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

Living with Wildfires

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Village Voices to present an 'Old Fashioned Christmas'

It's an old fashioned Christmas for the Village Voices on Dec 6, 7, and 8. Festivities begin on Friday the 6th at 7:30 p.m. in Cribari Auditorium and continue on Saturday and Sunday at 2:30 p.m. each day. There'll be singing and dancing and general folderol from Christmases past.

"It's the Most Wonderful Time of the Year" acknowledging the pleasures of the season, a frolicking snowball fight in "Snow, Snow, Snow, Snow, Snow" and fully choreographed "Parade of the Wooden Soldiers" are among the featured Christmas tunes. Hannakah will be represented with an energetic "Lamps Burning in the Night." Old fashioned favorites from the '40s will be "I'll Be Home for Christmas" and the iconic Harry Simeon arrangement of Clement Clarke Moore's "Twas the Night Before

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Band and Bells: A Holiday Cavalcade

By Bev Clifford

Have you started your Christmas shopping yet? Have you wrestled those bins of holiday decorations out of the closet or in from the garage? Have you made... Oh, never mind: Forget the stress, and just keep it simple by joining your neighbors and friends for a joyful, heart-expanding afternoon of holiday favorites offered by our own Villages Concert Band on Sunday, December 15 at 2:30 p.m. in Cribari Auditorium. Open seating tickets are \$18, or \$45 if you plan to buy a season pass for the remaining three concerts. You can purchase these in the Cribari lobby on Saturdays, November 30 or December 7 and 14, from 10 a.m. to noon, or at concert time—and you may win a door prize!

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San Jose Planning Department approves pickleball permit



Pickleball Project supporters at the San Jose City Hall

By Linda Eige

Big news for the Villages! The San Jose Planning Department has approved the planning permit for four new pickleball courts. More than 50 people attended the hearing at City Hall to show support for the project.

The next step is to develop a detailed cost estimate. This estimate will be presented to the Club Board and with approval there will be a membership vote. Every reasonable effort is being made to accommodate concerns from all Villagers in the hope that this project can progress smoothly.

Still wondering what all the fuss is about? Come on out and try pickleball, we welcome new players. We play all year, weather permitting, on tennis courts 5 and 6. Mike Walias volunteers his expertise every Wednesday and Friday from 1 to 1:30 p.m. to introduce and instruct new players on the basics of the game. No need to sign up, just show up! Wear comfortable clothes and court shoes. More info at villagespickleball.org

Attention golfers, time to take:

The Next Step

Novice Golf Clinics with PGA Director of Golf Scott Steele Winter series:

Saturdays, Nov. 30 — Jan. 25

(For more details see ad on page 3)



VGC: New golf 'Registered Guest Program' begins January 1

Beginning January 1, 2020, we will be instituting the new golf Registered Guest Program (RGP), which will replace the discontinued "Preferred Unaccompanied Guest Program" (PUGP). In an effort to improve our community security we will begin this new Guest program, which will still allow The Villages to share our golf course and its amenities with selected sponsored guests but in a more controlled and monitored fashion than was provided under the previous PUGP.

1) The Villages resident will still be able to register any number of guests. After approval by the Pro Shop and vGC, these registered guests will be able to play and make reservations independently of a villages member.

2) The Annual registration of each guest will incur a \$10 administrative fee chargeable to the Villages sponsor. The registration will be only good for the calendar year beginning January 1 and ending December 31 (no prorated fee applies). All registered guests will be purged from the system by January 15 of the following year and it will be up to their sponsor to reregister them for continued independent play.

3) The Registered Guest and their individual guests will only be granted access to The Villages, the golf course and its amenities (driving range, putting green, and short game areas) on the date they have a reserved tee time

and their names are on the daily play sheet.

These changes in our RGP are for the sole purpose of improving our community security. The VGC and the Pro Shop still look forward to continuing our valued relationship with all guests but in a more orderly manner. Thank you for your understanding.

JOMMUNITY 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

1 Pulse letters received this week.

0 Pulse letters not meeting Pulse Letter Guidelines.

1 Pulse letters published this week.

Note: Pulse authors are solely responsible for the statements and opinions contained in the Pulse letters. The Villager does not verify the accuracy of all statements.

Attention All Bird Watchers:

I need your help! Well, really it is the little bird tapping on my window that does. This little bird spends hours every day flying at my window, tapping on the glass, or hanging on the screen. I don't know how to get him to stop.

I have tried closing the curtains. No help. Does anyone have any ideas to stop him? The bird and I are both frustrated.

I'm not certain what type of bird he is. He's about 7 inches long, with a light brown/beige underside. His wings are varigated; black and white. He has a black, thin, pointed beak and black feet. His most distinguishing characteristic is his fan shaped tail, black with two white triangular insets, one on each side.

I am so worried that he will hurt himself. I hope someone can help! -Beverly Andresen

Correction: In last week's Villager (11-21-19) the Pulse letter tally did not reflect the two letters that were withdrawn by the authors. It should have appeared as:

3 Pulse letters received this week.

2 Pulse letters withdrawn by authors.

1 Pulse letter 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.

EPC SEZ..

If a disaster struck in the winter, be sure you have sturdy shoes, a warm coat and rain gear along with a change of clothes. It's up to you to be prepared. If you have questions, please contact EPC at updates@thevillagesepc.org.

- The Villages Emergency Preparedness Committee

More BOARDS & COMMITTEES, MANAGEMENT and COMMUNITY NOTICES on pages 4, 5 & 16

IN MEMORIAM

Marie Claire Toussaint August 13, 1951 - September 17, 2019

(Please see obituary in the Classified Advertising section)

Reginald (Reggie) Van White March 26, 1959 - November 13, 2019

(Please see obituary in the Classified Advertising section)

Betty Lue Maylett Metheany Loescher January 21, 1927 - November 19, 2019

(Please see obituary in the Classified Advertising section)

Beverly (Bev) Holland September 1930 – November 2019

(Please see obituary in the 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.

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Call 408-223-4655 to report missed deliveries.

POLICIES

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All copy is subject to editing and must be submitted with that understanding. The Villager reserves the right to reject or discontinue advertising or articles that are deemed unsuitable.

The Villages Communications Advisory Committee "To inform and connect Villagers" develops operational plans, reviews rules and policies, and advises the General Manager and Club Board on issues pertaining to The Villager, including Pulse letters, Channel 26, Fast Lane and the web site. Residents having relevant concerns may attend meetings or call committee members by phone: Chair Larry Miller at 408-238-1030, Diane Carr at 408-528-8456, Debbie Champion at 408-960-6994, Barbara Karayn 202-641-6339, Lou Lively-Singh 408-838-5555, Pamela Oliver-Lyons 408-693-9250, and Alice Tyler at 408-223-1735.

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

Association/Homeowners documents available via e-mail

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

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

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

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

"The Next Step" - Novice Golf Clinics

Winter Series November 30 - January 25

Saturdays 11am-12pm

With PGA Director of Golf, Scott Steele

Designed for all Villages novice golfers and for those who have taken our Get Golf Ready class, and are wondering, "OK, what next?"

A different golf topic each week!

Saturday, November 30

Fundamentals - Grip, Stance, Posture, Alignment

Saturday, December 7

Driver - Grip it and Rip It!

Saturday, December 14

Irons vs Woods – The Compression Factor

Saturday, December 21

Pitching and Sand Bunkers - How to use your Sand Wedge

Saturday, December 28

Chipping vs Pitching – It's all About Trajectory

Saturday, January 4

Putting – The Great Equalizer

Saturday, January 11

Full Swing – How to Maximize Power

Saturday, January 18

Practice vs Play - The Big Difference

Saturday, January 25

Let's Go Play – How to Take your Game from the Range to the Course

Only \$20 Per Clinic!!

To Sign Up for one or all, call the Pro Shop at 408-754-1331

Notice of Revisions to Proposed Changes to Club Rule 1.40 Villages Board Recognized Clubs

At the November 12, 2019, Club board meeting, the Board approved to publish for 30-day notice proposed revisions to the changes to Club Rule 1.40 Villages Board Recognized Clubs prior to formal approval consideration at the January 28, 2020, board meeting.

As previously noticed, the entire proposed Rule 1.40 is to replace the entire existing Rule 1.40 which can be found on The Villages website or in Bldg. A. The purpose of the proposed changes is to provide clarity and direction to clubs, and potential clubs, by listing reasonable requirements for clubs to meet to gain Board Recognized status and listing the benefits of Board Recognition.

The Board will consider oral and written comments regarding the proposed changes at the January 28, 2020, monthly meeting. Response to the proposed rule changes may be made by one or more of the following methods: 1) Participation in the discussion of the changes at the January 28, 2020, board meeting, 2) via e-mail with comments sent to the General Manager's office at least seven (7) days prior to the meeting (jmeadows@the-villages.com), and 3) via written comments to the General Manager's offices delivered at least seven (7) days prior to the meeting.

1.40 Villages Board Recognized Clubs

The Club Board (Board) encourages residents to form resident clubs (club) among themselves to share their interests. The following benefits (1) are available to those clubs which meet the listed required minimum standards (2).

- Benefits of Board Recognition for a club:
 - 1. Master Calendar access for reservation of facilities, subject to appropriate availability
 - Fast Lane for announcements Channel 26 for announcements

 - Resource Guide listing Telephone Directory listing
 - The Villages website listing
 - **New Resident Orientation**
- B. The Board requires these minimum standards be met by each club:
 - The club must not engage in any illegal activity, or violate any rule of the VGCC, Association, or Homeowners Corporation.
 - The club must be open to all residents who meet membership requirements.
- 3. Only residents can be members of clubs. Non-residents may be invited guests of a resident club member at all club activities, subject to any club restrictions on guests. Non-residents cannot vote, be directors, or hold office.
- A club must have written operating rules (or Bylaws) which must include these provisions and be approved by a majority of the membership:
 - a) If the club requires election of directors, the election must be open to all members, and each member must be given an equal opportunity to run for such position. Directors can only be removed by vote of all members.
 - The club must notify all members of all meetings.
 - All meetings must be open to all members unless an executive session is required for reasonable purposes as specified in the operating rules.
- The club must have at least 20 active members attending a minimum of 80 percent of the clubs functions because of the high demand on our limited facilities. At least 20 members must attend 60% of club functions reseved yearly through the Community Activities Annual Master Calendar."
- 6. The club must register annually with VGCC Community Services in Building B with a written list of their current officers and directors (if any), and the names and addresses of every current active member.
- 7. No club, nor any club member, shall by any means whatsoever invite the general public to any club activity.
- 8. Clubs may not obtain bids or estimates from contractors for suggested changes to Club facilities.
- C. The club must be fair and reasonable in all matters. Clubs are prohibited from political opinions or endorsements with the exception of the partisan political clubs' political activity within their own club. If the Board determines the club has not acted fairly or reasonably in any particular matter or has not complied with any section of this Rule, the Board may revoke its Board recognition status and cancel all benefits.
- D. To receive Board recognition as a club, submit an application to the Community Activities Office with a list of members and addresses, proposed operating rules or Bylaws and expected facility use. A set of model Bylaws is available in the Community Activities Office.





MANAGEMENT

PUBLIC SAFETY

Guest Bar Code renewal for 2020

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

Your current guest bar codes will be automatically renewed, at a cost of \$6 each, in January 2020. No forms required. You will see the billing on your January 2020 statement. If you do not want a guest bar code renewed, please contact Public Safety Administration at 408-239-5246, option 2 by December 13, 2019.

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

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

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Villages celebrates 10 years with the Family Giving Tree holiday toy and gift drive.

Family Giving Tree is a local organization that has been making Christmas a joy for low income children and seniors for over for 25 years. The Family Giving Tree is extremely successful in collecting and distributing gifts, mostly to children, but seniors as well, and keeping overhead to near

zero through volunteer participation.



For the tenth consecutive year The Villages will be part of that wonderful process. Beginning Monday, November 25, tags with gift wishes will be available in Villages Business Administration Building A. The gift wish tags describe the person the gift is intended for and what they have wished for. For example: Amber, 7 year-old girl would like to have a "Elsa" doll, 10-year old Jason would like a soccer ball, and Joe, a senior, would like some warm socks and a scarf.

You are invited to choose a gift wish tag (or more than one) and then go shopping for that person's gift – some tags are for gift cards from Safeway, Target, Walmart or similar stores. A collection point has also been set up in Villages Business Administration Building

A and staff volunteers will deliver your gift to the Family Giving Tree warehouse for wrapping and distribution. Only new, unwrapped gifts please. The deadline to receive gifts is Friday, December 6. Please contact Julia Meadows at 408-223-4634 or Susan Schubert 408-223-4430 for more details. Thank you for your continued support of this heartwarming drive.

Did You Know?

Long-time employee recognized for her service

Tempus Fugit-time flies! The truth of that Latin phrase often comes to fruition here at The Villages when people pause and look back at their lives. Recently General Manager Tim

Sutherland asked the Director of Community Activities Mary Majerle-Tatum to stand up in front of a group of co-workers and take a look back over her shoulder at 35 years of service to The Villages.

Along with his words of praise for Mary Tatum, Sutherland

produced a copy of The Villager dated November 15, 1984 with a front-page article welcoming Mary to the Villages staff as the new Activities Manager. Tatum now claims the distinction of being the longest serving employee of The Villages.

Her status doesn't come with a crown and scepter, but it inspires more than a little bit of admiration and affection from her peers as well as her customers. The occasion was marked by numerous congratulations from fellow staffers, a check, a certificate



of appreciation to mark the milestone; and Mary's desk groaned a little from the weight of the bouquets delivered to her. Mary, however, didn't break stride in her usual busy routine of organizing, arranging, negotiating, deliberating, administering and a million and one little tasks that all are part of her longtime service to the Villages.



THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 1984

VILLAGES WELCOMES NEW

The Villages welcomes Mary Majerle-Tatum, Manager of Activities. Mary has a Bachelor of Science degree in Recreation and Leisure Studies from San Jose State University. Her exience in planning and administering recreational, social and educational programs is extensive, including the San Jose Parks and Recreation Department, hosting and organizing USO shows for the U.S. Navy in the Philippines, and, most recently, Activity Director for a convalescent center in Bellingham, Washington, Mary is an enthusiastic, delightful addition to The Villages staff.

Article in the 1984 Villager



Tim Sutherland presents Mary Tatum with a gift of appreciation

GOVERNANCE MEETINGS

SRS Reminder:

the gate.

Notary handout

notary service dated 11/2019.

There is one Villager volunteer

who provides free notary ser-

vice to Villagers. She requests

that you come to her office in

the shopping center outside

based notaries who live in The

Villages. These notaries will

2018, please do not use it. Some

residents who no longer provide

the service are still receiving

requests from Villagers who are

using old lists. If you are a notary

and not on our list, please call the

SRS office to be added.

come to your home.

Also listed are three fee-

If you have a list dated prior to

SRS has a handout for

Questions for Comcast?

Comcast/Xfinity will continue with their customer service to the residents through December 19, 2019! This is Comcast driven and at no cost to the Villages. Comcast representatives will be on site from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursdays in the Cribari Conference Room on the following dates: November 21, and December 12 and 19.

This is your chance to ask your questions about your existing service or if you want to upgrade your service they are there to help.

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.

More COMMUNITY NOTICES

SRS SENIOR RESOURCE SERVICES

Free income tax preparation for Villagers?

By Alan Waltho and Bruce Blinn

SRS is hoping to be able to continue to provide free income tax preparation for Villagers. We are currently working out details with a local church near The Villages. At this time AARP's legal team needs to approve the contract with the church. We will alert Villagers when we know for sure if it is a go. Meanwhile with an optimistic spirit, our volunteers have started this year's training.

Of course, we can use a few more team members. Be an income tax volunteer and join a group of unique and generous Villagers who help others prepare their taxes. We are sponsored by the AARP TaxAide project and provide help preparing taxes to anyone, but especially older, low-income taxpayers. Most of the people we help are fellow Villagers.

We use a software program called TaxSlayer, which is similar to TurboTax. We enter the taxpayer's information into the software and produce the completed state and federal tax returns, file them electronically, and provide for direct deposit or debit of the refund or amount owed. There is nothing more for the taxpayer to do and there is no cost to the taxpayer.

If you have done volunteer work before, you know the good feeling you get from helping others. If this sounds like something you would like to do, we would love for you to join us for the upcoming tax season. We meet on Thursdays each week from February through April. No experience is necessary; all the training you need will be provided by the IRS VITA/TCE program (Volunteer Income Tax Assistance/Tax Counseling for the Elderly). The training is mostly online, but there are several classroom lectures and tutorials in January that will help you become familiar with the software. Our group is very friendly and supportive of each other, so you don't have to worry about asking question when you run into something new.

Contact Alan Waltho at 408-238-3435, and become a volunteer. Give back to our community and make someone happy because they don't have to struggle with their taxes this year.

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.

BOARD MEETINGS

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

Three Boards

The Three-Board Lunch Re.: Insurance Review will be held Tuesday, December 10, at 11:30 a.m. in Foothill Center.

Association

The Villages Association Board of Directors December monthly meeting will be held Tuesday, December 10, at 9 a.m. in Foothill Center.

The Villages Golf and Country Club Board of Directors December meeting will be held Tuesday, December 10, at 2 p.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

EVF FOCUS

'Tis the season to start giving

By Diana Hallock, EVF Board

Giving Tuesday refers to the Tuesday after Thanksgiving in the United States. It is a movement to create an international day of giving at the beginning of the Christmas and holiday season.

Giving Tuesday was started in 2012 by the 92nd Street Y and the United Nations Foundation as a response to commercialization and consumerism in the post-Thanksgiving season such as Black Friday and Cyber Monday. In 2013, 28 million was donated to charitable organizations around the world. That number has grown to over 274 million in 2017. Next Tuesday, December 3,

all Villagers are encouraged to be generous with their chosen charities...and don't forget the Evergreen Villages Foundation (EVF) and the Villages Medical Auxiliary (VMA), your neighborhood organizations that support a rich, full life and abundant health here in the Villages. www.evfsg.org





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ENDAR OF EVENTS

Friday, November 29

9 a.m.	Game Day	RED, SEQ
9:30 a.m.	Ceramics	CER
9:30 a.m.	Open Studio	AR
10 a.m.	Quilters	Р
1 p.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
3 p.m.	Hand Bell Rehears	al CR
6 p.m.	Mexican Train Dom	nino MC

Saturday, November 30

9 a.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
9:30 a.m.	Ceramics	CER
9:30 a.m.	Ukulele Singing	SEQ
10 a.m.	Hiking Club Walk	VC
10 a.m.	Concert Ticket Sales	CR

Sunday, December 1

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7:15 a.m.	Catholic Choir Rehearsal	CR
8:15 a.m.	Catholic Mass	Α
8:30 a.m.	Jewish Board Retreat	VC
8:30 a.m.	Episcopal Services	MC
9 a.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
9 a.m.	Chapel Choir Rehearsal	Р
9:15 a.m.	Catholic Hospitality	RED
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

Monday December 2

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8:30 a.m.	Jazzercise	Α
9 a.m.	Swingers Board	VC
9 a.m.	18 Hole Women Board	CR
9 a.m.	Game Day RED,	SEQ
9:30 a.m.	Search the Scriptures	FC
9:30 a.m.	Ceramics	CER
9:30 a.m.	Montgomery DAC	Р
10 a.m.	Drawing Class	AR
10 a.m.	Line Dance	MMP
10:30 a.m.	Fitness Center Comm.	F
1 p.m.	Open Studio	AR
1 p.m.	Stitchery	Р
3 p.m.	Democratic Clb. Concert	Α
3:30 p.m.	Stephen Ministry	Р
6:30 p.m.	Duplicate Bridge	RFD

EVENT LOCATIONS

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

7 p.m.	Camera Club	FC 7 p.m.	Music Society Rehearsal A
7 p.m.	Yoga	MMP .	·

Tuesday December 3

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8:30 a.m.	Men's Golf Ex Comm.	Р
9 a.m.	Game Day RED,	SEQ
9:30 a.m.	Ceramics	CER
9:45 a.m.	SIRs 114	CH
10 a.m.	ADL/Parkinson Class	Α
10 a.m.	Ukulele – Advanced	CR
10 a.m.	Line Dance	MMP
11 a.m.	SIRs 114 Lunch	CH
11:30 a.m.	Walking Class - Indoor	Α
11:30 a.m.	Yoga	MMP
12 p.m.	Acrylics and Oil Studio	AR
1 p.m.	Brandeis Presidents	Р
2 p.m.	Veteran's Club	FC
6 p.m.	Short 9 Women Golf	VC
7 p.m.	Band Rehearsal	Α
7 p.m.	Catholic Council	MC
7:30 p.m.	Astronomy Club	FC

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8:30 a.m.	Jazzercise	Α
9 a.m.	Game Day RED,	SEQ
9 a.m.	VMA	CR
9:30 a.m.	Ceramics	CER
9:30 a.m.	Critique & Open Studio	AR
9:30 a.m.	Ladies Bible Study	Р
9:30 a.m.	Tai Chi	VC
10 a.m.	Parkinson Caregiver	BGA
10 a.m.	Total Body Fitness	Α
10:30 a.m.	Blood Pressure Clinic	F
11:30 a.m.	Dippy Dolphins	CH
1 p.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
2 p.m.	Senior Academy Class	FC
3 p.m.	VMUG	CR
5 p.m.	Republican Club	CH
6 p.m.	Mexican Trains Domino	MC
7 p.m.	Global Village Comm.	CR

Thursday Nacambar 5

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	9 a.m.	Game Day RED,	SEQ
	9 a.m.	AC Association	MC
	9 a.m.	Chapel Music Comm.	Р
	9:30 a.m.	Ceramics	CER
	9:30 a.m.	Watercolor Class	AR
	10 a.m.	Line Dance	MMP
	10 a.m.	Genealogy Meeting	CR
)	10 a.m.	Walking Class - Indoor	FC
	11:30 a.m.	Yoga	MMP
	12:30 p.m.	18 Hole Women Lunch	CH
)	1 p.m.	Ukulele Club	VC
	1 p.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
	3 p.m.	Theater Auditions	FC
	3 p.m.	Chapel Choir Rehearsal	CR
	5 p.m.	Tennis Club Party	CH
	6 p.m.	Bridge Club	RED
	7 p.m.	Italian Club Board	Р
	7 p.m.	Folksters	MC
	7 p.m.	Yoga	VC
	7:30 p.m.	Voices Concert	Α

	Friday,	December 6	
	8:30 a.m.	Jazzercise	Α
	8:45 a.m.	Catholic Mass	CR
	9 a.m.	Game Day RED,	SEQ
	9 a.m.	Villages Golf Committee	MC
	9:30 a.m.	Ceramics	CER
	9:30 a.m.	Open Studio	AR
	9:30 a.m.	Tai Chi	FC
	10 a.m.	Quilters Party	VC
	10 a.m.	Line Dance	MMP
)	1 p.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
	3 p.m.	Hand Bell Rehearsal	CR
	5:30 p.m.	Hermosa Social	FC
	6 p.m.	Mexican Trains Domino	MC
	7 p.m.	Theater Auditions	VC
	7:30 p.m.	Voices Concert	Α

Look What's Coming

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

Ш	Date	Event	In Villager	Registration
	12/4-12/6	Reno		SOLD OUT
	12/7	Beach Blanket Babylon Holiday Show		SOLD OUT
	12/9	Christmas Lights		NOW
	12/10	Union Square		NOW
	12/11	Christmas Creche Exhibit		NOW
	1/14	Warriors vs Dallas Mavericks		NOW
	1/17	Ken Block: Comic/Impressionist		NOW
	2/2	Super Bowl Party		NOW
	4/4	Book of Mormon	TBD	TBD
	4/13	Warriors vs Portland Trail Blazers	TBD	TBD
	4/18	Golden Gate Fields	TBD	TBD
	4/24	Les Miserables	1/23	1/27
	5/15	Riverdance	2/27	3/2
	6/20	Come From Away	3/27	3/30
	6/27	Choral Project	TBD	TBD
	7/4	July 4th Celebration	TBD	TBD
	8/21	Holland and Coots	TBD	TBD
	10/11	Blue Angels	TBD	TBD
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Are you a Villages walker? Grab a free reflective vest

Now that our clocks have "fallen back" an hour and the days are shorter and darker earlier, it is important for those who are outside exercisers to be visible. If you walk in the early morning or late afternoon and evening it is a good idea to wear lighter colored clothing and wear a reflective vest or jacket.

The VMA will supply you with a reflective vest for free! All you have to do is drop by the VMA office between 9:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. Monday through Friday to pick one up. Congratulations to all of you who are out exercising. Be safe and wear reflective clothing.

Village Voices...

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Christmas" featuring multiple soloists.

Madie Yannaccone will join the Voices ladies pays a muchdeserved and fun-filled tribute to the power behind the throne with "Mrs. Claus" and Bridgid Moreton will join the Voices with the ancient sacred text gently singing "What Sweeter Music." Featured solo presentations will include soprano Susan Ahlgrimm singing "My Favorite Things," pianist Tammy Welsh playing "Chestnuts Roasting on an Open Fire," and bass Ken Carter singing "The Birthday Party of the King" from the cartoon, "The Stingiest Man in Town."

The concert is under the direction of Ken Carter who is in his 20th year as conductor of the Village Voices. He is assisted by associate conductor, Susan Ahlgrimm.

Come join the fun with refreshments, carol singing in the lobby and a seasonally appropriate concert opportunity drawing included at each performance. Tickets are on sale in Cribari Lobby at 10 a.m. on Saturday, November 30 and before each performance. Tickets are \$18.





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 8:30 a.m. from Foothill Center.

Saturday, November 30: Laura Gelman will lead a Villages Hidden trails hike (to help walk off the Thanksgiving Feast). The hike will start and end at Vineyard Center with a potluck to follow the hike. We'll meet at Vineyard Center at 10 a.m.

Wednesday, December 4 (Rambler): Bel Air Estates, Bentley Ridge. Ramon and Marianna Reza (714-306-5333) will lead a loop hike from the Villages to and across nearby Bentley Ridge: Cribari Center/San Felipe/Larkspur/Bentley Ridge Drive/Yerba Buena/Hounds Estates/Cribari Center. We will stop at the Starbucks/Le Boulanger on the corner of San Felipe and Yerba Buena for coffee and snacks. Hike length is about 5 miles with modest and gradual elevation at the beginning of the hike.

Wednesday, December 11 (Rambler): Village Hill Lands. Johanna Bakker (408-223-2190) will lead a hike in our own open space. Starting at the circle at the end of Valle Vista Road this Rambler will take hikers through the side gate to the bottom of Meadow trail, up to Thistle, cut over to Bay trail, then down Bay to Richter, up to Oak, down to Turkey, Sky and Marsh, returning us to the side gate and the cars. The hike is about 3 miles with an elevation gain of 450 ft. Bring water and snack, poles and appropriate clothing. Meet at Circle at 8:30 a.m. for 8:45 departure. Saturday, December 14: Johanna and Wate Bakker (408-223-2190) will lead rambler and long hikes along the Long Ridge trail near the Skyline boulevard (route 35). Both hikes will start at the Grizzly Flat parking lot on route 35 about 5-7 miles north of the highway 9/35 intersection. Johanna will lead the ramblers on a 5-mile hike along the Peters creek and Long Ridge trails, with lunch at the Wallace Stegner bench. Wate will lead the Long hikers on a 7.5 mile hike along the Peters creek trail, Long Ridge trail, Wards Road and Hickory Oaks trails, with lunch at a bench overlooking the Big Basin Redwoods. The trails undulate, but total elevation gains are moderate (500-700 ft). Bring water and a lunch. Dress seasonably. Rain cancels. Roundtrip car mileage about 60. Coffee in Saratoga optional.

Wednesday, December 18 (Rambler): Coyote Valley Open Space. Debbie Siedband (408-300-1894) 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. Thursday, December 19: 6 p.m. Social: Holiday Lights Walk. Cheryl Allmen (408-307-3979) will lead the annual Holiday Lights Walk and Social to view and enjoy the holiday decorations throughout The Villages. Walk will begin and end at Vineyard Center, where hikers will enjoy coffee, tea, hot chocolate and spiced mulled wine at the end of the hike. Participants are asked to bring cookies and/or an appetizer to share. All Villagers are welcome. Please dress warmly and bring a flashlight. We will meet at the Vineyard at 6 p.m.

CAMERA CLUB

Monday, December 2: December photo competition for members from 7-9 p.m. in Foothill Center. Categories for projected images include Pictorial, Nature, and Creative. Villagers welcome. For membership information contact Ray Blinde at rwblinde@earthlink.net. Deadline for submission on Sunday, December 1, at 2 p.m.

Monday, December 16: Roxanne Overton presents "Catching My Peripheral Vision" at the monthly meeting from 7-9 p.m. in Foothill 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

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

December 3, 20, and 17 and January 7, 14, and 21: "Seasonal Trees in Acrylics" with Jeff Bramschreiber. Tuedays noon – 2:30 p.m. Members \$60; non-members \$65; plus \$10 for non-resident guests. * **December 10:** Second Tuesdays *Free* Art Night. 6:30 p.m. Art Room. "Second Annual Gift Wrapping: It's a Wrap Party!" Hosts, Mary Goodnough, Ciel Duke and Jane Hink. Bring your gifts and wrap them all in our welcoming group. All gift wrap, tape, ribbons, etc. furnished. Wine and cheese snacks.

December 12–19 and January 2–23: Experimental Watercolor with Linda Sieker. Intermediate Studio Class. Thursdays 9:30 a.m. – noon. \$60 for members, \$65 for non-members, \$60 plus \$10 for non-resident guests. *

December 20: All expense reimbursements due to Treasurer. All reimbursement checks must be cashed.

Open Studio: Mondays 10 a.m. to noon 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

First 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



Wednesday, December 4 and 11: The Cold War and Conformity. Two sessions—\$25 for Senior Academy members, \$30 for non-members. Call Susan Dyer at 408-532-0624 or sodjsd@aol.com



MUSIC SOCIETY: TAKE NOTE

Save the Date

All events are \$15 and in Cribari Auditorium unless otherwise noted. Ticket sales on the Saturdays stated below are in Cribari Lobby from 10 a.m. to noon.

Friday, Saturday, Sunday, December 6, 7, 8: "An Old Fashioned Christmas" celebrates the season with the Villages Voices and the Villages Handbell Ensemble. Friday at 7:30 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday at 2:30 p.m. Tickets \$18.

Friday, December 13: Opera Lovers presents Gilbert and Sullivan's "Mikado" on December 13 at 1:30 p.m. at the Vineyard Center. For more info call Bonnie Preston at 408-531-1513.

Sunday, December 15: Villages Concert Band performs music for the holidays at 2:30 p.m. Ticket sales December 7, 14.

Rehearsal/Meeting Schedule

Villages Concert Band: Tuesdays at 6:45 p.m. in Cribari Auditorium. Information: Larry Miller 408-238-1030. Midwinter break from December 15 until Tuesday, January 7.

Villages Handbells Ensemble: Fridays from 3:00-5:00 p.m. in Cribari Conference Room. Information: Kathi or Earl Levin at 408-270-5458. Midwinter break from December 8 until Friday, January 10. **Opera Lovers:** Opera presentations the second Fridays of the month at 1:30 p.m. in Vineyard Center. Information: Bonnie Preston 408-531-1513.

Piano Open Studio: On winter break through December. We meet in 2020 at 2 p.m. on Tuesdays, January 7 and 21 and February 4 and 18 in the Auditorium. Listeners are welcome. Information: Estelle Kabbani at 408-406-7447 or marchstar@comcast.net.

Village Voices: Wednesdays from 7 to 9 p.m. in Foothill Center. Information: Aileen Reid 408-809-4884. Midwinter break from December 8 until Wednesday, January 8.

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

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For Reservations or Information: 408-223-4687

\$15.95

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!

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.

New Year's Eve Festivities:

Please see our ad on page for reservation and menu information on our Early Bird Restaurant Reservations and our Midnight Dinner Dance. Reservations for both are now being taken.

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CLUBHOUSE RESTAURANT

Monday Closed

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

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

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

LUNCH SPECIALS SERVED ALL WEEK

Meatball Sandwich \$12.95

Lunch Specials Italian Meatballs with Marinara Sauce and Provolone on a French Roll Tuesday 12-3 Teriyaki Salmon Salad

Teriyaki Salmon, Boiled Egg, Tomato, Cucumber, Carrot Curl, Water Chestnuts and Bean Sprouts on Mixed Greens

with Sesame Dressing **Sunday 12-8**

\$14.95 **Beef Broccoli Hoisin Bowl**

Seared Sirloin, Sesame Oil, Garlic, Soy Sauce and Hoisin with Broccoli, Red Onion and White Rice

DAILY SOUP SPECIALS

Tuesday, December 3 Soup: Split Pea Wednesday, December 4 Soup: Cream of Broccoli Thursday, December 5 Soup: Chicken Tortellini Friday, December 6 Soup: Clam Chowder Saturday, December 7 Soup: Chef's Choice Sunday, December 8 Chef's Choice

DINNER SPECIALS SERVED ALL WEEK

Dinner Specials Tuesday 12-3 to **Sunday 12-8**

to

Chicken Portobello and Papaya Salad

\$18.95

Grilled Marinatede Chicken, Protobello, Papaya and Lime over Greens with Balsamic Vinaigrette-served with a Cup of Soup

Calamari Steak

\$21.95

Sautéed Calamari Steak, Garlic Lemon Butter, Sherry Wine and Toasted Almonds-served with Soup or Salad

Surf and Turf \$26.95

Charbroiled Sirloin with Sautéed Prawns in a Garlic Lemon Butter Sauce-served with Soup or Salad

ACTIVITIES

Monday, December 2

- Private Event—Sunset and Oak Rooms—8:30 a.m. to noon
- Clubhouse Holiday Decorating—Fairway Room—9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday, December 3
- SIRs 114 Board Meetin—Sunset, Oak and Fairway Rooms—9:45 a.m. to 11 a.m. SIRs 114 Luncheon—Sunset, Oak and Fairway Rooms—11 a.m. to 2 p.m.
- Wednesday, December 4 • Dippy Dolphins Luncheon—SunsetRoom—11:30 .a.m. to 2 p.m.
- Republican Club Party—Fairway Room—5 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Thursday, December 5

- Women's 18 Hole Holiday Luncheon -Oak and Fairway Rooms—12:30 p.m. to 4 p.m.
- Tennis Club Holiday Party—Sunset, Oak and Fairway Rooms—5:30 o.m. to 10 p.m.

Friday, December 6

- Private Event—Oak and Fairway Rooms—11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Private Event—Sunset, Oak and Fairway Rooms—6 p.m. to 10 p.m.
- Saturday, December 7
- Olivas Holiday Brunch—Oak and Fairway Rooms—11 a.m. to 3 p.m. • Private Event—Sunset Room—11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- Private Event—Oak and Fairway Rooms—5:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m.

Sunday, December 8 No Events



More CLUBHOUSE ITEMS on pages 9, 23 & 27

NO CORKAGE TUESDAYS



Bring your favorite bottle of wine and your favorite people any and every Tuesday to the Clubhouse Restaurant.

No corkage will be charged with a dinner order. Onebottle 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.





The Clubhouse Prime Rib

Carved Tableside Friday and Saturday Nights





Join Exec. Sous Chef Silvester Melendez Serving you Tableside

Featuring Brandt Natural, Hand-Selected, 21-Day-Aged, Corn Fed Prime Rib

Reservations: www.clubhousereservation.com 408 223 4687

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"

Reservation is Required

Every Wednesday at 6 p.m.

Clubhouse Restaurant / Bistro To-Go Curbside Service Program

The service features:

Lower service charge of 10%

· Delivery to your parked car

- · Reserved parking spot
- Dedicated attendant
- · Dedicated phone number

RESERVED FOR

THE CLUBHOUSE RESTAURANT AND BISTRO



CURBSIDE PICKUP

Phone Ordering

- 1. Call 408-370-8553
- 2. Place Order

Menus can be found online at:

Order Pickup

- 1. Call 408-370-8553 and tell employee you have arrived
- 2. Food will be delivered to your vehicle

What's Cooking...

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Clubhouse & Bistro Holiday Schedule:

Tuesday December 24:

Bistro & Bar will close at 2 p.m. Clubhouse Restaurant is Closed

Wednesday December 25:

Bistro & Bar is Closed

Clubhouse Restaurant is Closed

Thursday December 26:

Regular business hours for all operations

Tuesday December 31:

Bistro & Bar is open regular hours

Clubhouse Restaurant is Closed but will open for reservation-only N.Y.E. festivities

Wednesday January 1:

Bistro & Bar is Closed

Clubhouse Restaurant is Closed

Thursday January 2:

Regular business hours for all operations

Midnight, 6am, Noon & 6pm Fire Safety at the Villages 5 & 11am. 5 & 11pm Every 6-Hours Network: Villages Public Club on Chann More information online at the starting at **Events &** Villages Resident Portal: 5 & 11am, 5 & 11pm The Villages Fitness Center Password: Villages 1 & 7 am/pm **Notices** resident.thevillagesgcc.com Wednesday **Thursday** Tuesday <u>Friday</u> <u>Saturday</u> <u>Sunday</u> The George Burns and The Lucy Show The Beverly Hillbillies The Jack Benny Program Sherlock Holmes The Adventures of You Bet Your Life Robin Hood The Adventures of The Mickey Rooney Show Date with the Angels The Adventures of Meet Corliss Archer The Bob Cummings Show Mr. & Mrs. North Kit Carson Sir Lancelot Westinghouse Studio One Shower of Stars One Step Beyond The Colgate Comedy Hour Letter to Loretta Bonanza Dragnet Suspense Lock-Up Tales of Tomorrow MOVIE: MOVIE: Comedy Binge - 4 Episodes MOVIE: Incredible Petrified World In Old Caliente Little Princess March of the Wooden Man in the Attic St. Martin's Lane Date with the Angels Soldiers PLUS: Richard Diamond PLUS: Radar Men From the Moon Chapters 2, 3, 4 & 5 Ace Drummond The Three Musketeers Topper Life with Elizabeth Private Detective Chapters 2, 3 & 4

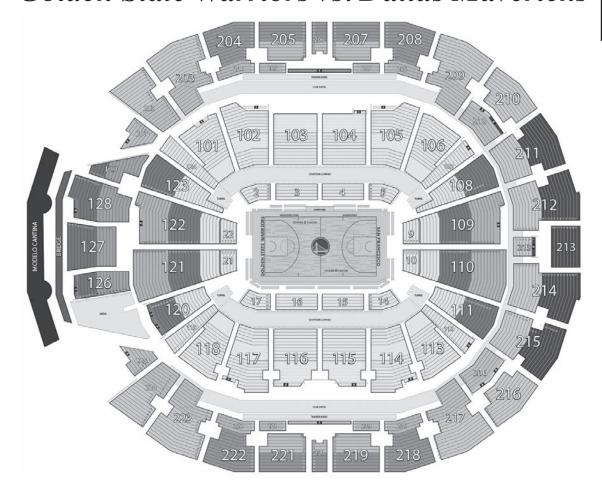
COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

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

Board and Committee Meetings

Date	Meeting	Time	Place
12/2	Fitness Center Committee	10:30 a.m.	Forum
12/5	AC Association	9 a.m.	Montg. Center
12/6	Villages Golf Committee	9 a.m.	Montg. Center

Golden State Warriors vs. Dallas Mavericks



See the new Chase Stadium and watch the Warriors host Dallas on Tuesday, January 14 at 7:30 p.m. Please arrive at Cribari Center at 4:30 p.m. for a 4:45 p.m. departure, 11:30 p.m. is the estimated return time to the Villages.

The price per person includes transportation and game ticket. *Seats are in the private club just at the top of section for your enjoyment. Register in the Community Resource Center, Building B. The following seats are still available:

Section 126, 128, Row 12, 13, 14, 18 and 19 \$228* (elevator to sections). Section 126, 127 and 128, Row 6, 7 and 8 \$253* (elevator to sections).

Yoga for body, mind and golf!

Yoga is good for every body. Yoga training improves strength, flexibility, endurance, muscle tone and helps add to more muscle. Research indicates that golfers who practice yoga can significantly improve their mental and physical performance and maintain an edge over fellow golfers. The class is held on Tuesdays and Thursdays, from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the Montgomery Multipurpose Room.

The cost is \$90 for a class card, issued and punched in class. Start anytime! The first class free! Register in class. Check the Calendar of Events to verify location. For information call Jane at 408-315-1179. Sponsored by the Community Activities Office.

Community Events

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Date	Event	Time	Place
11/30	Hidden Paths Walk	10 a.m.	Vineyard Cntr.
12/2	Democratic Club Concert	3 p.m.	Auditorium
12/3	SIR 114 Lunch	11 a.m.	Clubhouse
12/5	18 Hole Women Lunch	12:30 p.m.	Clubhouse
12/5	Tennis Club Party	5 p.m.	Clubhouse
12/5	Voices Concert	7:30 p.m.	Auditorium
12/6	Hermosa Social	5:30 p.m.	Foothill Cntr.
12/6	Voices Concert	7:30 p.m.	Auditorium

Holiday Shopping at Union Square—second bus added!

We have now added a second bus for our Union Square trip! On Tuesday, December 10, bring a friend and spend the day on a shopping trip to Union Square in San Francisco, the epicenter of Bay Area shopping. Enjoy the beautiful Christmas decorations and decorated trees. Enjoy the day by having breakfast, 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. It's a great place to meet, enjoy coffee, or just watch 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 no later than 5 p.m. The best part is you don't have to drive; just get on the bus and leave everything else to the Royal Coach drivers. The cost is \$42 per person for a great day with your friends. Register in the Community Resource Center, Building B.

Join the Super Bowl Party!

Super Bowl Party at the Clubhouse on Sunday, February 2, 2020, come on down! Wear your colors, bring your neighbors, bring your family and root for your favorite team! Game time is 3:30 p.m. and we watch on giant 10x10 HD screen. Freshly popped popcorn and



pretzels will be available for the duration of the event.

Grill station at the Sunset Patio complete with grilled burgers and hot dogs served with tomatoes, lettuce, onions, relish, banana peppers, cherry peppers and cheeses; BBQ grilled chicken breast; potato salad; corn on the cobb; baked beans; desserts included with assorted pies and cakes. Food will be available from 1 to 3 p.m. and then get ready for game time!!!

At check-in, you will receive one Football Pool square for door prizes!!! Receive one premium draft beer per person (21 years and over only). Full bar (no-host) will be available for your pleasure. Water, coffee & hot tea, iced tea and lemonade station for your enjoyment!

Register in the Community Resource Center, Building B! If you wish to reserve a table just let Rebecca know at the time you are registering! The price is \$46 per person!

Resident Excursion Participation Guidelines

The Community Activities office offers a wide variety of activities for the enjoyment of the Villages residents. As an active adult community, many meetings, events and appointments vie for your time. Please check your personal calendars

prior to committing to an event, class or trip. Once registered for an activity, you are responsible for the cost of the activity. **All sales are final.**

Management assumes residents and guests are able to participate in our sponsored

activities independently. We reserve the right to evaluate the participant's ability to participate based on each individual's physical abilities and/or demonstrated behaviors. You may always take a caregiver with you to help with your needs.

Employees are not permitted to provide physical assistance to participants. If personal assistance or a wheelchair is needed, the participant must arrange for a caregiver with paid reservation to accompany him/her.

Employees, residents and their guests represent the Villages Golf and Country Club off site. It is expected that all participants will conduct themselves in a dignified, cooperative and congenial manner.

The Holiday Lights tour of San Francisco will be Monday, December 9! Sign up in the Community Resource Center, Building B. The registration deadline has now been extended to December 2.

The Royal Coach bus will depart from The Villages at 2:45 p.m. and pick up our tour guide, Craig Smith, at the Hyatt

Regency in San Francisco and see the beautiful outdoor ice skating rink (view only)! Enjoy dinner at Pompei's Grotto... entrée choices of Grilled Salmon, NY Steak, Shrimp & Scallops, Spaghetti with Dungeness Crab or Pasta Angelina (vegetarian). Please have your selection ready when you register for this outing. Meal includes Bruschetta & Fried Calamari, Soup or Caesar Salad, Bread, Dessert, and choice of draft beer or wine (one only), coffee/tea or soda.

Our next stop is Ghirardelli Square for a free chocolate sample, and then we're off to see the beautiful holiday lights on California Street, Union Square, the Civic Center and various other displays along the route. There will also be a stop to view the wonderful LED light display on the Bay Bridge before heading off to South San Francisco for a short walk along two streets to see 34-40 houses lit up for the Holiday Season.

Departure for home will be between 8:30 to 9 p.m. The cost for this trip, inclusive of transportation, dinner and the tour is \$101 per person. (A gratuity for Craig is not included, and neither is one for the bus driver.)

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one-on-one Fitness Training or ask about having a partner join the training for free!



<u>Don't miss...</u>

OVERBOARD Wednesday, Dec. 11 1:30 p.m.



Starring Eugenio Derbez, Anna Faris, and Eva Longoria. After a spoiled, wealthy yacht owner is thrown overboard and loses his memory, a mistreated employee convinces him that he is her working-class husband. Rated PG-13.



Upcoming Evening Movie

The following movie is shown free of charge at Vineyard Center at 7 p.m. on the dates and times designated. For information, contact the Community Activities office.

Monday, December 16 - "Indivisible": Starring Sarah Drew and Justin Bruening. The extraordinary true story of Army Chaplain Darren Turner and his wife Heather. When war etches battle scars on their hearts, they face one more battle: the fight to save their marriage. One marriage, one family, under God. Rated PG-13.



Holiday Lights in San Francisco 32nd annual Christmas Creche Exhibit

Our trip is planned for Wednesday, December 11! The registration deadline has now been extended to December 2. Bring a friend and enjoy this special day! If you have not seen the Christmas Creche Exhibit at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints you don't want to miss it! We will depart from the Villages east parking lot at Cribari Center at 10 a.m. to Stanford Shopping Center to finish up that last-minute Christmas shopping and have lunch before enjoying over 250 nativity scenes from all over the world. We will return to The Villages by 6 p.m.

Register in the Community Resource Center, Building B. The cost of this outing is \$35 per person.

Comic/Impressionist Ken Block on January 17

Comedian/Impressionist Ken Block is rescheduled for Friday, January 17! If you wish to keep your table and reservation you held for the October 11 show...please email or call Ruth DePonzi.

Ken Block is one of the most versatile Comic/Impressionists on the scene today. If you need proof, check out his website at kenblock.net like we did! With over 100 impressions ranging from singers, comedians, politicians, television and movie stars in his repertoire you are sure to be entertained. Ken has a versatile combination of comic impressions, standup comedy and musical parodies perfectly suited for our audience at the Villages.



Ken will be coming from Florida to entertain us on Friday, January 17 at the Clubhouse. Cocktails begin at 5:30 p.m. dinner at 6 p.m. with Ken taking the stage following dinner.

We will enjoy a wonderful buffet with Chicken Marsala, Filet of Salmon Buerre Blanc and Chateaubriand Carving Station along with assorted rolls, Caesar Salad, Fresh Fruit, Mediterranean Pasta Salad, Rice Pilaf, Seasonal Vegetables, Dessert, Coffee and Hot Tea.

Get a table together and sign up in the Community Resource Center, Building B. The cost per person will be \$84.

Walking for Health & Balance

People who are inactive in general have a higher incidence of falling and chronic health problems. Researchers suggest that sitting for long periods of time is equivalent to smoking a pack of cigarettes a day. Walking is the best and most popular exercise for older adults to stay physically, mentally and functionally fit. This class helps restore confidence and develops the renewed standing and walking skills needed to move safely. Chair Fitness is also offered: Don't let your health conditions, cane or walker stop you! Talk to your doctor and join the class. Whether you use a walker or wheelchair, need post-surgery re-habilitation or just want to get some good exercise, this class is for you. The first class is free! Start any time! Register in class! The cost is \$90 for a class card, issued and punched in class. This ongoing class is held Tuesdays 11:30 a.m. and Thursdays 10 a.m. in Cribari Auditiorium. For information call Jane at 408-315-1179. This class is sponsored by the Community Activities Office.

30-Minute PM Restorative Chair Yoga

This Restorative Chair Yoga class teaches both standing and seated postures that are suitable for all fitness levels. It reduces stiffness, tightness, aches, pains and provides tools for handling memory and emotional challenges. Yoga is one of the best tools for countering the negative impact of aging. With regular practice you will improve balance, strength, flexibility and your overall wellbeing to help you feel good about yourself. Modifications are made to accommodate all fitness levels. Classes are held Mondays in the Montgomery Multipurpose Room and Thursdays in the Vineyard Center, from 7 to 7:30 p.m. Please wear comfortable, loose-fitting clothing. Check the Calendar of Events to verify location. 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 coordinated by the Community Activities Office.

Tai Ji Quan: Better Balance

The Tai Chi class is adding Tai Ji Quan: Moving for Meving for Meving for Better Balance® (TJQMBB) training to our Basic Tai Chi format. TJQMBB is an effective, practical, evidencebased balance exercise training program which focuses on



helping older adults restore posture and balance control. The training emphasizes helping you avoid falling in a loss of balance situation. It will add tools for improving sensory, motor and cognitive functions and will improve your ability to safely perform daily activities.

Register in class. First class is free! Time change: Wednesdays and Fridays at 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. in the Vineyard Center. The cost is \$90 for a class card, issued and punched in class. For information call Jane at 408-315-1179. This class is sponsored by the Communities Activities Office.

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CLUBS & EVENTS

A special holiday treat for all Villagers High-Twelve Contributions

By Tony Berg

On December 2, at 3 p.m., in the Cribari Auditorium, we will be entertained by two groups of exceptional music talent from Quimby Oak Middle School, led by Gary Ortega, the Band and Choir Director.

The Symphonic Band performs two concerts a year, travels for local music festivals and receives consistent high



marks in festival performances. Participation in this band is traditionally a stepping stone for the students to further develop their musical skills and talents as they grow into contributing citizens. For our entertainment, the Symphonic Band will be presenting works for the festive winter

season, including from Harry Potter and Leroy Anderson's Sleigh Ride.

The Chorus is open to all students interested in developing a basic understanding of music and is a stepping stone to participation in full ensemble performances. The Chorus will feature a Latin American piece, Camino Caminante and the beautiful ballad In Flanders Fields.

This is a special opportunity for all Villagers to see the results of Measure EE in action and to help sponsor the exceptional talent under the skilled tutelage of Gary Ortega.

The concert is open to all Villagers at no charge. Refreshments will be served before the performance and a collection box will be available for donations to the music program at Quimby Oak Middle School. Do put the date, December 2 at 3 p.m. in your diary and plan to join us in celebration of the season with our local students. Sponsored by The Villages Democratic Club

Reminder to Arts and Crafts members

By Michael Sunzeri, VACA Membership Chair

Attention Arts and Crafts Association members, we are sending an early notice that your 2020 Arts and Crafts Club dues will be billed in your January 2020 HOA billing statement. Your dues will remain the same as they were in 2019 at \$10 per person.

The Arts and Crafts Board of Directors will make good use of your dues by continuing to provide you with the events and classes that you have grown to love and participate in. We will remind you again before December 3.

If you plan not to renew, please let the Membership Chair

know as soon as possible before the Roster of members is given to the billing department on December 3. You can email twosunzeris@comcast.net or call 408-622-6860 leaving your last name and phone number.

If you do not pay by HOA billing, please forward your \$10 made out to VACA and to the attention of the Membership Chair. You can submit via post mail to Michael Sunzeri, 6130 Montgomery Ct or drop it in the Cribari mailbox. As always, thank you for your participation in our talented Arts and Crafts Club.

Greenbelt Alliance Director to speak to SIR 114

On Tuesday, December 3, Kiyomi Honda Yamamoto, South Bay Regional Director of the Greenbelt Alliance, will speak at the SIR 114 Luncheon in the Fairway Room at the Clubhouse. Guests are invited to attend and should come to the Clubhouse around 12:30 p.m.

The Greenbelt Alliance is a nonprofit land conservation and urban planning organization that has worked in the nine-county San Francisco Bay Area since 1958.

As a fourth-generation descendant of San Jose ranchers and sharecroppers, Kiyomi is committed to protecting the South Bay's rich legacy of agriculture and open space. Prior to joining the Greenbelt Alliance, Kiyomi dedicated more than 10 years to public service in the government and nonprofit sectors. She held



Kiyomi Honda Yamamoto

positions at SPUR, the San Jose Redevelopment Agency, and a government consulting firm in Washington, D.C. She has also served as a congressional intern and on the Board of Directors at the Japanese American Museum of San Jose.

Kiyomi is a member of the California State Bar and earned her J.D. from Santa Clara Law. She holds a B.S. from UC Davis in Community and Regional Development, and a certificate in Transportation Management from the Mineta Transportation Institute.



On October 22, High-12 President Greg Stewart presented contribution checks from The Villages High-12 Club to **Maxine Amundson of Evergreen Foundation and Joe Civello** of VMA. High-12 also made a contribution to the Villages Music Society.

Cribari Christmas decorations!

Come, join us for a morning of camaraderie and fun as we decorate Cribari Lane. We will meet at 9:30 a.m. on Saturday, November 30 in the middle of the Lane. If we finish on Saturday, great! Otherwise, we may have to continue on Sunday, December 1, at 1 p.m. Our goal is to make Cribari Lane spectacular! All are welcome. For questions, please call Mary Mazur at 408-528-1732.

Painting Trees in Acrylic class - split session

Jeff Bramschreiber is offering to Villagers an acrylics class in painting seasonal trees: autumn trees, bare winter trees and snowy evergreens. The class will be offered on Tuesdays, from noon to 2:30 p.m. in the Cribari Center Art Room. Split session dates are December 3, 14 and 21 in 2019 and January 7, 14 and 21 in 2020.



Fees for this class are \$60 for members, \$65 for non-members, and \$10 extra for non-resident guests. Register by emailing barb. gottesman@gmail.com.

Jeff has been teaching acrylics at The Villages for almost two years. Jeff also teaches classes at Triton Museum, where he is also Chairman of the Board of Trustees. You can find his work at Kaleid Gallery in downtown San Jose.

December Group Meditation

Are you interested in learning to meditate or to join a Villages group that gets together to meditate weekly? The group welcomes new members, whether experienced or completely new to meditating. If you're new, you'll find the group is very supportive. We have different leaders each week, giving meditators a chance to experience different approaches and techniques. We usually start with a brief introduction about the benefits of meditation, 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. In December our schedule is lighter because of holidays-we meet on December 4, 11 and 18. No need to sign up in advance, and no fees.

More CLUBS

FROM THE BOOKSHELF

By Linda Schlageter

"Vendetta in Death" (an Eve Dallas thriller) by J.D. Robb: She calls herself Lady Justice. Her disguises vary, from a tall blonde to a curvaceous redhead, whatever it takes to lure the men she targets, men who have done women wrong. The first victim is wealthy businessman Nigel McEnroy. By day he runs a successful headhunting firm, but when his wife is away he engages in another kind of hunt. His company's human resources department has already paid out settlements to a couple of his young victims, but they know that his crimes go far beyond workplace harassment. Lady Justice knows. In one shocking night of brutality, she makes him pay a much steeper price. Now Eve Dallas and her husband Roarke are combing through the evidence of McEnroy's secret life. His compulsive need to record his misdeeds provides them with a wide range of suspects, but the true identity of Lady Justice remains elusive. It's a challenging case made even more difficult by McEnroy's widow who reacts to the investigation with fury, denial and threats. Meanwhile Lady Justice's criminal crusade is escalating rapidly, and there's no telling how much blood may be spilled. Mystery 2019

"The Dutch House" by Ann Patchett: At the end of WWII, Cyril Conroy combines luck and a single canny investment to build an immense real estate empire, propelling his family from poverty to enormous wealth. His first order of business is to buy the Dutch House, a lavish estate in the suburbs of Philadelphia. Meant as a surprise for his wife, the house sets in motion the undoing of everything he loves. The story is told by Cyril's son Danny as he and his older sister, the brilliantly acerbic and selfassured Maeve, are exiled by their stepmother from the house where they grew up. The two wealthy siblings are thrown back into the poverty their parents had escaped, and find that all they have to count on is each other. It is this unshakable bond that both saves their lives and thwarts their futures. Set over five decades, the story is a dark fairy tale about two smart people who cannot overcome their past. Fiction 2019

"The Giver of Stars" by JoJo Moyes: Alice Wright marries handsome American Bennett Van Cleve hoping to escape her stifling life in England, but small-town Kentucky quickly proves equally claustrophobic, especially living alongside her overbearing father-in-law. So when a call goes out for a team of women to deliver books as part of Eleanor Roosevelt's new traveling library, Alice signs on enthusiastically. The leader and soon Alice's greatest ally, is Margery. She is a smart talking, self-sufficient woman who's never asked a man's permission for anything. They will be joined by other singular women who become known as the Pack-horse librarians of Kentucky. What happens to them and to the men they love becomes an unforgettable drama of loyalty, justice, humanity and passion. Though they face all kinds of dangers in a landscape that is at times breathtakingly beautiful, and at others brutal, they're committed to their job of bringing books to people who have never had any. Based on a true story rooted in America's past, "The Giver of Stars" is unparalleled in its scope and epic in its storytelling. Fiction 2019

"Red at the Bone" by Jacqueline Woodson: Two families from different social classes are joined together by an unexpected pregnancy and the child that it produces. Moving forward and backward in time with the power of poetry and the emotional richness of a narrative 10 times its length, Woodson's extraordinary new novel uncovers the role that history and community have played in the experiences, decisions, and relationships of these families and in the life of this child. As the book opens in 2001, it is the evening of 16-year old Melody's coming of age ceremony in her grandparents' Brooklyn brownstone. Watched lovingly by her relatives and friends making her entrance, she wears a special custom-made dress. But the event is not without poignancy. Sixteen years earlier that very dress was measured and sewn for a different wearer: Melody's mother, for her own ceremony-a celebration that ultimately never took place. Unfurling the history of Melody's parents and grandparents to show how they all arrived at this moment, Woodson considers not just their ambitions and successes, but also their costs, the tolls they've paid for striving to overcome expectations and escape the pull of history. "Red at the Bone" strikingly looks at the ways in which young people must so often make long-lasting life decisions even before they have begun to figure out who they are. Fiction 2019

Library hours: Monday to Saturday. 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday 2 to 5 p.m.

Astronomy Club: 'Trends in Cosmology'

All are welcome to attend "Trends in Cosmology—a New Visual Tour of the Universe and Planets Beginning 2020," a lecture at the next Astronomy Club meeting on Tuesday, December 3 at 7:30 p.m. at Foothill Center.

The lecture series covers all aspects of cosmology with some mathematics and science to reinforce current thinking.

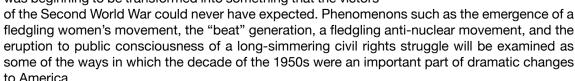
No pets will be allowed at this event. Questions? E-mail Barry Stein at b.stein200@gmail.com.

Senior Academy: 'Transforming America'

Dr. Bob Senkewicz, Professor of History at Santa Clara University, is well-known to Senior Academy audiences and has presented numerous American History courses at the Villages. His dynamic presentations, with many slides, video clips and photos have proven to be both informative and entertaining.

In a two-session course on Wednesdays, December 4 and 11 at 2 p.m. in the Vineyard Center, the Senior Academy will present Dr. Senkewicz in an entertaining and in-depth look at a key period of American history—The 1950s: the origins and early years of the US-USSR rivalry known as the "Cold War."

The course will look at the ways in which postwar America was beginning to be transformed into something that the victors



Advance registration with the Senior Academy is required. The cost is \$25 for Senior Academy members or \$30 for non-members. Sign up by contacting Susan Dyer sodjsd@aol.com 408-532-0624 or by using "Reggie" on the Senior Academy website: villagessenioracademy.org

It's Christmas Time for the Republicans

The Republican Club at The Villages will hold its annual Christmas party on Wednesday, December 4 at 5 p.m. in the Clubhouse. Come join in the fun as we share Champagne and delicious appetizers prepared by the Villages' Super Chef. The price for this special treat is \$25 per person.

Enjoy the festivities while we are entertained by Vera Johnston on the piano, playing a medley of Christmas music. We'll even join together to sing our favorite carols. We ask that you bring a children's book, or child's toy that we can give to "Toys for Tots." Please do not wrap the gifts.

Reservations for this event are required. They may be made by contacting Donna Roberson or Jean Corrigan. Donna's contacts are 408-270-1221 or donna@robersons.com; Jean's are 408-223-8676 or jeanmcorrigan@att.net. The deadline for reservations is Monday, December 2 at 12 noon.



Opera Lovers will present the "Mikado" on Friday, December 13 at 1:30 p.m. in the Vineyard Center. When one thinks about a light and enjoyable musical, one often thinks of Gilbert and Sullivan's captivating operettas with the Mikado being one of the most delightful. Whereas Arthur Sullivan trained at the Royal Academy of Music in London in 1900 and composed oratorios and one grand opera, it wasn't until he worked with librettist W.S. Gilbert blending satire, burlesque and sentimentality that has become famous. Sullivan had a great flair for matching music to Gilbert's brilliant words.

This production stars the D'Oyly Carte Light Opera Company toward the end of their greatest years but still starring some of the greatest members of that Company's history! John Reed as "Ko-Ko," the hapless Lord High Executioner, is a joy to both see and listen to; Kenneth Sandford as the Lord High Everything Else "Pooh-Bah" is perfect in the role that might have been made for him; Donald Adams is the ultimate Mikado, especially in his signature song "My Object All Sublime"; Philip Potter is a marvelous "Nanki-Poo"; and Valerie Masterson is as charming, demure and beautiful a "Yum-Yum" as one could wish, especially in performing "The Sun Whose Rays", one of the most beautiful songs Gilbert & Sullivan ever wrote. The sets and costumes for this filmed stage production are as historically accurate as a purist could ever wish for, and not a single line of dialogue is changed, altered, or updated (another joy for G&S purists).

During this rushed holiday period, please join us to capture this moment of relaxed listening For more information, call Bonnie Preston at 408-531-1513.

Free hearing aid check and cleaning

The VMA is sponsoring a free hearing aid check and cleaning on Tuesday, December 10 from 9:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. in Montgomery Center. Hearing Life will be doing the cleaning and checking. Registration is required. Please contact Cristina Freyer at 408-238-4029 or e-mail her at cfreyer@ SequoiaLiving.org.







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Please RSVP by Monday, December 2 to Sandy Smith at

408.270.7762 or marileekline@yahoo.com
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Hiking Club's Annual Holiday Party!

The Hiking Club's annual holiday party will be held on Friday, December 13 at Foothill Center. We will begin at 5:30 p.m. with appetizers and socializing.

Our buffet dinner begins at 6 p.m. and will feature tossed green salad, herbed salmon, sliced beef tenderloin, green beans amandine, scalloped potatoes, assorted breads, dessert and coffee. All dinnerware, napkins, plastic glasses and flatware will be provided. Guests are requested to bring their beverage of choice for the evening and their favorite wine glass if they wish!

After dinner we will have a short entertainment program by "Trillium"—a musical group featuring Dan Kato, Kellen Perry, and Connie Hendrickson.

The cost is \$28 for Hiking Club members and their guests and it will be billed to your house number. Due to the size of the venue, seating will be limited to 96.

The deadline for reservations is Saturday, December 7. RSVP to Wendy at wledamun49@gmail.com or 408-960-8335. Wendy will confirm your reservation. No cancellations after December 9. No-shows will be billed.



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Montgomery Holiday Party Friday, December 20 from 5 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

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Music by DJ Ed Knott, Dancing, Entertainment, No Host Bar
Photo Booth — bring your camera!
RSVP by December 15 to Carol Hoffman at cahoffman@sbcglobal.ne

RSVP by December 15 to Carol Hoffman at cahoffman@sbcglobal.net or 408-270-4070. Include names of all attendees, house number (for payment) and phone number.

No refunds after December 15.

Villages Amateur Theatre to hold auditions



Don't be a blockhead like Charlie Brown! Come and audition! The VAT is pleased to announce that our Spring Musical on April 17, 18, 19 will be "You're a Good Man Charlie Brown (Revised)" based on the famous comic strip "Peanuts" by Charles Schultz and directed by Nick Yannaccone.

Auditions will take place Monday, December 9 at 2 p.m., and Thursday, December 12 at 7 p.m. in the Cribari Auditorium. There are six roles: Charlie Brown, Sally Brown, Lucy Van Pelt, Linus Van Pelt, Schroeder, and the dog Snoopy. Since these are children, depending on who auditions, we may cast

women in the boy's roles and vice versa. As this is a fast-paced musical show with adults acting as children, you must be able to sing and move easily on stage. Dancing skills are a plus but not a requirement. Auditions will be held on the Cribari Auditorium stage with participants reading and singing parts from the show. Those wishing to audition are encouraged to view the many productions on YouTube to get a sense of the dialogue and songs. Contact Nick Yannaccone for more information.

At this stage in our lives, the Villages Amateur Theatre provides something for everyone who enjoys community theatre whether you are onstage, backstage, or simply watching the stage. Join us and have some fun!







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Did You Know?

Villages author publishes book about local

German-American history

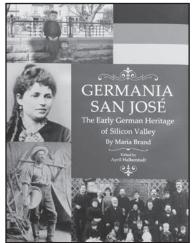
Olivas resident Maria Brand is proud of her German culture and has been writing about it for more than 20 years. And she is justifiably proud of her most recent book, "Germania San Jose, The Early German Heritage of Silicon Valley," published in 2019 and available on Amazon.com.

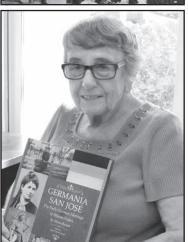
Published by Glory Anne Laffey Architectural Archives in association with the Sourisseau Academy for State and Local History at San Jose State University, her book is a historical record of the accomplishments of 75 German-American pioneers in Santa Clara County and the region now called Silicon Valley (formerly the "Valley of Heart's Delight"). Among the historical profiles is one about a person who is key to the history of The Villages, William Wehner, former owner of the land now occupied by The Villages and first occupant of the Wehner Mansion.

An immigrant herself, Maria came to the United States in 1956 and to The Villages in 1992 with husband, Walter Brand. She began her new life working in a factory in Milwaukee and later became a waitress in California. Husband, Walter, was a pastry chef who worked as a mechanic for United Airlines.

Maria began her history book project in 2016 with the help of editor April Halberstadt, historic consultant and board member of the Sourisseau Academy. It took a long time, Brand said, but "I did it!" The many years of compiling information and writing has also made her a source of local German history. "I've always been a history buff," she explained. Brand also published a book in 2005, "From the Land of Westphalia to the Shores of the Pacific."

The books are also available from Maria. Contact her at 408-270-4888 or email: stina1936@comcast.net





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Programs in December

Blood Pressure Clinic: Come have your blood pressure checked. Wednesday, December 4, 10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m., Forum Room.

Parkinson's Caregivers Support Group: Meet with other caregivers of those with Parkinson's. Wednesday, December 4, 10 a.m. -11 a.m., Building A in Conference Room A.

Grief Support Group: a facilitator from Hospice of the Valley leads this monthly grief group. Monday, December 9, 10:30 a.m. – 12 p.m., Patio Room.

Hearing Aid Clean & Check: Free to Residents. Please register with Service Coordinator. Tuesday, December 10, 9: 30 a.m. – 12 p.m., Montgomery Center.

Diabetes Support Group: a place to share experiences and techniques for successful management of diabetes. Wednesday, December 18, 10 a.m.- 12 p.m., Cribari Forum Room.

Caregivers Support Group: a group designed to provide emotional, educational and social support for all caregivers facilitated by Villager, Judy London, Ph.D. Thursday, December 19, 10:30 a.m. – 12 p.m., Patio Room

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 Council Meeting: The Villages Catholic Council will meet in the Montgomery Center Conference Room, on Tuesday, December 3, at 7 p.m.

Donut Sunday: Enjoy a donut and conversation with friends, on Sunday, December 1, after the 8:15 a.m. Mass.

Christmas Cheers, a Christmas Concert for the benefit of the SFOA Music Department, featuring the Bytes and Notes Chorale, will be held at SFOA Gathering Hall on Saturday, December 14. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. at which time there will be a silent auction. Tickets (\$25) can be purchased on the website, www. sfoasj.com. Contact the SFOA office for more information.

Annual Villages Community Thanksgiving/Christmas Food and Clothing Drive: This year's drive will continue until Sunday, December 15.

Home Visits: Fr. Matt Stanley has been visiting parishioners, who live in The Villages. If you would like to have him visit you at your home, please call Marilyn Rodman at 408-274-4521.

Eucharistic Adoration at St. Francis of Assisi is 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.

New to the Villages? To find out more about our Ecclesial Community, contact Marion Burry at 408-528-8231 or marion93940@aol.com.

Mass Intentions: If you would like offer a Mass for someone, contact Jean Gillette at 408-270-5723. Please submit your request at least four weeks in advance if you want it listed in the Church bulletin.

Friday Mass at 9 a.m.: On the first three Fridays of every month there is a Mass in the Cribari Conference Room, which 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.

St. Francis of Assisi Sunday Mass times:

Saturday	5 p.m.	Chapel
Sunday	8:15 a.m.	The Villages
-	8:30 a.m.	Chapel
	9 a.m.	Gathering Space
	9:30 a.m.	Grange
	10:30 a.m.	Chapel
	11 a.m.	Gathering Space
	12:30 p.m.	Chapel
	6 p.m.	Youth Mass Chapel
Friday	9 a.m.	Cribari Conf. Room
Preceded by	the Rosary at 8	3:30 a.m.

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.

SEARCH THE SCRIPTURES

Search the Scriptures class will meet on Monday, December 2 from 9 to 11 a.m. Please note the time change as this will be our Christmas coffee. We will follow with our study at 10 a.m. We will not meet again in 2019, but will see you all in January, 2020! Can you believe it! See you at Foothill Center on the 2nd.

JEWISH GROUP

Annual Chanukah Dinner is December 22

By Barbara Tommaney

We looked at the calendar and were surprised to see that Chanukah is just one month away. The first night falls on Sunday, December 22, 2019. So mark that date and plan to attend the Jewish Group's annual Chanukah Dinner at the Clubhouse. The festivities begin at 5 p.m. with candle lighting at 5:30 p.m. Be sure to bring your family menorah and we will light the candles together.

Dinner choices include Beef Brisket, Grilled Salmon, or Vegetable Napoleon. Of course, we won't forget the Potato Latkes. The feast will begin with a salad of mixed greens, dried



cranberries, pears, and candied walnuts. We end the dinner with jelly donuts and sherbert. Entertainment will be provided by the Plaid Brothers and will include Klezmer selections. The cost for this lovely evening is \$43 billed to your house account. Children are especially welcome and dinners for those ages 6 to 12 is \$19. Children under the age of 6 are guests of the Jewish Group.

Joey Stern will take your reservations. Call 408-238-4890 or email sternjo@pacbell.net. Be sure to tell Joey your dinner choice and any table mates that you wish to join you at your table.

COMMUNITY CHAPEL

'Love will outlast bad behavior'

By Pastor Bill Hayden

Another Thanksgiving Day Celebration has come and gone. Each year families come together to sit at the table to feast on turkey and all the side dishes. For some, it is a time for each person present to share what they are thankful for. The sharing sometimes can be very sobering as people turn inward and reflect on their lives.

Needless to say, for some families it's a time of personal drama because someone offended them and they are still holding a grudge against that individual. There is tension in the atmosphere and as a result people don't feel the warmth, comfort and joy during the gathering.

Holiday gatherings should be a wonderful time for family and friends to come together with the express purpose of loving and encouraging each other during these challenging times. People are stressing about things, in the long term, that don't really matter when it comes to the brevity of life. Not realizing that at some point there may be someone missing at the table next year and the opportunity to be a blessing to them has been denied.

I think we can agree that life is too short and there are things about each other that we would like to change but can't. If this is true, why shorten your life over worrying and stressing about another person who doesn't conform to your way of life? Stop making yourself sick over their behavior and let it go!

Let's remember that we all have been given Free Will by our Creator. People use it for good or evil! In spite of what others may say or do, be the best person that you can be, knowing that we are all imperfect people looking for love, acceptance and forgiveness.

Matthew 5:44-45 NLT 44 "But I say, love your enemies! Pray for those who persecute you! 45 "In that way, you will be acting as true children of your Father in heaven. For He gives His sunlight to both the evil and the good, and He sends rain on the just and the unjust alike."

The next family gathering can be a beautiful experience providing we allow love, acceptance and forgiveness to be the center theme of the gathering.

Please join us at the Villages Community Chapel in the Cribari Auditorium each Sunday from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. The chapel is a place for Needs to be Met, Faith to be Affirmed and People to Love. You will be glad that you did! We would love to meet you. If you would like to make an appointment with Pastor Bill call the office at 408-238-3079 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday thru Wednesday. To learn more about the Villages Community Chapel visit our website at villagescommunitychapel.org. You can hear previous and current Sunday Sermons.

Sports News

SHONIS

By Tom Zades

Following days of balmy weather, temperatures in the 50s did not deter the 20 Shonis who came out to play on Tuesday, November 19. Perhaps it was the partly sunny skies; perhaps it was the Turkey Shoot challenge. Per the rules, each golfer was restricted to two clubs plus a putter, with the lowest net score of the day winning a \$25 grocery gift card. We are pleased to announce that the winner, with a net 21, was our newest Shoni, Barb Sunseri! If she uses it to buy her Thanksgiving turkey, that



Congratulations to Barbara Sunseri for winning the Shoni Turkey Shoot!

Photo by Vivian Wilczak

will count toward the total number of birdies for the day of four. Two of the four were traditional birdies: Betty Hall had a birdie on hole #1 and Teddy Morse birdied hole #8. For the fourth "birdie," Kacy Walden wounded a winged creature with one of her shots. There was no report of what kind of bird, but the fact that it walked (staggered?) away suggests that it was fairly large. Probably not as big as a Thanksgiving turkey, though.

Have you tried the new Bullseye Targets yet? The Driving Range has installed six new Bullseye Targets—two each at 25, 50 and 75 yards. Hone your skills and get ready to take strokes off your game as you enjoy the sights and sounds of hitting the target you were aiming for!

Our annual holiday party follows sweeps play on Tuesday, December 10. Besides a delightful lunch in the Sunset Room, the party includes a thank you to our outgoing board members, introduction of our 2020 board, and awards to this year's winners. Social members and others not golfing that day may sign up by emailing Nanci Newell (njnrnc46@gmail.com.)

Even though the Shonis take three weeks off from sweeps play in December, there will still be practice games for those interested. For the Long 9, contact Barbara Karayn or Tricia Hardt. For the par 3 course, contact Bonnie Evans or Teddy Morse. You don't have to be a Shoni to come out and practice with us. All are welcome.

Chip shot: My partner once quipped: "I'm a scratch golfer. I write down all my good scores and scratch out the bad ones." That's not the half of it. She once had a hole-in-one and scored it as a zero!



18-HOLE WOMEN

By Barbara Swiontek

The day started a tad on the cold side, but the day developed warm and sunny to be matched by some bright and shining golf. There were six birdies and eight chip-ins.

The Birdie winners are: Inge McQuiddy #11, Diana Hallock #15, Maxine Amundson #11, Jan Kiernan #15, Janet Gonzales #9 and #14, Janet Salvatierra #2 and #3.

Chip-In winners are: Judy Rodriguez #14, Nancy Keane #8, Patti Bell #7, Mary Jo O'Neill #4, Joyce Mukuno #10,

Judy Owens and Betty Sharps created a great Turkey Shoot tournament, here they are with the winners. Left to right: Betty Sharps, Madeline Naftzger, Diana Hallock, Janet Gonzales, Judy Owens.

Kathy Kyne #8, and Jan Kiernan #15.

The day ended with a luncheon favorite—Chicken Pot Pie along with a number of delicious desert choices.

Our Holiday Luncheon will be December 5. Don't forget it is also our Christmas Toy Drive. Bring those Christmas toys, but no stuffed animals.

Have a wonderful Thanksgiving with family and friends. Judy Owens and Betty Sharps created a great Turkey Shoot tournament...winners pictured above.

SWINGERS

By Doreen Senior

What a wonderful day for a Turkey Shoot! The weather was cool and crisp, a perfect day for fall!

Although I wasn't on the golf course myself, I know it was cool and crisp on my front patio, and I'm hoping to be back swinging with the Swingers soon.

What a Day! Not only was everyone shooting for a turkey, but there were four chip-ins and a birdie too! Christine Zinn had a birdie on hole 11, with a chip-in on hole 15 by Pat Duplan, a chip-in on hole 11 by Carleen Corsello, a chip-in on



A wonderful day for the Turkey Shoot!

hole 14 by Debbie Moore, and a chip-in by Sherry Benz on hole 9. It must have been the cooler weather to direct those golf balls right into the hole! I wonder if Sherry's ball sailed right over the little stream on hole 9 to find the hole!

Was it the cool crisp weather that brought on all the chip-ins and birdie? A special thanks to Susan Sunzeri and Karen Carlson for chairing the Turkey Shoot!

Coming Up: Holiday Lunch December 10.

PINSEEKERS

By Tim Short

Lots of winners in the Pinseekers men's long 9 sweeps on Tuesday, November 19.

The parade was led by Tak Okabe, Bob Iacopi and Frank Garcia in first place with net 35s. Lawrence Chin was second at 36, Richard Petrosky third at 37, with four players—Roy Wash, Martin Hoek, John Eige and Gus Warmerdam—finishing fourth at 38. Congratulations to all!

MEN'S GOLF CLUB



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

NCGA and **Men's Club Dues for 2020:** The 2020 NCGA dues of \$39 in addition to the Men's Club dues of \$35 will be billed to your house account in January. All Men's Club members who wish to cancel must contact Membership Chairman David Bacigalupi at baci1786@aol.com or the Pro Shop before December 15, 2019. Men's Club members must maintain their NCGA membership through the Villages Men's Golf Club even if they are members elsewhere.



Next Tournament: Our next Men's Golf Club Tournament is our Holiday Tournament set for Saturday, December 14. Tee Times will begin at 8 a.m. for the Two-man Teams, Stableford Format, 1 BB Net. Look for the poster in this Villager and on the website.

Help—Missing Green Books: The search is on for some missing historical years of Green Books. 32 historical Men's Golf Club green books have been preserved, starting with a 1976 Green Book, presumably the first one produced, as part of a process of constructing a complete history of the Men's Golf Club Executive Committee members and the golf events

and winners. However, 10 years of Green Books are missing, and we hope one or more history-collecting (or pack rat) golfer might have one or more of them: 1983, 1984, 1985, 1986, 1987, 1988, 1996, 1997, 1999, 2000. If you have any of the above Green Books, please email Dick Fisher: richarddfisher@earthlink.net (the new VMGC History volunteer) and let him know. Thanks!

Upcoming Events

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, December 3. 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



The Silver Creek Girls' Tennis Team with the Villages Ladies.

By Claire Hintergardt

It is a joy to see the Silver Creek High School Girls' Tennis Team play The Villages Ladies.

This annual event encourages the high school girls to participate on their tennis team and to maintain eligibility for The Villages Tennis Club scholarships. All six courts were filled with spins, drop shots, laughter, good sportsmanship and encouraging comments. Yes, it is true that many of the Villagers are mature enough to be the girls' grandmothers! Delicious pizza was the grand finale. Many thanks to Phyllis Seeger, co-chair of the Villages Scholarship Committee, for organizing the event.

The Tennis Club Holiday Dinner is always good fun with a delicious menu, gorgeous holiday decorations, music and dancing. The team of Sherry Benz, Joy Rem, Judi Falarski and Suzie Vader have created a memorable evening for everyone to enjoy. The annual meeting and election of next year's Board of Directors and Officers will also be featured. Another fantastic slate of directors and officers have been nominated for 2020. Hustle down to sign up for the dinner at the Tennis Hut.

Much enthusiastic chatter and positive comments are heard about the tennis pro, Ken deHart. Ken is on the court on Tuesdays and Fridays for tennis drop in clinics, private lessons and reserved clinics. Ken may be contacted at kendehart@aol.com or call or text at 408-892-3806.

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

IRONMEN

By Bill Travis

The Ironmen play every Thursday morning; check-in time is 9:30 a.m. and tee off at 10 a.m. Thursday, November 21, was a beautiful day: sunny and mild. Another great day for golf. We had a good turnout and the results are as follows:

First place went to Tony Illich with a net score of 25.

Second place there was a two-way tie between Dave Hathaway and Roger Pyle each with a net score of 26.

Third place there was a two-way tie between Jerry Weltzin and Al Bruno each with a net score of 27.

There were three birdies today: Al Bruno on hole 5; Herb Rogers on hole 9; and Mario Silva on hole 3.

Closest to the pin on hole 3: Although several came close, no one hit the green on hole 3. Quite unusual.

Deep thoughts:

"Actually, the only time I took out a one iron was to kill a tarantula...and it took a 7 to do that." - The great Jim Murray, sportswriter

"For those who know golf, no explanation is necessary. For those who don't, no explanation is possible." - The great Jim Murray, sportswriter

TABLE TENNIS

Fall Table Tennis Tournament

By Alan Waltho

Twenty-four eager participants turned up at the Montgomery Multipurpose Room to take on friends and old rivals. Ali Goksel and John Chang bravely took on the task of hand picking their teams and seeding them into four groups each of three players. Each participant then played three matches against their equivalent group of three in the opposing team. This resulted in many very close matches and virtually no blowouts. At the excellent lunch provided by Shirley Deng, Alan announced that Ali's team was the overall winner having drawn in the top group and winning two out of three in the other groups. The detailed results are posted in the MMR.

Following lunch "Albert" presented his ideas for the 2019 Table Tennis Club Championship tournament to be held in December. It would be open to all and would include a series of round robins from which 8 or 16 winners would move forward to the knockout stage. Make sure you sign up soon for this fun event.

As in previous years we will be holding a post-holiday social event toward the end of January. Shirley will be taking the lead in organizing this event and I am sure she would appreciate any ideas and help that you can give her.

Get in the Fast Lane!

Fast Lane is the Villages e-mail information blast. To sign up or get more information, contact Communications Coordinator Ken Patterson at 408-223-4681; kpatterson@the-villages.com, or go to Building B to sign up in person.



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BOCCE NEWS



By Barbara Orlando

The General Membership & Elections Meeting was well attended and members cast their votes for those individuals who they felt would best represent them. Congratulations to the following members who were elected and will serve the next two years on the Bocce Club Board of Directors. Re-elected incumbents, Evonne Cook and Paul Andersen. New to the board George Paris, Jim Goss, Bob Rosenberg and Marty Schlager.

Your board of directors for 2020 will be:

President-Barbara Orlando

VP-Wayne Weiler

Secretary—Evonne Cook

Treasurer-Jim Goss

Membership - Jeanne-Anne Whitacre

Webmaster-David Cook

Court Manager - Paul Andersen

Bash-Tony Orlando

Tournament Director—George Paris

Publicity-Barbara Orlando

Board Members — Gail Leslie, Marcy Boyles, Bob Rosenberg and Marty Schlager

Thank you to Wayne Weiler, the elections coordinator, and his group of volunteers who counted the ballots. Also, a special thank you to the volunteers who helped with the wine and cheese reception. Jackie Berman, Susan Sunzeri, Freda Salois, Betty Lanctot, Noel Lanctot, George Paris and Kerry Besmehn.

Winter play is every Thursday at noon to 3 p.m., through the months of December & January. Court Manager, Paul Andersen has reserved the courts for anyone wanting to play. Come over and play some bocce, weather permitting.

Save the dates for the following events in 2020:

Installation Dinner on February 8. More information to follow on our website and in the Villager.

Boot Camp in February—If you're new to the Villages or just curious, this is just the thing for you. Every Monday and Thursday from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. throughout the month of February, instruction will be given at the bocce courts, so come on over and learn how to play bocce. Knowledgeable instructors will be at the courts to help and instruct you in one of the oldest games played. It's fun!

Beginner's Tournament on Thursday, February 27. If you participated in Boot Camp and become a member, you are invited to sign up. Everything will be taken care of by your experienced Captain. This one-day tournament is fun and there are awards for first and second place. The club also, will provide you with lunch.

Tip from the courts: Please make sure all the bocce equipment is put away, scoreboard is covered and your personal items and trash are taken care of properly. It's appreciated.

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FROM THE PRO



By Scott Steele, PGA Head Golf Professional

Mark Your Calendars—Don't forget our always popular Pro Shop Holiday Blowout Sale on Friday, December 6!

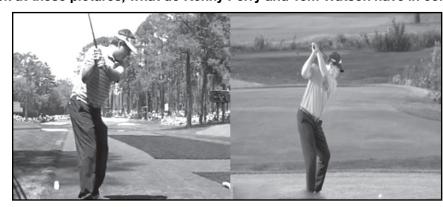
Twilight Golf Clarification—Now that we are into our Winter Schedule, Twilight golf starts at 2 p.m. That means that the first available Twilight tee time is 2:06 each day. 1:50 and 1:58 are *not* Twilight times, and if you reserve one of those tee times, please expect to pay a full \$30 green fee. Also, as a rule, we will no longer allow Twilight golfers to tee off before their scheduled tee time. So if you have a 2:06 tee time for the Twilight rate, please expect to tee off at 2:06 and no earlier. We appreciate your cooperation!

Upcoming Events

Sunday, December 1, Men's Guest Day. Men may bring 1-3 guests for \$45 each! Book your tee time now!

Let's all help to grow the game of golf! Do you have any old golf clubs in your garage or storage unit that you do not use anymore? If so, I'd like to ask for your help...We are trying to get new golfers into the game at The Villages and equipment is one of the obstacles. My goal is to have a large stock of used golf clubs for men and women that our new golfers can use when they go play or practice—and you can help! So if you are interested in getting rid of those old clubs that are taking up space and gathering dust, let the Pro Shop know and please bring them in...we will re-purpose them in a positive way and you will know that you made a valuable impact toward bringing new golfers into this wonderful game we all love.

Tips from the Pro – Scott Steele, PGA Director of Golf
Straight = Tight...Let the left arm bend for more distance
Look at these pictures; what do Kenny Perry and Tom Watson have in common?



They both bend their left arm on their backswing. The truth of the matter is that not all of us are flexible enough to make a complete backswing keeping the left arm straight. Some people can, like Rory McIlroy, but for those of us who cannot, go ahead and let that left arms bend. It will help create a longer club-head swing and will allow for more natural momentum generation and club speed. Think of a complete backswing as the longest possible club-head swing...not the biggest turn. There are many ways to generate distance and bending the left arm not only creates a longer club-head swing, it creates a leverage source as on the downswing the arm straightens which creates a "snap" affect at impact. So if you are trying for more distance, instead of thinking more turn, think bend my left elbow and swing the clubhead longer. Let us know if these tips help!



Bocce Club members who attended and voted at the Bocce Elections Meeting — Bill Masching, Margot Paoli, Lonna O'Connor, Bonnie Barrett and Brian O'Connor.

SCOREBOARD

BRIDGE

Monday, November 18: 1. Mary LeGrand/Louann Partridge 2. Marilyn Ribardo/Maureen Waltho 3. Tahera Khalil/Kausalya lyengar

Wednesday, November 20: 1/2. Kausalya Iyengar/Suren Adodra 1/2. Jonna Robinson/Dorthy Staehs 3/4. Marilyn Ribardo/Bonnie Taylor 3/4. Maureen Waltho/Alan Waltho

Thursday, November 21: 1. Roy Tsai/George Welch 2. Jonna Robinson/Jan Kiernan 3. Cathy and Ray Struck

No game on November 28.

MEXICAN TRAIN DOMINOES

Wednesday, November 20

Audrey Osuna 165 Vicky Linscott 280 Cathy Razumich 302

Friday, November 22

Kit Hultquist 165 Vicky Linscott 177 Linda McMullen 266

SHONIS

Tuesday, November 19

Flight One:
Joan Wiseman 24
Teddy Morse 25
Nanci Newell 25

Flight Two:
Julianna Wahlgren 22
Meg Rogers 22
Bonnie Evans 24

Flight Three:
Barb Sunseri 21
Sandy Zades 30
Fran Schumacher 30

Men's Golf Club Holiday Tournament Saturday, December 14 Format: 2 Man Teams. 1 Best Ball Net. Stableford Scoring. All play from #3 tees Cost: \$12 per player sweeps, plus green fees Sign-ups: Sign up in Pro Shop (singles will be paired) Saturday, November 23 through Thursday, December 12, at noon. Tee Times: 8 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Closest to Hole: Hole #11 - 3 winners by handicap

18-HOLEWOMEN PINOCHLE

Turkey Shoot Thursday, November 21

Flight One:
Janet Gonzales -9
Jungwha Kim -9
Vicki Krattli -8
Camille Giuliodibari -8
Marky Olsen -7
Helen Varenkamp -6

Flight Two:

Diana Hallock -12
Miyo Shigemoto -11
Brigid Moreton -8
Sachiko Coleman -8
Patti Bell -7
Joyce Mukuno -6
Dianne Doughty -6

Flight Three:

Madeline Naftzger -11
Barbara Weisend -11
Cathy Struck -10
Maxine Amundson -8
Judy Rodriguez -7
Kathy Apgar -5

Closest to the Hole:

Jungwha Kim 8'6" Inge McQuiddy 4'7"

SWINGERS

Turkey Shoot
Tuesday, November 19

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Flight One: Omel, Jeannie

Trenholme, Carol 35
Swinyard, Caryl 36
Sunzeri, Susan 37

Flight Two:
Carlson, Karen 35

Boyles, Marcy 38 Kosmala, Karen 38 Hoek, Anka 38

Flight Three:
Chan, Josephine 35
Cho, Song 36
Waugh, Charlotte 38
Smith, Pat 38

Flight One:
Leonard, Pamela 36
Gergurich, Judy 37
Ratcliff, Adele 37

Warren, Kathy

Wednesday, November 20

Barry Andersen Duane Sagen Helen Maynard Wesley Maynard Friday, November 22
Phyllis Ogden Sagen
Shirley Bellavance
Pat Luebcke
Duane Sagen

Barry Andersen



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Landscape & Maintenance

MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE

Cribari

5250-5319 and 5384-5399—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.

5364-5383 and 5433-5488 – Landscape maintenance and weed control, 12/2-12/6.

Cribari Dell—Pine tree removal complete with final cleanup and landscape repairs in progress.

Olive tree pruning throughout the district in progress.

Cribari West—Perimeter oleander hedge trimming in progress. 5177-5184—Rodent exclusion in progress.

5528-5529—Re-plumbing scheduled for 12/2.

Del Lago

3301-3315—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 12/23-12/27.

3338-Stump removal in progress.

3364 and 3365—Reconstruction in progress.

3351-Retaining wall replacement in progress.

Estates

8876-8897—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.

8809-8875—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 1/13-1/17.

Fairways

4001 and 4024—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 12/16-12/20.

4020-Tree replacement in progress.

Glen Arden

7698-7867—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 12/9-12/13.

Heights

8470-8519—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.

8448-8469—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 12/2-12/6.

Traminer Ct. by Montgomery Lane—Stump removal in progress. Resident light fixture installation project in progress.

Hermosa

8005-8032 and 8100-8121—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.

8065-8088, 8096-8099, 8122-8125, 8334-8349 and 8388-8399—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 12/2-12/6.

Cabernet Ct.; 8102-8103—Stump and root removal in progress. 8323—Retaining wall in progress.

Gutter cleaning scheduled for 11/18-12/4.

8065-Stucco wall replacement in progress.

Highland

7574-7598, 7600-7623 and 7880-7889—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.

7625-7696 and Findhorn Ct. — Landscape maintenance and weed control, 12/2-12/6.

7886—Retaining wall in progress.

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Roof & Rain Gutter cleaning schedule for 2019-2020

The following is an approximate start and completion date schedule for rain gutter cleaning in The Villages, weather permitting. Gutter cleaning services are provided by J&M Gutter, Inc. For questions or more information, please call Maintenance Services at 408-223-4670.

Village	Start Date	Completion Date
Hermosa	11/18	12/4
Olivas	12/5	12/14
Montgomery	12/16	12/31
Del Lago	1/1	1/15
Fairway	1/16	1/18
Cribari	1/20	2/8
Verano	2/10	2/22
Highland	2/24	3/7
Glen Arden	3/9	3/14
Heights and Club Buildings	3/16	3/21

Montgomery

6079-6126 and 6137-6183—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.

6246-6336—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 12/2-12/6.

6320-6321 — Driveway replacement scheduled for 12/2, weather permitting.

6048, 6050, 6053, 6056, 6057 and $6062-Gate\ valve\ replacement$ in progress.

Olivas

8740-8752, 8769-8807 and Foothill Center—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 12/16-12/20.

Behind Solera Drive; 8635-8636—Pine tree removal in progress with stump removal to follow.

Gutter cleaning scheduled for 12/5-12/14.

Sonata

2000-2024 and 2032-2064—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 12/16-12/20.

Valle Vista

9001-9018—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 12/16-12/20.

South Side Area—Fire fuel brush clearing in progress. 9061-9063—Painting in progress, weather permitting.

9067-9072—Pressure washing scheduled for 12/2 with paint to follow.

Verano

7007-7060 — Landscape maintenance and weed control, 12/16-12/20.

Via Laguna Hillside—Jet mulching in progress.

Association

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

Turf fertilization throughout the community scheduled for December.

Common Areas—Treatment for voles, moles, gophers and squirrels in progress.

Club Centers

Perimeter fence at Valle Vista and Glen Arden—Fire fuel maintenance in progress.

Cribari, Montgomery and Foothill pool and spa—Closed for the winter.

Cribari Center - Dry rot repairs in progress.

Montgomery Center—Exterior painting in progress.

Tennis Court—Painting in progress.

Foothill Pool—Heater replacement scheduled for December. Upper Gardens—Irrigation meter relocation in progress. Clubhouse—Painting in planning.

Maintenance Services

Customer Service Line:

408-223-4670

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.

By J.M.K.

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EAST

- ♠ Q752
- ♥ A42
- ♦ KJ72
- **9** 9 4

SOUTH

- **♠** A8
- ♥ Q 10 5♦ A Q 10
- ♣ KJ1086

Dealer: South

Vulnerability: Both sides

Bidding: South West North East
1 NoTrump Pass 2 Clubs* Pass
2 Diamonds^ Pass 3 No Trump All Pass

Contract: 3 No Trump by South Opening Lead: 4 of Spades

Dealer has one sure winner in Spades, 1 in Diamonds, and 5 Club winners. Once the Ace of Hearts is drawn out there is a possibility of getting 3 tricks in Hearts. Obviously, the problem is how many Spade tricks will the opponents take before South can get in the lead again.

Strategy: Let the opponents take 1 Spade trick, and don't start the Hearts since the opponents have the Ace and will then run the Spades. The only chance has to be in Diamonds hoping that East has the Jack and King of Diamonds.

West leads the 4 of Spades, East covers with the Queen, South ducks, and now East continues with a Spade, and South, the Ace. He then switches to a low Club to the Ace on the board, follows with a Diamond, finesses the 10 and is very happy. Next, he plays a Club to the Queen on the board, finesses another Diamond, East, the Jack, South the Queen, then he plays the Ace of Diamonds. He now leads the King of Clubs, continues with the other 2 good Clubs, and then leads a Heart. East wins with the Ace, next plays the King of Diamonds, and now leads his last card, a Spade, and West wins with the King. Great! The contract is made exactly. If West had either the King or Jack of Diamonds, then South would never make his contract.

* This is an artificial bid used after an opening of NoTrump asking his partner if he has a 4-card major.

^ This is an artificial response saying he doesn't have a 4-card major and now the responder

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Holiday Cavalcade...

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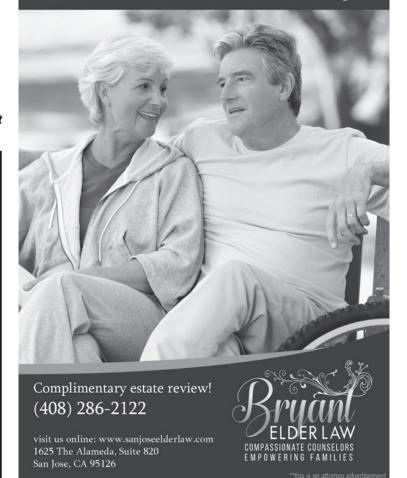
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OBITUARY

Marie Claire Toussaint

August 13, 1951 - September 17, 2019



Marie Claire, or Claire as she always wanted to be called, was born on the tropical island of Mauritius and was part of a family of six siblings.

After completing high school, she worked as assistant kitchen manager at Le Touessrok Hotel but because of her gift, was always involved in the decoration of the restaurant and reception area. She was also frequently asked to be the reception hostess at "Ile Aux Cerfs," a smaller island where lunch and sometimes dinner were organized by the hotel for their guests. In 1975 she met her future husband Yves who was involved in the construction of the New Touessrok Hotel.

In 1980 they moved to South Africa where she started doing interior decoration and successfully opened a workshop of soft furnishing, manufacturing custom-made drapes, shades, curtains and various other items not only for her own clients but for other decora-

tors who needed their work done. She ran her business for 28 years before they decided to move to California to where their daughter, Stephanie, and family live.

They became part of the Villages community in November 2013. Due to her charismatic personality, Claire was always the partygoer and fun to be around. Her love for her family was intense and her generosity to all who knew her was an experience to be known.

She sadly succumbed to pancreatic cancer after 18 months of courageous efforts trying to beat it as the fighter she always has been.

She is survived by husband Yves, daughter Stephanie and family, twin sons Gregory and Xavier, and family residing in the UK, and her mother, brothers and sisters in Mauritius.

She was much loved by all and is terribly missed by everyone. The family thanks all of those who knew Claire and expressed their support and condolences during these hard times.

OBITUARY

Beverly (Bev) Holland September 1930 - November 2019

Bev Holland passed away on November 3, 2019 in Roseville CA. Bev was married to Price Holland for nearly 50 years and they lived very happily in the Villages from 1986 to 2003.

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OBITUARY

Betty Lue Maylett Metheany Loescher

January 21, 1927 — November 19, 2019



Betty Loescher passed away from complications of a stroke in Reno, Nevada. She was born in Manti, Utah to loving parents Edwin and Katie Maylett.

Her rural upbringing was spent with her adored siblings Cora, Dick and Fannie. After graduating high school and junior college she came to San Francisco with her first husband. Moving to San Mateo as a single mother she raised three young boys and provided for the family as a successful Executive Assistant at PPG Industries.

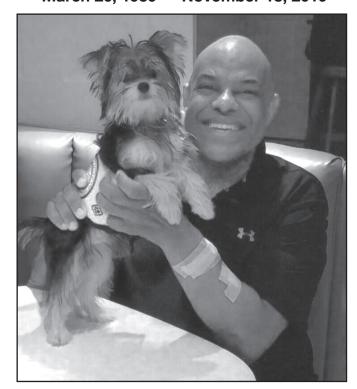
Later in life she met David Loescher and they married. They moved to Tahoe City, Lovelock and Clayton as David finished his teaching career. With both retired they moved to The Villages of San

Jose. Golf, cards, Bocce ball, dinners, travel and several cruises filled their retirement years. Dave passed in 2016 ending the 24-year marriage. With Dave's passing, Betty's life revolved around her home and checking in with her children, grandchildren and great grandchildren.

She will be missed by Dave's children Bridgett, Dave Jr., Mark, Steve and Joe Loescher. Her sons Bradford, Randy and Craig are thankful for her sacrifice, love, caring and dedication to raising them. Betty is also survived by Maggi Metheany, Julie Metheany and Annie Metheany along with grandchildren Annie Pyle (Adam), Katie Scoville (Chris), Kayla Metheany and Chase Metheany. Great grandchildren include Charlie, Will, Samuel, Logan and Zeplin. Betty will be laid to rest with her parents in Manti, Utah on December 11. In lieu of flowers make a donation to National Museum of the Pacific War; 328 E. Main St.; Fredericksburg, TX 78624, in memory of Dick Maylett.

OBITUARY

Reginald (Reggie) Van White March 26, 1959 — November 13, 2019



Reggie passed from renal failure after enduring the disease for many years.

He leaves behind a 15-year-old daughter, Jasmine White whom he dearly loved, his parents, two sisters, several nieces and nephews, cousins and a host of friends. His infectious smile and love for others will truly be missed.

Rest in peace, "Reggie" until we meet again.

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