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## The News this Week

- **New Registered Guest Program**  
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- **Board Meetings Report**  
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- **Changes to Event, Trip policy**  
(See article on page 1)

## Holiday office closures

Villages business offices will be closed Wednesday, December 25 and Thursday, December 26 for the Christmas holiday.

## Hot Tickets

- **Concert Band 'A Holiday Cavalcade'**  
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- **Chapel Christmas Cantata**  
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- **Comic/Impressionist Ken Block**  
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## Channels 26 & 27

### Community TV channels:

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

### • Living with Wildfires

(See page 9 for broadcast times on the above items and for other programming.)



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## 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.

## Community Chapel to present Christmas Cantata

The Villages Community Chapel invites you to attend a Christmas Musical Celebration on Sunday, December 15 at 10 a.m. in Cribari Auditorium. Titled "Night of the Father's Love,"

this performance presents a fresh telling of the Christmas story that is worshipful and beautiful. All are invited to come and once again experience the real meaning of Christmas. Seating will be limited to the first 300 attendees so come early to assure your seat. Plan to stay afterwards for refreshments and fellowship in the Cribari Conference Room.



## 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? Well, never mind: Forget the stress in a joyful afternoon of holiday favorites offered by our 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 at concert time—and you may win a door prize!

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## Christmas Open House at Villages Barn December 21



Have you always wanted to feed a horse a carrot or horse cookie? Your chance will be at the Christmas Open House at the Villages barn on Saturday, December 21 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. The horse owners will let you know which horses can have the treats, as some of the horses are on a special diet. The horses will be wearing their "Christmas clothes" and would love to see all villagers. Light refreshments will be served.

## Changes to Event, Trip or Class Registration and Cancellation policy

Please be aware that the following changes from the Community Activities Department regarding department-sponsored trips, classes and events went into effect Monday, December 9.

Cancellations will no longer be accepted under any circumstances without a replacement resident registration. This change was made because the department was unable to recoup the costs for cancellations made without replacements, which affects the department's ability to provide more events, trips, and classes for your enjoyment.

If you have questions regarding the changes, please contact Ruth or Mary at 408-223-4643.

Thank you for your understanding.

Attention Villagers, 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)



# COMMUNITY NEWS

## PULSE

Dear Readers:

The Villager welcomes everyone's voice sharing ideas, opinions and accounts of life in The Villages in the Pulse column. Please follow the guidelines carefully.

Pulse deadline is 11 a.m. on Friday of the week prior to publication. Pulse letters will be published in complete or abridged form at the discretion of the Publisher and in accordance with the editorial policies and rules established by the Club Board of Directors. (See VGCC Rule 1.30.) Opinions expressed by Pulse letter authors do not necessarily reflect the opinions of The Villager Publisher, staff, boards of directors or management.

All Pulse letters must be 200 words or fewer on a single topic relating to life in the Villages. Each letter must also include name, address, phone number, date and number of words. Typed or legibly written letters must include your signature and may be hand delivered to the Pulse mailbox in Administration Building B or by mailing to the Communications Advisory Committee, 5000 Cribari Lane, San Jose, CA 95135.

Letters may be submitted electronically through the Pulse Submission Form on the Resident Portal: resident.thevillagesgcc.com/pulse, or emailed to Villager Managing Editor S. Hinrichs: shinrichs@the-villages.com.

E-mailed letters must include the text within the body of the e-mail and the subject line must read PULSE LETTER.

2 Pulse letters received this week.  
0 Pulse letters not meeting Pulse Letter Guidelines.  
2 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.

The Music Society has to raise thousands of dollars to exist each year. This includes the Village Voices, our choir, and the Villages Band. We are the only group in The Villages that has to do this. We all enjoy bringing you music and other musicians who we bring here to entertain. So many are professional and travel all over the world. We hope that you will come to our shows so we can continue.

We thank you for your patronage.

—Charlotte Lazar

While the Board did many things in accordance with the rules to notify us of a decision to be made, many people don't read all of *The Villager* and don't attend the boring (de facto by nature) Board meetings. There is a need for better communication as always. I think the board needs to rethink the notification process on controversial issues where benefits of living here are diminished. Also, by providing limited benefits to outsiders, we benefit by publicizing the value of living here. One thing would be to start the rumor mill on certain controversial topics such as diminished or eliminated benefits before the decision. The government provides Pro and Con arguments prior to elections. The Board should provide Pro and Con arguments ahead of time. Then we know all the arguments. before the Board votes. I am not a fan of the rumor mill on many topics but this can sometimes be the most effective communication. Posting Pro and Con arguments three months before the decision will trigger the rumor mill three months before the decision.

Has a legal precedent been set for this liability been made?

—John Brueck

## 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.

### Holiday courtesy rides

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

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

More **BOARDS & COMMITTEES**  
and **COMMUNITY NOTICES** on pages 4, 5, 12 & 21

## IN MEMORIAM

Barbara Jean Mayer

June 22, 1928—November 10, 2019

A memorial service for Barbara Mayer will be held Saturday, January 4 in Cribari Auditorium at 2 p.m.

(Please see obituary in the Classified Advertising section)

Paul McCollum Tiger, Jr.

May 7, 1933—November 11, 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.

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

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

**Display Ads:** Display ad rates and placement may be arranged by calling Mario at 408-223-4657. Display advertising information is available on The Villages web site at: www.thevillagesgcc.com.

**Delivery:** *The Villager* is published on Thursday and distributed to all residents Friday morning. Extra copies of the latest editions are usually available in *The Villager* office and in the Library. Call 408-223-4655 to report missed deliveries.

### POLICIES

Publication of advertising in *The Villager* does not constitute endorsement. Licensed real estate professionals advertising in *The Villager* are required to name themselves as agent or broker, or list the name of the brokerage for whom they work as part of their ad. This is in compliance with Real Estate Law Section 10140.6.

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

**The Villages Communications Advisory Committee** "To inform and connect Villagers" develops operational plans, reviews rules and policies, and advises the General Manager and Club Board on issues pertaining to *The Villager*, including Pulse letters, Channel 26, Fast Lane and the web site. Residents having relevant concerns may attend meetings or call committee members by phone: 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.

### HOURS

*The Villager* editorial and classified advertising hours are Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. *The Villager* display advertising office hours are by appointment. Call 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

## THE ASSOCIATION RULES COMMITTEE

Would you like a role in providing advice to the Association Board on all rules-related matters? If so, the Association Rules Committee is looking for additional members.

See Association policy/procedure 204 for the committee charter which covers term length, meetings, and responsibilities. Application is available on The Villages website and in Building A.

For additional information, please contact Duane Jones, Committee Chair, 408-270-4520, ruthduanejones@aol.com, or, Matthew Giordano, Board Liaison, 408-238-5437, mjgior@sbcglobal.net.

### *New Resident Orientation Meeting*

The next New Resident Orientation will be held at 3:30 p.m. in the Fairway Room at the Clubhouse on Wednesday, January 8.

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

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

## *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*.)

# GOVERNANCE MEETINGS

## BOARD MEETINGS

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

### **Association**

The Villages Association Board of Directors monthly meeting will be held Tuesday, January 28, at 9:15 a.m. in Foothill Center.

### **Club**

The Villages Golf and Country Club Board of Directors meeting will be held Tuesday, January 28, at 1:30 p.m. in Foothill Center.

### **Homeowners**

The Villages Homeowners' Corporation Board of Directors Quarterly Meeting will be held Thursday, January 2, at 9 a.m. in Foothill Center.

## AC NOTICE

Association applications for Owner Alteration Requests for the month of January are due to the Architectural Committee on or before December 20, 2019. See Elissa at the Corporation Yard office to obtain an application. **Meeting date is scheduled for January 2, 2020 at 9 a.m. The meeting is being held in the Foothill Center.**

Association AC Landscape meeting deadline date is **December 20, 2019.**

## More COMMUNITY NOTICES

### ABOVE & BEYOND

We Villages Medical Auxiliary (VMA) volunteers had a wonderful luncheon at Foothill Center. Its purpose was to thank us for our work and time helping Villagers. The food was so good—barbeque, salad, veggies and super desserts.

It is an honor to work for the VMA. Our help is needed by all who require equipment, rides, or any kind of valuable information to make the lives of Villagers better.

Come join us and know that these experiences are of the utmost importance. (If you want to help, call the VMA at 408-238-4280.)

Thanks to the VMA for a very nice day!

—Charlotte Lazar

### **"The Next Step" - Novice Golf Clinics**

**Winter Series December 14 – February 8**

**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, December 14**

Golf Fundamentals – Grip, Stance, Posture, Alignment

**Saturday, December 21**

Driver – Grip it and Rip It!

**Saturday, December 28**

Irons vs Woods – The Compression Factor

**Saturday, January 4**

Pitching and Sand Bunkers – How to use your Sand Wedge

**Saturday, January 11**

Chipping vs Pitching – It's all About Trajectory

**Saturday, January 18**

Putting – The Great Equalizer

**Saturday, January 25**

Full Swing – How to Maximize Power

**Saturday, February 1**

Practice vs Play – The Big Difference

**Saturday, February 8**

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**

**Updated  
Schedule**

## Club and Association Boards met for December meetings

The Villages Association and Club Boards of Directors met Tuesday, December 10 for their regularly scheduled meetings in Foothill Center.

Numerous items of business were discussed and voted upon.

### Association Operating Financial Commentary

For the month of October 2019

#### October Operating Statement Review

Revenue was \$200 unfavorable to the budget of \$855,600 for the month, mostly due to less than planned laundry concession fees.

Expenditures for the month were \$80,500 (8.9 percent) favorable to the budget of \$899,700. The most significant favorable to budget expense category was planting with a \$32,500 positive budget variance (\$7,800 actual vs. budget of \$40,300) due to timing. Other notable favorable to budget categories were water expense (\$202,700 actual vs. budget of \$223,800), irrigation maintenance (\$11,400 actual vs. budget of \$33,000) and repair and maintenance (\$15,400 actual vs. budget of \$22,400). The only notable unfavorable to budget expense category was legal fees (\$2,900 actual vs. budget of \$800). The net positive operating budget variance for the month of October was \$80,300.

Year-to-date (four months of operations), total revenue is \$2,100 unfavorable to the budget of \$3,422,900 due to less than planned laundry concession fees, third party assessments and golf cart electricity and storage fees. Year-to-date, total operating expenditures are \$3,633,900, or 1.6 percent less than the budget of \$3,692,700. The positive budget variance can be attributed to the timing of planting expense (\$19,000 actual vs. budget of \$75,700). Repair and maintenance is also favorable to budget (\$75,100 actual vs. \$89,400 budget). The most significant unfavorable to budget category is water expense, coming in 1.1 percent higher than the YTD budget through October.

**The year-to-date net positive operating budget variance is \$56,700.**

### Club Operating Financial Commentary

For the month of October 2019

#### October Operating Statement Review:

Total revenue was \$33,300 unfavorable to budget, or 2.8 percent less than the budget of \$1,196,700. The most significant unfavorable to budget revenue category was directory income (\$0 actual vs. budget of \$19,000) due to timing. Food and bar sales were also unfavorable to budget by \$13,300 (or 5.5 percent) due to the expected PG&E power shutoff that ultimately did not impact the Clubhouse. However, in anticipation of the power shutoff, banquets totaling approximately \$20,000 in gross revenue were cancelled. Resident activities income was unfavorable to budget as well (\$13,000 actual vs. budget of \$23,900) due to timing. On a positive note, green fee revenue was higher than the budget (by \$11,600 or 10.4 percent) due to nice weather, with strong guest rounds and member 18-hole rounds. All other revenue categories tracked fairly close to budget for the month.

Total expenditures were \$39,700 favorable to budget or 3.4 percent lower than the budget of \$1,165,300. Most of the positive variance came from less than planned utilities (favorable by \$16,700 or 7 percent) and employee expense (favorable by \$13,300 or 1.9 percent). The most significant unfavorable to budget expense category was professional fees (\$16,500 actual vs. budget of \$10,300), offset in lower employee expense (from the unfilled HR Manager position). The net positive operating budget variance for the month of October was \$6,400. See table below.

#### October 2019 Club Operating Results

	Actual	Budget	Variance
Revenue	\$1,163,400	\$1,196,700	-\$ 33,300
Expenses	\$1,125,600	\$1,165,300	\$ 39,700
Net	\$ 37,800	\$ 31,400	\$ 6,400

Year-to-date revenue is \$10,000 unfavorable to budget, 0.2 percent less than the budget of \$4,852,000. Year-to-date expenditures are \$140,000 favorable to budget, 2.8 percent less than the budget of \$4,934,000. The year-to-date net positive operating budget variance is \$130,000. See table below for detail by department.

The bottom of the table on the next page shows the financial impact of the monthly solar lease payments and contribution to the balloon payment fund (to be paid in 2023) captured on the Club's balance sheet. The YTD total for these two items is \$77,000.

## Association Board Voting Record for December 2019

### Association Voting Record for December 2019

December 10, 2019 Regular Monthly Meeting		Board Members*							Comments
		GA	JW	DC	DH	MG	NL	FV	
1	New AC Rule - Security Surveillance Camera's Installation, Maintenance and Removal (final approval consideration - was published for 30-days)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	The Board approved the new AC Rule- Security Surveillance Camera's Installation, Maintenance and Removal and to post rule on The Villages website, as well as making copies of the revised rule available at Building A upon request. The purpose of the rule is to provide a process for the installation of security surveillance camera systems.
2	Proposed Changes to Association Policy Apr 103-1 Board and Member Meetings (final approval consideration - was published for 30-days)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	The Board approved the proposed revisions to Association Policy <u>APo 103 Board and Member Meetings</u> and to post revised policy on The Villages website, as well as making copies of the revised policy available at Building A upon request. The purpose of the proposed changes is to eliminate the monthly study sessions and have one meeting per month with the idea that if further study is required on a given agenda item, a special study session can be held or the item can be tabled until the following meeting.
3	Exclusionary Encroachment Request Into Common Area from the owner at 7584 Tayside Court	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	The Board approved the exclusionary encroachment request submitted by the owner of 7584 Tayside Court to extend the rear patio into the common area 5' x 26'; remove trellis and steps and install new steps with concrete pad. Said approval is contingent upon the owner achieving a 75 percent (30) affirmative votes via written ballot from the 39 owners/units comprising Project F-6.
4	District Advisory Committee (DAC) Appointments	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	The Board approved the appointments of Kathleen Benz as voting member to the Sonata DAC and Robert McPeck as voting member to the Hermosa DAC.
5	Proposed Changes to Association <u>Rule 2.26 Smoke Alarm and Carbon Monoxide Alarm Requirements</u>	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	The Board conditionally approved the proposed changes to Association <u>Rule 2.26 Smoke Alarm and Carbon Monoxide Alarm Requirements</u> , and to publish same in The Villager for the required 30-day member comment period. The purpose of the proposed revision is to reflect the current technology, fire, and building codes.
6	Vote to Ratify the Monthly Review of Accounts per Civil Code §5500	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	The Board ratified the monthly review of accounts as presented.
7	Approve to Transfer Funds for Partial Payment of Outstanding Loan	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	The Board approved the transfer of \$100,000 from the Association's Operating Fund to the Reserve Fund for the partial payment on the outstanding loan of \$598,988 used to help pay the property insurance premium in March 2019 with a balance of \$498,988 to be paid back by June 30, 2020.
8	Association Goals and Objectives - Mid-Year Status Review	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	The Board approved the Association Goals and Objectives - Mid-Year Status review as presented.
11	Valle Vista - Landscape Hillside Soil Erosion Control	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	The Board awarded the Valle Vista- Landscape Hillside Soil Erosion Control Project to BrightView in the total fixed price of \$15,175; project to be funded from the Operating Fund.
<b>Total APPROVED Expenditures this meeting</b>									
A = Absent   AB = Abstained   N = No Vote (does not vote in favor)   Y = Yes Vote (votes in favor)   N/A = Not Applicable   C = Consent   R = Recused									
* GA = Garry Ashby   JW = Julie Wash   DC = David Cook   DH = Diana Hallock   MG = Matthew Giordono   NL = Noel Lanctot   FV = Frank Veloz									

**The Villages Golf and Country Club  
Summary Club Operating Budget FY20  
For Two Months ended October 31, 2019**

Department	Revenues (\$)			Expenditures (\$)			FY 19 Net (\$)	
	Actual	Budget	Variance	Actual	Budget	Variance	Variance	
<b>G&amp;A</b>	343,000	342,000	1,000	314,000	316,000	2,000	3,000	
Maintenance Admin	51,000	51,000	0	50,000	51,000	1,000	1,000	
Golf Course/Pro Shop	927,000	925,000	2,000	923,000	974,000	51,000	53,000	
Community Activities	425,000	443,000	-18,000	385,000	422,000	37,000	19,000	
Community Centers	246,000	244,000	2,000	210,000	244,000	34,000	36,000	
Public Safety	410,000	409,000	1,000	397,000	423,000	26,000	27,000	
Pools	66,000	66,000	0	63,000	61,000	-2,000	-2,000	
Clubhouse/Restaurant	1,507,000	1,503,000	4,000	1,540,000	1,496,000	-44,000	-40,000	
All Other	867,000	869,000	-2,000	835,000	870,000	35,000	33,000	
<b>Totals</b>	<b>4,842,000</b>	<b>4,852,000</b>	<b>-10,000</b>	<b>4,717,000</b>	<b>4,857,000</b>	<b>140,000</b>	<b>130,000</b>	
Solar Lease—Bal. Sheet	-	-	-	77,000	77,000	-	-	
Net Assessment	4,842,000	4,852,000	-10,000	4,794,000	4,934,000	140,000	130,000	
Variance								

The above table shows Golf Course/Pro Shop has a \$53,000 positive variance from less than planned tree trimming expense (due to timing), electricity expense, professional fees, chemical supplies, advertising and promotion, operating supplies and water expense. The community centers have a \$36,000 net positive variance from favorable utilities expense and intra-company cost transfers. All Other has a \$33,000 net positive variance due to less than planned Comcast fees,

planting expense and repair and maintenance. Public Safety shows a \$27,000 net positive variance mostly from less than planned employee expense. Community Activities has posted a \$19,000 net positive variance from less than planned resident activities expense. Clubhouse/Restaurant shows a \$40,000 net negative variance due to less than planned bar sales and higher than planned employee expense, food cost of sales, repair and maintenance, water expense, operating supplies and laundry service.

**Homeowners' Operating Financial Commentary**

*For the month of October 2019*

**October Operating Statement Review:**

Revenue tracked budget at \$3,309 (non-Estates single family homes). Expenditures for the month were \$56 favorable to budget due to less than planned legal fees. The year-to-date net positive operating budget variance is \$224 (legal fees).

Estates revenue for the month was on budget at \$13,112. Expenditures were \$5,241 favorable to budget, 29.7 percent less than the budget of \$17,615, mostly due to less than planned planting expense (timing), water expense and irrigation maintenance expense. All other expenditure categories were close to budget for the month. The year-to-date net positive operating budget variance is \$4,231 (planting expense and irrigation maintenance expense).

**Club Board Voting Record for December 2019**

**Club Board Voting Record for December 2019**

	December 10, 2019 Monthly Meeting		Board Members*						Comments	Costs	
	Agenda Items		JC	TM	FL	RC	MF	JN			BW
1	Consideration to Fill Board Vacancy		Y	Y	Y	Y	Y		Y	The Board approved not to appoint anyone to fill the vacancy on the Board due to the passing of Director Jim Neill.	
2	Evaluation and Approval Consideration of Board Meeting Consolidation		Y	Y	Y	Y	Y		Y	The Board approved the consolidation of the Club Board of Directors study session and monthly meeting into one business meeting at the end of the month.	\$0
3	Approval Consideration of Committee Appointments - Fitness Center Advisory Committee - Villages Golf Committee		Y	Y	Y	Y	Y		Y	The Board approved the reappointment of Cheryl McNary as a voting member and Rich Schonka and Leslie Lambert as associate (non-voting) members to the Fitness Center Advisory Committee to terms ending December 31, 2021 and the appointment of Mike Poellot (VGC Chair), Rob Howe (Analysis Chair), and Shel Shumaker (Golf Course Chair) to the VGC to terms ending December 31, 2022.	\$0
4	Approval Consideration to Accept Finance Committee's Recommendation to Disband		Y	Y	Y	Y	Y		Y	The Board approved to disband the Finance Committee per the committee's recommendation.	\$0
5	Approval Consideration of Pickleball Architectural Construction Drawings Funding Request		Y	Y	Y	Y	Y		Y	The Board approved an additional \$19,400 from the Capital Improvement Fund for construction drawings, construction administration, and City processing for the building permit, for The Villages Pickleball Community Park.	\$19,400
6	Discuss Pickleball Initiative Timeline		N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		N/A	The Board discussed the timeline for the Pickleball Initiative including potential dates for a member vote.	\$0
7	Discuss Current Amenity Service Levels / Schedule of Fees and Charges		N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		N/A	The Board discussed the budget development for FY 20/21.	\$0
8	Adjournment		Y	Y	Y	Y	Y		Y	The Board approved to adjourn the meeting in Director Jim Neill's honor.	
Total APPROVED Expenditures this meeting										\$19,400	
A = Absent   AB = Abstained   N = No Vote (does not vote in favor)   Y = Yes Vote (votes in favor)   N/A = Not Applicable   C = Consent   R = Recused											
* JC = Jan Champion   TM = Teddy Morse   FL = Frank Langben   RC = Rick Casey   MF = Mike Falarski   JN = Jim Neill   BW = Bob Wilk											

**Villager Holiday Publication Schedule**

The Villager will publish one more edition in 2019: December 19. There will be no publication on the week of Christmas (Thursday, December 26).

Contributors, therefore, should be informed that the December 19 edition will be the "Christmas edition" and the last edition of the year.

Because of this, Villages organizations and clubs are advised to make sure their

year-end wrap up articles are turned in before Friday, December 13.

Any editorial materials received after that date may be deferred to the January 2 edition.

Classified advertising deadlines will remain unchanged—4 p.m. on the Monday of the week of publication—with the exception of Monday, December 23.

Villages business offices will be closed for the Christmas holiday on Wednesday, December 25 and Thursday, December 26, and on Tuesday, January 1 for the New Year's holiday. Offices re-open Friday, December 27.

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## Friday, December 13

8:30 a.m.	Jazzercise	A
8:45 a.m.	Catholic Mass	CR
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED, SEQ
9:30 a.m.	Ceramics	CER
9:30 a.m.	Open Studio	AR
9:30 a.m.	Tai Chi	VC
10 a.m.	Line Dance	MMP
10 a.m.	Quilters	P
1 p.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
1:30 p.m.	Opera Movie	VC
3 p.m.	Hand Bells Rehearsal	CR
5:30 p.m.	Hiking Club Party	FC
5:30 p.m.	Verano Party	CH
6 p.m.	Mexican Trains Domino	MC
6:30 p.m.	Chinese Club Karaoke	RED
7:15 p.m.	Brandeis Discussion	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.	Assoc. Rules Comm.	F
10 a.m.	Drawing Class	AR
10 a.m.	Line Dance	MMP
11:30 a.m.	Flower Arranging Guild	VC
1 p.m.	News Junkies	FC
1 p.m.	Open Studio	AR
1 p.m.	Stitchery	P
6:30 p.m.	Duplicate Bridge	RED
7 p.m.	Movie – Indivisible	VC
7 p.m.	Camera Club	FC
7 p.m.	Yoga	MMP

10 a.m.	Total Body Fitness	A
11:30 a.m.	Jazzercise Lunch	CH
1 p.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
6 p.m.	Mexican Train Domino	MC
7 p.m.	Global Village Comm.	CR

## Thursday, December 19

9 a.m.	Game Day	RED, SEQ
9:30 a.m.	Ceramics	CER
9:30 a.m.	Watercolor Class	AR
10 a.m.	Line Dance	MMP
10 a.m.	Walking Class – Indoor	A
10:30 a.m.	Caregiver Support	P
11 a.m.	Comcast Cust. Service	CR
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.	Chapel Choir Rehearsal	CR
6 p.m.	Bridge Club	RED
6 p.m.	Hiking Holiday Walk	VC
7 p.m.	Yoga	MC

## Saturday, December 14

9 a.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
9 a.m.	RV Club Brunch	VC
9:30 a.m.	Ceramics	CER
9:30 a.m.	Ukulele Singing	SEQ
10 a.m.	Concert Ticket Sale	L
5 p.m.	Italian Christmas Party	CH
5:30 p.m.	Montgomery Social	A

## Tuesday, December 17

9 a.m.	Game Day	RED, SEQ
9:30 a.m.	Ceramics	CER
10 a.m.	ADL/Parkinson Class	A
10 a.m.	Ukulele – Advanced	P
10 a.m.	Line Dance	MMP
10 a.m.	SIRs 38 Board	CH
11 a.m.	SIRs 38 Lunch	CH
11:30 a.m.	Walking Class – Indoor	A
11:30 a.m.	Yoga for Health	MMP
12 p.m.	Acrylics & Oil Studio	AR
6 p.m.	Chapel Lay Board	P

## Friday, December 20

8:30 a.m.	Jazzercise	A
8:45 a.m.	Catholic Mass	CR
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED, SEQ
9 a.m.	VGC – Golf Course	BGA
9:30 a.m.	Ceramics	CER
9:30 a.m.	Open Studio	AR
9:30 a.m.	Tai Chi	VC
10 a.m.	Quilters	P
1 p.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
3 p.m.	Hand Bells	CR
5 p.m.	Montgomery Party	CH
6 p.m.	Mexican Trains Domino	MC

## Sunday, December 15

7:15 a.m.	Catholic Choir Rehearsal	CR
8:15 a.m.	Catholic Mass	A
8:30 a.m.	Episcopal Services	MC
9 a.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
9 a.m.	Chapel Choir Rehearsal	SEQ
9:30 a.m.	Chapel Prayer	F
9:30 a.m.	Chapel Worship	CR
10 a.m.	Comm. Chapel Service	A
11 a.m.	Chapel Fellowship	CR
2:30 p.m.	Band Concert	A
5 p.m.	Chapel Christmas Party	CH
6 p.m.	RV Club Party	MC

## Wednesday, December 18

8:30 a.m.	Jazzercise	A
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED, SEQ
9:30 a.m.	Ceramics	CER
9:30 a.m.	Critique, Open Studio	AR
9:30 a.m.	Ladies Bible Study	P
9:30 a.m.	Tai Chi	VC
10 a.m.	Diabetes Support	F

## Monday, December 16

8:30 a.m.	Jazzercise	A
9 a.m.	Camera Club Board	P

## THANK YOU

A very grateful thank you for all the loving support, cards, and sympathies given by such caring friends. We wish to extend our special heartfelt thanks to the Kawamotos and Burkes for making Gary's remembrance so special. Thank you, John Yu, Albert Saucedo, and the Villages staff for your help and much appreciated assistance in making Gary's memorial possible.

—Jan, Bryce, Madi Mitome

## Band and Bells...

(Continued from front page)

A Christmas Festival, written for the Boston Pops, and Sleigh Ride, composed during a July heat wave, will grace this concert. Our band and The Villages Handbell Ensemble will present "The Bells of Christmas," and the Handbells with director Jacque Leonard's flute delight us with "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear." "Ring in the Joy" blends two compatible melodies, "I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day" and "Ode to Joy." A Chanukah Celebration honors the Jewish Festival of Lights in a collection of five traditional songs. A poem celebrating a church organ renovation in Southern France was set to music and became O Holy Night. A request from Montgomery Ward for a promotional coloring book morphed into "Rudolph, the Red-Nosed Reindeer!" And in "Holiday Sing-Along," the band invites the audience to join them in song.

So leave your holiday to-do list at home, don your finest festive attire, and meet me at Cribari, where gladsome music will fill your soul with warmth and light.



This concert is supported, in part, by a Cultural Affairs grant from the City of San Jose.

## 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](http://www.thevillagesgcc.com)—and download the current and past editions to your computer.



## Look What's Coming

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

Date	Event	In Villager	Registration
1/14	Warriors vs Dallas Mavericks		NOW
1/12	Shen yun		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

## EVENT LOCATIONS

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

# 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, 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 rambler 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 the 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.

**Saturday, December 21:** Kimberly Sandstrom will lead a hike in Rancho Cañada del Oro Open Space Preserve. We will do a 9-mile hike with 1550 ft elevation gain on the Mayfair Ranch, Longwall Canyon, Bald Peaks and Catamount Trails to complete a loop. If the hikers are up for it, we will detour briefly onto the Chisnantuck Trail, although expect it to be too early to spot blooming trilliums. We will enjoy expansive views of Calero reservoir and the surrounding valleys. Bring lunch, snacks, water and sticks. Wear boots and layers. Heavy rain cancels. The drive is about 35 miles, round trip.

**Wednesday, December 25 (Rambler):** Christmas Day. No Hike.

**Saturday, December 28:** Amy Meier will lead a hike in Bear Creek Redwoods Open Space. The Preserve is accessible from Bear Creek Road off Hwy 17. We will hike up Alma and Redwood Springs Trails to Madrone Knoll at elevation 2400 feet for an elevation gain of 1400 ft. and return either on Alma trail or retrace our steps on Redwood Springs trail for a distance of approximately 7.5 miles. The trail passes through second growth and old growth redwoods, Douglas fir and oak. Bathrooms are available at the beginning and end of the hike. Bring lunch and be prepared to sit on logs or on the ground at lunchtime. Meet at Cribari at 8:15 a.m., leave at 8:30 a.m. due to limited parking. Rain cancels.

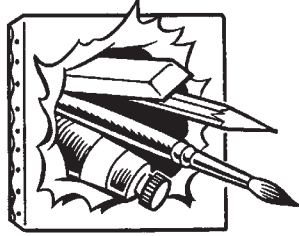
## CAMERA CLUB

**Monday, December 16:** Roxanne Overton presents "Catching My Peripheral Vision" at the monthly meeting from 7-9 p.m. in Foothill Center. (See the related article.)

**Monday, January 6:** No meeting. The next photography competition is February 3 for Pictorial, Monochrome, Travel, and Journalism.

**Monday, January 20:** Photographer Joan Field shares what judges look for and how to write good titles.

## What's Happening in ARTS & CRAFTS?



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

**Website:** [www.villagesartsandcrafts.org](http://www.villagesartsandcrafts.org)

**\*\*Contact:** President Monita Bowman at [monita.bowman@gmail.com](mailto:monita.bowman@gmail.com)

**\*Registration:** Barbara Gottesman at [barb.gottesman@gmail.com](mailto:barb.gottesman@gmail.com)

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

**No regular meeting in January.**

**December 12-19 and January 2-23:** Experimental Watercolor with Linda Sieker. Split Session: 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 Arts and Crafts expense reimbursements due to Treasurer. All reimbursement checks must be cashed.

**January 14:** Art Film of the Month hosted by Pam Lyons: Joh Vanderlyn, first artist in America. Tuesday, 7 p.m., Vineyard Center.

**January 17:** New Solo Exhibit: Colleen Mirassou. Mounting 11 a.m. – noon. Juried Art Show paintings shall be picked up.

**January 21:** Third Tuesday Free Art Night. Diane Finley's Ceramic Hearts to paint and give as gifts For Valentine's Day. 6:30 p.m. Art Room. Wine and cheese snacks. \*\*

**January 27:** Monday. Advisory Board Meeting. 3 p.m. Art Room.

**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

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](mailto:remypessah@gmail.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, December 13:** Opera Lovers presents Gilbert and Sullivan's "Mikado" on December 13 at 1:30 p.m. at the Vineyard Center. No charge. For more info call Bonnie Preston at 408-531-1513.

**Sunday, December 15:** Villages Concert Band and Villages Handbell Ensemble present "A Holiday Cavalcade" at 2:30 p.m. Ticket sales December 14 and at the door for \$18 or for \$45 for a season pass for the remaining three concerts.

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

# THE CLUBHOUSE

For Reservations  
or Information:  
408-223-4687

2800 Villages Fairway Drive, San Jose CA 95135

All Clubhouse & Bistro menus can be found at [www.thevillagesgcc.com](http://www.thevillagesgcc.com)

## WHAT'S COOKING?

[theclubhouse@the-villages.com](mailto: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.

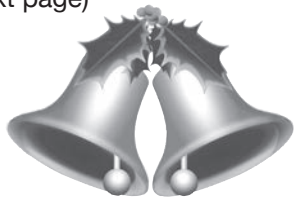
Offer good only in the Clubhouse Restaurant.

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

Go to:  
**[www.clubhouserreservation.com](http://www.clubhouserreservation.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 ads on pages 21 & 27 for reservation and menu information on our Early Bird Restaurant Reservations and our Midnight Dinner Dance. Reservations for both are now being taken.

**Clubhouse & Bistro Holiday Schedule:** (See schedule on next page)



## 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

*Lunch Specials  
Tuesday 12-17  
to  
Sunday 12-22*

<b>French Burger</b>	<b>\$14.95</b>
<i>Angus Patty with Grilled Onions, Mushrooms and Swiss Cheese</i>	
<b>Green Chicken Enchiladas</b>	<b>\$15.95</b>
<i>Seasoned Chicken wrapped in a Corn Tortilla with Tomatillo Sauce, Cheese and Sour Cream</i>	
<b>Snapper Provencal</b>	<b>\$15.95</b>
<i>Grilled Pacific Snapper with Olive Oil, Garlic, Onion, Peppers and Tomato in a Wine Sauce</i>	

### DAILY SOUP SPECIALS

<i>Tuesday, December 17</i>	<i>Soup: Lima Bean with Kale and Sausage</i>
<i>Wednesday, December 18</i>	<i>Soup: Chicken Tortellini</i>
<i>Thursday, December 19</i>	<i>Soup: Cream of Mushroom</i>
<i>Friday, December 20</i>	<i>Soup: Manhattan Clam Chowder</i>
<i>Saturday, December 21</i>	<i>Soup: Chef's Choice</i>
<i>Sunday, December 22</i>	<i>Soup: Chef's Choice</i>

### DINNER SPECIALS SERVED ALL WEEK

*Dinner Specials  
Tuesday 12-17  
to  
Sunday 12-22*

<b>Mermaid Salad</b>	<b>\$21.95</b>
<i>Grilled Scallops, Salmon, Prawns and Asparagus over Mixed Greens—served with Soup</i>	
<b>Fettucine with Salmon and Asparagus</b>	<b>\$20.95</b>
<i>Fettucine with Salmon, Mussels and Asparagus in a Garlic Cream Sauce—served with a Cup of Soup or Salad</i>	
<b>N.Y. Pepper Steak</b>	<b>\$26.95</b>
<i>Peppercorn Crusted N.Y. Steak with an Oyster Mushroom, Bacon and Scallion Garnish—served with a Cup of Soup or Salad</i>	

## ACTIVITIES

### Monday, December 16

- Private Event—Oak and Fairway Rooms—11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

### Tuesday, December 17

- SIR 38 Board Meeting—Sunset, Oak and Fairway Rooms—10 a.m. to 11 a.m.
- SIR 38 Luncheon—Sunset, Oak and Fairway Rooms—11 a.m. to 2 p.m.
- Private Event—Oak and Fairway Rooms—5:30 p.m. to 11 p.m.

### Wednesday, December 18

- Jazzercise Holiday Luncheon—Sunset Room—11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

### Thursday, December 19

- Women's 18 Hole Luncheon—Oak and Sunset Rooms—12:30 p.m. to 4 p.m.
- Village Fairways Café Dinner—Fairway Room—5 p.m. to 9 p.m.

### Friday, December 20

- Montgomery Christmas Party—Sunset, Oak and Fairway Rooms—5 p.m. to 9 p.m.

### Saturday, December 21

- Private Event—Oak and Fairway Rooms—10 a.m. to 12 p.m.
- Private Event—Fairway Room—5 p.m. to 9 p.m.

### Sunday, December 22

- Jewish Group Hanukkah—Oak and Sunset Rooms—5 p.m. to 9 p.m.

## THE BISTRO & BAR

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

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

Saturday and Sunday 7 a.m. to 2 p.m.

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

**Appetizer/All Day Menu:** 11 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.

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

**Casual a la carte dining. No reservations required.**

-Breakfast	-Vegetarian
-Starters	-Pizzas
-Appetizers	-Desserts
-Grill Items	

*Full Bar available with Beers on Tap.*

More CLUBHOUSE ITEMS on pages 9, 21 & 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. One-bottle limit per two guests.

Standard size bottles only.

**Clubhouse Restaurant Only**

## 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.clubhouserestaurant.com](http://www.clubhouserestaurant.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%
- Reserved parking spot
- Delivery to your parked car
- 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:  
[www.thevillagesgcc.com/restaurant-menus](http://www.thevillagesgcc.com/restaurant-menus)

### Order Pickup

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

## What's Cooking...

(Continued from page 8)

## 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



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

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

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




hr.	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
1	The George Burns and Gracie Allen Show The Mickey Rooney Show	The Lucy Show Date with the Angels	The Beverly Hillbillies The Adventures of Kit Carson	The Jack Benny Program Meet Corliss Archer	Sherlock Holmes Mr. & Mrs. North	The Adventures of Robin Hood The Adventures of Sir Lancelot	You Bet Your Life The Bob Cummings Show
2	Letter to Loretta Suspense	Westinghouse Studio One	Bonanza	Shower of Stars	Dragnet Lock-Up	Boris Karloff's The Veil Tales of Tomorrow	The Colgate Comedy Hour
3	MOVIE: Angel on My Shoulder	MOVIE: Oliver Twist	MOVIE: Radio Ranch	MOVIE: Beyond Tomorrow	MOVIE: Woman in the Dark	MOVIE: Santa Clause Conquers the Martians	Comedy Binge - 4 Episodes The George Burns and Gracie Allen Show
4	PLUS: Ace Drummond Chapter 12	PLUS: Santa and the Three Bears	PLUS: The Three Musketeers Chapters 8, 9 & 10	PLUS: Topper	PLUS: Burke's Law	PLUS: Radar Men From the Moon Chapters 8, 9 & 10	

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Club Events & Notices on Channel **26**

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# 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
12/16	Association Rules Committee	9:30 a.m.	Forum
12/20	Villages Golf Comm. – Golf Course	9 a.m.	Building A

## Community Events

Date	Event	Time	Place
12/13	Hiking Club Party	5:30 p.m.	Foothill Center
12/13	Verano Party	5:30 p.m.	Clubhouse
12/14	RV Club Brunch	9 a.m.	Vineyard Center
12/14	Italian Club Party	5 p.m.	Clubhouse
12/14	Montgomery Social	5:30 p.m.	Auditorium
12/15	Band Concert	2:30 p.m.	Auditorium
12/15	Chapel Party	5 p.m.	Clubhouse
12/15	RV Club Party	6 p.m.	Montg. Center
12/16	Movie – Indivisible	7 p.m.	Vineyard Center
12/17	SIRs 38 Lunch	11 a.m.	Clubhouse
12/18	Jazzercise Lunch	11:30 a.m.	Clubhouse
12/19	Comcast Cust. Service	11 a.m.	Conf. Room
12/19	18 Hole Women Lunch	12:30 p.m.	Clubhouse
12/19	Hiking Holiday Walk	6 p.m.	Vineyard Center
12/20	Montgomery Party	5 p.m.	Clubhouse

## Community Activities – cancellation policy

Unable to participate in a Community Activities event? Please let Building B know you'd like to cancel. If we have a waiting list, we will try to get a replacement. If you have a replacement, this replacement must come in to register with Community Activities. All residents signing up for events and classes do sign a release stating all sales are final unless a replacement can be found. Recently information was posted on Neighborhood Next Door directing people to Building B for an excursion ticket as the resident could not attend. While this is not prohibited, Community Activities was not notified this was happening, leading to some confusion. Please be aware any tickets must be sold or given to a resident and the new resident ticket holder is required to sign a Community Activities program registration liability release prior to the event/trip/class. If you have any questions about our cancellation policies, please contact Building B.

## Shen Yun 2020 – you asked for it!

You asked for it—see “Shen Yun” present colorful and exhilarating performances of classical Chinese dance and music. A performance by Shen Yun is a presentation of traditional Chinese culture as it once was: a study in grace, wisdom, and the virtues distilled from the five millennia of Chinese civilization. Our outing is planned for Sunday, January 12, 2020. Departure from Cribari Center's east parking lot at 12:45 p.m., matinee is at 2 p.m. Register ASAP in the Community Resource Center, Building B. **The deadline to sign up is December 19, 2019.**



The performance will be at San Jose Center for Performing Arts with excellent seats starting in row 18 of the orchestra! The price, including transportation, is \$150 per person.

Tenors, sopranos and other award-winning vocalists perform piano-accompanied solos, along with a regular favorite—the stirring melodies of the two-stringed erhu, also known as the Chinese violin.

Shen Yun's one-of-a-kind orchestra, with its all-original compositions, blends East and West like no other. The distinctly Chinese sound of ancient instruments like the erhu and the pipa are bathed in a rich sea of Western strings, percussion, woodwinds, and brass. The result—two great classical music traditions producing one fresh, unexpected sound.

One of the features that strike audience members most is Shen Yun's colorful costumes. These hundreds of gorgeous, hand-made garments span China's dynasties, regions, and ethnic groups. Even leading fashion designers leave the show excited with new inspiration.

## 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.

## Warriors – new seats available!

I recently had the opportunity to tour the Warriors' new home. Wow, what an impressive home they have! I know the price is high for the game but if you are a Warrior fan you should go at least once even if they are not doing as well as in past...a fan is a fan!

We will 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, with an estimated return time of 11:30 p.m. to The Villages.

The price per person includes transportation and game ticket. Upper section includes food/drink in price. Register in the Community Resource Center, Building B.

Lower seats are again available (Section 110, Row 25) for \$218. For the upper section, I have changed the section to the Modelo Cantina with your food and drink included with the price staying at \$228. Elevators are available! Comfy seats as well! If you have already signed up for lower section and would like to switch to upper section you may do so but change must be made by December 20.

## Back in Form Holiday Special!

This holiday season, how about giving the gift of health! Give a “Back In Form Personalized Fitness Program” to the ones you love! Contact Hartmut, Back in Form at 408-455-2887.

## 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.



## 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.

## Join Villages Yoga Hiking Adventure

The Villages Golf and Country Club has 1200 acres of glorious views and 450 acres of hills for us to enjoy. You will hike on regular trails and practice Yoga throughout the hike. Join this two-hour "mat-free" class and you will make new friends, stay motivated and add variety and adventure to your fitness program. This class starts January 10, 2020 and will meet every Friday. The Yoga-hike will start at the Villages Stables at 10 a.m. and returns at noon. Bring a water bottle, towel and good walking shoes. The cost is \$100 for four yoga-hike sessions. For information call Jane at 408-315-1179. Pre-registration is required. Sign up in Building B. This class sponsored by the Community Activities Office.



## Comic/Impressionist Ken Block on January 17

Comedian/Impressionist Ken Block is re-scheduled 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 Auditorium**. 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 well-being 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 Better Balance® (TJQMBB) training to our Basic Tai Chi format. TJQMBB is an effective, practical, evidence-based 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.



## Line Dance—Beginning Class

Start the New Year right by learning how to line dance. Classes will be held on Wednesdays, January 8 through February 12 in the Montgomery Multipurpose room from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m.

The cost is \$15 for six sessions (only \$2.50 per class). Have fun dancing to a wide variety of music while exercising both body and mind. Register now at the Community Activities office Building B, as space is limited. If you have any questions, contact instructor Deana Megginson at 408 238-1180.



LINE DANCE

## Take Total Body Fitness January—March

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

Classes for January through March will be on Wednesdays from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. The cost is \$72; you must sign up for all classes in session, as you will be billed for all. All classes are in the Auditorium beginning January 8 through March 25. Register in the Community Resource Center, Building B.

## Art of Living with Parkinson's

Research shows that PLWP (People Living with Parkinson's) can slow the progression of the disease by exercising three days per week. The Villages Parkinson's Exercise Program offers physical and functional fitness training classes on Tuesdays (Functional Fitness - Auditorium - Monday 10 to 11 a.m.), Wednesdays (Tai Chi - various locations, see Calendar of Events - 9:45 to 10:45 a.m.) and Thursdays (Walking for Better Balance - Auditorium - 10 to 11 a.m.). All classes mix the ADL (Activities of Daily Living) training elements of coordination, dexterity, standing, sitting, pushing, pulling, lifting, stretching, squatting, twisting and lunging with physical fitness exercise designed to improve posture, strength, endurance, balance, gait, speed, agility and flexibility. Humor and music are motivation tools used to keep PLWP striving to maintain a quality life. Start anytime! Register in class! For information call Jane at 408-315-1179. This class is sponsored by the Community Activities Office.

## 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!

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**Service Coordinator:**  
**408-238-4029**  
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## Programs in December

**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

### Coming in January

**Grief Support Group:** a facilitator from Hospice of the Valley leads this monthly grief group. Monday, January 6, 10:30 a.m. – 12 p.m., Patio Room. Monday, January 27, 10:30 a.m. – 12 p.m., Patio Room.

**Blood Pressure Clinic:** Come have your blood pressure checked. Wednesday, January 8, 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, January 8, 10 a.m. -11 a.m., Building A in Conference Room B.

**VMA Board Meeting:** All Villagers are welcome to attend. Wednesday, January 8, 10 a.m. -11:00 a.m., Cribari Conference Room.

**Achieving a Good Night's Rest:** Presented by With Grace Hospice. Wednesday, January 15, 10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m., Cribari Conference Room

**Hearing Screening:** Performed by Hearing Life. Registration required. Tuesday, January 21, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m., Montgomery Center.

**Caregivers Support Group:** a group designed to provide emotional, educational and social support for all caregivers facilitated by Villager, Judy London, Ph.D. Thursday, January 16, 10:30 a.m. – 12 p.m., Patio Room

**Diabetes Support Group:** a place to share experiences and techniques for successful management of diabetes. Wednesday, January 22, 10 a.m. - 12 p.m., Cribari Forum Room.

**Managing Diabetes:** Presented by Ready2Nurse. Tuesday, January 30, 10 a.m. – 11 a.m., Montgomery Center.

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.

## **SRS** SENIOR RESOURCE SERVICES

### *Inheritance mistakes to avoid*

Are you hoping to receive an inheritance? Perhaps rather than hoping to receive an inheritance you are hoping to leave an inheritance to a loved one. Give them this article. Use it as a means to talk about your hopes and expectations.

Below is a list of the common inheritance mistakes.

**Mistake 1:** Having great anxiety immediately about what to do with the inheritance. Take your time. Then act deliberately.

**Mistake 2:** Spending the money on frivolous purchases. A dollar of inherited money is no less valuable than a dollar in your savings account. Treat it that way.

**Mistake 3:** Letting others exploit you with financial schemes or risky ventures because of your new money.

**Mistake 4:** Giving excessively to charities. Charity is laudable but set charitable giving at reasonable levels. Don't give away too much and have nothing left for you.

**Mistake 5:** Lending money to friends and relatives can be risky. It's a kind-hearted gesture, but it can backfire and ruin relationships. Be cautious and follow standard business procedure, including using legal forms.

**Mistake 6:** Thinking you know more about investing than others. Think again. Read up on investing basics or work with a financial adviser.

An AARP study of people receiving an inheritance found that 75 percent spend all of it within one year. If the time period was lengthened to three years, 90 percent had spent the entire inheritance. Don't be part of the 90 percent unless you intentionally plan to spend it all.

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

### SRS Reminder:

## *PG&E Energy Savings Program*

The Energy Savings Program makes home improvements at no cost to you to keep your home energy efficient through a PG&E approved sub-contractor. PG&E requests that you apply for the program either online at [www.pge.com/energysavings](http://www.pge.com/energysavings) or by calling 800-933-9555.

To qualify for this program, you must have income in the lower range or are currently on a qualifying public assistance program such as Medi-Cal or Cal Fresh. PG&E will explain the requirements, check that you qualify and have a contractor call you.

It is important that you start the process by contacting PG&E. Cases of rogue contractors contacting the public directly and not explaining the required qualifications have been noted.

You don't want PG&E to charge you for your home improvements if it's determined that you don't qualify for the program.

## **EVF FOCUS**

### *Meetings change but purpose remains!*

**By Maxine Amundson, EVF President**

The Evergreen Villages Foundation (EVF) has restructured its meeting schedule to assist in advancing our marketing and operational success. The Board will meet formally every other month at a traditional Board meeting and will schedule working meetings on the alternate months.


The August workshop centered on planning our new Sustaining Membership program, "Welcome to Tomorrow." That program was launched in September. The November workshop focused on how EVF will work with Villages clubs and organizations to ensure that EVF projects are aligned with the needs and wants of our residents.

If your club or group has a potential project, you are welcome to make a request via email or in person at an EVF Board meeting. We are here to help you! The EVF Board meeting schedule can be found on our website, [www.evfsj.org](http://www.evfsj.org).



### *Sign up for Computer Classes*

Would you like to take courses on Windows 10, iPhone and iPad, Android phones and tablets? Computer Classes for Adults registration day is January 4 at 11:30 a.m. at the Almaden Community Center, 6446 Camden Ave, San Jose. Please visit [almadencca.org](http://almadencca.org) for more information. Call 408 674-1401 with any questions. There are many different classes offered. All are taught by volunteers and the classes are small in size. The session begins the week of January 21.



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# CLUBS & EVENTS

## Democratic Club sponsors Quimby Oak concert

By Jonathan Lovell

The Quimby Oak Middle School Band and Choir performed for an appreciative audience of Villagers on Monday, December 2 in the Cribari Auditorium.

The 3 p.m. concert presented a wide range of compositions, from haunting Native American melodies to a rousing adaptation of a tune from Disney's new animated film "Frozen 2."

Gary Ortega, the conductor and head of Quimby Oak's music program, deserved congratulations for the level of accomplishment his middle school students demonstrated, many of whom, as seventh graders, have only been under his tutelage since the beginning of the school year.

The existence of Quimby Oak's music program is a direct result of a bond measure recently re-approved for the Evergreen School District for the next seven years. It was encouraging to see such tangible and consequential results of our local tax dollars at work. Meeting students after the concert, as they eagerly gobbled up the snacks and fruit juice provided by the Democratic Club in the Conference Room, and reading the appreciative comments they wrote in a large Thank You card now posted on the Cribari Center's bulletin board, confirmed the value of this program for these Quimby Oak middle schoolers.

While the inclement weather limited the number of Villagers who attended this year's concert, the Democratic Club is committed to continuing this lively and inspiring holiday event for the foreseeable future.



## Tell stories by adding motion to photos

Fine Art Photographer Roxanne Bouche Overton will present "Catching My Peripheral Vision" on Monday, December 16 from 7 to 9 p.m. in Foothill Center. Various techniques can add the fourth dimension—motion—to your photography in creative ways. Visitors are welcome to this program sponsored by the Villages Camera Club.

"We actually see more in our peripheral vision—it surrounds what our eye is focused on," said Roxanne. "For me, it's my peripheral vision that makes me pause to look. But often, when I look, the magic goes away because my eye focuses automatically. The only way I could see what really caught my eye was to put my camera in motion."

I will tell you about my camera settings and show you how I move the camera in different situations. I'll also talk about more traditional long exposure techniques as well. There are so many amazing sights just waiting..."

A lifelong artist, Roxanne decided to embrace photography more exclusively after working with textiles, paints, stained glass and pottery. She follows the light and shoots the lines, shapes, patterns and motion that capture her eye. Roxanne believes that "Photographers look with their eyes, but see with their hearts. We capture moments others would miss. When we share these moments, we allow others to experience the vision and insight that is uniquely ours."

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

## Give yourself the gift of Jazzercise

As the holiday season approaches, we are occupied with selecting gifts and treats for our family members and friends. But do we ever consider giving ourselves the gift of fun, friendship, and fitness? Take my advice and include yourself on the gift list by joining the Jazzercise Club. It's a gift that lasts the whole year long. Jazzercise meets three times a week, Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, from 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. in the Cribari auditorium. That leaves you a full day for your other activities. Come to your first session as our guest. See how much fun exercising can be.

Jazzercise is led by an experienced professional and starts with a warm-up routine, followed by an aerobic segment, strength training, and final cool down. A full month of classes will only cost you \$35. Lift your spirits and improve your health with the gift of Jazzercise. If you have any questions, Herito will be happy to talk to you. Call her at 408-238-7511.

## Group Meditation for Universal Peace—December

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.

## Opera Lovers: See 'Mikado' today!

Opera Lovers will present the "Mikado" today, Friday, December 13 at 1:30 p.m. in the Vineyard Center. This production stars the D'Oyly Carte Light Opera Company towards the end of their greatest years starring some of the greatest members of that Company's history! John Reed as "Ko-Ko," the hapless Lord High Executioner, Kenneth Sanford as the Lord High Everything Else "Pooh-Bah," Donald Adams is the ultimate Mikado, especially in his signature song "My Object All Sublime," 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.

During this rushed holiday period, please join us to capture this moment of relaxed listening. Info; Bonnie Preston (408-531-1513)

## SIR 38: Horace Hines to speak on 'Life Cycle of Stars'

During the SIR 38 luncheon in the Fairway Room at the Villages Clubhouse on Tuesday, December 17, Horace Hines will briefly describe the life cycle of stars as they relate to the creation of a neutron star. He will go on to describe the merger of two neutron stars that was detected August 17, 2017. He will briefly explain what a neutron star is, what happened when they merged, and what we learned about how heavy elements are created in the universe. The talk will be geared towards a high school level. Non-SIR members wishing to attend the presentation should arrive at the Clubhouse at 12:30 p.m.

Horace received his doctorate in biophysics from the University of California, Davis in 1976. He enjoys talking about science and physics in particular. He feels if he can make it understandable to the general public he understands it better. Horace is not an astronomer but likes to read the published papers and watch programs like NOVA.



## Montgomery Holiday Party

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

Clubhouse Banquet Room  
\$40 per person  
Turkey Dinner with all the Trimmings!  
Salad, Dessert, Coffee, Tea  
Music, Dancing, Entertainment, Door prizes  
No-Host Bar

Photo Booth — bring your camera!  
RSVP by December 15 to Carol Hoffman  
at [cahoffman@sbcglobal.net](mailto:cahoffman@sbcglobal.net)  
or 408-270-4070.

Include names of all attendees,  
house number (for payment)  
and phone number.

No refunds after December 15.



More CLUBS

# FROM THE BOOKSHELF

By Linda Schlageter

*These titles are all available in Large Print.*

**“Nothing Ventured” by Jeffrey Archer:** This is William Warwick novel. Much to his father’s dismay, William Warwick rejects a career in law to join London’s Metropolitan Police Force. He advances from a beat cop to a detective in Scotland Yard’s arts and antiquities squad. Investigating the theft of a priceless Rembrandt painting, William meets and falls in love with Beth Rainsford, a gallery research assistant. As William searches for the missing masterpiece, he comes up against art collector Miles Faulkner and his brilliant lawyer, who are willing to bend the law to stay one step ahead of William. Meanwhile Faulkner’s wife, Christina, befriends William, but whose side is she really on? Fiction 2010.

**“The Bitterroots” by C. J. Box:** Former sheriff’s investigator Cassie Dewell is starting her life over in private practice. When an old friend asks her to help exonerate a man accused of assaulting a young relative, Cassie reluctantly agrees. But out by the Bitterroot Mountains of Montana, twisted family loyalty runs deep and there’s always more to the story. The Kleinsassers have ruled here for decades and the Iron Cross Ranch is their stronghold. They want to see Blake Kleinsasser, the black sheep of the family, put away forever for the assault. As Cassie attempts to uncover the truth, she must fight against both the family, whose roots are tangled and deadly, and the ghosts of her own past. Fiction 2019.

**“The Silent Patient” by Alex Michaelides:** Alicia Berenson’s life is seemingly perfect. She’s a famous painter married to a fashion photographer, and they live in a grand house in London. But one evening, Alicia shoots and kills her husband. Then she never speaks another word. The mystery captures notoriety. She, the silent patient, is held at the Grove, a secure forensic unit in North London. Theo Faber is a criminal psycho-therapist determined to get Alicia to talk and explain her crime. This takes Theo down a twisting path into his own motivations, a search for the truth that threatens to consume him. Mystery 2019.

**“A Better Man” by Louise Penny:** Chief Inspector Armand Gamache is back as head of the homicide department, just as flood waters are rising across the province. In the middle of the turmoil, a father approaches Gamache pleading for help in finding his daughter. As crisis piles upon crisis, Gamache realizes the search should be abandoned, but with a daughter of his own he empathizes with the distraught father. As the rivers rise and Gamache faces a social media onslaught, a body is discovered. And in the tumult, mistakes are made. Gamache must face a horrific possibility and a burning question: what would you do if your child’s killer walked free? Mystery 2019.

**“Tidelands” by Philippa Gregory:** On Midsummer Eve, 1648, England is in the grip of a civil war between a renegade king and a rebellious parliament. The struggle reaches even the remote, marshy Tidelands of the south coast. There Alinor, a descendant of the wisewomen, meets James, a young man on the run. She shows him the secret ways across the treacherous marsh, not knowing that she is leading disaster into her life. In this time of witch mania, Alinor’s ambition and determination stand out. As a woman without a husband, skilled with herbs, suspected of possessing dark secrets, and suddenly enriched, Alinor arouses both envy and fear among the villagers. They are ready to take lethal action. Fiction 2019.

**“A Bitter Feast” by Deborah Crombie:** Scotland Yard Detective Superintendent Duncan Kincaid and his wife, Detective Inspector Gemma James, have been invited for a relaxing weekend in the tranquil Cotswolds at Beck House, the country estate belonging to Melody Talbot Gemma’s trusted detective sergeant, and her family. The center piece of this fall getaway is a posh charity luncheon catered by up and coming chef Viv Holland. Attended by elites and critics, the event could make Viv a huge star. But after a tragic car accident and a series of mysterious deaths, everything is ruined. Each piece of information that surfaces makes it clear that the killer has a connection with Viv’s pub-or perhaps with Beck House itself. Mystery 2019.

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## Time to order Mah Jongg cards

By Barbara Smith

Don’t put it off! Now is the time to order your 2020 Mah Jongg Card! More people in The Villages are playing Mah Jongg every year...even men! The window for ordering next year’s card is from now through January 21, 2020. The price of cards remains the same.

Small print cards are \$8. Large print cards are \$9. Barbara Smith will be coordinating the sale of Mah Jongg cards again this year. Checks are made out to Barbara Smith. At the end of the sale, one large check is written and all the individual checks are deposited. Please include the number and size of the cards you are ordering in the “memo” place on your check.

Checks can be mailed to: Barbara Smith, 2067 Folle Blanche Drive, San Jose, CA 95135 or given to Barbara on Monday when so many people play at Cribari Center.

In late March, your Mah Jongg card(s) will be sent directly to your home from the National Mah Jongg League in New York. Happy playing!



## Next EVF Clothing Sale drop-off

The Evergreen Villages Foundation will have a clothing drop off at the back of the RV lot on January 11 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. There will be tables set up and ladies available to accept your clothing.

All women’s “gently used” clean clothing will be accepted except lingerie, bathing suits, pajamas, suits, blazers, T-shirts with advertising and high heeled shoes. However, **new** (never worn) lingerie, robes, pajamas, under garments and socks will be accepted.

We will also be accepting men’s casual clothing such as golf attire, polo shirts and casual jackets.

Several drop off dates will be scheduled prior to the July 3rd and 4th clothing sale.



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# RELIGION

## CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

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

**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](http://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.

**Christmas Mass:** At the Villages, the Mass for Christmas will be on Christmas Eve at 5 p.m. Come early for a musical presentation by the choir at 4:30 p.m. There will be no Mass at The Villages on Christmas Day.

**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.

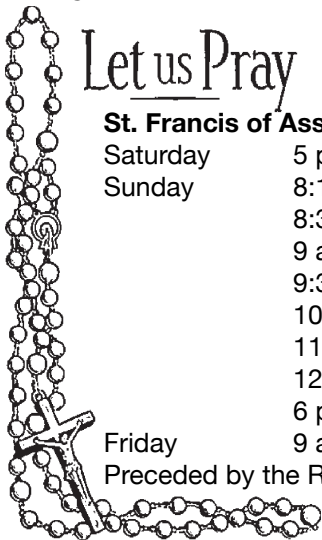
**Eucharistic Adoration** at St. Francis of Assisi is every Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. On First Fridays it will be in the Chapel, and on all other Fridays it will be in Garden Room A.

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



### Let us Pray

#### 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 Hall
	9:30 a.m.	Grange Hall
	10:30 a.m.	Chapel
	11 a.m.	Gathering Space Hall
	12:30 p.m.	Chapel
Friday	6 p.m.	Youth Mass Chapel
	9 a.m.	Cribari Conf. Room

Preceded by the Rosary at 8:30 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. Gerard 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.*

## JEWISH GROUP

### Celebrate Chanukah with Jewish Group!

**Celebrate Chanukah with the Jewish Group Sunday, December 22 at the Clubhouse at 5 p.m.** Candle lighting will begin at 5:30 p.m. Bring your family menorah for a group candle lighting ceremony. At 6 p.m., dinner will be served.

We will start with a mixed green salad with pears, dried cranberries, candied walnuts with Raspberry Vinaigrette. Entree choices include Beef Brisket, Grilled Pacific Salmon, or Vegetable Napoleon. All accompanied by Latkes, green beans and red peppers. Dessert tops off the meal with Sherbert and Jelly Donuts.

Entertainment to be provided by the Plaid Brothers will include Klezmer selections as well as popular music.

The all-inclusive price is \$43 billed to your house. Children are especially welcome with dinners for children age 6 to 12 only \$19. Children under the age of 6 are free, guests of the Jewish Group.

For reservations contact Joey Stern at 408-238-4890 or [sternjo@pacbell.net](mailto:sternjo@pacbell.net) before December 17. Let Joey know your meal selection and the names of any people you wish to be seated with.



## COMMUNITY CHAPEL

### 'Clean Hands and a Clean Heart'

By Pastor Bill Hayden

Since my heart transplant, I have to be very careful and health-conscious about the environment that I'm in. I am required to wear a mask as soon as I go out the door to protect myself from viruses and germs. It is very uncomfortable trying to breathe but I can bear the discomfort so my body doesn't reject the heart due to infections.

The other week my wife and I were driving our granddaughter to catch a flight to Las Vegas to be with her mother. We were running a little late and traffic was at its worse from San Jose to Oakland. We went as far as Hayward before we had to turn back because the flight was going to depart before we reached the airport.

On our return home we made a stop to satisfy our hunger in the Newark Auto Mall area at a place that offered good hot dogs and burgers. I ordered a hot dog and the ladies had burgers and we all went to wash our hands before dinning. When I washed my hands, I decided to put some soap on a few paper towels to wash the table where I would sit to enjoy my meal. To my surprise the paper towel turned black and gray from the brown table top where many people had eaten. So I spoke to one of the workers with my mask on and showed him the paper towel and he apologized. It seemed that we

waited a long time to receive our food and I wondered what if they...? I prayed over the food as usual. Sad to say, you really don't know what's in the heart of another person.

This time of year, lots of food will be served by others in celebration of Christmas and New Year gatherings. I know that we want to fill our plates and dig in there because the food looks and smells so good. I encourage you to bless your food because some people aren't as health-conscious as they should be in food preparation.

Proverbs 20:15 & 29 NLT 15 "Wise words are more valuable than much gold and many rubies." 29 "The glory of the

young is their strength; the gray hair of experience is the splendor of the old."

I would love to see you at our Annual Christmas Cantata on Sunday, December 15 at 10 a.m.

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. If you would like to make an appointment with Pastor Bill call the office at 408-238-3079 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Wednesday. To learn more about the Villages Community Chapel visit our website at [villagescommunitychapel.org](http://villagescommunitychapel.org).

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# SPORTS NEWS

## SWINGERS



**Debbie Moore, Swingers' Most Improved Golfer for November.**

## PICKLEBALL

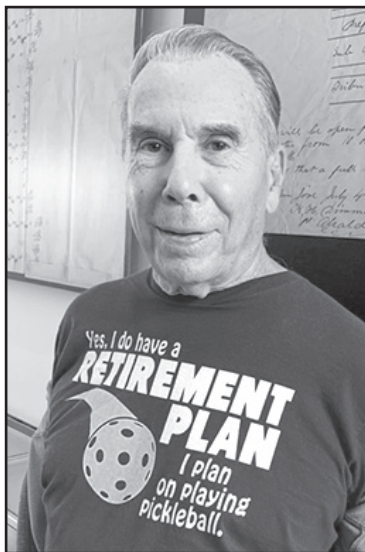
**By Linda Eige**

Bruce Wallace has the right idea about pickleball! Bruce is 88 years old and a regular, very competitive, pickleball player. According to Senior Housing News, pickleball facilities are a must-have amenity in active senior communities.

Pickleball is surging in popularity, especially among players age 55 and over. It is gaining by approximately 12 percent year-to-year making it one of the fastest growing sports in the U.S.

Pickleball is low impact on knees and joints and it is easy to learn the basics of the game. Regular play can improve fitness and hand-eye coordination. Most important, pickleball games are fast, fun and social.

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



**Bruce Wallace's retirement plan.**

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](http://villagespickleball.org)

## SHONIS

**By Tom Zades**

For Tuesday morning, December 3, with rains uncertain, Captain Bonnie Evans announced that she and the Shonis would be meeting for breakfast at 9:30 a.m. in the nice, warm, dry Bistro—decisions about golf to be made at that time. In all about 10 Shonis joined in. Two (Sally Nichols and Julianna Wahlgren) braved the elements and teed off early; and three (Bonnie Evans, Jan Ehrhardt and Teddy Morse) teed off after the Board meeting. A minimum of eight golfers are needed for sweeps, so no scores have been recorded. There was of course no Captain's Trophy, either, on this first Tuesday of the new month.

The annual holiday party, awards and installation of officers took place this past Tuesday, December 10. Briefly, awards included: Club Champion for 2019: Jan Ehrhardt; Most Improved Player: Jeanie Kane; Most Birdies: a tie between Betty Hall and Pauline Robertson; Most Captain's Trophies: a three-way tie among Julianna Wahlgren, Tricia Hardt and Betty Lanctot. There was a tie-breaker play-off round: Julianna won. Watch for photos and more information in coming Shoni articles.

The Shonis take a three-week break and resume sweeps competition on Tuesday, January 7. Plans are in the works for a putting contest on January 7 and possibly every Tuesday morning from 9:30 to 10 a.m. After they sign in for sweeps, groups of three or four will compete on three holes on the putting green. Jeanie Kane will "officiate." As presently conceived, players will record their putts on the lowest line on their score cards, and the winner in each group will have their cards validated by Jeanie so they can get their \$1 "putt-sweeps" award credited to their accounts. Bonnie cites a dual objective: "We want to encourage people to sign in in a timely fashion and to practice putting."

The Shoni three-week break from sweeps play is a good time to call a friend and play a practice game on the Par 3 Executive Course or nine holes on the 18-hole Championship Course. Barbara Karayn and Tricia Hardt play nine holes on the 18-hole course every week, if you want someone to play with. For the Par 3 course contact Bonnie Evans or Teddy Morse for the list of Shonis and the days they are available to practice. Or check the practice list posted on the Shoni bulletin board in the Posting Room. You don't have to be a Shoni to come out and practice with us. All are welcome.

**Chip shot:** Glass half full department: "I must be getting faster. It doesn't take me near as long to walk to my ball as it used to."

## 18-HOLE WOMEN



**2020 18 Hole Women board. Seated: Captain Vicki Krattli and co-captain Diana Hallock. Back row (left to right): Annie Bassford, Marky Olsen, Patti Bell, Chris Leisy, Gloria Landry, Kathy Appgar and Judy Owens.**



**Captain's trophy and lowest putt winners for the year: Monica Saneholtz and Annie Bassford.**

**By Nancy Keane**

December 5th found the golf course with a red flag and only 11 brave 18 Hole Women going out on the course to play. However, for the lovely installation and holiday lunch, 77 ladies came to eat a wonderful and delicious meal.

This day is a big day for our membership, as we install our new board, as well as announce the winners of the years awards. The 2020 board was installed by Cindy Fuller (as current Captain Vivian Brown was away on jury duty). See the accompanying photos and captions.

Our most improved golfer for the year was out of town, but will be featured in next article!

*(See more photos on page 20)*

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## MEN'S GOLF CLUB



By Kyle Finley (kylefinley@outlook.com), website [www.villagesgolfers.com](http://www.villagesgolfers.com)

**NCGA and Men's Club Dues for 2020:** For all members of the NCGA, including Men's Golf Club members, I am pleased to announce that the NCGA has decided to maintain its dues without a raise for 2020. Therefore, all members of the NCGA will be billed in December for the same as last year \$39 renewal fee. The renewal dues are billed automatically to your house account in January.

**Please Note:** "Men's Golf Club dues are billed separately in January. If you choose to opt out of the Men's Golf Club or NCGA, send me an email at baci1786@aol.com with your name, ghin number, and desire to drop your membership. NCGA membership through the Villages is mandatory for Men's Golf Club members." – David "Baci" Bacigalupi, Membership Chairman

**Next Tournament:** Our next Men's Golf Club Tournament is our Holiday Tournament set for this 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.



**Notable November Accomplishments:**

- **Hole-In-One:** Congratulations to Ron Burke for scoring a HIO on hole #12 at Seascape Golf Club on November 15th. Nice Shot Ron!
- **Eagles:** Natural Eagles were made by Brad Baldinger on hole #9 on November 10 and by Willy Weisend on hole #13 on November 13! Nice shootin', guys!

**Golf Course Activity Calendar:** Did you know that you can see the entire monthly and yearly golf course planned activities on The Villages website? Check out the following link: <https://resident.thevillagesgcc.com/golf/gacal/>

**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, January 7. The meetings are open to all members. Also, remember to visit our website at [www.villagesgolfers.com](http://www.villagesgolfers.com) for the latest Men's Golf Club information.

## TENNIS TALK

By Phyllis and John Mueller

Hard to believe that we moved to the Villages 25 years ago and, we of course, immediately joined the Villages Tennis Club, now to be known as VTC in this article. The memories are enough to fill a book but we will try to hit the highlights in our journey! Friday Twilite and Pizza started us out! Lynn Leonard and Pat Jenkins ran this event for years and this is when we knew this was going to be a fun group! Dolores Escobar and Glenn Hamilton met at this function and later married. Both of them are former VTC Presidents.



**New 2020 Tennis Club Officers (left to right): President Betty Olsen, Vice President Ken Kline, Treasurer Diane Whitworth and Secretary Peggy Seidel.**

Photo by Phyllis Mueller

Potlucks, tournaments, InterClubs, USTA Leagues, Rossmoor, Silver Creek scholarships, lessons, dances, New Year's Eve, barbecues, golf, open house, and dinners soon kept our new life full and busy. Little did we know that we would meet and become friends with so many wonderful people. A support system was built around us all. We cared and comforted each other at difficult times and cheered and encouraged each other in good times. We traveled to Napa, Fresno, Palm Desert, Folsom, Arizona and even Milpitas as our USTA teams won Districts and Sectionals, and then to Scottsdale for Ruth Stiasnys' 3.0 Womens Team that came in third at Nationals! What fun and excitement!

Our 25-year membership meant running most everything the VTC did. Tournaments, Rossmoor, USTA Captains, Board Members, President, InterClub, potlucks, courtside food, ordering shirts, Club Champions, travel planning, Xmas dances, etc. The most challenging job given to "newbies" was that of making coffee at the old platform viewing stand without electricity! The maker had to rise at 5 a.m. and plug in at home a 50-cup urn and wait for 90 minutes for it to perk. Then, carefully strap on to a golf cart and slowly drive to the old viewing platform. The trick was to drink quickly before it cooled down. Thank goodness for new modern conveniences but do we notice it now comes from Starbucks!

At one time we had so many USTA teams, we had to carefully schedule our matches to not run into the others. With the addition of Courts 5 and 6, thanks to Phil Prescott and Don Mountz's generosity, we were able to play two matches at one time. One year we had as many as 15 USTA teams throughout the year. The Palm Desert Senior Cup was a fun event that many of us drove to the desert play annually. We all tried to stay in one area and the Happy Hour always turned into hours!

Now that we are 83 and 87, the body is saying to slow down but the memories keep us going. We actually have taken up golf of all things but still feel tennis is the easier game. The 87-year-old is still on the courts but the 84 is on the greens. Maybe our cousin, pickleball, will lure us over!

The main activity now is to support our teams and enjoy the easier activities of our beloved VTC! **Reminder: Any membership changes for 2020 should be submitted to Diane Whitworth by December 16.**

## IRONMEN

By Bill Travis

The Ironmen play every Thursday afternoon; check-in time is 12:30 p.m. and tee off at 1 p.m. Thursday, December 5, was cloudy but mild. Another great day for golf. Despite rain during the week, we had a great turnout. **The results are below:**

First place went to Bill Crill with a net score of 23. Second place went to Lee Thompson with a net score of 26. Third place there was a two-way tie between Mario Silva and Roger Pyle each with a net score of 27.

**There were five birdies:** Al Bruno had two of them, one on hole 2, and another on hole 5. Bill Crill on hole 6. Dave Hathaway on hole 9. Andy Altman on hole 2. Andy is the newest member of the Ironmen and will be working toward his handicap. He shot a very good gross 29, and had a birdie on hole 2.

**Closest to the pin on hole 4:** Mario Silva.

**Turkey Shoot winners were:** Bill Crill, Lee Thompson, Roger Pyle, Mario Silva and Bill Travis.

**Deep thoughts:** "Republican or Democrat, elected or appointed, the most powerful men and women in the world are frequently humbled by the little white ball." - Anonymous

## BOCCE NEWS



Marion Logie



Gerri McCoid

By Barbara Orlando

**Marion Logie** is retiring from the Bocce Club Board of Directors, after having served for numerous years. Even though her retirement is well deserved, Marion will be missed on the board. She has served many offices such as President, Secretary, Tournament Director, on the Rules Committee and as editor for a certain novice writer.

Marion has definitely made her mark in our club's history. Some of her many achievements were restructuring how tournaments are played. She brought about scheduling specific days to sign up and play, by creating an organized system, thus eliminating the confusion and chaos for Captains and players. She created the email blast system, thus eliminating the need to deliver flyers to members tubes. Also, she created the initial web page infrastructure, before handing it over to our current Web Master.

These days, Marion spends most of her time in The Villages, but loves traveling and visiting relatives in Scotland. We can all rest assured, she will keep herself busy with friends, Bocce, the Ukulele club, volunteering in the Library, line dancing, participating in the Functional Fitness Class and playing games of all kinds.

Also, retiring from the bocce club board is **Gerri McCoid**, having served as Bash Director for two years. Always ready to greet bash attendees with a warm and welcoming smile, Gerri spent every Friday afternoon, along with her committee, keeping things organized and helping new players.

Nowadays, Gerri is quite busy with her new fiancée and planning their future together. By the way, she met Chuck at the bocce courts. Our best wishes to both of them.

The Board of Directors and membership wish to thank both Marion and Gerri, for all the time, energy and commitment to our club and the game of bocce.

**Tip from the courts:** Be a volunteer, it's fun and rewarding.

# SCOREBOARD

## BRIDGE

**Monday, December 2:** 1. Marilyn Ribardo/Dorothy Staehs 2. Jan Kiernan/Sumi Minami 3. Selma Chastaine/Sylvia Rozewicz

**Wednesday, December 4:** No Game.

**Thursday, December 5:** 1. Steve Bosma/Bille Mechanic 2. Joe Henry/Dorothy Staehs 3. Gobind Sadaranganey/Roy Tsai

## MEXICAN TRAIN DOMINOES

### Wednesday, November 27

Beverly Wharton 205  
Vicky Linscott 234  
Earl Magoun 584

### Friday, November 29

No Game

### Wednesday, December 4

Berta Escamilla 130  
Cathy Razumich 269  
Sylvia Rozewicz 270

### Friday, December 6

Vicky Linscott 303  
Berta Escamilla 313  
Judy Eskinazi 316  
Sylvia Rozewicz 317

## PINOCHLE

### Wednesday, November 27

Duane Sagen  
Wesley Umeda  
Phyllis Ogden Sagen  
Shirley Bellavance

### Friday, November 29

No Game

### Wednesday, December 4

Wesley Umeda  
Phyllis Ogden Sagen  
Pat Luebcke  
Helen Maynard

### Friday, December 6

Mike Cox  
Duane Sagen  
Helen Maynard  
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## FROM THE PRO



By Scott Steele, PGA Head Golf Professional

**World Handicap System 2020**—Remember that starting January 1, 2020, our handicap system is being completely revised. The system will go dark from January 1 to 5 and everyone's handicaps will be updated. Upon re-launch, here are some of the new elements to the WHS... Handicaps will be derived by using the best 8 out of the last 20 scores, tournament scores will weigh the same as any other score, abnormal course and weather conditions will have impact on a player's posted score, handicaps will be updated daily instead of bi-monthly, there will be a limit of Net Double Bogey as the maximum hole score (for handicapping purposes only), a maximum handicap limit of 54.0, regardless of gender. I am conducting presentations for our six golf clubs explaining these changes, and please feel free to ask us in the Pro Shop any time. And yes, this will affect everyone's handicap, including yours!

**2020 Resident Golf Activities Calendar**—The 2020 Golf Activities Calendar starting January 1, 2020 is now available for your review on the website. Remember that this is a fluid document so as the schedule changes or events are added, we will update the calendar on-line. We will also be posting the calendar 2-months out in the golf Posting Room for your review. If your group wants to schedule a golf event for 2020, please contact PGA Director of Golf, Scott Steele in the Pro Shop.

**New Registered Guest Program**—The new and updated Registered Guest Program will go into effect January 1. What does that mean?

The current database of Preferred Unaccompanied Guests will be completely purged. All Registered Guests will have to be re-signed up, and will now be referred to as "Registered Guests."

The Registered Guest signup form will be new and every resident will have to complete the new form.

There will be a \$10 annual fee for all Registered Guests. Registered Guests will be able to reserve tee times on their own up to seven days in advance. Registered guests will only be permitted to practice on the day they play. All Registered Guests and any one in their party must be added to the Chelsea tee sheet by name in advance or they will not be allowed through the gate...i.e. everyone playing golf must be listed on the tee sheet.

An "Unaccompanied Guest" is defined as a guest of a resident who plays golf without the resident...the resident must make all reservations. A "Registered Guest" is defined as a regular guest of The Villages who has completed the Registered Guest Form and paid the \$10 fee, and may make reservations on their own without resident involvement. Let us know if you have any questions.

**Men's Guest Day**—Due to inclement weather, it's now Sunday, December 15. Men may bring up to three guests for \$45 each! Sign up in the Pro Shop.

**Winter Rules**—From now until further notice, we are playing Winter Rules defined as 6-inch relief, lift, clean and place, through the green (all standard playing areas, no sand bunkers or penalty areas).

**Holiday Merchandise Specials**—If you missed the Holiday Sale last Friday, do not worry! We are extending the sale on many merchandise items until Christmas on December 25. Some come to the Pro Shop and enjoy convenience, friendly service and no lines...and some great prices this month only!

### Tips from the Pro—Soft turf is a slippery slope

We've all heard it, we've all done it...there are many terms for it: "I hit fat," "I hit it heavy," "I laid the sod over it," "I chunked it," "I hit behind it" and they all mean the same thing; hitting the ground before the ball taking a large piece of turf and the ball goes nowhere. It is very easy to do, especially when the rain hits and the turf get very soft underfoot. Did anyone see the Masters in 2019 or 2018?? This year Francisco Molinari hit it fat on Hole #12 and his ball landed in the lake, and that was the beginning of the end as Tiger Woods took the title. In the 2018 Masters Jordan Spieth hit it fat on the same hole #12 and his ball landed in the water and then he took his drop in the drop zone and did the same thing with his wedge...ended up making a 7 on the Par-3 which opened the door for Patrick Reed to seize the title. The point here is that everyone does it.

So here are some tips to help you to not hit your irons and hybrids fat when the turf is wet:

Play the ball 1 inch further back in your stance than normal.

Keep your head still.

Focus on the *front* of the ball.

Keep your wrists "calm" on the backswing...a shallow angle of attack is better than a steep angle of attack.

Be sure you get into your left side on the downswing...hanging back on your right foot is a guaranteed fat shot.

Use "Winter Rules" to your advantage...take your 6 inches and perch the ball on a good lie that you have confidence in.

Let us know if these tips help!

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



The Pro Shop quickly hoisted the red flag, citing: "...golf balls the size of hail..."

# TABLE TENNIS

## Club Championship Competition

By Tony Berg

With membership growing so quickly the club has re-introduced the Annual Championship competition which has been scheduled for Saturday December 12.

The Preliminary Round will be played in the morning, starting from 9:30 a.m., and should be completed by noon. The Knockout Round will start

at 1:30 p.m. We will open the MMC at 8:30 a.m. for those who want to practice before the competition starts.

But in this rainy season we can confirm that the Montgomery Multipurpose room is dry and warm. So make the most of the Drop in and Play Table Tennis hours:

Wednesdays, Thursdays &

Fridays: 1 p.m. to 10 p.m.

Saturdays & Sundays: 9 a.m. to 10 p.m.

(Wednesday 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. for newbies and social Ping Pong players.)

If you are not a member, drop by anyway and a member will invite you in to see what Table Tennis has to offer as an enjoyable way to keep fit and stay healthy.

So take your pick of times, but remember that: The best dose of exercise is the one that gets you coming back for more. If you find a way to stay active that you enjoy, you are doing it right!

## 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. Thursday, December 19 in the Cribari Conference Room.

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.

## Make a memory with a memorial gift to the VMA

Honor the life of your friend or loved one by funding the services to extend the quality of life for other Villagers. A memorial gift to the Villages Medical Auxiliary (VMA) honors the loved one lost and promotes the work of the VMA. If you have any questions on how to give, call the VMA office at 408-238-4230. All donations to the VMA are tax deductible.

## Remember with a memorial gift to the EVF

Please remember the Evergreen Villages Foundation (EVF) when you are considering a memorial gift in honor of a loved one. The EVF sends a lovely acknowledgement from you. [www.evfsj.org](http://www.evfsj.org)

★ **2020** ★

*New Year's Eve*

# Early Bird Dinner

Tuesday December 31, 2019

★ Two Seatings 5 p.m. or 7:30 p.m. ★

**Salad**  
Spinach Salad  
with Candied Walnuts, Cranberries and Goat Cheese with Walnut Dressing

★ **Entrée Selections** ★

Filet Mignon with Mushroom Cap and Green Peppercorn Sauce

Baked Halibut Filet with Lobster Sauce

Broiled Cold Water Lobster Tail with Garlic Butter Sauce

**Accompaniments**  
Asparagus and Red Peppers  
Roasted Fingerling Potatoes

★ **Dessert** ★  
Tiramisu

★ \$47.95 Plus Service Charge & Tax ★

★ Reservations Now Being Taken ★  
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Please make sure to give your desired time & entrée selection



## Christmas Eve To-Go Meals

The Clubhouse will be offering To-Go meals on Christmas Eve

Available for pickup Tuesday, Dec. 24<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 a.m.

Sliced Turkey with White and Dark Meat

Apple Walnut Stuffing

Turkey Gravy with Giblets

Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans Almondine

Rolls and butter

\$19.95 Plus 10% service charge and tax

To place your order for To-Go Meals

Multiple orders will be packaged Family Style

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All orders must be in by Monday, Dec. 16<sup>th</sup>



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# LANDSCAPE & MAINTENANCE

## MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE

### Cribari

5090-5153 and 5210-5233 — Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.

Cribari Center — Landscape maintenance and weed control, 12/16-12/20.

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 in progress.

### Del Lago

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

3338 — Stump removal in progress.

E-2 Lake — Renovation project in progress.

3364 and 3365 — Reconstruction in progress.

3351 — Retaining wall replacement in progress.

3126 and 3303 — Roof repairs in progress.

3303 — Interior repairs in progress.

### Estates

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

### Fairways

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

4017 — Roof repairs in progress.

### Glen Arden

7698-7867 — Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.

### Heights

8470-8519 — Landscape maintenance and weed control, 1/20-1/24.

Traminer Ct. by Montgomery Lane — Stump removal in progress.

Resident light fixture installation project in progress, weather permitting.

### Hermosa

8350-8387 and 8400-8446 — Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.

8005-8032 and 8100-8121 — Landscape maintenance and weed control, 1/20-1/24.

8323 — Retaining wall in progress.

8065 — Stucco wall painting in progress.

8066 — Stucco wall replacement in planning.

### Highland

7500-7573 — Landscape maintenance and weed control, 1/13-1/17.

7886 — Retaining wall in progress.

### Montgomery

6184-6245, 6337-6361 and Montgomery Center — Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.

6001-6068 and 6127-6136 — Landscape maintenance and weed control, 1/13-1/17.

6320-6321 — Driveway replacement in progress, weather permitting.

6006-6007 — Re-routing exterior gas lines in progress.

6039 — Dry rot repairs in progress.

Gutter cleaning scheduled for 12/16-12/31.

### Olivas

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

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

### Sonata

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

## What do I do with this?

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

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



### Rubber Products

Garden hoses, shoes, boots, belts, etc. — Not recyclable through our city program. These items are considered garbage and must be placed in the garbage bin.

### Vehicle Tires: Used or New

(No longer accepted by City of San Jose Hazardous Waste)

Check with tire stores, some will recycle them for a small fee. (\$3 to \$5 per tire)

### Valle Vista

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

9064-9066 — Painting in progress, weather permitting.

9067-9072 — Pressure washing in progress with paint to follow.

### Verano

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

Via Laguna Hillside — Jet mulching in progress.

### Association

Turf fertilization throughout the community in progress.

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

Mowing is scheduled for every other week, weather permitting.

Flower bed planting in progress.

### Club Centers

Clubhouse and Tennis Courts — Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.

Mowing is scheduled for every other week, weather permitting.

Flower bed planting 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 and ProShop — Painting in planning.

## More COMMUNITY NOTICES

## 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.

### Leash rule for pets

Residents are reminded, as per Club Rule 1.51, that pets must be kept on a leash, under control, and attended to at all times. This also applies to the Hill Lands.

## Maintenance Services

### Customer

### Service Line:

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## 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.

## 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.

# BRIDGE HAND

By J.M.K.

**NORTH**

♠ A 10 2  
♥ 8 6 4 3  
♦ Q 8 7 3  
♣ 6 5

**WEST**

♠ 8 5  
♥ J 7 5 2  
♦ 9 5 4  
♣ Q J 9 3

**EAST**

♠ Q 6 3  
♥ 9  
♦ A J 10 2  
♣ K 10 8 4 2

**SOUTH**

♠ K J 9 7 4  
♥ A K Q 10  
♦ K 6  
♣ A 7

Dealer: East  
Vulnerability: None

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

Contract: 4 Spades by South  
Opening Lead: Queen of Clubs

Dealer has maybe 1 Spade loser, possible 1 in Hearts, 1 in Diamonds and 1 in Clubs.  
Strategy: Take out the trumps and hope East has the Queen.

West leads the Queen of Clubs, South, the Ace, plays a Spade to the Ace on the board, finesses the 10, switches to a Diamond, East ducks, and South wins with the King. He then leads the King of Spades and captures the Queen, next plays the Ace of Hearts, continues with the King, and then plays a Club. West wins with the 9, leads the Jack of Clubs, and South trumps, now plays a Diamond, Queen from the board, and East takes the trick with the Ace. He continues with the Jack of Diamonds, South trumps, plays the Queen of Hearts, and leads his last card, the 10 of Hearts, and West takes the trick with the Jack. Great! The contract is made exactly. As it turns out South loses 3 tricks, a Diamond, heart, and a Club.

\* South does have enough HCP to open 2 NoTrump, but his hand is too distributional and is better off in a suit contract. It turns out 3 NoTrump and 4 Hearts can also be made. When North gives a weak response showing 6 - 9 HCP, South jumps to game knowing he has 20 HCP and can handle a weak hand and doesn't even offer North an invitation to accept game by bidding 3 Spades.

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Villager friends touring Israel in November. Travelers include Sherry Benz, Dennis Cullen, Brian and Kathy Dombrowski, Mike and Judi Falarski, Wayne and Connie Fortner, Brooks and Cindy Fuller, Don and Joyce Kludt, Mitzi Macon, Jack and Pam McCarthy, and Trish and MJ O'Neill.

Top picture: Overlooking the Old City of Jerusalem.  
Bottom picture: On the Sea of Galilee.

## Along the Way—a trip down Memory Lane

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



The father of U.S. Supreme Court Justice Oliver Wendell Holmes was also named Oliver Wendell Holmes. In his day, he (the father) was evidently a world-renowned writer of poetry, among other things. In one poem, "The Last Leaf," he refers to an elderly person as "The last leaf on the tree in spring." It sounded contradictory, so he explained his vision. The last leaf is left over from the prior season and clings to the tree. As the new growths of spring are bursting their buds, the elderly person still clings tenaciously to his/her bough.

I couldn't help but think of our grandchildren and great-grandchildren as the new buds on the family tree. We seniors are, of course, the last leaves and perhaps the authors of our trees. If we aren't adding beauty to the tree in spring, we are at least adding contrast. In some cases, there would be no tree without us. What a blessing, though, to see the new buds of spring. We take comfort and joy in the knowledge that our family tree is alive and well. It is in good hands, populated by beautiful people.

## They're Not Wrinkles, They're LAUGH LINES



Two old friends bumped into each other on the Bistro Patio and chatted for a while. As they parted, one asked the other, "When we bumped into each other here, which way was I heading?"

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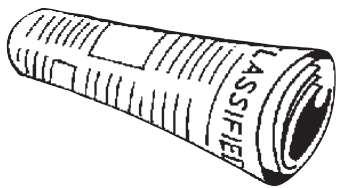
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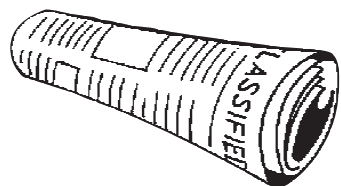
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December - February  
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**To Place a Classified Ad**

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**OBITUARY**

**Barbara Jean Mayer**  
June 22, 1928 – November 10, 2019



Barbara grew up in Minnesota and moved to Southern California in 1946, where she married John Mayer in 1951. After raising three children and traveling throughout the U.S. as inspectors for Best Western hotels, they moved to The Villages 26 years ago. Barbara was a member of The Villages Chapel, Chapel choir, Shonis golf, Bocce Club and the Scarlet Sirens Red Hat Club. Barbara enjoyed music, singing, movies, baking, golf and other sports. She passed away, still vibrant, at the age of 91 after a short illness. She is survived by her children Justin, Denny (Ruth), and Diane, and grandchildren Adam and Natalie. A memorial service will be held Saturday, January 4, 2020 at 2 p.m. in the Cribari Auditorium.

**OBITUARY**

**Paul McCollum Tiger, Jr.**  
May 7, 1933 – November 11, 2019



Paul was born in Morristown, NJ. He graduated from Lehigh University in 1955 with a degree in Engineering Physics and participated in ROTC and served in the US Air Force for 21 years; he retired as a Lieutenant Colonel. In 1966, he earned a MS from the Georgia Institute of Technology in Information Science.

Among his many distinctions, his service was highlighted by earning the Distinguished Flying Cross, the Meritorious Service Medal, the Air Medal with two oak clusters from three separate acts of heroism in flight in Vietnam. Paul was also a Missile Operator with a callsign, "Tiger," and engaged in reconnaissance projects that were declassified only four years ago.

After his USAF service, Paul worked as an aerospace engineer at Lockheed Martin. Upon his retirement, he moved to the Villages and enjoyed golfing tremendously. And that's where he met Kime Kim and they were married for 13 years and enjoyed

frequent trips together. His favorites were a Mediterranean Cruise, New Zealand/Fiji Island and train trips through the Canadian Rockies. Paul is survived by 3 sons, 3 grandchildren and 2 great grandchildren. He was loved by Kime's family and he extended his adoration as well. Kime was right next to Paul when he passed peacefully in bed at home.

Upon his wishes, no memorial service will be held, but feel free to donate towards the VMA in his memory.

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# MEMORARE

**Mary Jane Martínez**  
 January 18, 1937 – December 13, 2015



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God Bless.  
 Reynold H. Martinez  
 "Marty"



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