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'Here he is, Mr. Villages'



The finalists in VMA's Mr. Villages Pageant will compete for the Mr. Villages Crown at a fundraising event on March 21 at the Clubhouse. For a donation of \$50 you will enjoy dinner and have an opportunity to cheer for Mr. Greenwich, Mr. Oakland, Mr. Holland, Mr. San Jose, Mr. Bethpage and Mr. Willow Glen as they flaunt their talent, style and knowledge.

To reserve your place at this historic occasion, you may reserve your seat by visiting the VMA website at vmavillages.org or visiting the VMA office open Monday through Thursday, 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Not only will you get a lot for your donation, but you will have the satisfaction of knowing you are helping those in need of the valuable services provided by the VMA!

Piano Open Studio thanks you!

So many Villagers have attended our recitals over the years that we decided we owe you a great big special Thank You!

You are, therefore, invited to a very special Open House that will be held on St. Patrick's Day (March 17) from 2 to 4 p.m. in the Cribari Auditorium. Refreshments will be served. You will have the opportunity to talk with our talented pianists about how they prepare for the performances you have to come to enjoy. And of course, you will be hearing the lovely sound of our Boston grand pianos by Steinway. Maybe even play it if you wish!

And that's not all! Watch for more information in next week's Villager! In the meantime, be sure to mark your calendar for this Luck-o-the-Irish event.



Concert Band presents 'An Afternoon at the Movies'

By Bev Clifford

Now that the Oscars are over for the season, we all look forward to the new batch of movies that will soon flood our theaters and TV screens. But isn't it fun to look back at the old ones, too? Let's do that very thing by showing up to listen to our band's Spring concert of dazzling movie music in Cribari Auditorium on Sunday, March 15 at 2:30 p.m. Open seating tickets will be on sale for \$18, or \$30 if you plan to purchase the remainder of a season pass of two concerts. You can purchase these, plus raffle tickets for \$1 each or six for \$5, in the Cribari lobby on Saturdays, March 7 and 14, from 10 a.m. to noon, or at concert time.

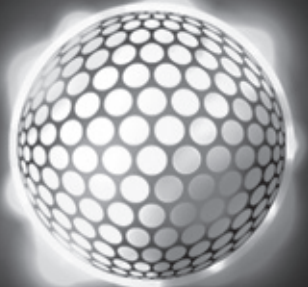
This concert is supported, in part, by a Cultural Affairs grant from the City of San Jose.

"Go West!" features music from classic Westerns: "The Magnificent Seven"; "The Good, The Bad, and The Ugly"; and "Hang 'Em High."

Henry Mancini hits comprise "Mancini Magic": "Peter Gunn," "The Pink Panther theme," "Mr. Lucky," "Moon River," and "Baby Elephant Walk."

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GLOW BALL



GLOW BALL GOLF NIGHT
Coming March 25!
See details on page 24

Murder Mystery Dinner aboard Napa Wine Train

Take a train ride back in time on Friday, May 29. Imagine yourself in the Roaring 20s—tassel skirts, pinstripe suits, feather boas, sequin headbands, elbow-length gloves and fedoras. Think Dick Tracy or The Untouchables! Not into costumes? Dress as a plain-clothes private detective to help solve the crime.

Mystery. Mayhem. Murder. With jealous, jilted lovers, deadly secrets, and plenty of intrigue, the surroundings of a vintage train sets the stage for a devious game of cat and mouse as you search for the killer—or hide your insidious identity from your fellow dinner guests.

The Setting: Enter the thrilling world of 1920s mobsters in a stylish and elegant speakeasy, but things take a dramatic turn at Mafia Don Lou Zar's juice joint when someone is put on ice. Compare clues with fellow passengers, gather information, and solve the crime before the murderer runs free. Of course, you'll still enjoy three gourmet courses of fine California cuisine on your journey. You'll just solve a murder on the side. We hear it pairs nicely with a smooth pinot noir.

This fun filled trip includes the following for \$323 per person: A three-hour vintage train journey, multiple course gourmet meal, murder mystery dinner theatre and Royal Coach transportation.

Registration begins Monday, March 2 in the Community Resource Center, Building B. Space is limited to 50, so don't delay!

Please arrive at Cribari east parking lot by 2:15 p.m. for a 2:30 p.m. departure. Upon arriving at Napa train station we will have a 5:30 p.m. check in with boarding, dinner and mystery dinner! The approximate return time to the Villages is 11 p.m. You may bring snacks and drinks on the bus for your ride to Napa.



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.

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

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

Monday night, I along with a large crowd of Villagers, arrived at Vineyard Center to watch the movie "Judy" which had been heavily advertised in The Villager. Within minutes I knew something was wrong because people were walking away from Vineyard, rather than going in. When I walked up to the door of the Center I saw a handwritten note that the movie was cancelled because Netflix had not delivered the film. There were a lot of disappointed Villagers. So I have a few questions. Why weren't Villagers notified by email that the movie was cancelled. Some people changed other plans so they could see the Oscar winning performance by Renee Zellweger. Also why were we waiting for a delivery? The movie can be streamed. It was a very disappointing evening and I think apologies are in order.

—Barbara Tommaney

Attention Pulse authors!

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

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

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

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

EPC SEZ..

Did you know that EPC is an all-volunteer group whose purpose is to help preserve life and property during emergencies? If you'd like to help, contact updates@thevillagesepc.org

—The Villages Emergency Preparedness Committee

BOUQUETS

Thank you to Cristina Freyer, the Villages VMA Service Coordinator, who was a guest speaker at the recent del Lago Quarterly DAC Meeting on February 13. She shared information about a wide variety of activities of the VMA, plus additional services Cristina provides for individuals in our senior community. Several residents commented that this was one of the best programs we've had. We recommend her highly to other organizations.

—Del Lago DAC members

More BOARDS & COMMITTEES, MANAGEMENT and COMMUNITY NOTICES on pages 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 & 9

IN MEMORIAM

Murdoch M. "Buddy" Watkins, Jr.
July 25, 1926—February 17, 2020

(Please see obituary in the classified advertising section)

In Memoriam notices are run free of charge.

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

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

DEADLINES

General Copy: All general copy, other than sports, is due by 4:30 p.m. Thursday, seven days prior to publication. For editorial information call 408-754-1341 or 408-223-4655 or email ktran@the-villages.com.

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

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

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

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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 Lou Lively-Singh 408-838-5555, Diane Carr at 408-528-8456, Debbie Champion at 408-960-6994, Barbara Karayn 202-641-6339, Pamela Oliver-Lyons 408-693-9250, Pat Reardon at 408-914-2432, 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

FROM THE AD HOC PICKLEBALL COMMITTEE

Ad Hoc Pickleball Committee Proposed Pickleball Courts Project Status Update

By **Howie Blumstein**

City Approval: The City of San Jose approved the project design for the proposed four pickleball courts project (see illustrations) last November. This design complies with city requirements for sound, storm water runoff and soil.

Bid Process: Subsequently, the Club Board approved funds to have project consultant Robert Mowat Associates prepare construction drawings and bid specifications. Bid packages have been transmitted to contractors for bid submission, with a March 23rd due date.

VGCC Capital Improvement Fund: At the March 31 Board meeting (Foothill Center; 1:30 p.m.), the Villages Golf and Country Club (VGCC) Board of Directors will determine the maximum contribution the board will allocate for the proposed pickleball courts project, from the approximately \$550,000 balance in the Capital Improvement Fund (Capital Fund).

VGCC Bylaws Article—Capital Improvement Fund: It should be noted that the Villages Bylaws (Article 8.2.5) has a provision stating that money in the Capital Fund can only be utilized for a Capital Improvement. Funds in this account cannot be used for any other purpose such as offsetting operating/reserve expenses.

VGCC Bylaws Article—Required Vote: The Bylaws (Article 8.3.3) also requires "... vote shall be conducted by 'written ballot' ..." of Members for a Capital Improvement Project that exceeds \$240,000. The ballots for the proposed pickleball courts project are scheduled to be mailed April 8, due by May 13 and counted on May 14.

Donations Raised to Date: In addition to any funds from the Capital Fund, to date the Pickleball Club has secured over \$475,000. Fundraising is ongoing with the expectation to raise additional funds.

Scheduled Town Hall Meetings: To familiarize residents and answer questions about this project, the Ad Hoc Pickleball Committee has scheduled two Town Hall Meetings, the evening of Tuesday, April 7 and morning of Wednesday, April 8. Please save the date(s) to attend one or both meetings.

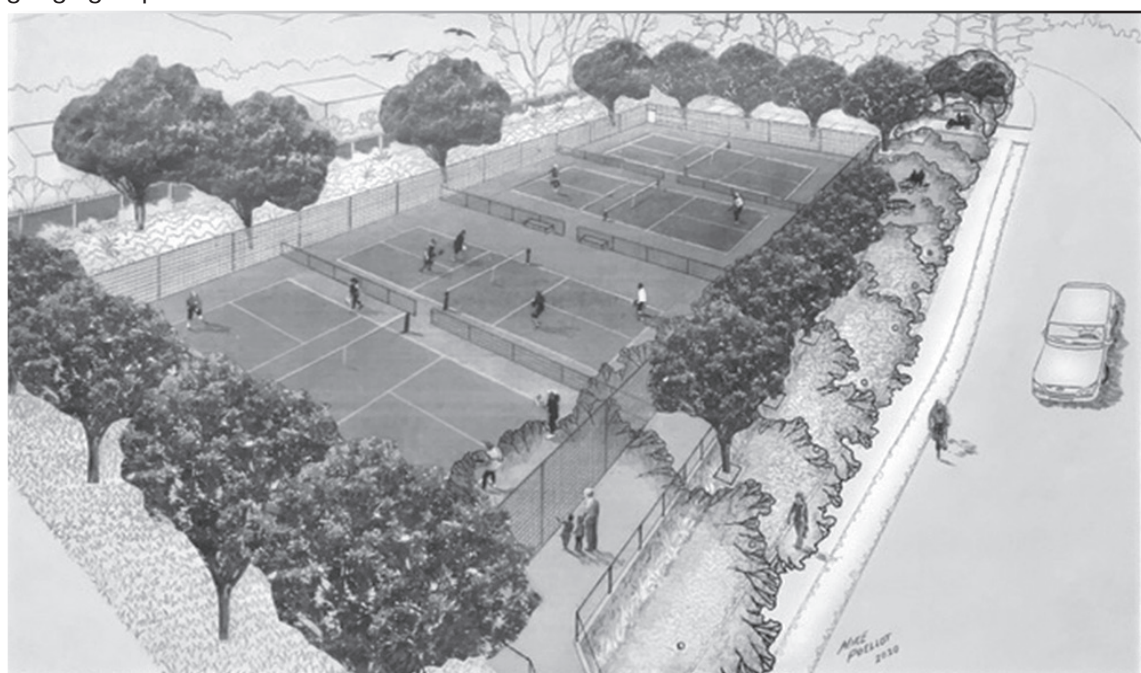
Maintenance Costs:

One concern some members have expressed is about the maintenance costs for the pickleball courts and adjacent golf cart parking lot. For the current fiscal year (FY20), the operating and reserve assessments for our six tennis courts is less than \$1.24 per month for members. Four pickleball courts are

equivalent in area to two tennis courts. Including the golf cart parking area, the monthly operating and reserve costs will be significantly less than budgeted for the six tennis courts. Furthermore, funds will be saved for landscaping and water expenditures that will not be required for the area replaced by the pickleball courts and golf cart parking lot.

The committee looks forward to seeing you at the Town Hall Meeting(s).

For questions or comments to the Pickleball Ad Hoc Committee, please contact us at: pbahc@googlegroups.com.



WOW! Are you ready for Monday, March 9?

On Monday, March 9 at 10 a.m. in the Clubhouse ballroom, join us for the next Welcome to our Website (WOW) event. Bring your laptop, tablet or smartphone to explore how to use these Villages self-service features.

See how to:

- Make a clubhouse restaurant reservation
 - Pay your HOA dues
 - Place a maintenance work order
 - Notify the Public Safety gatehouse of incoming visitors
- Why do this? Not only will it make it simpler for you, reducing the number of phone calls lets our staff work more efficiently.

At the WOW event, our one-on-one training makes it easy to set all this up on your phone or tablet. Simplify your life!

We schedule a WOW event every eight weeks, but even if you have attended a previous event, feel free to come back for a refresher. We are here to help! Light refreshments served.

Club Nominating Committee seeks candidates

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

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

If you are interested in being a candidate, and/or need additional information, please contact any of the Club Nominating Committee Members: Bill DeVincenzi at 408-531-1031, Nancy Fodor at 408-528-0476; Rick Jiloty at 408-528-8116

Association Board Seeks New Directors:

There will be two Director vacancies on the Association Board beginning in June. We encourage all condo owners to consider running for the Board.

The mission of the Association Board is to protect, maintain, and enhance the common property of its members:

- Being on the Board is interesting.
- Board Directors are informed and involved in making decisions which affect assessments and quality of life in The Villages.
- It would be helpful if a candidate has some business or administrative or DAC experience, but what really counts is being willing to listen to other owners, work with staff, and make good, common sense decisions for the best long-term interests of The Association.

Information packets are available at the General Manager's office in Building A, or you may contact Board President Garry Ashby (gashby1@aol.com), or Board Secretary David Cook (dc@argus.mx).

The deadline for submitting your form is March 31. (See Candidates Form on page 8.)

MANAGEMENT

PUBLIC SAFETY

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, March 4.

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.

Who is responsible for cleaning up your pet's poop?

The Villages Rules and CC&Rs states it is the owner's/handler's responsibility for immediately cleaning and disposing of pet excrements in a sealed container. We are finding and hearing that some owners are not immediately cleaning up after their pets and assume that it is the responsibility of the landscaping crew, which it is not.

The pet poop should be picked up immediately and placed into the dumpsters in the trash enclosure near your home or in the designated pet poop stations in the center parking lots. Please do not place any pet poop in any restrooms or other containers at any of the various centers.

Please help us keep our beautiful community clean.

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.

Villages Telephone Directory distribution

Delivery of the 2020 Villages Telephone Directory to Villages residents has been completed. Missed or damaged books may be replaced without charge until February 28. After that, Villages residents may purchase a telephone directory (or an extra directory) for \$10 each.

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

To make changes to your directory listing, call or drop by the Public Safety Administration office in Building C. Telephone number is 408-239-5246 option 2.

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.

FROM THE VILLAGES ACCOUNTING DEPT.

Notice from the Accounting Department

Beginning February 1, 2020, U.S. Bank lockbox no longer accepts HOA check payments. Instead, The Villages Accounting Department will process all check payments.

Please note the following:

• **If you pay by check:** Please use the self-addressed green envelope provided with your monthly HOA statement and return it to The Villages Golf & Country Club by one of the following methods:

- U.S. Mail
- Drop your payment off in the Accounting Department located in the Business Administration Office, Building A, during business hours. (Monday to Friday 8:30 a.m. to 12 p.m.; 1 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.)
- Place your payment in the white drop box located in the parking lot adjacent to Building A

• **If you pay by online bill payment:** Please update your financial institution with the following mailing address:

The Villages Golf & Country Club
Attn: Accounting Department
5000 Cribari Lane
San Jose, CA 95135

• **If you pay by The Villages AutoPay:** No changes are necessary for residents currently enrolled in The Villages' AutoPay. We will continue to withdraw from your checking account on the 20th of each month.

• **If you pay by PayLease:** No changes are necessary.

If you have any questions, please contact Salvador Tlazola at 408-223-4639 or via email: stlazola@the-villages.com

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

GOVERNANCE MEETINGS

FROM THE ASSOCIATION BOARD

- NOTICE -

From The Villages Association

The deadline for nominations for The Villages Association Board of Director candidates for this year's election is March 31, 2020, at 5:00 p.m.

Pursuant to California Civil Code §5105(a)(3), The Villages Association Bylaws Section 6.1.2, and The Villages Association Election Rules Section 3.2.1, any Member who satisfies the qualifications and is not otherwise prohibited from running for the Board may place their name in nomination by completing the "Solicitation of Candidates Form" and submitting the form to the President (Garry Ashby) or Secretary (David Cook) of the Board before the above posted deadline.

(See page 8 for more information.)

More COMMUNITY NOTICES

(SRS) SENIOR RESOURCE SERVICES

Measure EE parcel tax exemption filing March 13 & April 17

On March 13 or April 17, you may file for exemption from the annual \$125 Evergreen School District parcel tax on your principal residence if you are at least age 65 or will be age 65 by June 30, 2021—the end of the next property tax fiscal year. If there are joint owners of your principal residence, only one owner needs to be age 65.

If you had the exemption from the parcel tax for 2019/2020, your exemption has been automatically renewed by the School District. There is nothing more you need to do. The event on March 13 and April 17 is for new exemption requests.

If you would like to apply for the exemption for the 2020/2021 tax year, the School District is making it easy for you. Evergreen School District representatives will be at The Villages on Friday, March 13 and Friday, April 17 in Foothill Center from 1:30 to 4 p.m. to approve your parcel tax exemption request form.

You must file for the exemption in person with documents to prove (1) your property ownership, (2) your residency, and (3) your age.

Your 2019/2020 property tax statement will prove your ownership. Your driver's license or CA identification card will prove your residency and age. Your documents will be reviewed and immediately returned to you.

If you are new to The Villages and the address on your driver's license does not match your property tax statement, please also bring your PG&E bill or other bill to prove your residency. If you do not yet have a property tax statement, bring your escrow purchase statement and related papers.

Not sure whether you have the exemption? Go to your last property tax bill. On the second page look under the section labeled "Parcel Tax / Special Assessments". If a line item is "Evergreen Measure EE 2018" followed by "\$125" you are paying the tax. If you can't find this listing, you are currently exempt from the tax. Still not sure? The School District employees will have a list of the seniors with the exemption. Come to Foothill Center and check with them.

You may also apply for the exemption at the School District Office at 3188 Quimby Road, Monday – Friday from 8 to 4 p.m. through May 31, 2020. If you cannot get to the Foothill Center or the District Office, please call Janet Ayers of the District at 408-270-6822 to make personal arrangements.

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 located 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 Question:

What is the maximum Social Security benefit?

The maximum benefit depends on the age a worker chooses to retire. For a worker retiring at age 66 in 2020, the maximum amount is \$3,011. If the worker retires at age 62 in 2020, the maximum amount is only \$2,265. But if the worker starts benefits in 2020 at age 70, the maximum is \$3,790. Note the difference between claiming your Social Security at age 70 rather than 66 can make an increase of \$9,000 a year in a worker's benefit.

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, March 31, at 9:15 a.m. in Foothill Center.

Club

The Villages Golf and Country Club Board of Directors meeting will be held Tuesday, March 31, at 1:30 p.m. in Foothill Center.

Homeowners

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

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

Submit your questions for Candidates' Night



Each year the Communications Advisory Committee generates questions to be answered by the candidates for the Club, Association, and Homeowners Board vacancies. We are requesting input from Villagers for questions to be used during Candidates' night. Please mail, email or phone your questions to Jerry Neece, 7755 Beltane Drive or jerrynece@yahoo.com or call 408-270-2503.

More **BOARDS & COMMITTEES,**
and **COMMUNITY NOTICES**
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More **BOARDS & COMMITTEES**

Club and Association Boards met for regularly scheduled February meetings

The Villages Association and Club Boards of Directors met Tuesday, February 27 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 January 2020

January Operating Statement Review: Revenue was \$400 unfavorable to the budget of \$855,700 for the month, mostly due to less-than-planned laundry concession fees.

Expenditures for the month were \$35,600 (4.9 percent) unfavorable to the budget of \$729,700. The two most significant unfavorable to budget expense categories were irrigation maintenance (actual \$22,200 vs. budget of \$6,300) and planting expense (actual \$24,100 vs. budget of \$11,300), due to timing. Repair and maintenance was also unfavorable to budget by \$7,000 (actual \$29,300 vs. budget of \$22,300) due to the timing of trash enclosure power washing in many of the districts. There were no notable favorable to budget expense categories in January. **The net negative operating budget variance for the month of January was \$36,100.**

Year-to-date (seven months of operations), total revenue is \$3,000 unfavorable to the budget of \$5,989,600 due to less than planned laundry concession fees, third party assessments and golf cart electricity/storage fees. Year-to-date, total operating expenditures are \$5,873,900 or 1.4 percent (\$82,600) less than the budget of \$5,956,500. The positive budget variance is mostly attributed to the timing of planting expense (\$70,100 actual vs. \$141,100 budget). Additionally, water expense is favorable to budget by \$16,300 (\$1,424,300 actual vs. \$1,440,600 budget). The most significant unfavorable to budget expense category is irrigation maintenance which is \$30,400 (or 28.6 percent) unfavorable to the YTD budget of \$106,400.

The year-to-date net positive operating budget variance is \$79,600.

Club Operating Financial Commentary

For the month of January 2020

January Operating Statement Review: Total revenue was \$21,800 favorable to budget, or 2 percent higher than the budget of \$1,087,200. Nice weather helped produce favorable to budget green fees of \$13,100 (actual \$85,400 vs. budget \$72,300). Food sales were also favorable to budget by \$9,300 (actual \$168,800 vs. budget \$159,500) with strong "To-Go" sales adding nearly 600 covers for the restaurant operation during the month. Rental income was \$6,900 favorable to budget due to a fiscal year-to date reclassification of Clubhouse rental income from "Other Sales." All other revenue categories tracked reasonably close to budget for the month.

Total expenditures were \$9,200 favorable to budget or 0.8 percent less than the budget of \$1,124,800. The positive variance was due to \$25,400 less than planned employee expense (actual \$711,400 vs. budget of \$736,800), offset by more than planned tree trimming on the golf course (timing), professional fees (offset in employee expense) and legal fees. **The net positive operating budget variance for the month of January was \$31,000. See table below.**

January 2020 Club Operating Results

	Actual	Budget	Variance
Revenue	\$1,109,000	\$1,087,200	\$21,800
Expenses	\$1,115,600	\$1,124,800	\$ 9,200
Net	\$ -6,600	\$ -37,600	\$31,000

Year-to-date revenue is \$1,000 unfavorable to budget, almost exactly on the budget target of \$8,284,000. Year-to-date expenditures are \$121,000 favorable to budget, 1.4 percent lower than the budget of \$8,363,000. **The year-to-date net positive operating budget variance is \$120,000.** See table on the next page 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 \$136,000.

Association Board Voting Record for February 2020

February 25, 2020 Regular Monthly Meeting		Board Members*							Comments	Costs
Agenda Items		GA	JW	DC	DH	MG	NL	FV		
1	AC Solar Conditionally Approved Application - 9056 Village View Loop	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	A	A	Approve the installation of solar system on common area sloped roof located at 9056 Village View Loop contingent owner submitting required insurance and city permit paperwork including comments to AC prior to starting construction.	\$0
2	District Advisory Committee (DAC) Appointments	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	A	A	Accepted and approved the appointment of Leslie Lambert, Philip Renteria, and Irving Tosk as voting members and Deborah Woods and Barbara Young as Co-Chairs to the Highland DAC.	\$0
3	Approve Annual Meeting Preparation Schedule and Appointment of Inspectors of Elections	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	A	A	Approved The Villages Association Timeline Checklist for the 2020 Election of Directors, IRS Resolution Vote, and Annual Meeting as proposed, and appointed Claudia Nicolai, Vera Buescher, and Jeanne Filice as the Inspectors of Elections.	\$0
4	Approval per Civil Code Section 5515 for Temporary Delay of Repayment Until End of Current Fiscal Year for 2019 Insurance Premium Loan	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	A	A	Approved the temporary delay of the repayment of the 2019 insurance premium loan from the Association Reserve to the Association Operating to June 2020.	\$0
5	Approve to Transfer Funds for Partial Payment on Outstanding Loan	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	A	A	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 \$398,988 used to help pay the property insurance premium of March 2019 with balance of \$298,988 to be paid back by June 30, 2020.	\$0
6	Vote to Ratify the Monthly Review of Accounts per Civil Code Section 5500	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	A	A	The Board ratified the January monthly review of accounts as presented.	\$0
Total APPROVED Expenditures this meeting										\$0
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 Giordano NL = Noel Lanctot FV = Frank Veloz										

For emergencies, establish a new 'L.I.F.E. File'

The San Jose Fire Department recently provided Public Safety a new L.I.F.E. File, which stands for Lifesaving Information For Emergencies. This is a newer version of the VIAL OF LIFE. The file is a magnetic sleeve, which can be stuck on your refrigerator. There is a sleeve in which to put the form or other documents, such as a DNR.

Both the VIAL OF LIFE and the new L.I.F.E. File are acceptable.

If you are interested in these items, please come by Public Safety Administration. We have a limited supply on hand.

What is the P.O.L.S.T. form?

Public Safety has added the P.O.L.S.T. (Physician's Order for Life-Saving Treatment) form on the Residents' Portal. It can be located in the Management > Public Safety (Public Safety Forms) and also in the Resource Files > Forms (Other Forms).

If you complete the form, to include your physician's signature, place it in the L.I.F.E. File, which is kept on the outside of your refrigerator or in the VIAL of Life. During an emergency is not the time to attempt to look for the form. The Fire Department needs this form immediately to honor your wishes.

**The Villages Golf and Country Club
Summary Club Operating Budget FY20
For Seven Months ended January 31, 2020**

Department	Revenues (\$)			Expenditures (\$)			FY '19 Net (\$)
	Actual	Budget	Variance	Actual	Budget	Variance	Variance
G&A	588,000	588,000	0	556,000	577,000	21,000	21,000
Maintenance Admin	90,000	89,000	1,000	93,000	92,000	-1,000	0
Golf Course/Pro Shop	1,468,000	1,458,000	10,000	1,448,000	1,469,000	21,000	31,000
Community Activities	725,000	728,000	-3,000	706,000	743,000	37,000	34,000
Community Centers	435,000	428,000	7,000	383,000	427,000	44,000	51,000
Public Safety	728,000	726,000	2,000	695,000	725,000	30,000	32,000
Pools	115,000	115,000	0	112,000	112,000	0	0
Clubhouse/Restaurant	2,618,000	2,631,000	-13,000	2,738,000	2,645,000	-93,000	-106,000
All Other	1,516,000	1,521,000	-5,000	1,375,000	1,437,000	62,000	57,000
Totals	8,283,000	8,284,000	-1,000	8,106,000	8,227,000	121,000	120,000
Solar Lease—Bal. Sheet	-	-	-	136,000	136,000	-	-
Net Assessment	8,283,000	8,284,000	-1,000	8,242,000	8,368,000	121,000	120,000
Variance							

The above table shows All Other with a \$57,000 net positive variance due to less than planned Comcast fees, repair and maintenance, and planting expense. The community centers have a \$51,000 net positive variance from favorable utilities expense, intra-company cost transfers and rental income. Community Activities has posted a \$34,000 net positive variance from less than planned resident activities expense, as well as favorable advertising income and employee expense. Public Safety shows a \$32,000 net positive variance mostly from less

than planned employee expense. Golf Course/Pro Shop has a \$31,000 positive variance due to less than planned professional fees, water expense, electricity expense, and more than planned revenue for golf lessons, green fees and cart rentals. G&A shows a \$21,000 positive variance from favorable employee expense, offset by unfavorable professional fees. Clubhouse/Restaurant shows a \$106,000 net negative variance due to less than planned bar sales, higher than planned employee expense and legal fees.

Homeowners' Operating Financial Commentary
For the month of January 2020

January 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 \$392 (legal fees).**

Estates revenue for the month was on budget at \$13,112. Expenditures were \$456 unfavorable to budget, 4.9 percent more than the budget of \$9,398 mostly due to higher than planned irrigation maintenance expense. All other expenditure categories were close to budget for the month. **The year-to-date net positive operating budget variance is \$6,851 (planting expense, irrigation maintenance expense and water expense).**

Club Board Voting Record for February 2020

	February 25, 2020 Monthly Meeting		Board Members*							Comments	Costs	
	Agenda Items		JC	TM	FL	RC	MF	JN	BW			
1	Approval Consideration of FY20 Vineyard Center Pool Trellis Replacement		Y	Y	Y	Y	Y			A	Accepted and approved Exterior Perfections as the qualified contractor and their proposal in the amount of \$47,930 for the Vineyard Center Trellis Replacement Project, and approved \$3,000 for demolition and removal of entry segments and an additional 20% contingency of \$9,586 for unforeseen project needs and requirements; said work to be funded from the Reserve Fund.	\$60,516
2	Approval Consideration for Canadian Geese Control Services Using Trained Dogs		Y	Y	N	Y	Y			A	Approved to authorize 4 Paws Goose Control for a two month trial period of March and April for Geese control services up to three days a week on the golf course for total operating expense of \$6,500.	\$6,500
3	Approval Consideration of Villages Golf Committees Proposed Trial Programs to Promote Increased Utilization of Golf Course During Red Flag Conditions and Twilight Play		Y	Y	Y	Y	Y			A	Approved Red Flag Trial Program through December 31, 2020, as recommended by the Villages Golf Committee. Postponed approval consideration of Twilight Proposal until additional research is completed.	\$0
4	Approval consideration to Purchase Foresight Sports GCQuad Launch Monitor for the Golf Course		Y	Y	Y	Y	Y			A	Authorized General Manager Tim Sutherland to approach Evergreen Villages Foundation for funding to purchase Foresight Sports GCQuad Launch Monitor for the Golf Course at a cost of \$28,311.75.	\$0
5	Approval consideration of Annual Meeting and Director Election Schedule -June 10, 2020, Annual Meeting Date -May 1, 2020, Record Date -Appoint Vera Buescher, Claudia Nicolai and Jeannie Filice As Inspectors of Election		Y	Y	Y	Y	Y			A	Approved June 10, 2020, at 4:00 p.m. at the Clubhouse as the date and time and place for this year' Annual Meeting of the Members. Appointed Vera Buescher, Jeanne Filice and Claudia Nicolai as Inspectors of Elections for the 2020 Director Election, IRS Resolution Vote, and any other Vote of the Members that may take place in 2020. Approved May 1, 2020, at 4:30 p.m. as the Record Date for the 2020 Director Election and IRS Resolution Vote.	\$0
6	Approval consideration of Committee Appointments -Swimming Pools Advisory Committee -Rules Committee		Y	Y	Y	Y	Y			A	Approved the reappointment of Myrtha Salame to the Swimming Pools Advisory Committee as a voting member to a term ending December 2021 and approved the reappointment of Jeanette Campa and the appointment of Jim Campbell and Kathy Schlosser to the Rules Committee as voting members to terms ending December 2021; Kathy Schlosser's term to begin March 16, 2020.	\$0
7	Discuss Swimming Pool to Open During Vineyard Pool Replaster Project		Y	Y	Y	Y	Y			A	Approved to open Foothill Pool during the closure of Vineyard Pool due to the planned construction with the understanding that Foothill Pool will remain an adults only pool and the pool water temprature will be raised to 81 degrees during this time period and if necessary, approved Cribari Pool to open as a back-up with Cribari Pool's children's swim hours to remain.	\$0
8	Discuss Data Collection Methods Regarding Residents' Use of Pools in April and October		Y	Y	Y	Y	Y			A	By consensus agreed to utilize sign-in sheets and spot checks by Community Activities and Public Safety staff to collect data on pool usage in April and October.	\$0
Total APPROVED Expenditures this meeting											\$67,016	
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* JC = Jan Champion TM = Teddy Morse FL = Frank Langben RC = Rick Casey MF = Mike Falarski JN = Jim Neill BW = Bob Wilk												



The Villages Association Solicitation of Candidates Form

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STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY 2020 Election of Directors

I am interested in serving on the Board of Directors of The Villages Association.

Member's Name

Property Address(es) within The Villages Association.

Mailing Address, If Different

Daytime Telephone Number

E-mail Address

The attached statement explains my qualifications to serve as a director and, if elected, my goals for the community. Statements are limited to 250 words. Sample candidate statements and formatting guidelines are available in the General Manager's office or by contacting jmeadows@the-villages.com. Please attach your candidate statement to this form.

Qualified candidates' names will be included on the Candidate Registration List and statements will be published in the voting materials that accompany the ballots in the election of directors, as well as published in The Villager newspaper. Telephone numbers and email addresses are for internal use only and will not be published with the statements.

Candidates' statements must be received no later than April 24, 2020, in order to be included in the official voting materials. Candidates' statements may be sent to The Villages Association c/o Julia Meadows, Assistant General Manager, 5000 Cribari Lane, San Jose, CA 95135, or jmeadows@the-villages.com.

This form is also available on The Villages Resident Portal and in Building A



The Villages Association Election Rules

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From The Villages Association

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ARTICLE 3: Candidates for the Board and Nomination Procedures

3.1 Qualification of Candidates.

Candidates for the Board must be Members at the time of their nomination and (i) must meet any other qualifications or restrictions set forth in these Election Rules and (ii) must meet any other qualifications or restrictions set forth in the Bylaws so long as they do not conflict with these Election Rules. In the case of a Member that is not a natural person (such as a corporation or other entity), the entity Member shall have the power to appoint a natural person as the "Member" for purposes of director elections. The Association shall disqualify a nominee for the Board for any of the following reasons:

- 3.1.1 The nominee is not a Member.
- 3.1.2 The nominee does not reside within The Villages condominium project.
- 3.1.3 If the nominee, if elected, would be serving on the Board at the same time as serving on the Board of The Villages Golf and Country Club.

3.1.4 If the nominee, if elected, would be serving on the Board at the same time as another owner of the same separate interest and the other person is either properly nominated for the current election or is an incumbent director.

3.1.5 If the nominee, at the time of nomination, is delinquent in the payment of regular and/or special assessments. A nominee shall not be considered "delinquent" if the delinquency relates to the payment of fines, fines renamed as assessments, collection charges, late charges, or costs levied by a third party and/or if the nominee: (a) has paid the regular or special assessment under protest; (b) has entered into a payment plan for repayment of the delinquent assessments and is not delinquent in payments due under the plan; or (c) the nominee has requested and has

been provide an opportunity to engage in internal dispute resolution.
3.1.6 If the nominee has been a member of the Association for less than one year.

3.1.7 If the nominee discloses, or if the Association is aware or becomes aware of, a past criminal conviction that would, if the Member was elected, either prevent the Association from purchasing the fidelity bond coverage required by Civil Code section 5806 or terminate the Association's existing fidelity bond coverage.

3.2 Nominations.

3.2.1 Solicitation of Candidates. At least thirty (30) days before the deadline for submitting a nomination, the Association shall provide general notice of the procedure and deadline for submitting a nomination for the Board. Any Member who satisfies the qualifications and is not otherwise prohibited from running for the Board may place their name in nomination for the Board by submitting the nomination before the published deadline for receiving nominations. In addition, the Board may recruit qualified candidates and/or may appoint a nominating committee to nominate qualified candidates.

3.2.2 No Write-Ins. No "write-in" candidates shall be permitted on the ballots in the election of directors.

(See related article — 'Association Board Seeks New Directors' — on page 3)



SWIMMING POOL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Swimming Pool Report: Be Smart, Be Safe!

By Valerie Smith

Recently the Swimming Pool Advisory Committee has had discussions about pool/spa safety and how to keep residents from putting themselves and others in potentially unsafe situations. Many of our pool rules are meant to keep us in compliance with state and county regulations covering the use of public pools (and, yes, our pools are defined as "public"). These regulations are good common sense, so please be guided by them.

Do Not Use Villages Pools When:

- You have a communicable illness
- You are feeling ill and/or weak
- You have nasal or ear discharge
- You have any open sore on your body
- You require the use of a Band-Aid(s)
- You are using diapers for incontinence
- You have sustained an injury that makes movement in the pool difficult

We Strongly Advise:

- Never swim alone
- If you are not a strong swimmer, do not venture into deep water without a flotation device.

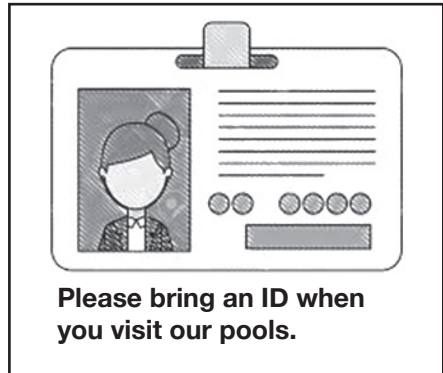
Using a pool noodle or a simple foam swim belt significantly enhances your safety. People have left noodles at our pools which you are welcome to use. You can purchase your own noodle from drug stores or dollar stores. A swim belt can be obtained at sports stores or online.

• Bring a piece of identification every time you go to a pool. Leave it in a pocket in your clothing or your swim bag. If you have an incident at the pool which renders you unable to communicate, the responding EMTs will want to notify your household and obtain any pertinent information about medication use, injury, illness, etc. You can certainly use your Villages ID card for this purpose.

- Bring your cell phone when you visit a pool (or, indeed, any Villages location).

If There is a Pool Emergency:

Every pool has a long-handled rescue hook for retrieving a person who is underwater or about to go under.



If you are assisting someone in the pool who is having difficulty, guide them or pull them to the shallow end. Ask for others to help you keep that person's head above water until EMTs arrive.

There are two ways to contact 911. Use a cell phone to call 911 directly—this is the fastest and most efficient way to get help. If no cell phone is available then use the red emergency phone at the pool. Using this phone will connect you directly with Villages Public Safety (it does not connect with 911 because of the potential of nuisance calls). Our Public Safety personnel will then call 911 and wait at the gate to escort EMTs to the pool. Every pool has its address on one of the safety signs.

EVF FOCUS

Join the Schlageters with future giving

By Maxine Amundson, EVF President



Linda and Jeff Schlageter have been Sustaining Members of EVF since the program began in 2016. They have now become part of the Gruener Heritage Circle by including The Evergreen Villages Foundation in their estate planning, again, leading the way, by submitting a Statement of Future Giving that includes EVF as one of their beneficiaries.

This Statement is nonbinding and can be revoked at any time without notification to EVF. Visit our website at www.evfsj.org and learn more how you can include EVF in your estate planning that may produce tax-savings, fulfill your philanthropic goals and will benefit the Villages Community.



We appreciate Linda and Jeff's support and confidence in EVF to help support capital improvements to enhance the Villages Community.

Save the date for next EVF Sale drop-off

The fantastic coordinators of the annual Evergreen Villages Foundation are hard at work planning for the next great "gently used" clothing sale. Our sale success depends on your generosity in donating the clothes you no longer wear and in your participation in buying replacement clothing at the sale in July.

The next drop-off of your clean, gently used clothing will be on Saturday, February 29 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tables will be set up at the back of the RV lot and manned with ladies to take them from you. We will accept all women's clothing except, high heel shoes, blazers and T-shirts with advertising. Unused lingerie and sleep wear will also be accepted. We will also accept men's casual clothing including golf attire, Polo shirts and casual jackets.

If you have plastic or wooden hangers you would like to donate, please bring those along as well.

More COMMUNITY NOTICES

Villages Medical Auxiliary-Since 1976

Office: 408-238-4230

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

Service Coordinator:

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www.vma-villages.org



Coming in March

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

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

VMA Board Meeting: All Villagers are welcome to attend. Wednesday, March 4, 10 a.m. -11 a.m., Cribari Conference Room.

Grief Support Group: a facilitator from Hospice of the Valley leads this monthly grief group. Monday, March 9, 10:30 a.m. - 12 p.m., Patio Room. Monday, March 23, 10:30 a.m. - noon, Patio Room.

Care Options Q&A: Roxana from Care Patrol will answer your questions on care options, including assisted living, board & care homes, and how to pay for it. If you have questions, but do not feel comfortable asking them in person, feel free to contact VMA Service Coordinator with these questions and she will provide these to Roxana ahead of time. Thursday, March 12, 10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m., Montgomery Center

Preliminary Bone Density Screening: Balance will be providing these screenings. Registration is required. Wednesday, March 18, 11 a.m. - 1:30 p.m., Cribari Conference Room.

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

Hearing Aid Clean & Check: Hearing Life will be performing these. Registration required. Tuesday, March 24, 10 a.m. - 12 p.m., Montgomery Center.

Diabetes Support Group: a place to share experiences and techniques for successful management of diabetes. Wednesday, March 25, 10 a.m. - 12 p.m., Cribari Forum Room.

Save the Date: VMA Health Festival. Saturday, April 25, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m., Cribari 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.



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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Friday, February 28

8:30 a.m.	Jazzercise	A
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED, SEQ
9:30 a.m.	Open Studio	AR
9:30 a.m.	Quilters	P
9:30 a.m.	Tai Chi	VC
10 a.m.	Line Dance	MMP
1 p.m.	Bocce Captains	MC
1 p.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
1 p.m.	Open Studio	CER
3 p.m.	Hand Bells	CR
4 p.m.	Olivas Game Night	FC
5 p.m.	Friday Night Dance	CH
6 p.m.	Mexican Train Domino	MC
7 p.m.	Theater Rehearsal	A

Saturday, February 29

9 a.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
9:30 a.m.	Ukulele Singing	SEQ
4:45 p.m.	Brandeis Movie Discn.	CR

Sunday, March 1

7:15 a.m.	Catholic Choir Practice	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
10 a.m.	Comm. Chapel Service	A
11 a.m.	Chapel Fellowship	CR
5:30 p.m.	Wine OWLS	FC
7 p.m.	Theater Rehearsal	A

Monday, March 2

8:30 a.m.	Jazzercise	A
9 a.m.	Swingers Board	VC
9 a.m.	18 Hole Women Board	P
9 a.m.	Cardio Workout	CR
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED, SEQ
10 a.m.	Search the Scriptures	FC
10 a.m.	Line Dance	MMP
10 a.m.	Open Studio	AR
10 a.m.	Republican Club Board	BGA
10:30 a.m.	Fitness Center Comm.	F
11 a.m.	Comcast Cust. Service	VC
12:30 p.m.	Arts & Crafts Assoc.	CR

1 p.m.	Open Studio	CER
1 p.m.	Stitchery	P
2 p.m.	Alert Sign Up Assist.	L
2 p.m.	Theater Rehearsal	A
3 p.m.	Chapel Ministry	MC
6 p.m.	Dance Class	A
6:30 p.m.	Duplicate Bridge	RED
7 p.m.	Yoga	MMP
7 p.m.	Foothill Garden Meeting	VC
7 p.m.	Camera Club	FC

Tuesday, March 3

8:30 a.m.	Men's Golf Club	P
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED, SEQ
9:30 a.m.	Acrylics & Oil Studio	AR
9:45 a.m.	SIR 114 Board	CH
10 a.m.	ADL/Parkinson Class	A
10 a.m.	Ukulele – Advanced	CR
10 a.m.	Line Dance	MMP
10 a.m.	Club Rules Committee	BGA
11 a.m.	SIR 114 Lunch	CH
11 a.m.	Yoga	MMP
11:30 a.m.	Walking Class – Indoor	A
1 p.m.	Open Studio	CER
1 p.m.	Brandeis – Presidents	P
2 p.m.	Piano Open Studio	A
2 p.m.	Veteran's Club	FC
2 p.m.	Theater Rehearsal	VC
5:30 p.m.	Democratic Club Election	FC
6:45 p.m.	Band Rehearsal	A
7 p.m.	Catholic Council	MC
7 p.m.	Astronomy & Radio Club	VC

Wednesday, March 4

8:30 a.m.	Jazzercise	A
9 a.m.	VMA Board	CR
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED, SEQ
9 a.m.	Open Studio	CER
9:30 a.m.	Ladies Bible Study	P
9:30 a.m.	Tai Chi	VC
10 a.m.	Critique & Open Studio	AR
10 a.m.	Line Dance	FC
10 a.m.	Parkinson's Caregivers	BGA
10 a.m.	Total Body Fitness	A
10:30 a.m.	Blood Pressure Clinic	F
11:30 a.m.	Dippy Dolphins	MC

1 p.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
2 p.m.	Theater Rehearsal	VC
3:30 p.m.	VMA Bingo	A
3:30 p.m.	New Res. Orientation	CH
5:30 p.m.	Dance Practice	FC
6 p.m.	Camera Club Class	P
6 p.m.	Dance Class	VC
6 p.m.	Mexican Train Domino	MC
6 p.m.	Global Village Comm.	CR
7 p.m.	Village Voices	FC

Thursday, March 5

9 a.m.	Chapel Music Comm.	F
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED, SEQ
9 a.m.	AC Assoc./ Landscape	FC
9:30 a.m.	Watercolor Class	AR
10 a.m.	Line Dance	MMP
10 a.m.	Genealogy Club	VC
10 a.m.	Walking Class – Indoor	A
11 a.m.	Yoga	MMP
12 p.m.	18 Hole Women Lunch	CH
12:30 p.m.	Ukulele Club	VC
1 p.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
1 p.m.	Open Studio	CER
3 p.m.	Chapel Choir	CR
6 p.m.	Duplicate Bridge	RED
7 p.m.	Yoga	CR
7 p.m.	Italian Club Board	P
7 p.m.	Folksters	VC
7 p.m.	Theater Rehearsal	A

Friday, March 6

8:30 a.m.	Jazzercise	A
8:45 a.m.	Catholic Mass	CR
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED, SEQ
9 a.m.	Villages Golf Comm.	MC
9:30 a.m.	Open Studio	AR
9:30 a.m.	Quilters	P
9:30 a.m.	Tai Chi	VC
10 a.m.	Line Dance	MMP
1 p.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
1 p.m.	Open Studio	CER
3 p.m.	Hand Bells	CR
6 p.m.	Mexican Train Domino	MC
7 p.m.	Chinese Club Karaoke	RED
7 p.m.	Theater Rehearsal	A
7:15 p.m.	Jewish Services	FC

Concert Band...

(Continued from front page)

Popular cinematic history scores appear in "Young Person's Guide to John Williams": "The Raiders March," "E.T. Extra-Terrestrial," "Hook," and "Hedwig's Theme."

Put on your dark glasses and enjoy a Blues Brothers medley: "Everybody Needs Somebody to Love," "I Can't Turn You Loose," "Soul Man," "R-E-S-P-E-C-T," and "Gimme Some Lovin'".

The "Sound of Music" packs all your favorites into a beautifully arranged medley.

The Broadway and cinema musical "Chicago satirizes corruption, scandal, and the "celebrity criminal" in the jazz age, with "My Own Best Friend," "Razzle Dazzle," and "All That Jazz."

Bond...James Bond! What fun we've had watching this spy series, not to mention hearing some great film music: "The James Bond Theme," "Goldfinger," "Nobody Does It Better," "Skyfall," and "Live and Let Die."

Our program finale, "Captain America March," was inspired by the Marvel Comics film in which a sickly character is transformed into the super-soldier Captain America.

Whether you're a true movie nerd or just a now-and-then dabbler, you're bound to enjoy this trip through the annals of film music history. So invite your favorite movie buddy, and come along for the ride. There are empty seats waiting just for you—and who knows, there might even be popcorn!



This concert is sponsored in part by a grant from the City of San Jose.

EVENT LOCATIONS

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

Pedestrian Safety on Villages streets

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

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

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



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CLUB CALENDARS



HIKING CLUB SCHEDULE

Unless otherwise indicated, all hikes meet at Cribari Center at 8:30 a.m. and depart at 8:45 a.m. 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, February 29: Gisela Pearson will lead a hike in Sunol Regional Park 6-7 miles. Loop from Headquarters to Back Pack Area and back. Elevation gain can reach 1100 feet. Beautiful views. Bring water, boots, poles, lunch, etc. One creek crossing. Depending on rainfall in February, route might change. Rain will cancel hike. Entrance fee per car is \$5. Round trip is 68 miles. Meet at 8:15 a.m. for 8:30 start at Cribari Center.

Wednesday, March 4 (Rambler hike): Almaden Lake Park Sandy and John Petrin (530-927-7024) will lead a hike to Almaden Lake Park from the (free) parking lot at Camden and Mt. Forest Drive along Los Alamitos Creek to and around Almaden Lake, then back. Round trip hike is about 4.1 miles, it's all paved and almost all level—very easy for all. Everyone should bring water and a snack as there is a covered picnic area by the lake where we can rest our weary feet for a while. Anyone wanting a longer break can rest at the picnic area while the others circumnavigate the lake. Then we all head back together to our cars. After the hike, those interested can rendezvous at the nearby shopping center (NW corner of Camden/Almaden Road intersection) that has a Togo's, Tacos Al Pastor, Almaden Sushi, and Baskin-Robbins! There are some benches close to all of these eating establishments so we can dine together, weather permitting. We will meet at Cribari Center at 9 a.m. for a 9:15 departure. Round trip is about 30 miles.

Saturday March 7: Susan Brown (408-531-9750) will lead an 8.2 mile hike to Boccardo Trail loop in Alum Rock Park. With an elevation of 1587 feet, the trail passes through grassy hillside and oak woodlands of North Rim and Toad Quick Trails before heading up to Boccardo where there will be a great view of Santa Clara Valley and Mt. Hamilton. Bring water, snack or lunch and poles. Round trip to Alum Rock Park Eagle Rock Parking lot is about 21 miles.

Wednesday, March 11 (Rambler hike): Fremont Older Open Space. Johanna and Wate Bakker (408-223-2190) will lead a rambler hike in Fremont Older Open Space located off Prospect road just behind the Saratoga Country Club. We'll do a 3.5 to 4-mile loop mainly on the Seven Springs loop trail, but might add on a little if people are interested. We can have lunch at the "Basil leaf" restaurant we have been there before and everybody loved the food. Bring a light snack and water. To avoid heavy traffic, we'll leave later. **We'll gather at Cribari at 9:15 for a 9:30 departure.**

Saturday March 14: Wate and Johanna Bakker (408-223-2190) will lead long and rambler hikes in Castle Rock State Park. We will admire spectacular sandstone rock formations and a waterfall, especially if it rains again in the near future. There should be also some early wild flowers. The new visitor center and parking lot are now open. Johanna's rambler hike will be about 4 miles. Elevation gains are modest, but some parts of the trail are rocky. The long hikers will do a 6-mile hike on similar trails which include steep and rocky parts, but the scenery is worth it. Dress seasonably, bring water and a light lunch. A stop for coffee or beer in Saratoga is a possibility. Round trip car mileage is 64 miles.

CAMERA CLUB

Sunday, March 1: Deadline at 2 p.m. for members' entries to the March photo competition. Categories include Pictorial, Nature, Creative. For membership information, contact Ray Blinde at 408-531-1776 or rwblinde@earthlink.net.

Monday, March 2: Photo competition for members from 7-9 p.m. in Foothill Center. Come and check out the Camera Club.

Monday, March 16: Yvonne Camper returns by popular demand to share her knowledge of smartphone cameras and their applications for photographers. From 7-9 p.m. in Foothill Center.

What's Happening in ARTS & CRAFTS?

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

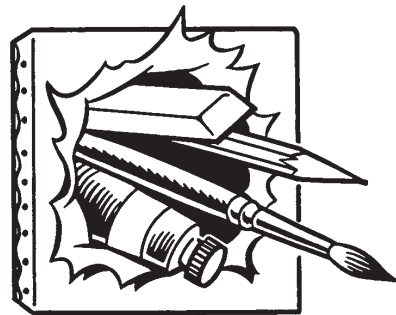
Website: www.villagesartsandcrafts.org

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

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

*****Registration contact:** Michael Sunzeri twosunzeris@comcast.net

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



March 2 – 23: Intermediate Drawing with Ciel Duke. 4 Mondays from 10 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. \$75 all Materials included.

March 2: Regular Monthly Meeting of Arts & Crafts. Cribari Conf. Room. 1:45 p.m. Guest artist Nancy Takaichi, Plein Aire. Register at 12:45 – 1:30 p.m. for Artist of the Month. ***

March 7 and 8: Weekend Pastels workshop with Terri Ford. Postponed until April 18 & 19. Maximum 12 students. Details coming.

March 10: Art Film of the month hosted by Pam Lyons. Glass artist Chihuly. Tuesday 7 p.m. in Vineyard Center.

March 17: Third Tuesday Free Art Night. TBA. 6:30 p.m. Art Room. Wine and cheese snacks. **

March 20: New Exhibit Solo Art Show: Iris Schlager. Cribari Conf. Room.

March 30: 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



MUSIC SOCIETY: TAKE NOTE

Save the Date

All events are in Cribari Auditorium unless otherwise noted. Saturday ticket sales are in Cribari Lobby from 10 a.m. to noon for the dates and prices listed below.

Friday, March 13: Opera Lovers presents a special opera at 1:30 p.m. at Vineyard Center. No charge. Information: Bonnie Preston at 408-531-1513.

Sunday, March 15: "An Afternoon at the Movies" with the Villages Concert Band at 2:30 p.m. Ticket sales on February 29, and March 7 and 14 for \$18 or show your season pass at the door.

Rehearsal/Meeting Schedule

Villages Concert Band: Tuesdays at 6:45 p.m. in Cribari Auditorium. Information: Larry Miller 408-238-1030.

Villages Handbells Ensemble: Fridays from 3-5 p.m. in Cribari Conference Room. Information: Kathi or Earl Levin at 408-270-5458.

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: Tuesdays at 2 p.m. in Cribari Auditorium. Listeners welcome. Information: Estelle Kabbani at 408-406-7447 or marchstar@comcast.net.

Village Voices: Wednesdays from 7-9 p.m. in Foothill Center. All singers welcome to join in the May 1-3 production of "Immigrant Songs." No auditions. Information: Aileen Reid 408-809-4884.



**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

WHAT'S COOKING?

theclubhouse@the-villages.com

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

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

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

Offer good only in the Clubhouse Restaurant.

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

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

Friday Night Dance: Come join us on Friday, February 28 from 5 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. for dinner and dancing.

Please see the ad on the next page for menu and reservation information.

WineMaker Dinner: Get your reservations for the Friday, March 29 dinner featuring wines from the Sculptera Winery of Paso Robles. (See ad on next page)

Call 408-754-1337 for reservations or e-mail: clubhousemanagers@the-villages.com

St. Patricks Day Bistro Patio Concert: Come join us on Tuesday, March 17 from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. and enjoy entertainment by David Johnson and a Corned Beef and Cabbage Special, Barbecued Tri-tip Sandwich or other food and beverages. (See ad 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 3-3
to
Sunday 3-8*

Meatball Sandwich **\$14.50**

Italian Meatballs, Marinara and Provolone on a French Roll—served with Choice of a Side Dish

Stuffed Tomato with Tuna Salad **\$13.95**

Half Stuffed Tomato with Tuna Salad with Avocado over Greens

Beef Broccoli Hoisin Bowl **\$15.50**

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

DAILY SOUP SPECIALS

Tuesday, March 3 *Soup: Split Pea*

Wednesday, March 4 *Soup: Cream of Broccoli*

Thursday, March 5 *Soup: Chicken Tortellini*

Friday, March 6 *Soup: Clam Chowder*

Saturday, March 7 *Soup: Chef's Choice*

Sunday, March 8 *Soup: Chef's Choice*

DINNER SPECIALS SERVED ALL WEEK

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

Chicken Portobello and Papaya Salad **\$20.95**

Grilled Marinated Chicken, Portobello, Papaya and Lime over Greens with a Tarragon Vinaigrette

Calamari Steak Almandine **\$23.50**

Sautéed Calamari Steak with Garlic Butter, Lemon, Sherry Wine and a Touch of Cream—served with

Soup or Salad

Surf & Turf **\$29.50**

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

*Saturday 3-7
and
Sunday 3-8*

SATURDAY AND SUNDAY SPECIAL—SERVED UNTIL 2 P.M.

New York Steak and Eggs **\$18.50**

8 oz. New York Steak and Eggs with Hash Browns and Toast

ACTIVITIES

Monday, March 2

NO EVENT

Tuesday, March 3

• SIR Branches #114/#38 Joint Meeting—Sunset, Oak and Fairway Rooms—10 a.m. to 11 a.m.

• SIR Branches #114/#38 Joint Luncheon—Sunset, Oak and Fairway Rooms—11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Wednesday, March 4

• New Resident Orientation—Oak and Fairway Rooms—3:30 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Thursday, March 5

• Women's 18 Hole Luncheon—Oak and Sunset—12:30 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Friday, March 6

NO EVENT

Saturday, March 7

Private Event—Oak and Fairway Rooms—noon to 3 p.m.

Sunday, March 8

NO EVENT

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 13 & 25

Friday Night Dance Party



At The Clubhouse

Friday February 28th 5pm to 9:30pm

Island Wave Band

Buffet Dinner Starts at 5pm

Dancing 630pm to 930pm

*Mixed Greens Salad, Chicken Dijon, Penne Marinara,
Garlic Mashed Potatoes, Vegetables Medley
Cookies and Brownies*

\$24 Including tax and Service Charge, Reduced Corkage Night \$7

Call for Reservation 408 223 4676 Email Jyu@the-villages.com

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 5:30 p.m.

St Patrick's Day

Bistro Patio Concert

Tuesday, March 17th - 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.

David Johnson performing



Corned Beef and Cabbage Special

BBQ Tri-Tip Sandwich and other fun foods

Full Bar

Limited seating, please come early to reserve tables

The Clubhouse Prime Rib

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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.clubhouserreservation.com
408 223 4687

Clubhouse Hours

Clubhouse Restaurant: 5 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.
Tues. thru Sunday

Early Bird Specials



5 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.
10% Discount on Entrées *

** Must be from the Dinner Entrées Section or Weekly Specials. Does not include Prime Rib.*

Good only in Clubhouse Restaurant

Winemaker Dinner

Friday March 27, 2020

Please join us on Friday March 27 as we welcome Sculpterra Winery from Paso Robles for a special wine tasting evening. Dinner will be served with wine pairings. (menu will be coming soon)

Reception starting at 5pm and Dinner and Wine Pairing at 6pm.

Reservations Information Coming Soon
\$49 plus service charge and tax

Call **408-754-1337** Event Line for Reservation or email ClubhouseManagers@the-villages.com



DAILY

The Villages Fitness Center
12:00/6:00 AM/PM

Living with Wildfires in Santa Clara County
1:00/7:00 AM/PM

Scam Awareness
2:35/8:35 AM/PM

WEEKLY

3:00/9:00 AM/PM

MON Burns & Allen Show
TUE Dinah Shore Show (1:00)
WED The Beverly Hillbillies
THU Bob Cummings Show
FRI Date with the Angels
SAT Mickey Rooney Show
SUN Colgate Comedy Hour (1:00)

3:30/9:30 AM/PM

MON The Lucy Show
WED Meet Corliss Archer
THU You Bet Your Life
FRI Life With Elizabeth
SAT The Jack Benny Program

4:00/10:00 AM/PM

THU Dragnet
FRI Mr. and Mrs. North
SUN Bonanza (1:00)

4:30/13:00 AM/PM

THU Suspense
FRI Letters to Loretta

5:00/11:00 AM/PM

THU Climax! (1:00)
FRI Tales of Tomorrow
SUN Studio One (1:00)

5:30/11:30 AM/PM

MON Sherlock Holmes
TUE Robin Hood
WED Kit Carson
FRI Sir Lancelot
SAT Lock-Up

MOVIES

4:00/10:00 AM/PM

MON Queen of the Yukon

TUE Klondike Annie

WED Cheers for Miss Bishop

SAT His Girl Friday

CHANNEL 26

Club Events & Notices

Complimentary **WiFi**

Network: Villages Public
Password: villages

More information online at the Villages Resident Portal:
resident.thevillagesgcc.com

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
3/2	Fitness Center Committee	10:30 a.m.	Forum
3/3	Club Rules Committee	10 a.m.	Building A
3/5	AC/Association/Landscape	9 a.m.	Foothill Center
3/6	Villages Golf Committee	9 a.m.	Montg. Center

Community Events

Date	Event	Time	Place
2/28	Olivas Social	4 p.m.	Foothill Center
3/2	Comcast Cust. Service	11 a.m.	Vineyard Center
3/2	SCC Alert Sign Up Assist.	2 p.m.	Cribari Lobby
3/3	SIR 114 Lunch	11 a.m.	Clubhouse
3/4	VMA Afternoon Bingo	3:30 p.m.	Auditorium
3/4	New Resident Orientation	3:30 p.m.	Clubhouse
3/5	18 Hole Women Lunch	12 p.m.	Clubhouse

Golden Gate Fields – ‘A Day at the Races’

The Turf Room has been reserved for our day at Golden Gate Fields on Saturday, April 18. The Turf Room provides expansive viewing of the track so we can catch all the action. TV monitors are also available for close-up viewing while you sit with your friends at your dining table. The dress code is Smart-Casual, so *no* tennis shoes. Moderate walking is required with some stairs; an elevator is available. *If stairs are a problem for you on main floor*, please let us know when you register so you may be seated on the top landing of the Turf Room.

The cost is \$88 per person and this price includes a wonderful buffet lunch, transportation and entrance to the track with a racing program. Coffee, tea and decaf are included in the price. Beer, wine or cocktails can be purchased from your servers. *It is important that you sit at tables reserved only for The Villages!* Departure from the Villages will be at 10 a.m. on Saturday, April 18, and we will return at approximately 6:30 p.m.

Register in the Community Resource Center, Building B starting Monday, March 2. There are only 49 tickets available.

This trip is a great way to meet other Villagers! We all sit together and cheer for our favorite horse and jockey! Don't miss this fun outing!

See ‘Riverdance’ – 25 years strong!

Coming to our very own “Best of Broadway, downtown San Jose!” performance on Friday, May 15, 8 p.m.! Departure from The Villages will be at 6:30 p.m. with an approximate return of 11:30 p.m. The show is 122 minutes plus intermission. You will not want to miss this great performance. You might even want to learn how to do this Irish dancing after seeing how much fun...lots of work and exercise too! The cost for this outing is \$122 that includes orchestra seating and transportation. Enjoy!

Riverdance, as you've never seen it before! A powerful and stirring reinvention of this beloved favorite, celebrated the world over for its Grammy award-winning score and the thrilling energy and passion of its Irish and international dance. Twenty-five years on, composer Bill Whelan has rerecorded his mesmerizing soundtrack while producer Moya Doherty and director John McColgan have completely reimagined the ground-breaking show with innovative and spectacular lighting, projection, stage and costume designs. Immerse yourself in the extraordinary power and grace of its music and dance—beloved by fans of all ages. Fall in love with the magic of Riverdance all over again.

For over 25 years, nothing has carried the energy, the sensuality and the spectacle of Riverdance. Riverdance began its journey as the interval act in the 1994 Eurovision Song Contest, produced for television by Moya Doherty. This electrifying and innovative seven-minute dance piece was then developed into a full-length stage show by Producer Moya Doherty, Composer Bill Whelan and Director John McColgan. With its fusion of Irish and International music and dance, the show broke all box office records during its world première run in Dublin in early 1995. When the show transferred to London the reaction was unprecedented. There followed a hugely successful tour starting in New York in March 1996, where 8 sold-out shows at Radio City Music Hall heralded the start of two decades of touring by Riverdance companies throughout.

Disclaimer requested on Villages organizations’ websites

Organizations maintaining websites for Villages organizations (Board Recognized and Non-Board Recognized) are asked to add a disclaimer to their website's home page stating “Membership and events are for The Villages Golf and Country Club residents and their guests.” This is to clarify that the events and activities are not open to the general public.

Warriors at Chase Center

See the new Chase Stadium and watch the Warriors play! On Monday, April 13, the Warriors will play Portland at 7:30 p.m. Please arrive at the stadium at 6:45 p.m. for a 4:45 p.m. departure. **SOLD OUT!** Return time to The Villages. **There are only a few tickets left!**

The price per person includes transportation, game ticket and food and drink. This upper section in the Modelo Cantina includes food/drink in price all for \$228! Elevators are available! Comfy seats as well! Register in the Community Resource Center, Building B.

Fitness Center daily cleaning

The Fitness Center is cleaned between noon and 1 p.m. daily. Several times a week the janitors find resident users still using the equipment when they need to be cleaning it. The facility locks out access between noon and 1 p.m. and is unavailable for resident use during that time. Please plan your workouts to be completed by noon or have them start after 1 p.m.

Don't miss...

THE TOMORROW MAN
Wednesday, March 11
1:30 p.m.



John Lithgow, Blythe Danner, Derek Cecil. Ed Hemsler spends his life preparing for a disaster that may never come. Ronnie Meisner spends her life shopping for things she may never use. These two people will try to find love. Rated PG-13.



Upcoming Evening Movie

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

Monday, March 16 - “Downton Abbey”: Starring Matthew Goode, Alice McCarthy, Maggie Smith. The continuing story of the Crawley family, wealthy owners of a large estate in the English countryside in the early twentieth century. Rated PG.



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.

New election voting options for 2020

Residents have many more options and more time to vote in 2020. The Villages will not be a polling place in 2020.

Last summer, The Villages was notified by the Santa Clara County Registrar of Voters about changes to the voting process and polling places within Santa Clara County.

To follow are the new requirements: The new Voter's Choice Act requires Santa Clara County to open 25 Vote Centers for 11 days and 100 Vote Centers for four days in Santa Clara County for the 2020 elections.

Attendees would be fluctuating from 20 to 100 people coming and going and this will be the first time Vote Centers will be open for voters to come to vote in a longer period of time instead of just one day on Election Day.

This is a departure from a one-day, Villages residents-only polling place to a multiple-day public access polling center. For these reasons The Villages will not be a polling place this year. Residents will have the vote by mail option or to go to a nearby polling place. Community Activities staff will have a list of nearby polling places.

The following nearby locations will be available to Villages residents:

24 Hour Ballot Drop Box February 3 through March 3 at 8 p.m.:

- Evergreen Valley College (at Cafeteria in Gullo 1) 4750 San Felipe Road
- Evergreen Branch Library (Outside Drop Box) 2635 Aborn Road

11 – Day Vote Centers February 22 to March 2 – 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., March 3 - 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

- Evergreen Branch Library (Community Room) 2635 Aborn Road

'Book of Mormon' at Golden Gate Theatre!

"The Book of Mormon" is returning to San Francisco at the Golden Gate Theatre. This outing will be on Saturday, April 4 with a 2 p.m. matinee. Please arrive at 11:15 a.m. at the Cribari Patio Room to get your tickets. Departure from the Villages east parking lot at Cribari Center will be at 11:30 a.m. The cost for this outing is only \$223 per person. The cost includes theatre, transportation and dinner at Pompei's Grotto. Register in the Community Resource Center, Building B. Dinner choices are Chicken Parmesan, Filet of Sole, Dungeness Crab Louie Salad or Pasta Angelina. Your dinner includes cup of New England Clam Chowder or Mixed Green Salad, glass of wine or pint of beer, coffee/tea/soda and incredible dessert.

The Book of Mormon follows two young missionaries who are sent to Uganda to try to convert citizens to the Mormon religion. One missionary, Elder Price, is an enthusiastic go-getter with a strong dedication to his faith, while his partner, Elder Cunningham, is a socially awkward but well-meaning nerd whose tendency to embellish the truth soon lands him in trouble. Upon their arrival in Africa, Elders Price and Cunningham learn that in a society plagued by AIDS, poverty and violence, a successful mission may not be as easy as they expected.

Composed by South Park creators Trey Parker and Matt Stone and Avenue Q's Robert Lopez, "The Book Of Mormon" is an old-style musical with a modern sensibility. This blockbuster show features several big song-and-dance numbers accompanied by some old-fashioned Broadway belting. An equal opportunity offender, the show playfully pokes fun at religion, sexuality, poverty and race, while inspiring an after-the-show discussion of religion in general.

Get assistance for Santa Clara County Alerts

Staff from the Office of County Supervisor Dave Cortese will be available the first Monday of March at Cribari Lobby to help any residents subscribe to our County's Emergency Alert System. Bring your cellphone and visit the office's table from 2 to 3 p.m. on March 2 to sign up for real-time emergency alerts sent directly to your mobile device, landline, or email. Alerts can include fire, earthquake, severe weather, crime incidents, or instructions during a disaster. Please contact Community Activities at 408-223-4643 for additional information.

New cardio class with instructor Patrick!

Here is an energetic workout that combines cardiovascular, flexibility, mobility and strength training exercises. A variety of exercise equipment (bands, balls, and dumbbells) will be used with emphasis placed on proper form and technique. Regressions and progressions will be given where appropriate so all levels are welcome. Come join the fun and get your morning and week started on the right foot!

Your instructor Patrick Cushing will give you a cardio challenge. Patrick's specialty is working with seniors and he enjoys what he does! Come on down to the Community Resource Center, Building B to sign up for his class starting March 2 at 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. in the Conference Room. The cost will be \$32 for the month of March. This class will be for one month and beginning in April the class will go to quarterly.



Walk—Don't wait for better health, create It!

Here is a fun and exciting way to improve your health and wellbeing. Research shows the more we sit the weaker and more dysfunctional the body becomes. Our popular Indoor Walking/Chair Exercise class has proven to be a highly effective way to restore confidence, balance, functionality and the ability to move safely. In addition to improving overall health, the class will help you regain your standing and walking skills. It reduces stress, decreases risk of heart attack, improves mental function; boosts the immune system and increases energy. Whether you are on a walker, in a wheelchair, need pre- or post-surgery rehabilitation (get your health care provider's approval) or just want to get some serious exercise, this class is for you. Come have fun! Make new friends! The cost is \$9 per class, billed monthly. This on-going class is held Tuesdays 11:30 a.m. and Thursdays 10 a.m. in the Cribari Auditorium. Register in Class! For information call Jane at 408-315-1179. This class is sponsored by the Community Activities Office.

30-Minute restorative chair yoga

This Restorative Chair Yoga class features both standing and seated postures that are suitable for all fitness levels. It reduces stiffness, tightness, aches and 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 and flexibility and your overall wellbeing to help you feel good about yourself. Modifications are made to accommodate all fitness levels. Classes are held Mondays in (Montgomery Multipurpose Room) and Thursdays in the (Vineyard Center) from 7 to 7:30 p.m. Please wear comfortable loose-fitting clothing. Check The Villager's Calendar of Events page 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.

Yoga for total well-being!

Yoga is good for everybody. Yoga training improves strength, flexibility, endurance and muscle tone and helps one add more muscle. Research indicates that people who practice yoga can significantly improve their mental and physical performance. The class is held on Tuesdays and Thursdays, 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. in the Montgomery Multipurpose Room. The cost is \$90 for a class card, issued and punched in class. Start anytime! Register in class! First Class Free! Check the Villager's Calendar of Events page to verify location. For information call Jane at 408-315-1179. This class is sponsored by the Community Activities Office.

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 (Auditorium - 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.

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.

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Macy's Easter Flower Show at Union Square

On Thursday, April 2, bring a friend and spend the day shopping at Union Square in San Francisco, the epicenter of Bay Area shopping. Start your day with lovely breakfast from one of the many places to eat in Union Square. This is also the time of year that Macy's has its spectacular flower show. This year's theme is "Ocean."

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

We will leave from the Cribari Center's east parking lot (hobby room side) at 8:30 a.m. and return no later than 5 p.m. The best part is, you don't have to drive, find a parking spot and pay for parking; just get on the bus and leave everything else to the Royal Coach driver. The cost is only \$45 per person for a great day with your friends. Register in the Community Resource Center, Building B beginning Tuesday, February 18.



Get ready for the annual 4th of July Celebration

Community Activities is excited about getting plans underway for our 2020 4th of July Celebration. The location will be the same as last year in the Clubhouse/Pro Shop area complete with the Clubhouse barbecue, entertainment, children's games, balloon lady, face painting, golf cart parade, Pro Shop-sponsored putting contest and VMA-sponsored Bingo.

In the Cribari Center, EVF will be having its clothing sale, the Library will be having its book sale, Arts & Crafts will have a kids art table in the A&C Room, and there will be donuts and coffee...so as you can see, many things are in the planning. Watch for more information. We will have golf carts shuttles running between Cribari and Clubhouse.

Start getting your plans together for entry in the parade, either one cart per Village or organization, or get some walkers together for entry—just use that great imagination of yours!

What and where is the Community Resource Center?

The Community Resource Center offers a wealth of information to Villagers, including information about clubs and committees, insurance, recycling, the Villages website, board notices and Villages events. We also have maps and information for new or prospective residents.

If you have a question, call us, and we'll be happy to assist. The Community Resource Center is located in Building B near the tennis courts. The phone number is 408-754-1336.

In addition to the above, we offer the following services:

Photocopy service: Basic photocopies are 5¢ for one-sided copies and 8¢ for double-sided copies. A selection of colored paper is available at extra cost. We can also do reductions or enlargements. (Publications can only be copied with written consent from the author.)

Fax service: The fax number is 408-274-2843. You can send or receive a fax for \$1 per page.

Documents for sale: Villages telephone directories are for sale.

Payment options: We accept cash, or you can charge to your house or club account. (Please advise your club treasurer prior to charging to a club account.)

Class/trip/event registration: Register for the classes, trips and events sponsored by the Community Activities Office.

Hotel reservations: There are four hotel rooms available to residents and their guests. Rooms can be reserved up to six months in advance.

Villager editorial/advertising support services: When *The Villager* staff is unavailable, the Resource Center can assist you when placing a classified ad or submitting an article. Current issues of *The Villager* newspaper are available in the lobby as well as a limited supply of past editions.

Correspondence mailboxes: District advisory committees (DAC) and other board appointed committees have mailboxes in the lobby. This is also the location to drop off Pulse letters in the Communications Advisory Committee box.

Remember to give us a call at 408-754-1336 for any questions or concerns that you may have.



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CLUBS & EVENTS

Take Intermediate Drawing Class with Ciel Duke

Spring is in the air and it's time to brush up on your drawing skills! This intermediate class will focus on a continuation of all the basics—composition, proportion, drawing techniques, value, creating realism, etc., as you experiment with a variety of mediums. Week 1 emphasizes the importance of good drawing skills, using several tricks to help you get the drawing "right." Week 2 uses charcoal pencil to develop a strong sense of chiaroscuro within a still life. Week 3 introduces the art of Scratchboard, which was featured in a popular demonstration by visiting artist Shone Chacko at one of our 2019 Arts & Crafts meetings. Week 4 introduces color in a vignette floral composition using soft pastels.



Each class produces a finished work, suitable for framing. This is an intermediate level class, suitable for people who have basic drawing skills and who want to expand their expertise in skill, subject matter, and varying art mediums. All supplies are included in the cost of the class. You need only to bring your enthusiasm!

Ciel Duke is a popular art teacher here in the Villages, with years of teaching experience. Her structured classes are casual, friendly, and fun...so don't wait to register, as they fill up quickly!

The class will be held Mondays, March 2, 9, 16, and 23 from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. \$75, all materials included. Register by emailing barb.gottesman@gmail.com

Art demo by Nancy Takaichi

The Arts and Crafts Association is pleased to announce an artist demonstration by Nancy Takaichi on Monday, March 2, 2020 in conjunction with our monthly general meeting. This demonstration is free and open to all Villagers. The brief meeting begins at 1:45 p.m., with Ms. Takaichi's one-hour demonstration immediately following. It will be held in the Cribari Center Conference Room.



Nancy Takaichi had a successful 30-year career in high tech as corporate events planner, marketing communications, and newsletter editor before returning to painting in 2012. She will speak on Plein Air painting, which is her passion. She has won many prestigious awards, including the 2017 "Grand Jury Winner" Plein Air Competition for Santa Clara County Parks and Recreation, the 2017 and 2016 "Best of Show" North Tahoe Arts Plein Air Open, and the 2018 "Best of Show" Los Gatos Art Association Members Juried Show. Do you want to find out what Plein Air painting is, or perhaps how to get started on your own outdoor painting journey? Please join us for what is certain to be an interesting and informative artist demonstration.

Anyone wishing to enter the Artist of the Month contest should arrive no later than 1:15 p.m. Voting begins at 1:30 p.m.

Come enjoy the expanded Ukulele Club

By Tom Zades

The Villages Ukulele Club meets every Thursday afternoon from 1:30 to 3 p.m. at the Vineyard Center. Originally ukuleles-only, we have expanded to include "singers and other instruments." Other instruments currently include: Vera Johnston on piano, Dennis Cullen on guitar, Gene Yamada on bass, George Dobbs on harmonica and Tom Zades on snare drum. The singing, led by Bill Rodman, was originally just by the ukulele players. Now "singers-only" are welcome to join us, as well.

Ukuleles abound, of course, from beginners to skilled and experienced players. If you are interested, beginner lessons with John Laws start at 12:30 p.m. We have some loaner ukuleles, and good quality ukes are available online for \$50 or less. The current 155 songs are all available online at zadesworld.org. Hard copies can be purchased for \$10 per set. There are no dues. Most people are able to play and sing dozens of our basic songs—songs with just two or three chords—in a short period of time.

Many new Villager connections are made and bonds of friendship strengthened during the popular snack break. All Villagers are welcome. Whether you want to learn to play the ukulele, add an instrument to the band, sing along, or just listen to the instruments and the voices, you are more than welcome to drop in. Come join the fun!

SJSU students request seniors for survey

Graduate students in the Occupational Therapy department at San José State University are conducting a research survey about driving and transportation and are seeking individuals aged 55 and older to participate. The survey is part of a Master of Occupational Therapy capstone research project. The deadline for the survey is March 2, 2020.

The survey should take approximately 10-15 minutes to complete and all data collected will be anonymous. Those who wish to participate or inquire for more information will have the opportunity be entered into a drawing for a \$25 Amazon gift card.

To receive a copy of the survey or find out more information, please email nicholas.chambers@sjsu.edu.

Come to the 'Super Tuesday' party!

By Tony Berg

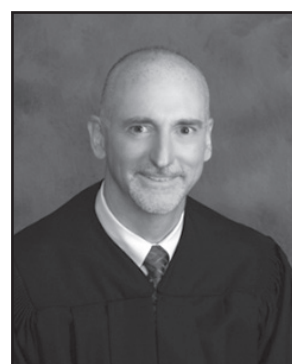
Super Tuesday is coming up fast. With 14 states holding Primaries, the 2020 election year will be in tighter focus at the end of the evening.

Join the Democratic Club at Foothill Center at 5 p.m. on Tuesday evening, March 3. We will have live projection TV streaming as the results flow in. Come join us and your neighbors to share wine, cheese and a few other offerings as we watch the events unfold together.

This is the first major electorate input to the way the November 3 election is actually developing. Let's make it a night to remember!



Judge L. Michael Clark to speak at joint SIR 38 & 114 luncheon



During the joint SIR 38 – SIR 114 luncheon in the Fairway Room at the Villages Clubhouse on Tuesday, March 3, Judge L. Michael Clark will share stories about how the Santa Clara County Superior Court helps addicted criminal defendants find sobriety and avoid recidivism through an innovative program called "Drug Treatment Court." Non-SIR members wishing to attend the presentation should arrive at the Clubhouse at 12:30 p.m.

Judge L. Michael Clark was appointed to the Santa Clara County Superior Court in 2008. He currently sits in Criminal Drug Treatment Court. He has served as Supervising Judge of the Family Division; Assistant Supervising Judge of the Juvenile Dependency Division; Family Court Domestic Violence Judge; Family Court All-Purpose Judge; and Drug Treatment Court Judge for Family Court, Juvenile Dependency Court, and Criminal Court. He currently chairs the Court's Domestic Violence Coordinating Committee and the DV Court and Community Partner Committee. He is a member of the Court's Community Outreach Committee and Collaborative Courts Committee. Judge Clark conducts seminars for judges, lawyers and community partners on child protection laws, domestic violence prevention, collaborative court practices, and trauma-informed approaches in the courtroom. Prior to his appointment to the bench Judge Clark practiced trial and appellate law for the Santa Clara County Office of the County Counsel for 21 years primarily in the area of child protection law. He is a graduate of Santa Clara University Law School, Fuller Theological Seminary and Westmont College.

More CLUBS

Come to RV Club Open House!

On Saturday, March 7, the RV Club will have an Open House in the RV Lot from 9 a.m. to 12 noon. All RV owners (and potential owners) are invited to attend.

Representatives from local RV businesses will be there to answer your RV questions. The RV Club will also have some of our RVs open for inspection.

Come and meet us to hear about our travel plans for this year. Questions? Email Wayne Weiler, RV Club President at wweiler6@gmail.com.

FROM THE BOOKSHELF

By Sherle Frost

“Joe Country” by Mick Herron: Latest in the Slough House espionage series. “We’re spies,” said Lamb. “All kinds of outlandish things go on.” Like the ringing of a dead man’s phone, or an unwelcome guest at a funeral. In Slough House memories are stirring, all of them bad. Catherine Standish is buying booze again, Louisa Guy is raking over the ashes of lost love, and new recruit Lech Wicinski, whose sins make him outcast even among the slow horses, is determined to discover who destroyed his career, even if he tears his life apart in the process. And with winter taking its grip Jackson Lamb would sooner be left brooding in peace, but even he can’t ignore the dried blood on his carpets. So, when the man responsible breaks cover at last, Lamb sends the slow horses out to even the score. This time, they’re heading into Joe Country. And they’re not all coming home. Mystery, 2019.

“Tightrope” by Nicholas D. Kristof and Sheryl WuDunn: These Pulitzer Prize-winning authors issue a personal plea to address the crisis in working-class America, while focusing on solutions. The authors tell this story, in part, through the lives of some of the children with whom Kristof grew up in rural Yamhill, Oregon, an area that has been devastated in the last few decades as blue-collar jobs disappeared. About one-quarter of the children on Kristof’s old school bus died in adulthood from drugs, alcohol, suicide, or reckless accidents. These stories unfolded in one corner of the country, but are representative of many places the authors write about, ranging from the Dakotas and Oklahoma to New York and Virginia. Here, too, are stories about resurgence, among them Annette Dove, who has devoted her life to helping the teenagers of Pine Bluff, Arkansas, as they navigate the chaotic reality of growing up poor, and Daniel McDowell of Baltimore, whose tale of opioid addiction and recovery suggests that there are viable ways to solve our nation’s drug epidemic. These accounts, illustrated with images by Lynsey Addario, the award-winning photographer, provide a picture of working-class families profoundly damaged as a result of decades of governmental policy mistakes. Non-fiction, 303.4, Social Change, 2020.

“Bertie: The Complete Prince of Wales Mysteries” by Peter Lovesey: Albert Edward, Prince of Wales, Bertie as he’s known, was the eldest son of Queen Victoria, who became King Edward VII. Bertie is a pleasure seeker, always searching out the best meals, the most beautiful women, and the most lavish parties. As Prince Regent, Bertie is expected to behave like a proper royal and avoid scandal. Instead, his love of excitement leads him to a decidedly unprincely hobby: sleuthing. Bertie is not the best detective, but that does not stop him from trying to solve every case that crosses his path, including the feverish suicide of the greatest jockey of the century, the mysterious death of a member of the royal hunting party, and the murder of the son-in-law of an old friend. Fiction, 2019.

“Truth Worth Telling” by Scott Pelley: “Don’t ask the meaning of life. Life is asking, what’s the meaning of you?” A 60 Minutes correspondent and former anchor of the CBS Evening News, Scott Pelley writes as a witness to events that changed our world. In moving, detailed prose, he stands with firefighters at the collapsing World Trade Center on 9/11, advances with American troops in combat in Afghanistan and Iraq, and reveals private moments with presidents (and would-be presidents) he has known for decades. Pelley also offers a resounding defense of free speech and a free press as the rights that guarantee all others. Above all, “Truth Worth Telling” offers a collection of inspiring tales that reminds us of the importance of values in uncertain times. Non-fiction, 920, Biography, 2019.

Astronomy Club to meet Tuesday

All are welcome to attend the next Astronomy Club meeting on Tuesday, March 3 at 7:30 p.m. at Foothill Center. This month we will examine the “Bay Area Night Sky.”

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

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



Afternoon Bingo at Cribari!

The Villages Medical Auxiliary (VMA) will host Afternoon Bingo at Cribari Auditorium on Wednesday, March 4. Doors open at 3 p.m. and the games begin at 3:30 p.m. sharp! All Villagers are welcome. For more info, contact Wendy Ledamun at wledamun49@gmail.com or 408-960-8335.

Global Village: How does mortality make life precious?

Why does life become more precious when we are open to mortality? The Global Village club will review a 20-minute TED Talk by B.J. Miller, who had a serious brush with death in his teens. Confronting his mortality shaped and defined his life. He makes some stunning observations from his personal and professional experiences—how pain is different from suffering, how a snowball melting in his hands created an appreciation of aliveness, and much more. Miller is a compelling presenter of these topics (the TED talk is available at www.ted.com/talks/bj_miller_what_really_matters_at_the_end_of_life).

Franz Spickhoff, fellow Villager who has shared his poetry and insights and led engaging discussions at other Global Village meetings, will lead a discussion exploring how Miller’s experiences can be relevant in our own lives. Franz has tasted these experiences in his own adventurous life, knows how true they are for him and how they can make life richer and fuller for us. Please join this presentation and discussion hosted by the Global Village club, Wednesday, March 4, from 7 to 8:30 p.m. in the Cribari Conference Room. No pre-registration required and no fee.

Genealogy Club: Irish Genealogy presentation

How and where do you start doing genealogy for your Irish ancestors? What types of records are available, and what do you need to know to find them? Linda McMullen, one of our Club members, will share a bit of Irish history, how she researched her Irish ancestors, and the records she found.

Please join the Genealogy Club on Thursday, March 5, at 10 a.m. in the Vineyard Center for our monthly meeting, and hear Linda’s presentation. Our group meets monthly to learn and share our research on our family history. Come join us and start the search for your ancestors! For questions about the Genealogy Club or the presentation, please contact Linda McMullen at lindavillage8392@gmail.com.

Join the Folksters—Villagers who enjoy folk music

By Don Fernandez

Come and join a group of Villagers who enjoy singing Folk Music. Our group has been around here in The Villages for about 12 years. meeting to sing folk songs. We have a group of instrumentalists that play and sing with us—guitars, bass ukuleles, harmonicas, piano and more! And lots of enthusiastic singers. We meet twice a month on the first and the third Thursday of the month from 7 to 9 p.m. at Vineyard Center.

Our next meeting is Thursday, March 5. It is very informal. We have a song book of about 50 songs that we have chosen over the years, and we always have extra song books for newcomers. And...we are always looking to add new songs—as well as delete ones we have grown tired of! Several of our talented instrumentalists lead us. More instrumentalists always welcome!

We welcome newcomers! No singing talent is needed—please do not be intimidated. Consider stopping by and see if you would enjoy being part of the group. No dues—just relaxing fun with fellow Villagers. Any questions? Call Harriet Fernandez 408-223-7835 or email me: harrietrenee@sbcglobal.net.

Meet Rose at Dog Club meeting

The Villages Dog Club will meet Saturday, March 5 at 10 a.m. Our Dog of the Month for March is Rose, who lives with Mike and Nelda Stanley in Village Sonata.

“Nelda and I had been looking for a white female Shih Tzu when we found her in North Carolina,” said Mike. “She was 6 weeks old when we had her flown to us and she easily and quickly became a California girl. She is 7 years old this February and loves getting her dad to walk her twice a day. She is fascinated by the horses near our back fence, the deer she sees in our front yard and loves to try and chase birds on our walks.”

The Dog Club desperately needs new members to sustain its status as a club in The Villages. There are over 250 dog owners in The Villages along with many prior dog owners now ready to continue a wonderful relationship with a dog. The club can assist you in locating that special animal to bring love into your life.

The club meets every first Saturday of the month at the gazebo facility next to the bocce ball courts. Bring dog(s) and poop bags!

To get a head start, please call our leader, Paul Miner at 408-532-3033 and get on our mailing list.



Italian Club's Pizza and Trivia Night Tuesday, March 10

5 p.m., Foothill Center • \$35 per person

Join us for pizza, wings, salad, dessert.

Prizes for the winners of our Italian trivia questions.



Senior Academy: 'Human Needs and Immigrant Rights'

Richard Hobbs, a Silicon Valley Immigration Attorney, is an expert on the southern border immigration situation, asylum cities and the human sacrifices of families and children. He will be Senior Academy's guest speaker on Wednesday, March 11 at Montgomery Center at 2 p.m. This is a **free** event with no reservations necessary.

Richard is the founder and Executive Director of Human Agenda, a human rights organization based in San Jose. He has worked for more than 30 years to develop and put into practice an eco-humanist vision, focused upon the needs of people and the planet.

Enjoy potluck dinner and play some games!

By Michelle M. Breslin

Please join the Hiking Club on Thursday, March 12 for a Potluck and Game Night at Foothill Center. The festivities begin at 5:30 p.m. Members and guests are asked to bring their favorite board or card game(s) to play with their tablemates.

The games will begin after the potluck dinner. Please bring a plate, napkins, utensils and something to hold a drink, and if you want, an adult beverage. Coffee, tea, and hot chocolate will be provided. If your last name begins with A-F, please bring a dessert. Last names beginning with G-L should bring a main dish. Last names beginning with M-R should bring an appetizer, Last names beginning with S-Z should bring a side dish or salad. Your potluck dish should serve 8-10 people, couples should "double up" on their dishes!

Please RSVP to vgcc.hiking.club.social@gmail.com and let us know you'll be joining us!



Opera Lovers: See Verdi's 'Attila the Hun'

On March 13, Opera Lovers is pleased to reintroduce you to this opera by Verdi, one of the most important composers in the development of modern opera. "Attila the Hun" was presented by Teatro Alla Scala in 1991 and stars our favorite Samuel Ramey, in the title role. It was Verdi's ninth opera and is the story of the fight between Ezio, a Roman general—leader of Rome, and Attila the Hun, the Nordic invader, who unfortunately falls in love with Odabella, an Italian woman warrior whose father had been killed in a fight with Atilla. Her retribution would be to kill Atilla. What would you have done?

We meet the second Friday of the month at 1:30 p.m. in the Vineyard Center. The meeting is open to all, so if you enjoy great music, plan to come and bring a friend to share the joy of music. Come and enjoy this glorious music with fellow opera lovers. For more information, call Bonnie Preston at 408-531-1513.

Find Peggy's handmade items at Crafters boutique

Where can you find beautifully handmade kitchen towels, baby and adult bibs, designed and created just for you? At almost every quarterly Crafters Club Boutique on Peggy Long's table.

Peggy is a devoted and enthusiastic seamstress, an active member of the Crafters Club, and was actually one of the original members of the boutique we came from. She joined the boutique when it first opened in Cribari in 1996.

For over 20 years, Peggy has poured her heart and soul into her passion of sewing, transforming basic towels into high quality beautifully decorative towels, pot holders and bibs to sell at our boutique events.

Peggy's kitchen towels are her biggest seller, followed by her beautiful bibs for babies and adults. Peggy has an eye for creating something from nothing. Wherever she goes, she's always on the hunt for interesting unique fabric, to then "make her own"; adding seams, stitching, ruffles and ribbons, to design and enhance each towel. She then adds matching embroidered pieces with a loop or Velcro— perfect for your kitchen decor, or a housewarming/hostess gift.

The love for her craft continues to drive her passion of sewing, and creating exquisite pieces. Peggy's process includes washing, and ironing each piece before carefully cutting on a rotary mat, using a rotary cutter, different kinds of scissors and slicers, and then pins the different pieces accordingly, all made ready for the sewing machine.

Peggy owned her first sewing machine when she was 12 years old, and found it not only enjoyable to create something from nothing but found it relaxing and therapeutic to stitch and decorate each piece.

So please come and find Peggy's table in the Cribari Conference room by the fireplace on Saturday, March 14 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. She will be displaying her lovely towels and bibs for you to purchase and enjoy.



March Art Film: Dale Chihuly

By Pam Oliver Lyons

On Tuesday, March 10 at 7 p.m. in the Vineyard Center, the Villages Arts and Crafts Association will present "Chihuly Short Cuts II" produced by Mark McDonnell. This film is a collection of nine remarkable short videos. Each video shows world renowned American glass artist, Dale Chihuly at work on some of his favored projects as he shares his thoughts and inspirations. This collection spans series shown in exhibitions at the DeYoung Museum, the Royal Botanic Gardens in Kew, England, Light of Jerusalem Project Tower of David Museum, The Chihuly over Venice, Italy project, and The Glass Bridge Project in his hometown of Tacoma, Washington.

Every moment of this film is a sharing of Chihuly's artistic process. "My work is not figurative," he explains as he paints a wide stroke of vivid red across a large white paper. "I've never met a color I didn't like." He becomes more serious and explains he loves the medium glass because light shines through it...it's durable yet fragile...it's formed by human breath passing down a blowpipe..." The viewer is given a front row seat in his Tacoma studio workshop alongside his team of glass blowers as Chihuly directs projects that have elevated the craft of glass to high art.

Chihuly's creations are stunning. If you've never seen his work, you are in for a visual treat. If you are already a fan, then this collection will not disappoint.

VMA to lend ice therapy machines to Villagers

Are you scheduled for surgery in the near future that might require you to use an ice therapy machine? They can be costly if you have to purchase one. If you need an ice therapy machine you can borrow one from the VMA. Just call the VMA office at 408-238-4230 and we can have one delivered to your home.

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Stay safe with Jazzercise

By Barbara Tommaney

As we age our bodies become more susceptible to certain health risks. We begin to notice the wear and tear that has developed through the years, causing us to slow down, putting us at risk for falls and for other health conditions. Luckily we have a way to alleviate some of those risks. For example, we know that older adults are more likely to experience falls that cause serious injury. This is because aging causes bones to shrink and muscles to lose their strength. Leg strength and balance are crucial and weight bearing exercise is beneficial for both. Jazzercise provides a program to improve muscle strength, coordination, and increase endurance. Regularity of exercise is also important. With Jazzercise you can elect to participate three times a week. We meet every Monday, Wednesday and Friday in the Cribari auditorium from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. That leaves you the entire day free for your other Village activities. But if your schedule interferes you can choose to limit yourself to one or two days per week. Our class is led by an experienced Jazzercise professional who has received training in dance, anatomy and exercise physiology. The cost is reasonable, \$35 for a month worth of classes. And we offer a free first lesson. So stay safe and get into a regular exercise program with Jazzercise. If you have questions, please call Herito at 408-238-7511.

Senior Academy: 'Trade Policy and the American Worker'

Are you uncertain as to how the international "Trade Wars" and the many changes in U.S. trade policy over the past two years actually affect our economy and American workers? To answer these questions, the Villages Senior Academy is providing to a **free** lecture by Dr. Adina Ardelean on Wednesday, March 18 at 2 p.m. in the Montgomery Center. Dr. Ardelean teaches courses in international economics and microeconomics at Santa Clara University. The program will provide an overview of trade and explain the meaning of the U.S. trade deficit. It will also discuss the consequences of recent changes in trade and trade policy on the American economy.

Advance registration for the lecture is not required and is free to all Villagers. Dr. Ardelean has been recognized for her research, which focuses on empirical investigations in international trade, with a special emphasis on product differentiation, the gains we have from trade, barriers to trade, and political effects of tariff policies.

'Bee' at Sonata/Del Lago Luncheon



The Sonata/Del Lago Ladies Luncheon will be held Saturday, March 28 from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Fairway Room at the Clubhouse.

Our topic will be "**Bees,**" and our speaker will be a beekeeper from Willow Glen.

Please cut the reservation form off of the invitation that was placed in your mail tube, fill it out and return it by March 21 to Liz Dietz, 2054 Folle Blanche Dr., Sonata Village.

If you have questions, please contact Liz at 408-203-6732 or drlizrn@aol.com

VAT: Happiness is Finding a Pencil

A message from "Charlie Brown" (aka Rosemarie Stocky):

Hello there! My name is Charlie Brown. You may remember me from all the happy times you had reading the Peanuts comic strip for so many years. Of course, I'm sort of nerdy and very shy so some people never do remember me. I wish the red-haired girl would remember me, or at least look at me.

I have a big part to play in the Villages Amateur Theatre production of "You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown." My sister, Sally, and my friend, Lucy, aren't always nice to me, but my dog Snoopy likes me. And just between us, my secret wish is to be called FLASH! But some people laugh at that idea.

Please come for the "You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown" performances and meet all my friends at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, April 17, and at 2:30 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday, April 18 and 19. Tickets go on sale in the Terrace/Redwood rooms at Cribari Center between 10 a.m. and 12 p.m. on Saturday, April 4 and April 11. Tickets are only \$15 and come with a 10 percent discount on your dinner entrée at the Clubhouse. My favorite song in the play is "Happiness," and you can sing along! Bring your grandchildren and great-grandchildren for the fun!



Rosemarie Stocky

Home alone? Join Holiday Social

Join the first annual Holiday Social for Home Alone Residents! This is for people who find themselves alone during the major holiday seasons:

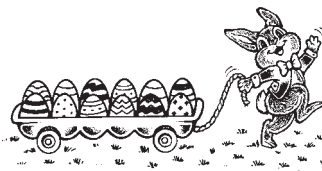
Spring (Easter, Passover, etc.), **Fall** (Thanksgiving), and **Winter** (Christmas, Hanukkah, Kwanzaa, etc.)

Come and enjoy fellow Villagers! Activities include dancing to music, games, and white elephant gift exchange. The yearly fee is only \$5.

What to bring: Bring your favorite beverage and dish that will serve 8-10 people.

What will be provided: Plates, cups, utensils, napkins, tablecloths and ice.

More information to come in a future *Villager*. For more info, contact Pam at 408-531-9521.






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CONCERT BAND SPRING CONCERT

Save the Date!

Save the Date—The Villages Concert Band will present its Spring Concert on Sunday, March 15, at 2:30 p.m. in Cribari Auditorium.

Tickets are \$18, or \$30 if you plan to purchase the remainder of a season pass of two concerts; open seating.



RELIGION

EPISCOPAL

Everyday Lent

By Julia McCray-Goldsmith

Lent, historically a season when students of Christianity (disciples) prepared for Holy Baptism, is a wonderful time to review our own commitment to walk in Jesus' Way of Love. The Episcopal Book of Common Prayer has some wonderful ways to practice discipleship in what we call the Baptismal Covenant (found on page 304-305). Over five weeks in Lent we'll be exploring the five commitments, beginning with the question "Will you continue in the apostle's teaching, the fellowship, the breaking of the bread and the prayers?"

One great way to "continue the fellowship" is to join the community that meets for worship at Montgomery Center every Sunday at 8:30 a.m. But going to church is not the only way we live into our Baptismal commitments. This week, I invite you to consider what you have learned (and still want to learn) from your forebears in faith, what blessings come to you through the sharing of food (including but not limited to Holy Communion) and how you grow through your life of prayer. Trinity Cathedral and its congregation at The Villages is committed to helping you to find the holy in the everyday; this Lenten season and always.

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

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

Friday Lenten Soup Suppers and Stations of the Cross: Every Friday during Lent, February 28 through April 3, prayer and soup supper begins at 6 p.m. in the Gathering Hall at SFOA. Stations of the Cross will begin at 7:15 p.m. in the Chapel. On March 13, there will be a children-friendly Stations of the Cross.

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

Lenten Reflections: Catholicism: A Journey to the Heart of Faith. Every Monday of Lent, beginning March 2, from 7 to 8:30 p.m., at St. Francis of Assisi. No reservation required. For more information contact Lisa Nakamura at lisa.nakamura@dsj.org, or the Parish Office.

Home Visits: Fr. Matthew 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.

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. If you are homebound, a priest is available to come to you for home Reconciliation. Please contact the parish office to make arrangements.

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

JEWISH GROUP

Friday night Shabbat Services will be held at 7:15 p.m. on March 6, 2020 (yes March 6 in honor of Purim instead of our usual third Friday) at Foothill Center. We will have Rabbi Melanie Aron will lead our services, followed by an interesting discussion about Jewish Storytelling including at least one story about Purim. Following the program we will have our usual Oneg Shabbat celebration.

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

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

COMMUNITY CHAPEL

'I never asked for this'

By Pastor Bill Hayden

Responsible parents teach their children to share their things with others so as to not grow up being selfish. The training starts very early in life, especially when there are signs of selfishness in a child. As a parent you desire your children to be kind and considerate of others by sharing their toys, sweets, etcetera.

You teach them to respect adults, addressing them as "Mr. or Mrs." and replying with "Yes, Sir or Yes, Ma'am," because they are your elders and have earned the right to be addressed in that manner. The lessons of etiquette pass down through the generations, lessons such as...always say please and thank you, wash your hands before meals, ask to be excused, say "I'm sorry" and "forgive me." There are many more good behaviors and habits that you can instill in your children.

Wise parents share the experiences from their own pitfalls with their children in the hope that they won't make the same mistakes. Some children will gladly listen and obey their parents' instructions and avoid needless difficulties and dangers while others do not listen and trouble becomes their companion.

As well as passing on lessons, parents and grandparents also pass on some of their genes and this is something they cannot control. I believe my mother and other adult relatives did their best to pass on some valuable lessons and wisdom for which I am truly grateful. Sadly, I regret having some of the family genes, because of the adverse effects they have on life.

Apparently, there is a gene in our family tree called the Titan Gene that causes congestive heart failure which has shortened the life span of quite a few family members, including myself and now my daughter. I was blessed to be relieved of the effects of the gene by receiving a new heart last summer. Unfortunately, my 46-year-old daughter is in the hospital awaiting a pacemaker/defibrillator while I am composing this editorial.

I regret that there may be others in the family that will be affected by this gene, but if caught early enough in life the condition can be avoided with medication.

Proverbs 13:12 NLV "Hope that is put off makes the heart sick, but a desire that comes into being is a tree of life."

You are cordially invited to join us at the Villages Community Chapel in Cribari Auditorium at 10 a.m. to be encouraged over the Word, a cup of coffee and cookies. The chapel is a place for needs to be met, faith to be affirmed and people to love. We would love to meet you and establish a lasting friendship. If you would like to make an appointment with Pastor Bill please call the office at 408-238-3079. To learn more about the Villages Community Chapel visit our website at villagescommunitychapel.org.



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SPORTS NEWS

SHONIS

By Tom Zades

“Let the Sun Shine,” as the song says! 27 Shonis and two qualifiers came out to enjoy our beautiful Short Nine course on this pleasant Tuesday morning, February 18. The course responded, yielding five birdies! In alphabetical order, followed by hole number, they are: Bonnie Evans 2, Sally Nichols 5, Pauline Robertson 8, Meg Rogers 2, and Fran Schumaker 7. That’s two weeks in a row for Bonnie! She must be using one of those new, secret pin-finder balls. Several Shonis had gross scores in the high 30s and low 40s today. Nanci Newall led the field with a gross score of 35 and was the flight 1 winner with a net 21.



Congratulations to Vivian Wilczak, Shoni February Captains Trophy winner.

Photo by Mary Ann Rosso

The pre-game putting contest hosted three threesomes and a foursome today. The winners were: Nancy Chesterton, Jan Ehrhardt (one of our lowest handicappers), Bonnie Evans (she of the recent birdies), and Tricia Hardt (second week in a row). Whether it is the weather or this pre-game putting, it looks like the gross scores are coming down. Well, birdies help, too.

Michelle Prest completed her qualification rounds today and is now a Shoni! Robin Fish is progressing right along behind her. How about joining Michelle and Robin in discovering what fun it is to be in the Short Nine Women’s Club? Contact Club Captain Bonnie Evans, or report to the sign-in table outside the Pro Shop on a Tuesday morning. Sign-in begins at 9:30 a.m. with tee off at 10:30 through Tuesday, March 3. Sign-in begins at 8:30 a.m. with tee off at 9:30 starting Tuesday, March 10, in conjunction with Daylight Savings Time. Alternatively, check the practice schedule on the Shoni Bulletin Board in the Posting Room. One of the Shonis would be happy to join you in a practice round. You don’t need to be a Shoni to play.

Chip shot: As ascribed to British author P.G. Wodehouse: “Golf, like the measles, should be caught young, for, if postponed to riper years, the results may be serious. Amen, brother Wodehouse.”

TABLE TENNIS

By Tony Berg

March 10 at 7 p.m. in the MMR we will meet to hold our AGM (required by the Club ByLaws). This will be an opportunity for members to share ideas on how the Club should evolve in 2020. After the formal meeting to elect officers and attend to Agenda items, the next issue will explore how we can work together to attain more playing hours during the week.

Meanwhile business as usual!

Drop in and Play Table Tennis is available as usual in the Montgomery Multipurpose Room:

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!

SWINGERS

By Caryl Swinyard

OK, I’m spoiled. And I don’t mind admitting it. Here we are, 61 of us getting to play golf on a very nice February day while the Southern states are experiencing flooding, the Midwest is having single digit temps, and snow threatens many areas. Of course, we need rain, but since we can’t have it, we might as well enjoy our sunny skies.

We got to enjoy the camaraderie of our golfing friends and some good shots now and then. Evidence of those great shots: chip-ins for seven of us. Good thing it is about the glory and not the money, eh? The following, very happy ladies scored those chip-ins. Josephine Chan, #14; Jan Croad, #10; Anka Hoek, #16; Terry Holmquist, #4; Sandie Jones, #18; Wendy Ledamun, #8; Caryl Swinyard, #18.

Please don’t forget to sign the chip-in and birdie book in the posting room when you have those note-worthy shots. We all like a little praise for our accomplishments, but we need your help in getting the info.

I would be willing to bet I am not the only one who is hoping a big improvement on the rebuilt #2 tee boxes will include being able to get the tee in the ground. Our foursome really struggled on some of the holes to get the tee in far enough to sit still for the ball. Maybe the soil they are trucking in for these improved areas will be a little forgiving and allow us an easier placement.

Remember to sign up for our March 10 luncheon and meeting. You can contact Pat Urrutia at 408-270-4103 to save your place and select your choice of sandwich.



New member Marcia Hembree.

18-HOLE WOMEN

By Nancy Keane

It’s hard to imagine a more perfect day to play golf than February 20, which brought the 18 hole ladies for their first Friendship day of 2020!

Many ladies were out to enjoy this beautiful day with several of their friends who are new to our course. The fairways and greens did not disappoint to please us all.

Judy Rodriguez and Reine Fedor were in charge of making this event a special day, and with the help of Diana Hallock’s decorations for the tables, we were all delighted. Our Captain Vicki was away for this day, so co-captain Diana called the meeting to order after a scrumptious lunch served to all by our wonderful Elizabeth.

Dates were announced for the following events:

February 29: (shhh! Someone’s special birthday)

March 5: General Meeting and Captain’s trophy, as well as the reveal of the theme for the Invitational.

March 12: Grandmother’s Tournament

March 19: WGNAC Open Day

March 26: Beat the Pro Day

Team shirts have arrived and may be picked up at the Pro Shop.

Lots of Birdies were announced today for both Thursday and Saturday play. They were:

Betty Sharps...#3, Marion Whitaker...#12, Won Cha...#7, Laurie Gallegos...#10, Sue Daughtry...#13 & #15, Debbie Moore...#3 and an EAGLE for Kathy Struck...#7.

Chip Ins:

Betty Sharps...#3, Bev Poellot...#5, Dianne Doughty...#5, Jay Lee...#15, Cathy Struck...#7

Saturday Play Birdies:

Camille Giuliodibari...#18, Janet Gonzales...#5, Helen Varenkamp...#11 & #18, Millie Ann Schwerin...#11

PINSEEKERS

By Tim Short

Tuesday February 18 was a special day for Pinseekers as we held the first mixer of the year with our Ironmen (short nine) friends and neighbors. From all reports, it was a great success.

Pinseekers winners were led by Greg Stewart in first place at net 32, followed by Mike Falarski and Bob Iacopi with net 34s. Captain Hook and Leighton Horio tied for third at net 35, with Frank Garcia finishing fourth at net 36.

Our Ironmen guests were led by Victor Hong at net 21, Al Bruno at net 26 and Charlie Wilson at net 31. Wow! Congratulations to all!

BOCCE NEWS



MEN'S GOLF CLUB



By Barbara Orlando

The Spring Mixer starts on Monday, March 9. Mixer teams are comprised of beginner, intermediate and advance players. Beginners meet new friends and play with more experienced players, which helps first time tournament players gain additional skills. The Spring Mixer runs for six weeks, with the playoffs the week of April 20 and 21. The Championship game is on Wednesday, April 22. Questions can be directed to Tournament Coordinator, Jeanne-Anne Whitacre at 650-493-3638 or email at jawhitacre@live.com or Co-Coordinator, Tony Orlando at 408-799-9668.



Boot Camp attendees, receiving instructions before starting, from Boot Camp Coordinator, Kerry Besmehn and Tournament Director, George Paris.

First Bash of the season is on Friday, March 13 from 3 to 5 p.m. Tony Orlando and his bash committee are kicking off the season with a St. Patrick's Day themed party. His committee will have the courts decorated and ready to go for all those attending.

Remember, you don't need to be a bocce club member to attend, just bring along a snack to share (opt.) and your favorite beverage. Bring a friend along.

Save the Date:

The Spring Round Robin starts on Monday, April 27 and runs for seven weeks, ending on June 11. Playoffs are the following week on Monday, June 15, Tuesday, June 16 with the Championship game on Wednesday, June 17. Signups will start on Friday, March 20 at 8 a.m. sharp, online at www.villagesbocceclub.com or email Tony Orlando at tonyorlando49@yahoo.com. All timestamps before the 8 a.m. start on March 20, will not be considered. So, if you are putting a team together, make sure you meet the deadline and get your time stamp. There are certain days and times that are very popular, so there are no guarantee's you will receive the time you've selected, so have a second choice listed.

Tip from the courts: Paul Andersen, our Court Manager, has purchased new ball bags. Please help by placing the correct color balls, in the bag with the corresponding colors. It's appreciated.

TENNIS TALK

What makes a tennis ball?

By Roy Pennington

You open the cylinder and remove the three optic yellow balls. You smash the balls around the court with some landing within your fenced perimeter while the more social balls visit the neighboring courts. Such is this game of tennis and our obsession of abusing a tennis ball. You can drop by The Villages tennis courts every morning and observe your friends and neighbors taking out their frustration on this little sphere while also having a good time.

Tennis balls can come in any color, but most are fluorescent yellow. The felt covering can affect the aerodynamics and flight of the ball. Tennis balls have to conform to a number of criteria including size, weight, and bounce or rebound to qualify for regulation play. The optic yellow was introduced in 1972 following research that revealed it was more visible on TV than the traditional white.

Tennis balls are filled with air, and the felt surface is imprinted with the brand name and a number. The numbers are used to distinguish balls used in each set and to differentiate balls used on neighboring courts (see-some are more social). Yes, there are tennis players that use balls with a 1 for the first set, 2 for the second set, and a 3 on the ball for third set. The women's groups frequently use tennis balls imprinted with the number 4 because they have no idea what set it is. I expect to hear about this.

Some of the early tennis balls (15th century) were made of leather stuffed with wool or made with sheep stomach linings tied with rope. Even though we are a 55+ community, I doubt that any of us remember playing with those. In 1870 rubber tennis balls were introduced.

OK, enough about the characteristics of the tennis ball. Next time you are on the court don't think about the size of the ball, bounce criteria, or what the ball is made of. That is a certain recipe for failure. The most common phrase used by today's teaching professionals is "see ball, hit ball." It really is an easy game (yeah for the pros).

So it is time to find those tennis balls in the back of the closet as warmer weather approaches. The Villages Tennis Club will soon be hosting numerous events. In addition to tournaments, other activities include an Open House and Jump Start (for new players or those that have been away from the game for a while). Upcoming issues of "The Villager" will give details on all events. Stay tuned.

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

St. Patrick's Day Tournament: Our next tournament is set for Saturday, March 14 with an 8 a.m. Shotgun. It comes with coffee and donuts at 7 a.m. for all participants. Four-man teams, 2 BB Net with a Shamrock ball. In addition, there is an optional \$10 Individual Net "Pot 'O Gold" cash competition. Please see the poster in the Posting Room or on the website www.villagesgolfers.com for more details.

Sr. Rule 7.G.15(z): There is no penalty for a ball in a water hazard, as golf balls should float. Senior players should not be penalized for any shortcomings of the manufacturers. (courtesy of Larry Cormier)

Upcoming Events

The complete **2020 Tournament Schedule and 2020 Home & Home Schedule** are available on the Men's Club website, www.villagesgolfers.com. Look for additional details here, and in the Posting Room of the Pro Shop.

Executive Committee Meeting: The Men's Golf Club Executive Committee meets the first Tuesday of the month at 8:30 a.m. in the Cribari Patio Room. Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, March 3. The meetings are open to all members. Also, remember to visit our website at www.villagesgolfers.com for the latest Men's Golf Club information.

IRONMEN

By Bill Travis

The Ironmen play every Thursday afternoon. Check-in time is at 1:30 p.m. and tee off at 2 p.m. Thursday, February 20, 2020, was sunny and warm; another perfect day for golf. We had another great turnout this week with some great scores. The results are as follows:

- First place went to Jerry Weltzin with a net score of 24;
- Second place went to Victor Hong with a net score of 25;
- Third place there was a two-way tie between Rob Boyles and Dave Cook each with a net score of 27.

There were seven (!) birdies: Jerry Weltzin had two of them, one on hole 4 and one on hole 5; Victor Hong had two birdies also, on hole 7 and hole 9; Frank Beltrane on hole 2; Al Bruno on hole 8; and Bill Crill on hole 4.

Closest to the pin on hole 1: No one hit the green on hole 1; highly unusual.

Deep thoughts:

"It doesn't hurt much anymore. These days I can go a full five minutes without thinking about it." - Doug Sanders in 2000 on his missed 3-foot putt in the 1970 Open Championship at St. Andrews.

:You know what they say about the big hitters...the woods are full of them." - Jimmy Demaret

BOCCE BASH

is back on Friday, starting March 13!

- You're invited to play bocce, socialize, make new friends and have a great time.
- Please bring your favorite beverage and an appetizer (optional) to share.
- You will be greeted and helped to sign up for play, by our club's friendly Bash Chair, Tony Orlando and his bash committee.
- Bash is on Fridays from 3 to 5 p.m. starting on Friday, March 13 and running through the end of October, weather permitting.
- We hope to see you at the bocce courts, which are located at Gazebo Park on Villages Parkway.
- Our courts are ADA accessible and restrooms are adjacent to Gazebo Park.
- Happy Rolling!



PICKLEBALL



Mike Walias giving pickleball tips to Joanne Robinson.

By Linda Eige

In case any of you out there have not yet had the pleasure, let me introduce Mike Walias. Mike Walias has, for the past four years, volunteered his time and expertise to introduce and instruct new players on the basics of the pickleball. He is at the courts every Wednesday and Friday from 1 to 1:30 p.m. for beginners and from 1:30 to 3 p.m. to help existing players improve their game.

Mike and his wife Julie moved here five years ago from an adult community that had embraced pickleball. Along with Julie and several others, Mike started playing here regularly and new people were steadily asking to join the fun. Mike began volunteering to show up early, before play, to help instruct new players. This evolved over time to the regular schedule he has today.

Mike also welcomes anyone that would like to come down to watch and learn about the game, even if they are not currently interested in playing.

No need to sign up for these sessions, just show up! Wear comfortable clothes and court shoes. We play on tennis courts 5 and 6, the smaller pickleball courts are marked with yellow tape. More info can be found at villagespickleball.org

Save the Date! Our spring Villages Pickleball tournament is scheduled. It will be on Saturday, April 4, from 1 to 4 p.m. More information will follow.

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



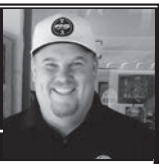

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FROM THE PRO



By Scott Steele, PGA Head Golf Professional

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- Monday, March 23 – Back Nine Greens aerated
 - Tuesday, March 24 – Front Nine Greens aerated
 - Tuesday, March 31 – All 3 Practice Greens aerated
 - Wednesday, April 1 – Par-3 Course Greens aerated
- Please plan accordingly.

Upcoming Events

Men's Guest Day, Sunday, March 1 – Men may bring up to three guests for \$45 each. Sign up in the Pro Shop.

Sunday, March 8 – Daylight Savings Time starts. Set clocks forward one hour. Twilight Rate moves to 3 p.m. and after Monday Shotgun moves to 1 p.m. Please plan accordingly.

Men's Club St. Pat's Tournament, Saturday, March 14 – 8 a.m. Shotgun. 1 p.m. Open Shotgun that day. Please plan accordingly.

See you at the course!

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Saturday, March 28: Driver – Grip it and Rip It – How to Get More Distance Off The Tee

Saturday, April 4: Chipping vs Pitching – Trajectory & Landing Spot

Saturday, April 11: Sand Bunkers – How to Hit That Bunker Shot

Saturday, April 18: Putting – The Great Equalizer

Saturday, April 25: Practice vs. Play – From the Range to the Course - The Big Difference

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Wednesday, March 25
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Glow Ball Golf on the par-3 course

Glow Ball Putting Contest

Hamburger or hot dog; soft pretzels, popcorn, wine or beer at Bistro Patio

Music, Prizes and Giveaways!

SHONIS SCORES

Tuesday, February 18

Flight One:

Nanci Newell 21
 Betty Hall 25
 Pauline Robertson 25

Flight Two:

Jonna Robinson 23
 Bonnie Evans 23
 Delma Juarez 24
 Linda McCarley 24
 Sally Nichols 24

Flight Three:

Johanna Bakker 18
 Kacy Walden 20

SCOREBOARD

BRIDGE

Monday, February 17: 1. Lorrie Scott – Marilyn Ribardo 2/3. Jan Kiernan - Sumi Minami 2/3. Suren Adodra – Prakash Deshmukh

Thursday, February 20: 1. Marilyn Ribardo - Bonnie Taylor 2. Sally Burns - Joe Henry 3. Steve Bosma - Billie Mechanic

18-HOLE WOMEN

Thursday, February 20

Flight One:

Low gross: Monica Saneholtz
Low net: Lyn Strong

Flight Two:

Low gross: Diane Doughty
Low net: Sachiko Coleman
2nd low net: Jay Lee
3rd low net: Chris Leisy

Flight Three:

Low gross: Betty Samdahl
Low net: Nancy Keane
2nd low net: Brigid Moreton

Flight Four:

Low gross: Donna Quartaro
Low net: Suzanne Fazio
2nd low net: Mary Jo O'Neill

2 Tees, Flight One:

Low gross: Ann Crews
Low net: Sue Daughtry
2nd low net: Alice Affortit

2 Tees, Flight Two:

Low gross: Cathy Struck
Low net: Barbara Weisend
2 low net: Madeline Naftsgier

MEXICAN TRAIN DOMINOES

Wednesday, February 19

Shirley Bellavance 173
Berta Escamilla 211
Vicky Linscott 225
Earl Magoun 282

Friday, February 21

Shirley Bellavance 99
Berta Escamilla 220
Jennifer Biskind 260
Maribeth Berlie 336

PINOCHLE

Wednesday, February 12

Shirley Bellavance
Wesley Umeda
Phyllis Ogden Sagen
Duane Sagen

Friday, February 14

Frank Houghton
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Donna Vivoli
Mike Cox
Shirley Bellavance

Wednesday, February 19

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Friday, February 21

Pat Luebcke
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Shirley Bellavance
Helen Maynard

SWINGERS

Tuesday, February 18

Flight One:

Swinyard, Caryl 30
Woolard, Renee 33
Hembree, Marcia 34
Barber, Gisele 34

Flight Two:

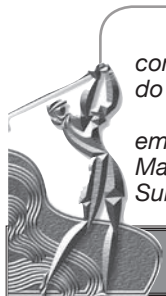
Ledamun, Wendy 32
Jones, Sandie 33
Trenholme, Carol 34
Short, Pam 34

Flight Three:

Yahiro, Maryann 29
Karlsten, Rita 32
Leonard, Pamela 32
Levander, Bee 32

Flight Four:

Curyea, Linda 28
Knapp, Janet 31
Hoff, Jane 33
Christiansen, Kim 33



The What I Love About The Villages column is a place where you can share your positive comments about The Villages community. (To be in compliance with VGCC Rule 1.30, please do not name businesses or other commercial, religious or political entities.)
If you have an uplifting comment to share about some aspect of life at The Villages, please email your contribution to Villager Associate Editor Kory Tran: ktran@the-villages.com, Villager Managing Editor Scott Hinrichs: shinrichs@the-villages.com or submit it in the Villager Article Submission area on the Resident Portal: resident.thevillagesgcc.com/villager/artsub/

WHAT I LOVE ABOUT THE VILLAGES

More CLUBHOUSE

Enjoy Prime Rib Friday and Saturday at the Clubhouse

The prime rib being served every Friday and Saturday evening comes to us from the Brandt Farms.

The Brandt family has been in the livestock and farming business since the early 1900s and started feeding cattle commercially in 1945. With the onset of consumer concerns regarding hormones and antibiotics in the early 1990s, the Brandt family made a decision to go against the industry standard and raise their animals naturally. Today, Brandt Beef is proud to be feeding its animals a vegetarian corn-based diet for more than 365 days without hormones and antibiotic free.



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Island Wave Band to play at Friday Night Dance Party

The Island Wave Band is known as one of the most versatile show and dance bands in the industry among fans, peers, music associates and music executives.

The Band has performed to packed audiences and stages in the casinos and resorts in Las Vegas and Reno, NV. They performed regularly at the John Ascuaga Nugget, the Atlantis and the Peppermill in Reno, NV. They also performed at the Mirage and Paris Hotel and Resorts in Las Vegas, NV. They also

performed at Cache Creek and most recently on the Royal Caribbean Cruise Lines. Currently they are performing for many public and private venues throughout the San Francisco Bay Area most notably at the Hilton I Double Tree Hotel and Fairmont Hotel.

Their music covers a wide range of Old and New School R&B, Pop, Club Dance, Top 40, Classic Rock, Standards and Ballroom (Waltz, Fox Trot, Swing, Latin). Most of the members are originally from Hawaii and they also perform

contemporary Hawaiian music.

Come and see the group on Friday, February 28 at The Villages Clubhouse. You will be entertained and highly impressed with their Las Vegas Show Band style performance, and music arrangements for all ages.

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LANDSCAPE & MAINTENANCE

MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE

Cribari

5500-5576—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.

5001-5076—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 3/2-3/6. Olive tree pruning throughout the district in progress.

Plant replacement throughout the district in progress.

Mowing of ivy ground cover throughout the district in progress.

Gutter cleaning in progress.

5297-5308—Walkway and brick pad replacement scheduled for 3/2-3/13.

5272—Concrete sidewalk replacement scheduled for 3/2-3/13.

5382-5386—Concrete sidewalk and step replacement scheduled for 3/2-3/13.

Del Lago

3316-3366 and 3401-3431—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.

3101-3134 and 3201-3243—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 3/2-3/6.

E-2 Lake—Renovation project in progress. Shotcrete installation in progress.

Plant replacement throughout the district in progress.

3364 and 3365—Reconstruction in progress.

Estates

8809-8875—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 3/9-3/13.

Fairways

4001 and 4024—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 4/6-4/10.

Glen Arden

7698-7867—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 3/30-4/3.

Mowing of ivy ground cover throughout the district in progress.

Heights

8470-8519—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 3/16-3/20.

Hermosa

8005-8032, 8100-8121 and Lower Chardonay Lake—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 3/16-3/20.

8078—Stucco painting in planning.

8348—Sewer maintenance in progress.

8116—Trellis repairs in progress.

8118—Stucco wall replacement in progress.

Highland

7500-7573—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 3/9-3/13.

7506, 7555 and 7655—Dry rot repairs in progress.

Next to 7556—Trash enclosure repairs in progress.

Montgomery

6001-6068 and 6127-6136—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 3/9-3/13.

Olivas

8646-8650 and 8665-8712—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.

8600-8645, 8651-8664 and Vineyard Center—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 3/2-3/6.

Sonata

2000-2024 and 2032-2064—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 4/6-4/10.

Plant replacement throughout the district in progress.

Valle Vista

9037-9054—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.

9055-9072—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 3/2-3/6.

Verano

7331-7388—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.

7200-7251—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 3/2-3/6.

A MESSAGE FROM BRIGHTVIEW

Brightview Landscape Services Update

Please welcome Ryan C. Bolich, Brightview's new Senior Account Manager for The Villages. Ryan has been working with Brightview for almost three years and has a strong background in the golf and landscaping business. Before joining Brightview Ryan worked as a PGA Golf Professional at Los Altos Golf and Country Club, and earlier as the PGA Head Golf Professional at Deep Cliff Golf Course in Cupertino. Ryan studied at the University of California, Santa Cruz for his undergraduate degree and Master's degree in Education. He later studied History at the University of Western Ontario in London, Ontario, Canada earning a Master's degree in History. Ryan brings strong educational and managerial skills to the position and Brightview is excited to have him at The Villages.



Ryan C. Bolich

Current Landscaping Projects: Winter Pruning

Late winter pruning is an important part of landscape maintenance. It is the best time to prune many evergreen trees/shrubs and trees/shrubs that bloom in late summer. Pruning in late winter when many shrubs and trees are dormant invigorates the plants for abundant growth in spring. A good pruning program helps to maintain a plant's shape, remove dead or diseased wood, and promotes overall health of the plant. Different shrubs require different types of pruning. For example, lantana requires hard "renovation" pruning where we will prune everything off to a few inches. This encourages vigorous growth when the weather warms and promotes more abundant flowers in the summer months. Many of the hedges require just a small amount of pruning, enough to shape the hedge and remove any dead or diseased wood. Pruning will continue for the next several weeks setting all the shrubs/trees up for spring time growth.

Association

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

Mowing is scheduled for every other week, weather permitting.

Weed spraying throughout the Villages in progress.

Crape Myrtle tree pruning throughout the Villages in progress.

Mowing of Ivy ground cover throughout the districts in progress.

Irrigation system check and selective watering throughout the districts, in progress.

Club Centers

Mowing is scheduled for every other week, weather permitting.

Weed spraying throughout the Villages, in progress.

Irrigation system check and selective watering throughout the districts in progress.

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

Upper Gardens—Irrigation meter relocation in progress.

Guest rooms at Cribari Center—Balcony coating scheduled for 3/16-4/30.

Business office—Section of concrete walkway installation in planning.

Craft rooms at Cribari Center—Lock installation in planning.

Vineyard Center—Pool and Spa will be closed for resurfacing 3/2-4/24.

Gutter cleaning for club centers scheduled for 3/4-3/9.

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.

More LANDSCAPE & MAINTENANCE on page 31

BRIDGE HAND

By J.M.K.

NORTH

♠ 8 7 5
♥ A K J 3
♦ K 9 6 3 2
♣ 5

WEST

♠ A Q 9 3
♥ 10 7 2
♦ Q 7
♣ 10 7 4 3

EAST

♠ 6 4 2
♥ 9 6 5
♦ J 8 4
♣ K Q 8 6

SOUTH

♠ K J 10
♥ Q 8 4
♦ A 10 5
♣ A J 9 2

Dealer: South

Vulnerability: North/South

Bidding: South	West	North	East
1 NoTrump	Pass	2 Clubs	Pass
2 Diamonds	Pass	3 NoTrump	All Pass

Contract: 3 NoTrump

Opening Lead: 3 of Clubs

Dealer has maybe a Spade winner, 4 Heart winners, 2 Diamond winners, and 1 Club winner.

Strategy: Should be able to develop another Diamond winner.

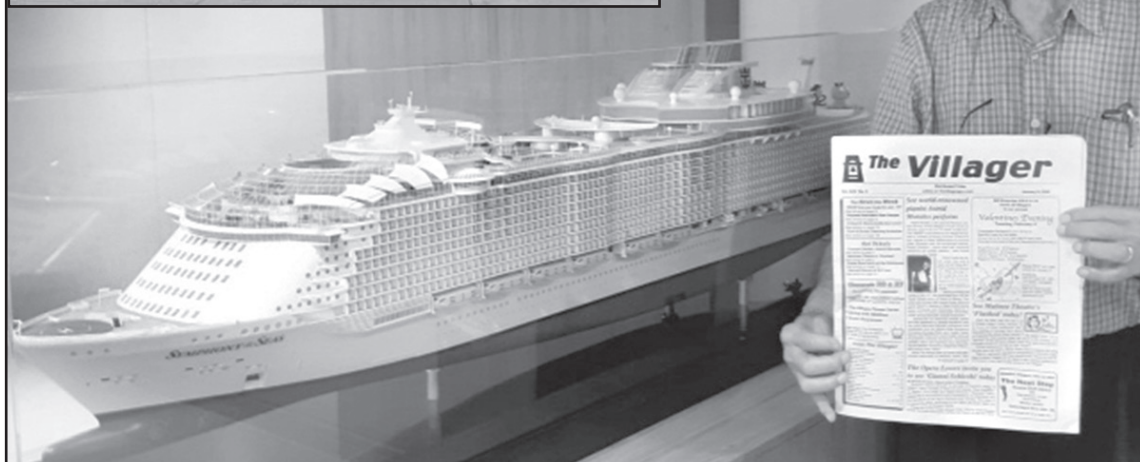
West leads the 3 of Clubs, East, the Queen, South ducks, and East now plays a Spade, South, the 10, and West covers with the Queen. He leads a Heart, King from the board, switches to a low Diamond, and South covers with the Ace. He plays the 10 of Diamonds, and West wins with the Queen. The next lead is very important. West observe that South is setting up the Diamonds, and there is a possibility that West won't get the lead again. He has no choice but to play the Ace of Spades, otherwise South will make an extra trick. He then leads a Heart, South takes it with the Queen, switches to the King of Spades, and then the Ace of Clubs. He next plays a Heart to the Ace on the board, continues with the last Heart, then the King of Diamonds, and his last card is the good 9 of Diamonds. Great! The contract is made exactly. By the way, 4 Hearts can be made and gives South more points than 3 NT but is difficult to find.

WHERE IN THE WORLD IS THE VILLAGER?

Here's how it works: Take along a copy of *The Villager* on your next vacation—it's not heavy—and have your picture taken holding up the paper with a well-known landmark or celebrity. Just tell them it's for the folks back home. (And be sure to get your camera back!) Then after you unpack and process your pictures from your vacation, e-mail your *Villager* picture (in Jpeg format) and perhaps a couple of "zingers" from your vacation and e-mail the files to shinrichs@the-villages.com. We'll publish your smiling face with your favorite local paper for all to see.



A trip to remember! Marty Martinez and daughter, Vicki, took a seven-day cruise on the *Symphony of the Seas* out of Miami, to San Martin, San Juan Puerto Rico and Coco Cay Bahamas with 6,335 passengers and 2,200 service personal aboard. They enjoyed a lot of entertainment and plan to take another cruise on the same ship.



Humane Society Silicon Valley hosts 17th annual 'Fur Ball'



This year, the Humane Society Silicon Valley will be holding its annual pet-friendly fundraiser, The Fur Ball, at Levi's Stadium in Santa Clara on Saturday, March 28.

The fun-packed program includes Dynamic Dining in the VIP field-level club at Levi's Stadium—early bird tickets available for \$350 for a limited time, or you can attend the black-tie optional Grand Gala with prize auctions, dining, dancing—and much, much more.

Tickets for the Grand Gala are \$1,500 for individuals and include a Champagne greeting, a farm-to-table dinner with wine pairings, open bar, a live auction, live entertainment and dancing, keepsakes, canine butler service and complimentary valet parking.

The Fur Ball event is pet-friendly, and welcomes animal-loving people and their well-mannered pets.

The Fur Ball is sponsored by the Humane Society Silicon Valley (HSSV), an independent, privately funded, 501(c)(3) non-profit organization serving people and pets for more than 90 years. You may visit the organization on its web site: HSSV.org to get tickets to The Fur Ball and early bird tickets to the Dynamic Dining event. For those with no computer access, you may call the Humane Society Silicon Valley at 408-262-2133.

Along the Way—a trip down Memory Lane

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

We had a joke back in the day about the man who kept his car windows rolled up on a hot summer day so people would think he had air conditioning. Such a comment would meet with a blank stare now. Who ever heard of a car without air conditioning ("A/C" as we call it now?) I was leery of air conditioning in cars at first, and I think I wasn't the only one. Heck, we didn't even have air conditioning in our home until around year 2000 or so. A/C in such a small space sounded awful. I announced at the time that I would rather just drive with the windows down on a hot day than have ice cold air blowing on me. The early units were heavy, so reduced gas mileage, and were not very easy to adjust. They were optional, so cost an additional \$300-\$400 at the time. I recall calculating that if I used the air conditioner a few times each summer and only kept the car 3-4 years, it was costing me around \$100 per year—maybe \$25 per use—plus the cost of reduced gas mileage.

Remember the signs as we went up Highway 17 on the way to Santa Cruz (or similar situation, wherever you are from), reminding us to turn off our air conditioners, lest our cars overheat and break down? I'm not mechanically inclined at all but I suspect that, not only are the A/C units vastly improved, but so are the engine cooling systems. Do we even have radiators anymore? Guess not. Whatever happened to the men with the dinged knuckles and black fingernails who knew how to work on carburetors and distributors? I guess they're not around anymore, either. Probably their children became certified in computer diagnostics, and their grandchildren are software engineers.



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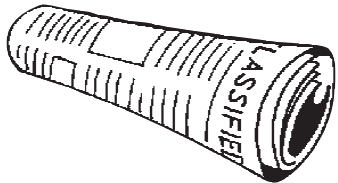
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OBITUARY

Murdoch M. "Buddy" Watkins, Jr. July 25, 1926 - February 17, 2020

Buddy Watkins, 93, passed away Monday, February 17, 2020, in San Jose, CA. He was a native of New Orleans, LA, and longtime resident of Houma, LA. More recently, he was a resident of Henderson, NV, and San Jose, CA. Buddy was born July 25, 1926, in New Orleans. He graduated from New Orleans Academy on June 6, 1944, and enlisted in the United States Navy the same day. After serving in World War II, Buddy returned to Tulane University and graduated with a B.S. in Chemical Engineering. He worked in the petroleum industry for 36 years and retired from Pennzoil as District Operating Superintendent in 1986.

Buddy was preceded in death by his wife of 46 years, Lucille "Putsy" Folse Watkins; his parents Murdoch M. Watkins, Sr. and Margaret M. Watkins; sister Margaret W. Roselius and brother George E. Watkins.

Buddy is survived by his second wife Carol Watkins of San Jose, CA; his daughter Jan W. Irwin and her husband Thom of Tulsa, OK; his daughter Patti W. Taylor and her husband Michael of Woodbridge, VA; two granddaughters Elizabeth Anne Irwin and Anna Christine Taylor.

Buddy will be remembered as a strong Christian, loving husband, caring father and grandfather, and one who was always ready to help those in need.

Burial will be held at Garden of Memories Cemetery in New Orleans, LA.

Community Activities—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
3/9	Point Reyes Tour		SOLD OUT
4/2	Union Square		NOW
4/3	Giants vs. L.A. (Opening Day)		SOLD OUT
4/4	Book of Mormon		NOW
4/13	Warriors vs Portland Trail Blazers		SOLD OUT
4/18	Golden Gate Fields	2/27	3/2
5/1	Marin and Nike Missile Tour	3/26	3/30
5/6	Walt Disney Museum	3/5	3/9
5/15	Riverdance	2/27	3/2
5/20	Sales Force	3/12	3/16
5/29	Wine Train Murder Mystery Dinner	2/27	3/2
5/31	Giants vs. Colorado	3/26	3/30
6/13	Giants vs. Miami	4/2	4/6
6/20	Come From Away	3/26	3/30
6/27	Choral Project	4/16	4/20
7/4	July 4th Celebration	TBD	N/A
7/15	Marin and Nike Missile Tour	TBD	TBD
7/21	Sales Force	TBD	TBD
7/25	Giants vs Arizona	5/14	5/18
8/7	Presidio	TBD	TBD
8/16	Giants 2010 World Series Team Reunion	TBD	TBD
8/18	Sacred Places	TBD	TBD
8/21	Holland and Coots	TBD	TBD
8/30	Giants vs. Kansas City	TBD	TBD
9/10	Napa Wine Train Lunch	TBD	TBD
9/22	History of Transportation	TBD	TBD
9/27	Giants vs Milwaukee (Last Home Game)	TBD	TBD
10/5	Movie Tour	TBD	TBD
10/11	Blue Angels (Fleet Week)	TBD	TBD
10/22	Barbary Coast	TBD	TBD
12/2-4	Reno Trip	TBD	TBD
12/5	Christmas Lights	TBD	TBD

More LANDSCAPE & MAINTENANCE

Roof & Rain Gutter cleaning schedule for 2020

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

<i>Village</i>	<i>Start Date</i>	<i>Completion Date</i>
Cribari	2/23	2/29
Club Buildings	3/4	3/9

Cribari Center Guest Room Balcony Deck Floor Coating Project

By Maintenance Services

Between March 16 and April 5, all four guest rooms will remain unoccupied for the planned Balcony Deck Floor Coating Project. Access to the Library, Post Office, VMA, VIRG and Fitness Center will remain open. Be aware of barricades, signage and staging in the immediate work areas.

The work involves demolition of existing wall surfaces, waterproofing, and deck coating application and finish stucco and wood coating. The work areas include the entry balcony to the rooms and the four rear balconies. Renaissance Waterproofing will be on site completing this work under facilitation by Maintenance Services. Work may occur on weekend days and work hours will be typically between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Saturday. We anticipate completion by April 5, weather permitting.

For your safety, please stay clear of the project work areas. As you travel by, enter and exit out of the work areas be aware of the barricades, signage and staging. Parking facilities and street frontage may be in use for vehicles, material, equipment staging on a temporary basis. Debris, dust, noise, odor and visual inconveniences may result from this project.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.



In Memoriam and Obituary Notices

In Memoriam notices are run free of charge.

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

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

Remember someone with a memorial gift to 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 your loved one with a memorial gift to 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

Classified ad copy is due by Monday by 4 p.m.

The Villager Classified Ad Form

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