David Bacigalupi (Chairman), Gary Chappell, Jim Seymour and David Gonzales. We have once again started reviewing scorecards to ensure fairness in the various weekly games. The rain has cancelled much of the golf recently, but we did review the scorecards from December and January. Fortunately, the large majority of Men's Club members are correctly adjusting their scores per ESC and posting in a timely manner.

Unfortunately, there were a few men that did not post their score on various play dates, some did not adjust down for ESC (fully explained on a poster in the Posting Room), and a couple of guys that posted 1-4 strokes more than reflected on the scorecard.

Acknowledging that we are all Villagers and can be forgetful occasionally, we have corrected all these errors, with emails going to all those who made errors. No one received a penalty post for December or January, as a learning experience, but probably will not be the case in the future.

Therefore, the Handicap Committee requests that all golfers take a few minutes at the end of their round to personally confirm their correct score, and, after adjusting for ESC, post their score as soon as practical after the round. Failure to post or not posting the appropriate score may result in a penalty score being applied. Note: If you did not keep the scorecard, take a minute to double-check your score. Posting the correct score is the player's responsibility. Any questions, feel free to contact any of the members of the Handicap Committee.

2019 Home & Home Team: We still have a few spots open for the 2019 Home & Home Team. Please contact chairman Geoff Gault at ggaultis1@sbcglobal.net or 408-202-2089 if you would like to participate. You can also review the Home & Home schedule on our website at www. villagesgolfers.com. Last chance, sign up now!

Eagles for February: Congratulations to David Gonzales for his eagle on February 16 on Hole #16! Nice iob David!

New Members: Welcome Bob Mandell! Please look for Bob out on the golf course, introduce yourself, and welcome him to the Men's Golf Club.

Upcoming Events

NCGA Thursday Team Play: Message from Bill Johnston: "We are building our NCGA Thursday Team-Play squad for 2019. This is a 12-man team playing Match Play against three other clubs, both here and away. We are striving to be more competitive this year, with a goal of making at least the second round. If you are interested in friendly competition, please contact me at 530-368-2425. I am planning a brief team meeting on Tuesday, April 9 at 12 p.m. at my home, 8603 Vineyard Creek Court. If you have any questions, contact me, Captain Bill Johnston, or Co-Captain David (Baci) Bacigalupi."

The complete 2019 Tournament Schedule and 2019 Home & Home Schedule are available on the Men's Club website, www.villagesgolfers.com. Look for additional details here, and in the Posting Room of the Pro Shop.

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

TENNIS TALK

By Sherry Benz

They say there is no "free lunch." But, here is something fun and free for all Villagers. The Tennis Club presents our annual Open House on Monday, March 25 at 1 to 3:30 p.m. at the courts. Brad Baldinger, a Villager and tennis shop proprietor, will again host the program along with Tennis Pro Benjy Robins from CordeValle Golf and Country Club who has some useful tennis tips to share. Brad is bringing some of the newest racquets for you to try 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 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



Jump Start Coaches Jim Murphy, and Mike and Gail Tuft.

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! Kudos to our 2019 coaches: Gail and Mike Tuft for the "rusties" and Jim Murphy for the beginners. They each have had decades of tennis experience and, as Gail said, "I'm happy to participate in Jump Start because tennis has brought me so much joy-I'd like to share that enthusiasm with others." Our coaches are some of the best players at the Villages, having played

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

competitively on many teams from high school teams to our senior leagues. Jim coached several high school boys' teams—I think he can handle the Villagers!

Questions? Contact Sherry Benz at 408-223-6882 or sabenz@sbcglobal.net.

IRONMEN

By Bill Travis

Thursday we were rained out so no results to report. But please enjoy the below.

Our deep thought and/or humor and/or history lesson for today (from teamsontour.com):

Pulp Fiction and Shaft star Samuel L. Jackson is so keen on golf that he has golf breaks written into his contract for any film he acts in guaranteeing him two golf sessions for every working

A staggering 125,000 golf balls are committed to a watery grave at the infamous 17th hole at Sawgrass Stadium course every year.

Golf is one of two sports to have been played on the moon, javelin being the other. During the lengthy planning of Apollo 14, someone (Alan Shepard) decided to bring a six iron and a golf ball along for the ride.

World famous golf legend Tiger Woods began his astonishing career very early. Among his countless accolades and trophies, he can also boast an ace at the age of eight.

BOCCE NEWS





The Ball Barians - First Place Winners, Referee Lo Rube, team member Robert Bianchi, Sheila Zisko, Co-Captain Tony Orlando, David Sear, Berna Davis and Carm Citrigno (Captain, Kerry Besmehn not present)



Reign Us In came in Second Place, Referee Lo Rube, Captain Linda Planting, Cheryl Peterson, David Rivera, Janis Hokanson, Stephanie Petrossi & Susan Pastorini (not present teammate Loretta Carter)

By Barbara Orlando

The Beginners Tournament was postponed due to rain on March 2. But on Monday, March 4, three teams played and the winners of the Championship were the "Ball Barians." Led by Captain Kerry Besmehn and Co-Captain Tony Orlando, team members included Robert Bianchi, Carm Citrigno, Berna Davis, Rose Eagan, David Sear and Sheila Zisko. Second place was team "Reign Us In," led by Captain Linda Planting. Team members were Loretta Carter, Janis Hokanson, Susan Pastorini, Cheryl Peterson, Stephanie Petrossi and David Rivera. Everyone who came out and played and supported their favorite team had a great time. Go to our club's website for more photos of all thr teams. Thank you to the Captains, also to Referee Lo Rube and all the new players, you were awesome!

Lunch for those participating in the Beginners Tournament and Boot Camp was courtesy of the Bocce Club and planned by Social Director, Gail Leslie and her committee. Thanks to you and your committee for a wonderful lunch.

New referees have taken the training class and are now ready to officiate at tournament games for our club. The new members

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BOCCE NEWS



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on the referee list are Shel Schumaker, Denis Zeri and Krissy Whatley.

Spring Mixer began on March 9, with six leagues playing with a total of 24 teams of eight players each for a total of 192 players. Everyone has been practicing and looking forward with much anticipation to play in the first major tournament of the 2019 bocce season.

Bash is Back! You're invited to attend and we hope to see you there every Friday from 3-5 p.m. at the bocce courts. You don't have to be a member to participate. Just bring an appetizer to share (optional) and your favorite beverage and play bocce with new and old friends.

Club shirts and hats with our new club logo can now be ordered online at villagesbocceclub.com. Order before the March 25th deadline. Questions? Contact David or Evonne Cook at bocceapparel@argus.mx or 408-393-8699.

Spring Round Robin signups begin on Friday, March 22. Questions can be directed to Tony Orlando at tonyorlando49@ yahoo.com or 408-799-9668.

FROM THE DIRECTOR OF GOLF INSTRUCTION.

I am excited to announce our first ever skins game for the short 9 in the month of April. The game will be open for anyone who would like to participate. Next week we will announce the date for the event and a few of the details.

The Junior golf camps are scheduled and ready for signup. The first camp is June 24-28, and the second camp is July 15-19. The camp is for children ages 6 through 15. For more information on the camps, please contact Tim at 408-209-4653 or at flanagolf@aol.com.

The golf course is in good condition, so in between rain storms, enjoy a round on the links.

- Your Director of Instruction, Tim Flanagan

Scoreboard

BRIDGE

Monday, March 4: 1. Dorthy Staehs/Joseph Henry 2. Marilyn Ribardo/Maureen Waltho 3. Tahera Khalil/Kausalya Iyengar 4. Louann Partridge/Jonna Robinson

Wednesday, March 6: 1. Jan Kiernan/Marie Chong 2. Mary LeGrand/Louann Partridge 3. Dorthy Staehs/Kausalya Iyengar

MEXICAN TRAIN DOMINOES

PINOCHLE

Wednesday, March 6					
Sylvia Rozewicz	110				
Vicky Linscott	209				
Kayla Ross	246				
Earl Magoun	323				

Friday, March 8
Berta Escamilla 239
Shirley Bellavance 341
Earl Magoun 366

Wednesday, March 6

Duane Sagen Phyllis Ogden Sagen Shirley Bellavance Donna Vivoli

Friday, March 8 Duane Sagen Mike Cox

Phyllis Ogden Sagen Donna Vivoli

Tennis Club Open House



All Villagers Invited!
Monday, March 25
1 to 3:30 p.m.

- Tennis Tips from Benjy Robins, tennis pro at CordeValle Golf and Country Club and Brad Baldinger of Tennis Anywhere
 - Lots of Prizes
 - Try out the latest equipment
- Jump Start kicks off for beginners and "rusties"
 - · 6 free opportunity drawings
 - Strawberry Shortcake served to all!

Free! Reservations not needed.

Non-marking shoes required on the courts. Tennis racquets available.

Questions? Contact Sherry Benz at 408-223-6882 or sabenz@ sbcglobal.net.com or Ken Kline at 831-320-9007 or kenkline11@hotmail.com



Bocce Bash is on Fridays!

Bocce
Bash is back
each and
every Friday
starting in
March and
continuing
through the
month of
October from
3 to 5 p.m.
(Weather
permitting).
All Villagers



Kerry Besmehn and Bash Director Gerri McCoid at a recent themed Bash.

Bash. Meet new friends and play bocce. Please join us by bringing your favorite beverage and a snack to share (optional) and enjoy the afternoon playing bocce.

Our courts are ADA accessible and restrooms are located near the bocce courts for your convenience. Our courts are located next to the Gazebo Park picnic area.

FROM THE PRO



By Scott Steele, PGA Head Golf Professional

Swinging for Memories Golf Classic benefitting the Alzheimer's Association—Sign up now! Space is running out! Our Second Annual Swinging for Memories Classic benefitting the Alzheimer's Association of America is Sunday, April 28. Entry forms available in the Pro Shop. Let's join together and fight this terrible disease!

Callaway Chrome Soft Staff Bag Drawing—Purchase one dozen Callaway Chrome Soft balls in February or March and receive one entry for this opportunity drawing. One drawing ticket per dozen balls—you may purchase as many dozens as you like. Grand prize is a Callaway staff cart bag valued at over \$300! Drawing on April 1.

Spring Demo Days—Come and try the newest and latest golf clubs from the top manufacturers in golf! Sales technicians will be on site to provide expert club fitting and club selection advice.

Ping Demo Day. Friday, March 29 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Ping G410 now with movable weight technology to dial in your ball flight and spin characteristics.

Callaway + Cleveland/Srixon Demo Day. Friday, April 12 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Callaway Epic Flash. The only driver awarded 20 out of 20 stars in the 2019 Golf Digest Hot List. The Epic Flash Driver employs a new Flash Face Technology, created by Artificial Intelligence, to help golfers get more ball speed for more distance.

The Srixon Z 785 Driver is 460cc with a tour preferred look and profile. It promotes the low-spin, penetrating trajectory that better players demand off the tee. Appeared on Golf Digest's 2019 Gold Hot List.

Coming Soon in the Pro Shop—New Horn Legend men's golf sweaters. New Antigua men's golf polos. Women's Spring golf wear from Swing and San Soleil. Skechers Spring golf shoes for men and women...built for comfort with the same cozy feel as the Go Walk shoe from Skechers, but in a golf shoe!

Golf Schedule Changes for 2019 Season—All shotguns (except Tuesday morning) will be set up from Hole #18 backward so as to open up the 1st tee as quickly as possible for Twilight Play.

Thursdays Open Play Tee Times will start at 11:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. No more afternoon shotgun on Thursdays.

No more Super Twilight Rates...Twilight will be \$18 and start at 3 p.m. (as of March 10). Please plan accordingly

Greens Aeration in March—We will be aerating the greens on the long course on Monday, March 25 and Tuesday, March 26. Nine holes will be available at 1 p.m. on Monday, March 25. The entire long course will be *closed* on Tuesday, March 26. The Pro Shop will also be *closed* on March 26 all day. The Par 3 Course will be open for play on March 26th with a sign in sheet on the Pro Shop door.

Tips from the Pro - Scott Steele: Tempo and Rhythm...Dance with the Club

If you struggle with inconsistency like many golfers, there is a good chance it's related to your tempo. Swinging with the same tempo and rhythm on every shot is absolutely essential if you want to gain more consistency. Think about it like a pendulum—you want your backswing and downswing to have equal timing without any jerky movements or rapid changes in timing. Here are some tempo tips:

When hitting balls & practicing, try to match your tempo with your short irons, woods and driver...let the club do the work for you.

Feel the body, arms and club moving in unison...synchronizing body and club is key to solid ball striking...so "dance" with the club.

Copy a great player's tempo...like Ernie Els or Freddie Couples.

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

A Funny Thing Happened...

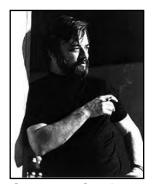
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eight Grammy Awards, a Pulitzer Prize, a Laurence Olivier Award, and a 2015 Presidential Medal of Freedom, according to Wikipedia.

Performances will be 7:30 p.m. Friday, April 5; 2:30 p.m. Saturday, April 6; and 2:30 p.m. Sunday, April 7 in the Cribari Auditorium. \$15 tickets go on sale Saturday, March 23 and continue on March 30 from 10 a.m. to noon in the Cribari Center's Redwood/Terrace rooms. Please note that all seats will be staggered to provide better views.

Go easy on your wallet with \$15 tickets—the best entertainment value at The Villages. *Plus* get 10 percent off dinner at the Clubhouse on all three performance dates.

This is a great opportunity to bring your family to the theatre and enjoy a great experience together. Plan on leaving your worries at home and enjoying a performance laughing as you have never laughed before.



Composer Stephen Sondheim

Band Concert...

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in the music of South Pacific, with a harpist joining the band to further enhance the ambiance. In a spicy musical collage of Latin favorites called Latin Celebration, the spirit of Mexico, Central and South America, and the Caribbean is brought to life.

Perhaps you pine for the Old South—especially New Orleans—in which case a Dixieland band playing Days of Dixie will suit y'all just fine!

And bringing you even closer to home, the composition Morro Bay provides a dramatic show-piece depicting this famous bay on the California coastline.

After reading about our band's amazing armchair tour, how can you bear to stay in the house? Grab a friend, pack your imaginary bags, and hurry to Cribari prepared for adventure as you travel the world through music.

VMA: Did You Know?

AmazonSmile is a website run by Amazon with all the features of Amazon.com. The difference is that when you shop on AmazonSmile, the AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5 percent of the purchase price of eligible products to the charitable organization of your choice. The VMA hopes you will consider using Amazon Smile when you are ordering products online and requesting that the 0.5 percent be donated to the VMA. What a wonderful, easy way to help fellow Villagers!

Dispose of meds through VMA

The VMA collects medications, over the counter and prescription, that are no longer being used by residents. These medications can be taken to the VMA office for proper disposal. The office is located in Cribari Center next to the post office. Office hours are 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday.

These medications are no longer being taken to the Sheriff's Department but are given to the Flying Doctors organization whose mission is to help those in underdeveloped countries.

Did You Know?

Dr. Jac Fitzenz addresses veterans' group

On February 21, Villages resident Dr. Jac Fitzenz spoke to the Military Officers Association of America at the Biltmore Hotel in Palo Alto. The topic was his three careers.



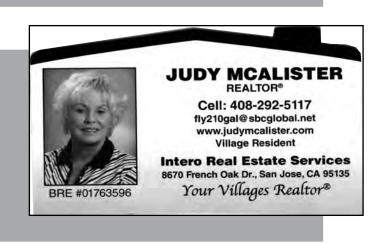


Dr. Fitzenz was a naval intelligence officer in the 1950s. He served throughout the Pacific as the intelligence officer of a guided missile squadron. His tour took him from Hawaii to Japan, Taiwan, Hong Kong and the Philippines. This was the period of the Formosa Straits crisis when China was threatening to attack Taiwan.

Later, as founder of Saratoga Institute, he developed the first system for analyzing and evaluating the return on investment of funds spent on recruiting, paying, training and retaining an organization's human capital. From 1978 through 2013 he traveled across all 50 states and 51 countries training 90,000 people on the process. Recently, the International Organization for Standardization in Berne Switzerland published the first world standard measures for human capital reporting. The measures are based on Dr. Fitzenz's ground breaking work.

Dr. Fitzenz's third career is in publishing. Since 1971 he has published over 300 magazine articles, and 15 books translated into 10 languages. The publications include a dozen business books, two of which won 1990 and 2001 Book of the Year Awards from the Society for Human Resources Management. He's also published a memoir of his naval intelligence service and has a forthcoming book describing his four million miles of business travel. In the past three years Dr. Fitzenz published the first two Mike and Grace novels, an espionage and romance series. These are in the Villages Library.





Filoli...

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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 seventeen feet, while the ballroom ceiling is 22 ½ 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.

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Landscape & Maintenance

MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE

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

5423-5428 and 5489-5553—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 3/18-3/22.

Olive tree clean up in progress.

North Perimeter Fence—Oleander hedge trimming in progress. Cribari Court—Utility flat roof replacement in progress, weather permitting.

5304—Interior repairs in progress.

5232—Remediation and reconstruction in progress.

3101-3123—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress. 3124-3126 and 3207-3226—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 3/18-3/22.

Parking area by 3240-Lawn removal and plant replacement, in planning.

3314 and 3316-Iron fence repairs in progress, weather permitting.

3317—Wood fence repairs in progress, weather permitting. 3114 and 3116—Interior repairs in progress.

8842-8853 — Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress. 8855-8866—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 3/18-3/22. **Fairways**

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

4008, 4010 and 4012-Landscape maintenance and weed control, 3/18-3/22.

Glen Arden

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

7759-7775 — Landscape maintenance and weed control, 3/18-3/22. Rodent exclusion in progress.

Gutter cleaning scheduled for 3/18-3/23.

8502-8509 — Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress. 8510-8519—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 3/18-3/22. Grenache Ct. — Common area short post lamp replacement in progress.

8005-8032 — Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress. 8096-8125—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 3/18-3/22. Pinot Noir Ct; 8011-8020 - Roof replacement scheduled to start in March, weather permitting

Highland

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

7500-7527 and 7539-7540 - Landscape maintenance and weed control, 3/18-3/22.

Rodent exclusion in progress, weather permitting.

Gutter cleaning scheduled for 3/4-3/16.

7670—Street repairs in progress.

Montgomery

6001-604—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress. 6046-6068 and 6120-6136 - Landscape maintenance and weed control, 3/18-3/22.

Whaley landscape drip irrigation system, plant and mulch installation in progress.

6027, 6229, 6230, 6275 and 6277 - Dry rot repairs, in progress. **Olivas**

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

8776-8777, 8783-8785 and Grape Wagon-Landscape maintenance and weed control, 3/18-3/22.

Lower Lomas Azules pond re-plaster, in planning.

Dead/missing plant replacements in progress.

What do I do with this?

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



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

Paper products: Recycle container

Paperback books, catalogs, dry food boxes (i.e. cereal and cracker boxes), colored paper, computer paper, construction paper, coupons, egg cartons, envelopes (no plastic or padded), gift wrap, junk mail, magazines, newspaper and inserts, paper bags, shoeboxes, telephone books, tissue paper, etc. All shredded paper should be placed inside a clear plastic bag and tied closed.

Paper products: Garbage container

Blueprint and/or carbon paper, padded and plastic envelopes, frozen food packaging, napkins and paper towels, soiled paper or newspaper, personal hygiene products, photo paper, pizza boxes, plastic or wax paper, stickers, paper take-out containers and tissues.

Gutter Cleaning Schedule

The following schedule provides the approximate start and completion dates for rain gutter cleaning at the various Villages districts. Dates may be subject to changes because of weather conditions.

Start Date Village **Completion Date** Highland March 16 March 4 Glen Arden March 18 March 23 Heights March 25 March 30 Club Buildings March 28 March 30

Behind Lomas Azules - Fire fuel management in progress. 8730—Interior leak repairs in progress.

Sonata

2012-2024 — Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress. 2000-2011 and 2030-2031 - Landscape maintenance and weed control, 3/18-3/22.

Valle Vista

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

9015-9021 and 9028-9030—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 3/18-3/22.

Fire fuel brush clearing in progress.

Dead/missing plant replacement in progress.

Verano

7331-7356—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress. 7357-7377 - Landscape maintenance and weed control, 3/18-3/22. Via Montecitos — Fire fuel brush clearing and tree removal in progress. Resident owned light fixture replacements in progress, weather permitting.

7220—Trenching for electrical lines in progress.

Association

Pro chip bark jet mulching installation in progress at various locations, throughout the Villages.

Turf Aeriation in progress, weather permitting.

Spraying for weeds throughout the Villages, in progress.

Checking irrigation systems for water flow, in progress.

Plum tree spraying for fruit control at various districts in progress.

Club Centers

Turf Aeriation in progress.

Foothill, Cribari and Montgomery pools—Closed for the winter, opening 4/1.

Hill Lands—Clearing of falling trees on the trails, in progress. Chardonay Lake—Pump repairs in progess.

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.

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- ♣ 106

SOUTH

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Dealer: West Vulnerability: None

Bidding: West North East South **Pass** Pass 1 NoTrump **Pass** Pass 2 Clubs Pass 2 Spades Pass 4 Spades* All Pass

Contract: 4 Spades by South Opening Lead: King of Hearts

Dealer has possible 1 Spade loser, maybe 2 Heart losers, definitely 2 Diamond losers and a Club loser.

Strategy: Before taking out Spades, trump the 2 Heart losers. After the opponents have no more Spades then set up the

West leads the King of Hearts, South covers with the Ace from his hand, continues with a Heart, trumps it on the board, and plays a Club to the King in his hand. He leads his last Heart, trumps it on the board, then plays the Queen of Spades, continues with the last Spade on the board, and takes the trick with the King. He then leads the Ace to pull the last trump, and West discards a high Diamond to show he has an honor in that suit. Now South leads the second round of Clubs noticing that West plays the 10 and decides that the odds favor a 2- 2 split between the opponents. In this case he will now cover with the Ace and is very happy to see that he is correct. He then proceeds to play the Jack, 8, and 4 of Clubs. On the last Club he discards a Diamond from his hand, and now there are 2 Diamonds left on the board. He plays one, East, 10, South, the Jack, and West wins with the Ace. He then leads his last card, the Queen of Hearts, and South wins because his last card is a trump. Great! The contract is made with 2 overtricks. If West had started with a Diamond, then South only makes one overtrick. Also, if South decides to finesse the second round of Clubs and loses to East's Queen, then he would only make one overtrick if West initially leads a Heart.

After South shows 4 Spades, North can now reevaluate his hand, count his singleton and have enough points to bid game.

They're Not Wrinkles, They're 🖑 **LAUGH LINES**



Overheard at a playground:

First boy: My dad scribbles some words on a piece of paper, calls it a poem, and gets \$50 for it.

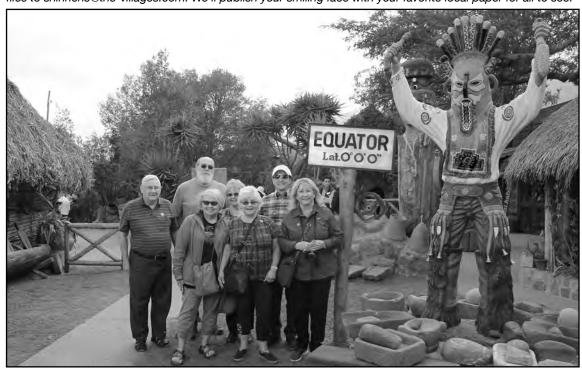
Second boy: My dad scribbles some words on a piece of paper, calls it a song, and gets \$100 for it.

Third boy: My dad scribbles some words on a piece of paper, calls it a sermon, and it takes eight men to collect all the money!

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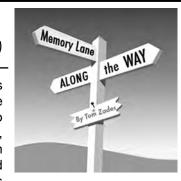


Larry and Darleen Cormier recently took an October trip to Ecuador and the Galapagos Islands. Above, they are shown with a few friends at the Equator monument in Ecuador. Among other things, they saw the giant tortoises and the iguanas.

Along the Way—a trip down Memory Lane

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

It is interesting going down memory lane here in The Villages with people ranging from 20 years younger than me to people more than 20 years older than me. I was born in early 1944, so was basically unaware of President Harry Truman, for example, or the news reels that people watched in movie theaters. I'm sure we all remember when gas station pumps were marked "leaded" or "unleaded," at least in California, until all the cars



on the road ran on unleaded gas. Are there still some "self-service" versus "full service" signs around, as if someone was going to come jogging out to help you? Remember how the gas station attendant would hustle over and ask: "Fill it up?" "Regular or premium?" "Check under the hood?" I always wanted regular gas, and I had my ready response to being a quart low on oil: "It always runs a quart low. It's fine." In my mind, they were always trying to sell me a quart of oil.

Villagers on the younger end of the range missed out on the birth of rock and roll-from Bill Haley and the Comets and Elvis the Pelvis to the Beatles and the "British invasion." They can only understand secondhand the horror of having the President of the United States assassinated. It is like me trying to grasp the horror of the Pearl Harbor sneak attack. Younger Villagers can only imagine the wonder of watching the first astronaut step onto the surface of the moon. Today's millennials, in their turn, may be taken aback when their grandchildren ask why there were ever such things as telephone booths and encyclopedia sets: "Grandpa, what does it mean that Clark Kent would change into Superman in a phone booth?" They might even ask about those strange things called gas stations.

By the way, how many gallons of gas I wanted the attendant to pump depended on how much cash I had with me at the time. In those days, buying groceries or gas on credit was generally considered a sure sign of being broke. "Appearances" mattered! That is something that will never change.

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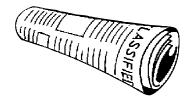
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UBITUARY

Irene Blanco



Irene Blanco passed away on March 2, 2019 from cancer. She is predeceased by her son, Evan, and her brother, Henry. She is survived by her son, Emil, and daughter, Susan, along with her four beloved grandchildren, many loving nieces and nephews, and lots of dear friends.

She found her passion in Jewish Education and spent most of her work life as the Religious Education Director of North Shore Synagogue in Syosset, New York. As an educator, she positively influenced many lives, both children and adults. She was a devoted mother, an inventive cook and baker, and an avid reader. She loved music, art, dance, and terrible puns.

A Celebration of Life will be held March 28 at 1:30 p.m. at Cribari Auditorium.



For more information about In Memoriam and Obituary notices, please contact Kory Tran at 408-754-1341, ktran@the-villages.com or Scott Hinrichs at 408-223-4655, shinrichs@the-villages.com.

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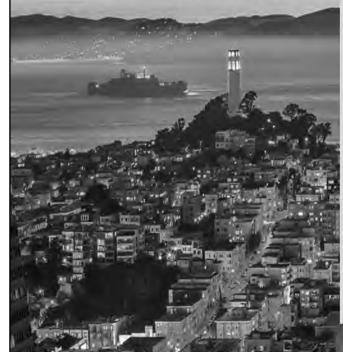
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