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Aluminum can collection returns

Effective the beginning of September, the Villages Medical Auxiliary (VMA) began collecting aluminum cans in The Villages along with the Villages High Twelve Club. Please begin saving your aluminum cans and placing them in the container located in your local trash enclosure. Glass bottles and plastic bottles should be placed in the white Recycle container.

The Villages High Twelve Club members wish to thank everyone for the support over the past 45-plus years. In addition to can collections, the club will continue to sponsor the yearly Document Shredding Event as soon as it is possible (the shredding event was postponed this year due to COVID-19).

The VMA and the High Twelve Club are service clubs that will continue to use the proceeds from this recycling effort to benefit Villagers.

Bay Area air quality improving



The morning of Friday, September 11 saw air quality conditions worsening, as visibility in San Jose and most of the Bay Area declined under dark, murky skies. Today, when *The Villager* is delivered, the air quality should be much improved by offshore winds clearing the smoke out of the Bay Area.

VMA and Walgreen's partner-up again to offer annual Flu Clinic

We are ready! We are excited! We're looking forward to seeing you on **Tuesday, October 6 or Thursday, October 8** for your flu shot.

The Villages Medical Auxiliary and Walgreen's will join together again to bring you our annual Flu Clinic. To keep you safe during these trying times, pharmacists, supported by VMA volunteers, will administer shots outdoors and under a tent at Cribari Plaza (the raised portion of the area near Cribari auditorium). The clinic will be held on two days, October 6 and 8, beginning at 9 a.m. and ending at 5 p.m. Many things will be done differently to make sure everyone stays safe, beginning with registration.



Registration will be held from September 11 through 25. You will need your Medicare number to register. Please pick up a registration form by the drop box (outside the doors near the VMA office), fill it out, and drop it off in that drop box by the VMA office. Please maintain social distancing when registering.

If you aren't sure if you need the pneumonia shot or which one, please check with Walgreen's at Blossom Hill (408-229-8013) if you received your shot at The Villages or check with your doctor. Call the VMA office (408-238-4230) if you have questions.

The clinic will observe all health protocols including but not limited to maintaining six feet of separation (where it's possible) and the wearing of masks. Pharmacists and VMA volunteers will also wear masks, gloves and face shields. You must wear a mask at all times.

Check your Villager and/or Fast Lane regularly for more information regarding the Flu Clinic. We are excited to be able to bring flu shots to you once again.

Asphalt playing surface laid down on Pickleball Courts



After leveling and packing the underlying soil, the pickleball courts are covered with a layer of asphalt.

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.

- 4 Pulse letters received this week.
- 1 Deferred letter to be published this week
- 2 Pulse letters not meeting Pulse Letter Guidelines, 1 recategorized as Above & Beyond.
- 3 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 any statements.

Note: Pulse letters are still being accepted through the "Shelter-In-Place" order in digital form only. You may take a picture of your hand-written letter and e-mail it as a JPEG attachment to: shinrichs@the-villages.com.

All Pulse letters that are published are retained by the Communications Advisory Committee (CAC) for a period of 12 months. Rejected Pulse letters are not shared with anyone outside the CAC, management or Club Board and staff liaisons for the reason of confidentiality.

When choosing a golf course home for our retirement, the sense of community and shared governance among Villages residents had tremendous appeal. There were numerous committees and a vast cadre of volunteers, ensuring that residents had an active role in decision making for the good of all Villagers and all Villages clubs/organizations. Sadly, in my opinion, that sense of shared governance and resident input has dramatically deteriorated over the past two years. In my opinion, critical committees have been dissolved, put aside, or been made obsolete by the Club Board and senior management which makes me wonder if they really value Villagers' input. The resignation of the entire Villages Golf Committee (VGC) last week is another example and results in the loss of tremendous experience, philanthropy and passion for the Villages and for golf. I think it is time for the Club Board to recognize the value of resident expertise and the amazing contributions made by various volunteer committees, including the VGC, that have been made over the decades. I believe the Club Board was elected to provide oversight and leadership over Villages staff and amenities, not to disenfranchise our residents and volunteers! Villagers still have a lot to offer!

-Lowell Hallock

Swimming Frustrations: I am very thankful that we have one pool open so we can swim, but it is just not enough. We are the only sport in The Villages that is required to have a monitor. That isn't fair. We should be allowed to monitor ourselves. And we should have at least two pools open while the weather is still warm. And what about winter? No one has a plan. Vineyard should be open. Foothill is too cold for the winter months. How about Montgomery?

Most frustrating of all is that our Board is not listening to the pool committee. Those of us that swim are members of The Villages and should be treated fairly with their needs accommodated just like all the other sports. Why are we being treated like second class citizens?

Let's hear from all you swimmers out there. Let's let the Board know we want to swim daily now and throughout the winter.

—Jean Bates

COVID-19 testing. We called 211 to get the closest testing site to The Villages. We went to William C. Overfelt High School at 1835 Cunningham Ave, San Jose, CA, 95122. The test takes approximately 30 minutes. Good news—it's free. It's approximately 20 minutes from the front gate. You get the results in a maximum of three days.

-William Johnson

ABOVE & BEYOND

much needed exercise. Thank you, Mary!

I'd like to thank Mary Tatum both personally and on behalf of the Pickleball Club. People have no idea how tirelessly she has worked to get us the ability to play Pickleball during this pandemic. Regardless of the obstacles put in our way, she has found solutions to problems, meets with us whenever requested, and has been unfailingly helpful and a pleasure to work with. With all the stress each of us is under, she has done everything she can to alleviate that, and let us get our

-Anahid Gregg

IN MEMORIAM

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 contact Kory Tran at ktran@the-villages.com or 408-754-1341 or Scott Hinrichs at shinrichs@the-villages.com or 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.

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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.

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Call 408-223-4655 to report missed deliveries.

POLICIES

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

The Villages Communications Advisory Committee "To inform and connect Villagers" develops operational plans, reviews rules and policies, and advises the General Manager and Club Board on issues pertaining to The Villager, including Pulse letters, Channel 26, Fast Lane and the web site. Residents having relevant concerns may attend meetings or call committee members by phone: Chair Lou Lively-Singh 408-838-5555, Diane Carr at 408-528-8456, Debbie Champion at 408-960-6994, Barbara Clurman at 347-451-5309, Jane Derow 408-440-0665, Barbara Karayn 202-641-6339, and Patricia Reardon at 408-914-2432.

HOURS

The Villager editorial and classified advertising hours are Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to to 4:30 p.m. The Villager display advertising office hours are by appointment. Call 408-223-4657 to schedule.

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Boards & Committees

Attention Residents:

Due to The Villages being a high-risk senior community, and to comply with State and County Health orders, all Villages amenities (including golf) are closed to guests until further notice. This includes outdoor seating at the restaurant.

The county issued a shelterin-place order that allowed certain additional businesses and activities to resume, subject to restrictions to reduce transmission risk. Included in those activites was: Outdoor dining at restaurants and other facilities that prepare and serve food, subject to limitations/social distancing, and all outdoor recreational activities that do not involve physical contact, with social distancing, including swimming pool, hiking, tennis, golf, etc.

Missed your Villager?

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

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

'Stop' means come to a complete stop

By the Club Board Traffic Appeals Committee

You may have heard from your Villages' friends and neighbors that there is a significant increase in citations for violating the requirement to make a full, complete stop at stop signs on Villages' property. Some call them "California stops," where you slow down, look in both directions and if you don't see anyone, you roll through the stop sign. A California stop is not a full and complete stop. This full stop is not just a Villages' rule; it's in the Department of Motor Vehicles vehicle code.

Why since we've had stop signs for 53 years in the Villages are so many Villagers suddenly getting ticketed? The reason is that Villages' traffic officers now have dash cams which record moving vehicles at stop signs. This technology provides visible proof of rolling stops, something we didn't have in the past. Many Villagers who come before the Traffic Appeals Committee and



review the video are shocked to see that they didn't make a complete stop. They thought for sure they stopped or that since no one was at the intersection, it wasn't a big deal if they rolled through the stop sign.

Full and complete stops are for the safety of all. Not stopping has become common practice, which is creating an unsafe environment. Many Villagers have expressed safety concerns and we are responding to those concerns. Villagers walk along the side of the street, drive their golf carts along the edge of the road and animals dart out in front of vehicles. Our excellent vehicle accident record can be, in the committee's opinion, attributed to strict traffic enforcement at the Villages.

So, save yourself the possibility of a fine, or worse, suspension of your privileges, by obeying the speed limits and making complete stops at stop signs. Warn your visitors to do the same, as you are responsible for anyone you let through the Villages' gate.

Remember too, just like the police officers outside the gates, our traffic officers wear body cams. These officers are simply doing their jobs and we expect both drivers and traffic officers to treat each other with respect.

Please submit Pulse letters in digital form only

Since Building B is closed during the "Shelter-In-Place" order, Pulse letters are only being accepted in digital form.

In the event of a staffing shortage occurring among employees of The Villager, publication may be temporarily suspended until the subsidence of the illness. Residents are encouraged to sign up for electronic messaging through Fast Lane in case of emergency.

EPC SEZ...

Refresh your disaster supply kits annually by updating your list of meds and family contact numbers, and by rotating out all perishables and replacing them with newer supplies. If you have questions, please contact EPC at updates@thevillagesepc.org.

- The Villages Emergency Preparedness Committee

More BOARDS & COMMITTEES, MANAGEMENT and COMMUNITY NOTICES on pages 4, 5 & 10





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*Free Sales Prep

*Free Staging

And I am always available for Free advise!



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MANAGEMENT

2021 Telephone Directory updates Leash rule

It is time for input for the 2021 Villages Telephone Directory. If you want to update your information, please contact Public Safety Administration (Building C) at 408-239-5246, option 2, as soon as possible.

The deadline for any changes for the 2021 Telephone Directory is Friday September 25.

Clorox 360 Electrostatic Disinfectant Sprayers have arrived

The Club Board approved the purchase of two Clorox 360 Electrostatic Disinfectant Spraying Machines this past March.

The machines arrived this week. These will allow staff to efficiently and effectively disinfect large spaces in a minimal amount of time versus using a hand-held spray bottle. It is a tool for indoor and outdoor uses. With the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic, it became clear to staff that being able to disinfect large areas quickly and efficiently was going to be a priority. Even though indoor areas are not yet open, being able to meet public health



One of the Villages janitors practicing disinfecting fitness center equipment using the disinfecting machine.

orders to reduce risk to Villagers when they can open will be essential. The machine is for disinfecting purposes only. It does not take the place of cleaning that must be done first. This is an added step in the process of getting something ready to be used or occupied. The area and surfaces are sprayed with an electrostatically charged disinfectant that envelops an area in a very fine mist. The mist must be in contact with the surface for at least five consecutive minutes to remove viruses. The room or area can be occupied within 60 minutes. Staff will be new Clorox 360 electrostatic undergoing training and trial use for the remainder of the month.

Stay in touch with essential developments on Fast Lane!

Because of the rapid and frequent developments in our world that directly affect our community during this crisis, keeping informed is essential. And now more than ever, it is important to be up on the latest developments in your community. Get those vital updates by signing up for Fast Lane, The Villages email newsletter. It is both quick and easy and you can do it online or over the phone. To sign up or get more information, contact Communications Coordinator Ken Patterson at 408-223-4681; kpatterson@the-villages.com, or on the Villages Resident Portal: resident.thevillagesgcc.com

There are currently six editions of The Fast Lane: Wednesday (general announcements and board-recognized events),



Friday (Board and Committee meeting information), Saturday (Maintenance Services), The Clubhouse & Bistro every Monday, The Pro Shop Tuesday, and Community Activities every Thursday.

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.

Pedestrian Safety Reminder:

Recently we have seen an increase in pedestrian traffic throughout The Villages. A reminder: please use the correct side of the road when walking, and walk toward oncoming traffic. The arrows are painted on the main roads. You should also remain in single file when in groups to keep within the white lines as well as social distancing. When walking pets, be sure they, too, remain within the white lines and out of traffic.



VMA reminder to walkers

During the shelter-in-place order more people are out walking. If you walk, especially in the early morning and late evening, you need to be seen. Wearing lighter color clothing is safer. Adding a reflective vest is even better. The VMA will supply you with a reflective vest for free! Just call the VMA office at 408-238-4230. Leave your name, address, phone number, and the size you need. A VMA volunteer will deliver it to your home. Stay safe!

Comcast Virtual Appointments available

Comcast representative Ruhullah is again offering to host Virtual Customer Events to discuss your questions regarding Xfinity products from the comfort of your home. Select the date of your choice: September 22 or 29 then choose the time for your one-on-one appointment between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. from the scheduling page at calendly.com/ruhullah-payendazadah/ xfinity-virtual-q-a

Then at the time of your appointment, Ruhullah will call to discuss your questions. Appointments fill quickly.

EPC has helpful info for pets

EPC has valuable information and recommendations available to help keep your pets safe and healthy!

- Free stickers for your windows / doors to alert emergency responders of pets in your home
- Pet Info form (think pet "Vial of Life") for your glove compartment in case of an auto accident
- · Helpful information about pet care before and during an emergency

If you are interested in stickers, the Pet Info form, or general pet safety information, please contact Jean Corrigan at 408-223-8676 or JeanMCorrigan@att.net



NCROACHMENTS

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

• 3425 Lake Albano Circle—Walkway.

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

Open flame/charcoal cooking

The Public Safety Department has discovered that many residents are in possession of open-flame cooking devices that they store on their balconies. Public Safety would like to remind residents to follow the provisions regarding the use of open-flame cooking devices, as outlined in the California Fire Code which became law on January 1, 2008.

The California Fire Code prohibits any open-flame cooking device or propane-fueled cooking device (if the fuel tank weighs more than 2.5 pounds) on a balcony or within 10 feet of your condo. However, if you happen to live in a duplex, where there are no units above you, or in a single family dwelling, you



may continue to use any open-flame cooking device or propane-fueled cooking unit regardless of the size of the fuel tank. It is strongly recommended, however, that you keep any cooking device at least 10 feet away from any structure.

As an added precaution, have a charged fire extinguisher nearby.

GOVERNANCE MEETINGS

THE DACS

Glen Arden DAC to meet September 23

The Glen Arden Quarterly DAC meeting will be held Wednesday, September 23 at 4 p.m. via Zoom. The meeting ID is 891 9645 7218.

AC NOTICE

Association applications for Owner Alteration Requests for the month of October are due to the Architectural Committee on or before September 18, 2020. Call Elissa at the Corporation Yard office to obtain an application. Meeting date is scheduled for October 1, 2020.

Association AC Landscape meeting deadline date is September 18, 2020.

More COMMUNITY NOTICES

SRS SENIOR RESOURCE SERVICES

Postpone your property taxes

The State Property Tax Postponement (PTP) Program allows eligible homeowners to postpone payment of property taxes on your primary residence. The income limitation for the program is almost \$10,000 higher than last year. The State Controller will begin accepting applications for the PTP Program on October 1, 2020.

To be eligible for PTP, you must:

- · Be at least 62, or blind, or have a qualifying disability.
- Own and occupy the home as your primary residence.
- Have a total household income, including Social Security, of \$45,000 or less.
- Not have a reserve mortgage on your residence.
- · Have at least 40 percent equity in your property.

Funding for the program is limited, and applications will be processed on a first-come, first-served basis with an estimate of 6 to 8 weeks processing time. Only current-year property taxes 2020-2021 are eligible for postponement. Pastdue property taxes are not eligible.

If your application is approved and you have already paid your property taxes for the current year, or if the property taxes are paid by a lender, you will receive a refund from the county tax collector.

Repayment under the PTP Program becomes due when the homeowner:

- Moves from or sells the property.
- Transfers title (e.g. to son or daughter). Defaults on a senior lien (i.e. mortgage).
- · Refinances or obtains a reverse mortgage.
- Dies and does not have a spouse or registered domestic partner continuing to reside in the property.

This program is intended for those individuals who have difficulty paying their property tax when due. However, realize this is a loan which will have to be paid eventually by your estate with interest at 5 percent.

The application and instructions are a total of 16 pages. Also, there are many items you must include with the application.

What type of things will you need to copy and include?

- Proof of age (if not already submitted last year)
- Deed (if not already submitted last year)
- Recent mortgage statement
- 2019 income tax return or 2019 tax documents (form 1099, etc.)
- Trust agreement if personal residence is owned by a Living Trust or other trust (if not submitted last year)
- 2020/2021 property tax bill

You may print an application from the State Controller's Office website. Go to www.sco.ca.gov; under Public Services click on Property Tax Postponement and then on Application. Alternatively, you may call the SRS office and a volunteer will print one for you. It will likely be left in the volunteer's mail tube for you to pick up.

Unfortunately, the 2020/2021 property tax bills have not yet been mailed by Santa Clara County. By law they are to be mailed no later than November 1. Usually, they are available online by October 1.

The funding for the Postponement Program is limited and is on a first-come first-served basis. We recommend that you complete the application and copy all the other required items before October 1. Then you can copy or print the tax bill on October 1 and be ready to mail your application.

Note: The Senior Resource Services (SRS) office is currently closed for drop-in assistance. You may still leave messages at 408-239-5253 as we monitor phone messages every day and can still answer questions by phone. We can also e-mail handouts. The purpose of SRS is to provide education and general business and financial information. All assistance is free and confidential. You should ask your professional adviser about your individual situation.

BOARD MEETINGS

Association

 The Villages Association Board of Directors Monthly Board Meeting is Tuesday, September 29 at 9:30 a.m. via Zoom Teleconference

Meeting ID: 831 4337 9284 Password: 794404 Dial: 1-669-900-6833

 The Villages Association Board of Directors Executive Session Re.: Reimbursement Assessment Hearing is Tuesday, September 29 following the Monthly Board Meeting

• The Villages Golf and Country Club Monthly Board Meeting is Tuesday, September 29 at 1:30 p.m. via Zoom Webinar

> Webinar ID: 826 9854 4164 Password: 116981 Dial: 1-669-900-6833

Community Standards—Rule 2.19 Signs

By Maria Hernandez, Association Operations Manager

The Association's rules were developed and approved by your Board of Directors. The rules are revised from time to time when laws change or when recommendations are made by members, the Rules Committee, or the General Manager. The rules are designed to provide uniform protections for all Villagers. It is my responsibility to follow-up on non-compliance with The Villages Association Rules.

With the upcoming elections, signage violations are becoming increasingly noticed. I would like to remind all Villagers of The Villages Association Rule 2.19 Signs.

Association Rule 2.19 signs, which state the following: 1. In accordance with California Civil Code Section 4710 the Association permits the posting or display of noncommercial signs, posters, flags, or banners on or in an owner's separate interest*, except as required for the protection of public health or safety or if the posting or display would violate a local, state, or federal law. For purposes of this rule, a noncommercial sign, poster, flag, or banner may be made of paper, cardboard, cloth, plastic, or fabric, but may not be made of lights, roofing, siding, paving materials, flora, or balloons, or any other similar building, landscaping, or decorative component, or include the painting of architectural surfaces. Signs and poster more than 9 square feet in size and noncommercial flags and banners more than 15 square feet in size are prohibited.



2. No "for sale" signs of any kind shall be displayed to public view on or from within any vehicle, common or limited common area, except as may be permitted under Rule 2.03-Residence Transfer. for the sale, lease or rent of a villa, or that may be required by legal proceedings or that law cannot be prohibited.

*Note: An owner's separate interest does not include exclusive (limited) use common area, such as patios, decks and, garages, or common area, including exterior building surfaces, driveways, or landscaping. Owners are advised to refer to the Association CC&Rs for a description of their separate interest ownership.

If you have any questions or need clarification regarding signage, please contact me a mehernandez@the-villages.com or 408-754-1353.

SRS Warning:

Unemployment is taxable

Some Villagers are likely receiving unemployment compensation—likely many of them for the first time.

By law, unemployment compensation is taxable and must be reported on your 2020 Federal income tax return. If you wish, you may have tax withheld from your benefits to help avoid owing taxes on this income when you file your Federal income tax return next year.

Withholding is voluntary. Federal law allows any recipient to choose to have a flat 10 percent withheld from their benefits to cover part or all of their tax liability. To do that, fill out Form W-4V, Voluntary Withholding Request, and give it to the agency paying your benefits. Don't send it to the IRS. If the payor has its own withholding request form, use it instead.

California tax law is kinder. Unemployment compensation is not taxable on your California return.

THE CLUBHOUSE

For Reservations or Information: 408-223-4687

2800 Villages Fairway Drive, San Jose CA 95135

B.Dear

Desc.

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

WHAT'S COOKING?

theclubhouse@the-villages.com

The Clubhouse Restaurant and Bistro are closed until further notice.

Until Coronavirus concerns are reduced, The Clubhouse will offer the Clubhouse To-go Grab & Go program for seven days a week.

For Curbside Service: First call in your order to 408-370-8553 and call us again when you get to the Clubhouse curbside and we'll bring it out to your vehicle.

Curbside Grab-and-Go Menu has expanded: The Curbside Service is now using the expanded Clubhouse menu. (See menus on pages 8 and 9.)

Some Outside Seating Now Open: With the opening of
Bistro Patio seating, our menu
has expanded. The outdoor
Bistro Patio is open for dining.

Home Meal Delivery notice: We are delivering to all Villages six days a week—Tuesday through Sunday. There will be no deliveries on Mondays. Orders must be in by 11 a.m. before the next delivery day.

You will get a confirmation either by email or by phone for each order.

If you do not get a confirmation, please email or call back. This is just an assurance to make sure we have not missed your order.

Attention Golfers: The Foyer of the main Clubhouse is opening at 7 a.m. offering coffee with "Quick Serve" breakfast items.

Lunch, beginning at 11 a.m., will include Quick Service Hamburgers, Cheeseburgers and Hot Dogs. Other curbside menu items will take 15 minutes to prepare.

Beverages will also be offered, such as water, sodas, Gatorade, and alcoholic beverages are available as well.

Alcoholic beverages sold through any of the Clubhouse food and beverage services may only be purchased in conjunction with a food order.

Notice: No entry into foyer without facemask.



CLUBHOUSE RESTAURANT & THE BISTRO & BAR CLOSED TO WALK-INS UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE



Food Delivery Service to Villas/Condos and Single-Family Homes

The Villages Golf and Country Club is proud and pleased to offer a home delivery option for our valued residents during these challenging and difficult times.

Delivery target times are noon to 2 p.m. *Email or phone orders for a particular day must be in by 11 a.m. the day before*. All orders, taxes and service charges will be charged to your house account to allow for proper social distancing upon delivery.

All prepared menu items will be made fresh daily and shelf life is three (3) days refrigerated, so Villagers can order menu items to last for a few days, and then get another delivery on their specific delivery day.

We will also offer specials that we will record on our phone line when Villagers call in to order.

Delivery Menu

Orders must be in by 11 a.m. the day before delivery date Tuesday through Sunday

Sandwiches (Heat and Serve)

Lunch Menu

Hermosa Wedge Salad \$9.25 Crisp Iceberg Wedge with Bacon, Tomatoes, Crumbled Maytag Blue Cheese

Cobb Salad \$13.25 Mixed Greens, Tomato, Cucumber, Hard Boiled Egg, Olives, Avocado, Bacon and Feta Cheese Add Chicken \$2, Prawns \$4 Salmon \$3

V Italian Chop Salad \$12.25 Romaine and Iceberg Tossed with Pepperoncini, Tomatoes, Olives and Cucumbers Topped with Feta Cheese, Italian Vinaigrette. Add Salami \$2

GF Quinoa and Heirloom Tomato Salad \$13.25 Avocadoes, Arugula Chile Lime Dressing Add Chicken \$2, Salmon \$3, Prawns \$4

GF Shrimp Louie. \$15.25 Mixed Greens with Avocados, Tomatoes, Cucumbers, and Hard Boiled Egg with 1,000 Island Dressing

GF Grilled Salmon \$14.25 Honey Mustard Glazed with Quinoa and Arugula with Chili Lime Drizzle



Sides: \$4.95 Potato Salad, Coleslaw, French Fries, Sweet Potato Fries, Garlic Fries, Onion Rings, Fresh Fruit, Small Salad, Cup of Soup (Heat and Serve)

V **Quesadilla** \$10.25 Pico de Gallo, Sour Cream Guacamole Add Chicken or Steak \$2.00

V Asian Stir Fry Vegetables Over Rice \$10.95 Vegetables over Rice with Ponzu Sauce Add Chicken or Beef \$2, Salmon \$3 or Prawns \$4.00

Naan Flatbread Pizzas

V Cheese Pizza \$9.75 Pepperoni Pizza \$10.75

V Margarita Pizza \$10.25

Combination Pizza \$11.95 Sausage, Pepperoni, Mushrooms, Onions, & Peppers

Cobb Pizza \$11.95 Bacon, Chicken, Black Olives, Avocadoes on Alfredo Sauce



Sandwiches served with Choice of Sides Gluten Free Bread Available Upon Request

Deli Sandwich \$10.25 Choice of Bread Turkey, Ham, or Tuna

Half Deli Sandwich and Soup

V Grilled Portabella and Pepper Sandwich \$10.25 With Mozzarella and Basil on a Brioche Bun Melts:

Grilled Beef Patty 2. or Tuna Swiss Cheese \$10.95 V Impossible Plant Base Meat Melt \$11.95

Grilled Reuben Sandwich on Rye \$11.25 With Sauerkraut, Swiss cheese and 1,000 Island

Hot Sub Pastrami \$11.25 With Provolone and Mile High Pastrami

Summertime Fried Chicken Sandwich \$10.95 Coleslaw and Monterey Cheese on Telera Roll

Fisherman Sandwich \$10.95 Panko Breaded Sole, Lettuce, Tomato, Onions and Tartar Sauce on a Telera Roll

Blue New York Steak Sandwich 2. \$16.95 Grilled Onions, Crumbled Blue Cheese Mustard Aioli Hoagie Roll

(Delivery Menu continued on the next page)



V = Vegetarian GF = Gluten Free

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 $\textbf{2.} \textit{Consuming raw or under cooked meats, poultry, seafood, shell fish or eggs may increase your \textit{risk of foodborne illness, especially if you have certain medical conditions.}\\$

An 18% service charge and tax will be added to the price Charge to house account only. Email orders to Clubhousemanagers@the-villages.com or call 408-754-1337

Delivery Menu (continued)

Pastas and Entrées (Heat and Serve)

Dinner Menu

Tuesday - Sunday

V = Vegetarian

GF = Gluten Free

Starters

V Baby Lettuce Mix Salad

Small Caesar Salad \$6.95

Wedge Salad \$8.75

Iceberg Wedge Lettuce, Tomato, Bacon and Bleu Cheese Crumbles





Shrimp Louie \$15.25

Prawns \$4 Salmon \$3

The Lighter Side

Served à la carte

Add Chicken \$2

Cobb Salad \$13.25

Mixed Greens with Avocados, Tomatoes, Cucumbers, and Hard Boiled Eggs with 1,000 Island

Mixed Greens, Bacon, Avocados,

Tomato, Cucumber, Hard Boiled

Egg, Olives, and Feta Cheese

Linguini & Clams \$17.25 Cherrystone Clams with White

Wine, Butter, Parmesan Cheese and Italian Herbs

V Pasta Primavera \$14.25 Medley of Sautéed Vegetables, Linguini and Parmesan Cheese in Marinara Sauce

Entrée Caesar Salad \$10.50

Romaine, Cherry Tomatoes, Parmesan and Croutons Add Chicken \$2 Salmon \$3 Prawns \$4.00

V Chinese Salad .\$10.95

Chopped Cabbage, Carrots, Edamame, Peanuts, Fried Noodles with a Sesame Ginger Dressing Add Chicken \$2.00 Add Prawns \$4.00

Strawberry Chicken Salad \$12.95

Mixed Green Salad with Grilled Chicken and served with a Poppy Seed Dressing

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 $2.\ Consuming\ raw\ or\ undercooked\ meats,\ poultry,\ seafood,\ shell fish\ or$ eggs may increase your risk of foodborne illness, especially if you have certain medical conditions.

The Clubhouse is delivering meals to all Villages on all six days.

Dinner Entrées

Served with Soup or Mixed Green Salad and Choice of Sides: Mashed Potatoes or Rice Pilaf Daily Vegetable Sides

Pot Roast Jardiniere \$18.95 Tender Pot Roast with a

Jardiniere Sauce **Lemon Rosemary Pork**

Medallions \$19.95 Seasoned, Dusted & Sautéed with Lemon Rosemary Butter

Calf's Liver & Onions \$19.95 Sautéed Onions and Crispy Bacon Bits

Char Broiled New York Steak \$28.95

Peppercorn Sauce

Home Delivery Schedule includes all districts Tuesday through Sunday

Orders must be in by 11 a.m. the day before your delivery order. Deliveries will be made between noon and 5 p.m.

An 18% service charge and tax will be added to the price. Charge to house account only. Email orders to Clubhousemanagers@the-villages.com

or call 408-754-1337

Grilled Greek Chicken \$21.95 Black Olives, Grilled Tomatoes, Artichoke Hearts, Peppers & Onions Topped with Feta Cheese

Villages Honey Stung Fried Chicken \$20.95

Country Gravy Mashed Potatoes and Vegetables



Filet of Sole Picatta \$23.75 Flour Dusted with Capers, White Wine, Lemon Butter Sauce

Grilled Salmon \$24.95 Tarragon Beurre Blanc

Scalone Dore Almandine

Pounded Abalone and Scallops, with Lemon Garlic Butter Sauce

GF Scampi Garlic Prawns \$26.95 With Basil and Cherry Tomatoes

Fridays & Saturdays

Lobster & Prime Rib Delivery

(See details at right)



Limited Time Lobster & Prime Rib **Delivery** Fridays and

> Order by 11 a.m. Delivery between 5 p.m. and 6 p.m.

Saturdays Only

Call 408-370-8553

Broiled Australian Lobster Tail

Mixed Green Salad or Soup Drawn Butter, Lemons, Chefs Vegetable Medley and Garlic Mashed Potato \$34.95 + +

Surf & Turf Combo Lobster Tail & Prime Rib

Mixed Green Salad or Soup \$49.95 + +

Prime Rib & Baked Potato

Mixed Green Salad or Soup Baked Potato with all the Trimmings Vegetable Medley and Yorkshire Pudding \$32.95 + +

18% service charge and tax will be added to the charge Delivered Ready to Eat

* Also available at Curbside Pickup and Patio Dining

Patio Grill

11am to 3pm Daily



Cooked To Order Dogs, Burgers, BBQ Chicken Sandwich, Beer and Wine

olic beverages sold through any of the Clubhouse food and beverage services may only be purchased in conjunction with a food order.

New Mixed Grill Box for Delivery Order by Monday for Thursday Delivery

or call: 408·754·1337 \$79 plus 18% Service charge and tax

Grilling At It's Best



Meat and Poultry are Cryovac Sealed

2ea 10oz USDA Choice Center Cut Ribeve Steaks 2ea USDA Bone In 10oz Center Cut Pork Chops 2ea 1/2 LB Grass Fed Chuck Patties 2ea 1/2 Split Chicken Chef's Secret BBQ and Steak Sauce

Soup of the Day



For the week of 9/21 to 9/27

Monday 9/21

Chinese Napa Cabbage

with Pot Stickers

Tuesday 9/22

Potato Leek

Wednesday 9/23 Chicken Shitake

Thursday 9/24 French Onion

Friday 9/25

Seafood Chowder Chef's Choice

Saturday 9/26 Sunday 9/27

Chef's Choice

To-Go Curbside Grab-and-Go Service Dial 408-370-8553



Breakfast Menu



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

Belgium Raspberry Crepes \$8.50

Seasonal Fruit

Short Stack Pancakes \$7.95 with Berries

Bagel BLT and Egg 2. \$8.25

Bacon, Lettuce and Tomato with Cream Cheese

Breakfast Burritos 2. \$8.25

Scrambled Egg, Potatoes, Cheese, Choice of Bacon or sausage

Montgomery Muffin 2. \$8.25

Scrambled Eggs, Bacon or Sausage, Cheddar Cheese and Fruit

Sides

\$7.25

Egg 2. \$1.75, Breakfast Meats \$3, Hash Browns \$2, Toast \$1.50

V Fried Breaded Green Beans

Fried Calamari \$10.25

GF Potato Skins \$10.50

Cheddar, Tomatoes, Bacon,

Scallions and Sour Cream

Wings with Carrots, Celery,

Ranch Dressing with BBQ,

Teriyaki or Buffalo Sauce

GF Loaded Nachos \$11.25

Black Beans, Ground Chuck,

Corn, Guacamole, Pico de Gallo,

V Sub w/Impossible Plant

Angus Beef Sliders 2, \$9,50

2 Mini Sliders with Tomatoes,

Curried Potatoes, Peas and

Southern Crab Cakes \$11.50

Panko Crusted with Cayenne

Carrots with Cole Slaw

Based Meat \$12.25

and Red Onion Relish

V Samosas \$9.25

Remoulade

Soup of the Day

Cup \$4.95 Bowl\$6.95

Sour Cream, Cilantro and Cheese

6Pc \$8.25 12Pc \$16

Battered Rings and Tentacles

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

The Villager 2. \$9.50

2 Eggs any style with Sausage, Ham or Bacon. With Hash Brown or Fruit, Choice of Toast

Three Egg Omelet or Frittata 2. \$9.75

Choice of Peppers, Mushrooms, Spinach or Tomatoes Ham, Bacon, Sausage, or Cheese, Add \$1 each, Bay Shrimp \$2, Spanish Sauce Add \$.25 Served with Hash Brown or Fruit and Choice of Toast

Corned Beef Hash and Eggs 2. \$9.95

2 Eggs any style with House Made Seasoned Hash. Served with Hash Brown or Fruit, Choice of Toast

Coffee \$1.95

Starbucks Espresso \$2.50 Extra Shot \$1.50 Starbucks Americano \$2.50 Starbucks Latte/Cappuccino \$3.25

Juice, Milk, or Hot Chocolate \$2.95

How does Curbside Grab and Go work?

First, call in your order at 408-370-8553. Call us again when you get to the Clubhouse curbside and we will bring it out to your vehicle.

10% Service Charge and Tax will be added to the price

Patio Dining Notice: The Villages Golf & Country Club, being a high-risk community, is following the guidelines set forth by the county.

- · We ask each table to be occupied by household members only.
- Guests of the households are restricted from the Patio Dining.

We suggest Curb Side Service for takeout for your outside guests. Please present your Villages ID to Greeter/Server. We thank you in advance for keeping our community safe. Patio Dining serving breakfast, lunch and dinner from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m., 7 days.

Notice: Due to The Villages being a highrisk senior community, and to comply with State and County Health orders, all Villages amenities (including golf) are closed to guests until further notice. This includes outdoor seating at the restaurant.

Notice for our Curbside customers: Due to the increased volume of orders at dinner time. we are recommending that you call and place your order between the times of 3 p.m. and 4:30 p.m. We will take your order and coordinate a pick-up time later that evening. While this is not required, it should help alleviate any wait times during the peak dinner time hours of 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.

11 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Entrée Caesar Salad \$10.50

Romaine, Cherry Tomatoes,

Add Chicken \$2 Salmon \$3

Parmesan and Croutons

V Chinese Salad \$10.95

Edamame, Peanuts,

Ginger Dressing

Add Chicken \$2

Add Prawns \$4

Seed Dressing

Vinegar

Fish and Chips \$10.95

Fries, Cole Slaw and Malted

Baja Fish Tacos \$10.95 2 Corn Tortillas with Batter

Radish Coleslaw with Salsa

Chopped Cabbage, Carrots,

Fried Noodles with a Sesame

Strawberry Chicken Salad

Mixed Green Salad with Grilled

Chicken and served with a Poppy

Batter Dipped Cod, Tartar Sauce,

Prawns \$4

V = Vegetarian

Hot Dog with Side \$8.95

Cheddar add \$1.50

Polish with Side \$9.95

Cheese add \$1.50

Double Big Boy Burger with Side 2. \$13.95

2 Angus Beef Patties with LTO and Side Dish. Avocado, Bacon add \$2

V Impossible Burger with Side \$11.95

Plant Based Meat with Lettuce Tomatoes and Onions with Side Dish. With Avocado \$2

Naan Flatbread Pizzas

V Cheese Pizza \$9.75

GF = Gluten Free

Over Rice \$10.95

\$3 or Prawns \$4

Guacamole

Sauce

V Quesadilla \$10.25

Pico de Gallo, Sour Cream

Add Chicken or Steak \$2.00

V Asian Stir Fry Vegetables

Vegetables over Rice with Ponzu

Chicken or Beef add \$2, Salmon

Pepperoni Pizza \$10.75

V Margarita Pizza \$10.25

Combination Pizza \$11.95 Sausage, Pepperoni, Mushrooms, Onions, & Peppers

Cobb Pizza \$11.95 Bacon, Chicken, Black Olives, Avocadoes on Alfredo Sauce

🔪 All Day & Appetizer Menu 🖊

Toppings: Onions, Tomatoes & Red Onion Relish.

Burger with Side 2. \$10.95 Angus Beef with LTO and Side Dish. Avocado, Bacon add \$2

Cheese add \$1.50

Cheese \$1.50

BLT Sandwich with Side \$9.25

Brie Turkey Sandwich with

Cranberry Compote and Arugula

Side \$10.75

on Telera Roll

Dipped Cod, Cilantro, Onions and

Served on Sourdough or Wheat Bread. Add Turkey \$2 **Sides**: \$4.95 Add Avocado \$2

Potato Salad, Coleslaw, French Fries, Sweet Potato Fries, Garlic Fries, Onion Rings, Fresh Fruit, Small Salad, Cup of Soup

Dessert Menu



\$6.25

New York Cheesecake with Berries

Warm Chocolate Lava Cake

Apple Pie with Cream

Ask about Special of the Day



\$4.95

Flavors of the Day

Sherbet

Sorbet

Milk Shakes



Lunch Menu 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Hermosa Wedge Salad \$9.25 Crisp Iceberg Wedge with Bacon, Tomatoes, Crumbled Maytag Blue Cheese

Cobb Salad \$13.25

Mixed Greens, Tomato, Cucumber, Hard Boiled Egg, Olives, Avocado, Bacon and Feta Cheese Add Chicken \$2, Prawns \$4 Salmon \$3

V Italian Chop Salad \$12.25 Romaine and Iceberg Tossed with Pepperoncini, Tomatoes, Olives and Cucumbers Topped with Feta Cheese, Italian Vinaigrette. Add Salami \$2

GF Quinoa and Heirloom Tomato Salad \$13.25 Avocadoes, Arugula Chile Lime

Dressing Add Chicken \$2, Salmon \$3, Prawns \$4

GF Shrimp Louie. \$15.25 Mixed Greens with Avocados, Tomatoes, Cucumbers, and Hard Boiled Egg with 1,000 Island Dressing

GF Grilled Salmon \$14.25 Honey Mustard Glazed with Quinoa and Arugula with Chili Lime Drizzle

V Baby Lettuce Mix Salad

Small Caesar Salad \$6.95

Iceberg Wedge Lettuce, Tomato,

Bacon and Bleu Cheese Crumbles

Wedge Salad \$8.75



Sides: \$4.95

Potato Salad, Coleslaw, French Fries, Sweet Potato Fries, Garlic Fries, Onion Rings, Fresh Fruit, Small Salad, Cup of Soup



Sandwiches served with Choice of Sides Gluten Free Bread Available **Upon Request**

Choice of Bread Turkey, Ham, or Tuna

Half Deli Sandwich and Soup \$8.25

With Mozzarella and Basil on a Brioche Bun

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Grilled Beef Patty 2. or Tuna Swiss Cheese \$10.95 V Impossible Plant Base Meat Melt \$11.95

Summertime Fried Chicken Sandwich \$10.95

on Telera Roll

Panko Breaded Sole. Lettuce. Tomato, Onions and Tartar Sauce on a Telera Roll

Grilled Onions, Crumbled Blue Cheese Mustard Aioli Hoagie Roll



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Coffee \$1.95



Starbucks Espresso \$2.50

Extra Shot \$1.50

Starbucks Americano \$2.50

Starbucks Latte/Cappuccino

Juice, Milk, or Hot Chocolate

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medical conditions.

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Friday & Saturday:

Broiled Australian

Surf & Turf

Lobster Tail \$34.95

Drawn Butter & Lemons

Lobster Tail & Prime Rib

\$32.95

Prime Rib - 21 Days Aged

21 Day Aged, Corned Fed Beef

served with Yorkshire Pudding



3:00/9:00 AM/PM

MON Burns & Allen Show

SAT Mickey Rooney Show

3:30/9:30 AM/PM

MON The Lucy Show

FRI Life With Elizabeth

4:00/10:00 AM/PM

FRI Mr. and Mrs. North

4:30/13:00 AM/PM

THU Suspense

5:30/11:30 AM/PM

FRI Sir Lancelot

4:00/10:00 AM/PM MON The World Gone Mad

TUE Our Town

SAT Friday the Thirteenth



Villages Public Password:

Club

resident.thevillagesgcc.com

KEEP FIT MON - WED - FRI - SUN

Aerial Views of the Villages 12:00/6:00 AM/PM

Senior Scams

2:20/9:20 AM/PM

CHANNEL

Chair Aerobics 12:30/6:30 15-Min Floor Work 12:55/6:55 Restorative Chair Yoga 1:13/7:13 Cardio Fitness 1:40/7:40

TUE - THU - SAT

Stretch Aerobics12:30/6:30 15-Min Floor Work 12:51/6:51 Tai-Chi 8-Form 1:10/7:10 Chair Fitness 1:34/7:34

WEEKLY-

TUE Dinah Shore Show (1:00) WED The Beverly Hillbillies **THU** Bob Cummings Show

FRI Date with the Angels

SUN Colgate Comedy Hour (1:00)

WED Meet Corliss Archer THU You Bet Your Life

SAT The Jack Benny Program

THU Dragnet

SUN Bonanza (1:00)

FRI Letters to Loretta

5:00/11:00 AM/PM **THU** Climax! (1:00)

FRI Tales of Tomorrow

SUN Studio One (1:00)

MON Sherlock Holmes

TUE Robin Hood

WED Kit Carson

SAT Lock-Up

WED Santo vs. the Vampire Women

Events & Notices

villages More information online at the Villages Resident Portal:

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Deli Sandwich \$10.25

V Grilled Portabella and Pepper Sandwich \$10.25

V Pasta Primavera \$14.25

Marinara Sauce

Dinner Entrées

Daily Vegetable Sides

Tender Pot Roast with a

Lemon Rosemary Pork Medallions \$19.95

Lemon Rosemary Butter

Jardiniere Sauce

Bacon Bits

Served with Soup or Mixed

Pot Roast Jardiniere \$18.95

Seasoned, Dusted & Sautéed with

Medley of Sautéed Vegetables,

Linguini and Parmesan Cheese in



Grilled Reuben Sandwich on Rye \$11.25

With Sauerkraut, Swiss cheese and 1,000 Island

Hot Sub Pastrami \$11.25 With Provolone and Mile High Pastrami

Coleslaw and Monterey Cheese

Fisherman Sandwich \$10.95

Blue New York Steak Sandwich 2. \$16.95



Dinner Menu Tuesday - Sunday 5pm to 8pm

V = Vegetarian **Char Broiled New York Steak**

\$28.95 Peppercorn Sauce

Grilled Greek Chicken \$21.95 Black Olives, Grilled Tomatoes, Artichoke Hearts, Peppers & Onions Topped with Feta Cheese

Villages Honey Stung Fried Chicken \$20.95

Country Gravy Mashed Potatoes and Vegetables



Filet of Sole Picatta \$23.75 Flour Dusted with Capers, White Wine, Lemon Butter Sauce

Grilled Salmon \$24.95 Tarragon Beurre Blanc

Scalone Dore Almandine Pounded Abalone and Scallops,

With Basil and Cherry Tomatoes

With Lemon Garlic Butter Calf's Liver & Onions \$19.95 Sautéed Onions and Crispy GF Scampi Garlic Prawns

Green Salad The Lighter Side And Choice of Sides Mashed Potatoes or Rice Pilaf

Served à la carte

Starters

Cobb Salad \$13.25 Mixed Greens, Bacon, Avocados, Tomato, Cucumber, Hard Boiled Egg, Olives, and Feta Cheese Add Chicken \$2 Prawns Salmon \$3

Dressing

Cherrystone Clams with White

Shrimp Louie \$15.25 Mixed Greens with Avocados,

Tomatoes, Cucumbers, and Hard Boiled Eggs with 1,000 Island Linguini & Clams \$17.25

Wine, Butter, Parmesan Cheese and Italian Herbs

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FROM BRIGHTVIEW

Grub Infestation at The Villages

As many of you have noticed, we have had several critters terrorizing many of our lawns around the property. This is due to a white grub infestation that is impacting several of our districts. Turkeys, crows, raccoons, wild pigs, etc. love tearing up the lawns to get to the grubs. Here is a quick breakdown of what we are dealing with.

Description of the Pests: Masked chafers are large C-shaped beetle larvae that feed on roots of turf grass plants. These grubs are white, up to 1 inch (2.5 cm) in length, with dark translucent dorsal stripes, brown head capsules and legs, and a characteristic pattern of bristles on the underside of the posterior end of the abdomen (the raster). Adult beetles are golden brown, hairy on the underside of the thorax, and have a darker brown head. Cyclocephala hirta is common throughout California. This species completes one generation per year overwintering as mature larvae, which form earthen cells in soil where they pupate. Adult males are attracted to lights at night, mostly from mid-June



Damage: Masked chafer grubs feed on roots, resulting in irregular dead patches. Symptoms resemble drought stress and persist even where there is sufficient irrigation. Grub activity can cause the ground to feel spongy; extensive root feeding sometimes allows the turf to be rolled back like a carpet. Most damage usually takes place in late summer or early fall. Digging by verte-

brate predators, such as turkeys, crows, raccoons, skunks, and coyotes, is a common indication of high grub populations. Again, damage becomes most apparent in late summer or fall. Action Plan: We applied an insecticide property-wide in May and June of this year to help

prevent the spread of these grubs. We have not seen the results we've wanted in all of the districts and are spot-treating the areas as they are identified. The grubs typically stop feeding when the days get colder. That time is rapidly approaching. We will look at damaged lawns, and determine if reseeding or SOD installations are needed. We plan to institute an annual grub control program to help eliminate this issue in the future. We will work with the experts in this field to help determine the best time of year to apply any needed chemical.

So if you see these critters tearing up your lawns, now you know why. They are simply getting their protein for the day!

BrightView Mulch Program

To help keep soil moist, to help prevent weeds, to help prevent soil compaction, for aes thetics, and for the overall health of the plants, a property-wide mulching program is part of the current landscape maintenenance services contract.



We are working with a mulching company that will be coming on site a few times a week to perform mulch spraying to the majority of the plant beds on the property.

This process requires a large mulch truck with a long hose attachment that is used to spray mulch in the desired area. This will be completed by a three-man crew; two of them to hold and point the hose and a third to come behind them and blow the excess mulch off the sidewalks and walkways.

There is some dust and also some noise when the trucks are installing the mulch and when the walkways and sidewalks are cleared by blowers. In addition, during this process, there will be a short

lag time between the spraying of the mulch and the blowing of the sidewalks/walkways, but it will be done on the same day. We apologize in advance for any inconvenience this process may cause, but again, this process will better the health of the plants by controlling soil temperatures, as well as improving the aesthetics of the landscape across the property.

Weekly updates of where the mulch truck is operating will be provided through Fast Lane.

BrightView

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

Saying 'Thank you!'

There are three types of articles available to readers of The Villager that allow you to thank an individual, a group, a club or organization.

A Villages club, organization or committee chair can thank an individual, another club or an employee with a **Bouquet**. Please limit the word count to between 50 and 100 words. Avoid long lists of names or the names of businesses.

An individual or family of a resident can thank other individuals, groups or organizations for help rendered in a death, injury, or other emergency through a Thank You item. Please keep word counts between 50 and 75 words.

Individual residents can thank other individuals, groups or organizations—not businesses or for-profit service providers—with an Above & Beyond item. This category is to thank others for acts of kindness, generosity and for jobs well done. Keep your Above & Beyond article as short as possible—from 50 to 150 words.

These three ways to thank individuals or groups are considered articles, and therefore are free of charge. They can be submitted directly to Associate Editor Kory Tran via email at: ktran@thevillages.com or submitted through the Resident Portal on The Villager page. (Since The Villager office in Building B is currently closed to walk-in traffic you are urged to submit these articles in digital form only.)

Those wishing to thank or submit a testimonial to businesses, service providers or other for-profit entities may purchase a Classified Ad at the rate of \$1.25 per word, minimum of 10 words. To place a Classified Ad, contact Adrienne Reed at 408-223-4657 or email: areed@the-villages.com.

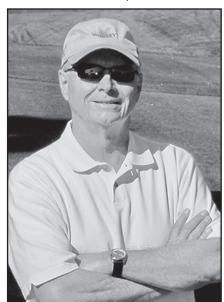
EVF FOCUS

It Isn't all cash!

By Diana Hallock, EVF VP

Over the past 10 years, the Evergreen Villages Foundation (EVF) has supported a huge range of projects from a few hundred dollars to projects in the hundreds of thousands. Many were capital improvements requiring months of design work and careful planning by Board members and Village staff. Because most humans are "visual learners," both Villagers and staff needed a photo or drawing to enable them to fully understand the proposed concept(s).

Enter Mike Poellot! As an experienced golf course designer and skilled landscape architect, Mike has spent hundreds of



Mike Poellot

hours on his computer to create professional renderings of proposed Villages amenities including the Bistro Patio extension, Gazebo Park and more recently, the Pickleball Courts. These highly detailed drawings have given us a visual glimpse into the possibilities as well as saving Villagers thousands of dollars in advanced planning architectural fees. While Mike and his wife, Bev, are monthly financial supporters of EVF, we also want to highlight and thank Mike for his priceless artistic contributions. www.evfsj.org

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



Evidently, a gushing reporter said to Phil Mickelson, "Your name is synonymous with the game of golf. You really know your way around the course. What's your secret?" To which Mickelson replied, "The holes are numbered."

Clubs & Events

Jazzercise on and off

By Barbara Tommaney

We are back and overjoyed to be jazzercising once more. Our temporary home is the Cribari Plaza and both weather and air quality can affect us. Thus the smoke and unhealthy air conditions caused us to cancel a class one day last week. But our wonderful class manager Herito and class instructor Lynda watch over the weather and air quality reports and advise class members of any cancellations. Our new normal schedule is two classes per week, usually Monday and Wednesday mornings at 8:30 a.m. through September 30.

Social distancing is practiced during class and we ask that all attendees wear facial masks until we actually start our exercise. Jazzercise remains your most reasonably priced exercise option. For those who attend all classes in September (nine in total) the cost is \$30. Six classes are \$24. We look forward to life returning to normal and three classes a week in the Cribari Auditorium. Until then we are very grateful to have the option of working out in the outdoors.

News Junkies to host League of Women Voters

News Junkies will provide a nonpartisan platform for League of Women Voters guest speakers as they present the pros and cons of November's ballot propositions.

This will take place via Zoom on Monday, October 12 at 1:30 p.m. To participate you must register. Details will follow in a future article. After that, the next New Junkies meeting via Zoom will be Monday, October 14.

Villages Medical Auxiliary-Since 1976
Office: 408-238-4230
Hours: Monday to Thursday, 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
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Please note: ALL presentations are Via ZOOM until further notice

In September

Caregiver Support Group: a group designed to provide emotional, educational, and social support for all caregivers facilitated by Judy London Ph.D. Thursday, September 24 at 10:30 a.m. If interested in attending via ZOOM please contact Judy at judithlondon@sbcglobal.net or call 408-784-3325.

Ready2Nurse: Abnormally High Fats vs High Cholesterol in Your Blood and the Dietary Management Myth – via Zoom. Thursday, September 24 at 2 p.m. Presented by Amy Wang FNP. To register please contact the VMA Service Coordinator Bonnie Grim at bgrim@sequoialiving.org or call 408-238-4029.

Coming in October

Vista Center for the Blind and Visually Impaired: Leading a Full and Productive Life with Vision Loss – via Zoom. Wednesday, October 7, 10:30-11:30AM. To register contact the VMA Service Coordinator Bonnie Grim at bgrim@sequoialiving.org or call 408-238-4029.

With Grace Hospice: Bereavement - via Zoom. Wednesday, October 21 at 10:30-11:30 a.m. Registration required, please contact the VMA Service Coordinator Bonnie Grim at bgrim@sequoialiving.org or call 408-238-4029.

Senior Academy: 'England, Scotland and Wales'



Senior Academy is presenting "Early History of England, Scotland and Wales," a two-session course on Tuesdays, September 22 and 29 at 2 p.m. This will be a Zoom presentation. Pre-register for this course online at VillagesSA.org.

In 1066, William the conqueror won the battle of Hastings and the Norman conquest began. This event has been seen as pivotal moment in the history of Britain. Concentrating on the cultural, political, and social history of Britain from the coming of the Normans to the end of the 15th century, the events and developments of various concepts of kingship and princeship will be

examined: the rise of feudalism and the growth of learning, and the ways in which the leaders of England, Scotland and Wales co-operated and often clashed on points of authority, the rule of law and the role of the church. This course will take a wonderful look at the past, an examination of a history many of us share.

Craig Owen Jones is a lecturer at San Jose State University, an Honorary Research Associate at the school of Music and Media, Bangor University. He has written three books and over 30 articles on TV and film, music, history, and literary criticism.

Villagers going solar—saving money and the planet

By Maxine Amundson

The Sustainable Villages Club's goal is to help reduce greenhouse gasses with education and support for the adoption of alternative energy sources in the Villages. Rooftop Solar is one program off to a great start.

The first rooftop solar installation was in 2013. Since then Villagers have installed 24 systems in single family homes and 12 in Association villas. As of this month, seven more Villa owners have been approved for new installations



bringing our total to 43 solar powered homes. The SVC's Solar Survey distributed last week requested installation feedback from experienced Solar users. While we are still working with the feedback, we can tell you that 100 percent of the survey respondents expressed total satisfaction with their system. That is wonderful news.

Keep in mind, the Federal Government if offering a tax credit of 26 percent of the cost of your system in 2020 and 22 percent in 2021. Also, PG&E will pay you a reduced rate for every kilowatt hour (KWH) you pump into the grid over and above what you use for yourself.

If you are interested in renewable energy sources, contact me for answers to some basic questions at drmaxa@comcast.net or call 408-425-0614.

You can to pick it up and complete your Solar Survey form by calling Christine at 408-439-6634.

Camera Club promotes exciting programs

By Pamela Pierson

Camera Club President Peter Nicholls and Membership Chair Ray Blinde invite new and participating members to attend the Villages Camera Club's orientation meeting via Zoom on Monday, September 21, from 7-9 p.m. Learn about the top-notch programs and the benefits of membership. Potential members must contact Ray at 408-531-1776 or rwbinde@earthlink.net to attend the program.

The program committee—Ernie Murata, Mary Miller, Donna Ostheimer, Karen Honaker, and Peter Nicholls—has lined up an exciting series of programs. Join in the challenges and camaraderie with other camera-toting Villagers. Members can submit their photos by September 30 to qualify for the October 5 photo competition. (Judging is Doug Stinson, president of N4C.) On October 19, nationally known photographer and educator Lisa Langell will present a webinar called "An Artistic Photographer Lies in All of Us." The orientation will include details on these and other programs for the year. The Villages Camera Club is a member of the Northern California Council of Camera Clubs (N4C) and The Photographic Society of America (PSA). For details of activities and monthly competitions for members, see the Calendar of Events (under Activities) from the main menu of the club's website at www.villagescameraclub.com. The slideshow on the website features the first through third place winners and honorable mentions from our June 1 competition.

Camera Club calendar

Friday, September 18-30: Members' entries accepted on the website for the October 5 photo competition through 7 p.m. Categories include Pictorial, Monochrome, Travel, and Journalism.

Monday, September 21: Orientation meeting via zoom to introduce the program plans to both new and participating members. For membership information and to join the zoom meeting, contact Ray Blinde at 408-531-1776 or rwblinde@earthlink.net.

Monday, October 5: Photo competition for members from 7-9 p.m. live-streamed via zoom. Judged by Doug Stinson, president of N4C. Come and check out the Camera Club. For membership information or to observe the zoom meeting, contact Ray Blinde. Membership is \$30.

Monday, October 19: Program meeting titled "An Artistic Photographer Lies in All of Us" by Lisa Langell, a nationally known photographer and educator. Because of our affiliation with PSA, this webinar is free. Contact Ray Blinde to be included.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES



Join us in watching "LA LA Land" on HBO

September 21 – September 24

Watch LA LA Land on HBO 9/21-9/24 and Take the Trivia Quiz on 9/25 for a chance to win!

Say "LA LA Land" on your voice remote and start watching.

To enter the Trivia Quiz for prize go to the link https://forms.gle/V1GAAwpH4uJxicsGA

If you don't have a computer and would like to play, call the Community Activities for a form at 408-223-4643.

The movie LA LA Land will air Monday, September 21 to Thursday, September 24. Take the trivia quiz on September 25 and return for a chance to win prize! Winners will be posted in *The Villager* on October 1. Check to see if you are one of the lucky winners and call Community Activities to claim your prize! Good luck!

On September 25, be on the lookout for the link to the Movie Trivia, for your chance to win a prize!

Winners will be posted on Monday, September 28. Movie Night is sponsored by Xfinity.

2021 Master Calendar – COVID Edition

The 2021 Master Calendar packet for both the Club Facilities reservations through the Community Activities office and the events held at the Clubhouse were prepared for distribution last week. The packets were sent electronically this year because all of our offices are closed to walk-in traffic. If you need to pick up a hard copy contact Ruth DePonzi at 408-223-4644 or rdeponzi@ the-villages.com

Upon completion of your Master Calendar you will return the Clubhouse packet to Albert Salcedo at asalcedo@the-villages. com and the Club Facilities packet to Ruth DePonzi.

Note the following **important** information needed for your packet this coming year:

There is a form that you are required to sign, stating you understand that Master Calendar requests you make are contingent on following the public health orders at the time and any Villages restrictions i.e., types of uses allowed, time required between events and/or meetings, cleaning/disinfecting requirements, etc.

At this time the Community Activities office and Clubhouse does not know what the state or county will have in place for public health orders or the impact they will have on the Villages resources. Thank you for your patience and understanding.



More CLUBS

Senior Academy: Voting in 2020—How?

When? Where?

By Tony Berg

On September 24 at 3 p.m., the Santa Clara Registrar of Voters will bring us up to date on the election process and how it will work for us

Pre-register early for this webinar event on the Senior Academy website at VillagesSA.org.

November 3 is rapidly approaching and on October 5 our mail-in ballots will be going in the U.S. mail for us.

This year there seems to be confusion about many aspects of the process and we have invited Shannon Bushey, the Santa Clara Registrar of Voters to "come" to The Villages to help separate fact from the many rumors in circulation.

Shannon has been our Registrar of Voters since 2014 and will go over for us the "How? When? Where?" of voting in the November election. Shannon welcomes questions and invites



Shannon Bushey

you to present them to her at the webinar or to submit them in advance by email to Tony Berg at anthonydberg@gmail.com

This event is sponsored by the Senior Academy and open to all Villagers. Pre-register on the Senior Academy website at VillagesSA.org

Dear, Oh Deer: News from the Villages Deer Club

By Louann Partridge

Do you wonder what the deer and wildlife in the Villages are thinking about the smokey skies and strange colored sunsets we are experiencing? Is their behavior influenced by the smoke and odd atmosphere? For instance, have you noticed the areas where turf has been torn up by raccoons or wild turkeys or crows? Maybe you have noted other animals' strange behavior.

We have an increase in the population of coyotes living in The Villages. Rumor has it that there are even some coyote pups here. Since they are protected by state laws, it's difficult to do much about them, so we need to be very watchful of our pets. Also, if you encounter one while walking, it is important to stand tall, carry a stick and do not turn and run from these animals; stamp your feet, clap your hands.

While you are social distancing, maybe you have taken time to note all of the different wildlife that we are lucky to have here. The number and variety of birds in the Villages is fantastic. During the months of June and July a pair of Piebald Grebes built a nest on one of the ponds and they raised two chicks. It was so fun to watch the baby birds as they hatched and then climbed on their parents' back or under mom's and dad's wings. They have now moved on into the world. You can see pictures of them at the site below.

Also, at the site below you can view pictures of some of the deer still living in the Villages. In years gone by 'deer counts' were organized bi-annually but in the last two years the herd has grown small enough that it's not necessary. Thanks to Village photographers and to residents who keep the Deer Club informed with phone calls or emails, we are able to keep an accurate count. We now have 32 female deer (including one fawn) and six to seven bucks. To notify us of deer or to report any unusual sitings, feel free to call Noel Lanctot or Louann Partridge. (Contact info is in the directory.)

If you go to the site below, you will note that some of our bucks have very strange growths on their antlers. As far as I am able to ascertain this is related to testosterone or lack thereof. It's interesting to note that research is ongoing regarding buck antlers because the cells of the antlers are very, very fast growing. Village photographers are very talented folks and their work is always welcome and can be sent to Louann Partridge or Noel Lanctot. The site that I have mentioned in this article is provided by Frank Langben and has three pages of photos. Go to: flickr.com/photos/137797354@N08/albums/72157715786547881

Thanks to all who watch out for our wildlife and who share stories and photos. We really have a rich abundance of wildlife here.

Senior Academy newsletter now online

Senior Academy is pleased to announce the autumn 2020 Newsletter Connections is currently available online at the Senior Academy website at VillagesSA.org.

Look at all the activities we have for you this fall! You can travel to the Canadian Rockies, learn about sunspots and the history of England Scotland and Wales, do a museum tour, meet the man who signs your tax bill at the Harrington lecture, visit world heritage sites with David Couzens and attend a final wrap up of the election results. And, you can do all of this from the comfort of you very own living room.

As always, a big thank you to the team, and to you for supporting the Senior Academy! Join us when you have a moment; we'd love to see you. Exercise your Brain...Broaden your Horizons... Learning is Fun...Even online.

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

Religion

JEWISH GROUP

The Villages Jewish Group will be conducting High Holiday Services for Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur over Zoom. Rabbi Matzkin has prepared beautiful selections for us to reflect, worship, and sing "together" from our own homes. Anyone who is not yet an official member of the Villages Jewish Group is certainly invited to contact our membership chair, Joyce Mendel, (emendel2@gmail.com) for information on the community and how to participate in our private Zoom services, taking place between Friday, September 18 - Saturday, September 19 and Sunday, September 28 - Monday, September 29.

In the meantime, please enjoy this beautiful prayer for the New Year from the Marlboro Jewish Center:

As we approach another year, we ask Your blessings upon us and upon our loved ones. Grant us the courage to peer into our lives, the wisdom and discernment to evaluate what we see, and the strength to act with resolve to change whatever needs improvement.

May it be Your will that we be inscribed into the Book of Life and that the coming year be one of peace and tranquility. May our homes reflect the sense of Your holiness and may we strive to fulfill Your will for us. We pray that our lives become sanctified by Your guidance and by Your love for Your people.

During these Holy Days, our thoughts turn to You and we try to let You into our lives. Be there for us, Holy One, and let the light of Your Divine Presence shine upon us and upon all Your people. Bless this New Year with Shalom for us, for the Jewish people and for all humanity everywhere.

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

Reflection on Sunday's Readings (by Deacon Andrzej Sobczyk):

God is rich in mercy and generous in forgiveness, offering those gifts to all who sincerely ask for them. You do not have to deserve them, just like the laborers who only worked one hour did not deserve the daily wage.

If you always strive for perfection, trying to get ahead of others, all your hard work might seem for nothing if others can receive just the same with very little effort. But if you do not expect much from life, for whatever reason, this is wonderful news: God's love is unconditional. You do not have to earn it. You are a child of God and nothing can change that. You just need to return to your Father's house to get your inheritance.

Is this an incentive to do nothing? No. St. Paul's life is a perfect example. He received his grace of faith in Christ when he was zealous and hardworking, but still full of hate and judgment. The undeserved reward filled him with so much unconditional love that for the rest of his life he worked hard to share it with others. May we all experience unconditional and undeserved love, and the joy of paying it forward.

Daily Mass: Daily Mass (8:30 a.m.) is now being held outside in the Memorial Garden Patio. No reservation needed.

Saturday Vigil and Sunday Masses: Vigil Masses at 4:30 and 6:30 p.m. (Vietnamese). Sunday Masses 8 and 10 a.m., 12 noon, 4 (Vietnamese) and 6 p.m. Every Monday morning, SFOA will send a link through their constant contact emails. No reservations will be accepted after 12 noon on Friday.

Mass Intentions: If you would like to offer a Mass for someone, contact Jean Gillette at 408-270-5723. how God helped her with appliance repairs. She would pray

Home Communion: Contact Marilyn Rodman at 408-274-452. Please leave a message.

Staying up to date: Check the website for St. Francis of Assisi at www.sfoasj.com and daily emails from SFOA, for the latest information. Please call or email Rosie Olivas at 408-223-1562, or rolivas@dsj.org to request to be added to the daily emails.

New to the Villages? For information, contact Marion Burry at 408-528-8231 or marion93940@aol.com.

EPISCOPAL

'Forgiveness is a Process'

By The Rev. Julia McCray-Goldsmith

The last few weeks of scripture study in Matthew's Gospel (that is, the lessons appointed to read in church on Sundays) have really challenged me to reflect on how I live in Christian community, how I forgive those who may have offended me, and how I receive forgiveness. Tune in to Trinity Cathedral's online services (on Facebook live or YouTube) to hear several sermons on these topics! But no matter how good my Biblical exegesis for preaching may be, the reality is that we are human beings who hurt each other, intentionally or not. And when I'm hurt, I'm not always of a mind to forgive right away... not even once, much less seventy-times-seven. If you're like me, this might come as good news to you: God didn't put a timetable on

forgiveness. Jesus tells us we have to do it, yes... but we can (and should) give ourselves time to do it within the grace of God.

Real forgiveness is not the same as denial. Sometimes, when a hurt is big, we need time to grieve. It's been said that forgiveness means giving up all hope of changing the past, and that's rarely easy. Disappointment is real! And so is our capacity to imagine a new future, even if something we'd really wanted did not come about. But when we're working to forgive someone or something, let's allow ourselves a tear or two along the way. It's OK to be sad.

Then, let me suggest that we pray for the grace to forgive. What seems impossible to us is always possible with God!

And because God is patient, we can be patient too. We can listen for God's response in the quiet promptings of our hearts, and-in God's timewe'll know when we're ready to forgive. Which does not require that we put ourselves in harm's way again, or even necessarily contact the person who hurt us. That's good when it's possible, but forgiveness is as much about our own healing as it is about the person who hurt us. God's longing for us is that we be free of pain and judgment. And while that may take a while, "do not ignore this one fact, beloved, that with the Lord one day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years are like one day. The Lord is not slow about his promise, as some think of slowness, but is patient with you." 1 Peter 3:8-9

COMMUNITY CHAPEL

'To Be No More'

By Pastor Bill Hayden

I reflected on my life this past weekend, I thought about the people who had been in my life but are no longer here. I was reminded of my sister that lived on a very large property in Illinois who passed away in May of 2018.

I remember her calling me, wondering how she could finance a number of repairs and chores that she did not have the funds for. After we prayed, within 30 minutes she received a call from the Catholic Society who were responding to her previous inquiry. They were sending 12 young people over to complete her repairs and chores.

She was a believer and trusted in God for everything and she shared many stories of how God helped her with appliance repairs. She would pray over her veterinarian books to care for her animals and that she would be able to shoe her horses. The Lord sent her a special friend, named Fran who owned an animal shelter for cats and dogs. She made sure that my sister's dogs were

cared for and helped to maintain her property.

The neighbors remember her as the fearless old lady who lived on the hill that protected her property even when intruders sought to do her harm.

I think about those who impacted my life that are no longer here; they were so full of life. To think that someday we too will be no more on this earth. This realization can be a defining moment for a change in our life, or not.

Those individuals who made a difference in my life assisted me in being a better person which allowed me to be a product of their good deeds. The Bible says, Revelations 14:13 NLT: And I heard a voice from heaven saying, "Write this down: Blessed are those who die in the Lord from now on. Yes, says the Spirit, they are blessed indeed, for they will rest from their hard work; for their good deeds follow them!"

With the time remaining, what do you want to change about yourself that will make a lasting difference in another

person's life?

Good news! Join us each week at 10 a.m., Pastor Bill will deliver his Sunday Morning Sermon Message on video. You can experience his sermon via our Villages Community Website at Villagescommunitychapel.org

May God bless all of you with good health!



SPORTS NEWS

SHONIS

By Tom Zades

The Shonis' first general meeting since last February, and the first outdoor meeting ever, went off without a hitch on Tuesday morning, September 8. The meeting had been rescheduled from August due to extreme temperatures and hazardous air quality concerns. It was a very pleasant morning out on Cribari Plaza. Many smiles could be seen behind the masks.

Everyone made it around the road closures and were such troopers, lugging their chairs from where they had to park. We seniors know how to



Julianna Walgren celebrating her hole-in-one at home with a cake by Betty Stednitz. Photo by Clay Wahlgren

"roll with the punches," so to speak. There were 29 Shonis in attendance—more than usual, attesting to the built-up desire to get together, see each other and applaud our successes. We were able to spread out even more than the standard 6 feet, thanks to the great microphones provided by Lil Yamada.

Numerous awards were presented, including birdie pins from as early as last November and as recently as September 1. Captain's Trophy: Tahera Khalil reported that she was finally handing over the trophy she won back in March. She probably has an empty spot on her credenza where it sat all these months. Barb Sunseri reclaimed the trophy September 1, after tying with Joan Wiseman on the first Tuesday of August.

Julianna Wahlgren had a good time at the meeting, receiving a pin for her birdie in August to go with her hole-in-one pin, earned in May.

The September general meeting was quite a success. All agreed to the normal October meeting, where we will vote for the new Board for the coming year. Bonnie has reserved Cribari Plaza for 9 a.m. Tuesday, October 20 for announcing and voting on the new Board. Turnover of the gravel and whistle takes place in December, with the new Board starting in January.

We want to continue to add to our numbers, so if you are "getting the itch" to get back into the swing of things, please contact any Shoni you know, or Captain Bonnie Evans (bhe52371@yahoo.com). This time of recreational golf is a great time to check out the Short Nine course and the Short Nine (Shoni) ladies.

Chip shot: Representative chapters from "The (fictitious) Useful Golf Book": 1. How to line up your fourth putt. 5. Crying on the greens and how to handle it.

PINSEEKERS

By Jack Bindon

The topic this week is **Slow Play.** If you have succeeded in getting a Tuesday morning tee time for 9 holes you need to be aware that you are probably sandwiched between a couple of ladies' groups. They play fast! We need to do the same. There were several complaints that we were playing too slow today from the groups behind us. The solution to this is: **Play Ready Golf!** This means that if there is open space ahead of you with no danger of hitting into someone, go ahead and play your shot. Don't wait for the person who is "away" to play their ball. The second thing is if you have finished the hole, move on to the next tee box and don't stand around waiting for that last person to finish. This holds everyone up and it is not being rude. If we can't maintain a good pace of play we may encounter some restricted play.

SWINGERS

By Linda Lamanno

How many of you have had a hole-in-one? Well, Bee Levander has had two! One was at El Rancho Verde, which no longer exists. The second was at a course near Meyers on the way to Lake Tahoe. "It hit the side of a hill and just kept rolling, about 30 feet right into the hole," Bee said, laughing.

She loves golf and was a Bandini, part of the group that repairs divots early each morning, for nine years. Two knee replacements have slowed her down, a little.

Her real first name is Bijou, like the theaters, but she doesn't like it, or the fact that no one ever pronounced it right...thus Bee.

Bee moved around a lot as a child, attending many different schools including the Ringling Brothers School of Art in Sarasota, Florida. While living in Bellevue Washington she watched the building of the Space Needle. She worked for CSW Food Brokers and commuted to Lafayette

from San Jose. She and a co-worker would get up at 3 a.m. to start work and finish early so they would have the afternoon to play golf.

The apples of her eye are great-granddaughter Coralia, 10 months, and grandson Jackson. Always very decisive, while driving along San Felipe one day, she saw The Villages sign. Bee looked at four places that were for sale and bought one. That was about 15 years ago.



Bee Levander

18-HOLE WOMEN

By Barbara Nilsen

I am writing this article eight days before it will be published, so it is hard to be timely. I looked at our golf signups for the 11th and 18th. We are putting out strong 19 and 17 foursomes retrospectively, in the morning which is pretty good considering all of the COVID-19, fire, smoke and high heat conditions.

I don't know about you but dealing with all this possible emergency evacuation, fire, smoke and heat is very stressful. To all of you who can't play because of the smoke and heat, **stay positive!** Hopefully this will all calm down soon so we can return to playing together in the morning, having

a great lunch, socializing, listening to a good joke from Patti, playing cards and being together to celebrate our great club! Wear your Mask!

PICKLEBALL

By Ginny Spencer

When I was asked to write an article about our Pickleball Club, I got a little frantic because I didn't have any new ideas to write about. But I remembered that Anahid wrote about why she plays the game and figured I could cover that too.

I moved to The Villages just over four years ago. When I attended the New Resident Orientation, Anahid was set up at a table with her laptop, giving out information about pickleball—how it's played and how to get involved... (how ironic: now it's me who will be doing that at New Resident Orientations—until COVID-19 restrictions stopped the meetings). Pickleball looked like fun and although I'm kind of a reluctant "joiner," I showed up for the drop-in lessons that Mike Walias gave on Wednesdays and Fridays.

It turns out I've been really glad that I "made" myself do that. I recognize that it's a great way to get some exercise, but for me, I play pickleball because I have fun! I can't claim to be a great player. I played a little tennis many years ago but often found it frustrating and a little too difficult for me. I haven't had that problem with pickleball and we all seem to be able to laugh at ourselves and enjoy the camaraderie. I've made some great friends on the courts. Now it is really exciting that we will have our own courts and more of us will be able to play at the same time. I know that I will be eternally grateful not to have to be momentarily confused about which baseline is for pickleball and which is for tennis! Either way though, I'll probably continue to hit the occasional "home run" way out of the playing field anyway!

MEN'S GOLF CLUB

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

Executive Committee Elections – A message from David "Baci" Bacigalupi, Vice Chairman: "I have been appointed by General Chairman Jim Seymour to Chair a Nominating Committee for the upcoming elections to the Men's Golf Club Executive Committee. Along with myself, former General Chairmen Rick Jiloty and George Olson have volunteered to be on this committee and recruit candidates to fill the three positions for next year. If you are interested in being a candidate, contact any of the Nominating Committee.

Besides being nominated by the Nominating Committee, any member may become a candidate for election by written petition endorsed by at least 10 percent of the Membership. This petition must be submitted to the General Chairman no later than September 21, 2020.

Please refer to the 2020 Men's Golf Club Handbook (pages 21 and 22) for more details and contact any of the Nominating Committee with any questions.

FROM THE PRO



By Scott Steele, PGA Head Golf Professional

Let's All Get Together Now—Be a part of our "Culture of Care" and follow these simple Golf Course Etiquette Guidelines...We can all participate in keeping our golf course beautiful by observing these eight simple acts of care: Follow the 90-degree rule when entering the fairway. Do not drive within 10 yards of the forward tees. Respect the roping and cart directional signs. Sand fill all fairway divots. Repair pitch marks on the greens. Avoid driving on the mounds surrounding our greens. Smooth out the sand in the bunkers. Knock the sand off your shoes before walking on the green.

Let's all make it a goal to leave our golf course in better shape than we found it, every time we play. Fall Aeration—Remember that on Monday, September 28 and Tuesday, September 29 we will be aerating the greens on the 18-hole course. On Monday, September 28 only the Front-9 will be available, as well as the Par-3 Course and the Driving Range. On Tuesday, September 29, all golf facilities will be closed, including the 18-hole course, the Par-3 Course, the Driving Range and the Pro Shop. Please plan accordingly.

COVID-19 Safety Guidelines Focal Points

Masks—A reminder that we must remain diligent before and after our round of golf. Please wear a mask at all times when not hitting range balls or teeing off. Please wear a mask when approaching the Pro Shop or the Pro Shop Staff. When you tee off, you are free to remove your mask if you choose. Let's be safe out there!

Post Golf Gathering—We appreciate your enthusiasm as we all have been able to play golf. It is truly a wonderful outlet during which, if done correctly, we are inherently socially distanced. Remember after the round to please not gather under the tree adjacent to the #1 Tee loop and behind #9 green. This is a high- traffic area in which we have golfers passing to get to the #1 tee on both the 18-hole and the Par-3 course, as well as carts coming around #9 green to make the turn. The best case scenario is not to "socially gather" after the round, if you do so, please do not use this location. Thank you!

Driving Range Balls—Please remember that driving range balls are considered a touch point. After use, the golf staff cleans and disinfects every range ball for safety purposes. If you have excess balls left over after your practice session, please leave them in the tray in your stall. Please do not take driving range balls home. Not only are the range balls a potential COVID-19 repeat touch point, they are Club property and therefore must remain on premises so we can clean them before their next use. Thank you!

Tips From The Pro—A Quick 10 Sand Bunker Tips:

Always open the clubface of the sand wedge a bit more than you think you need – point the clubface to the sky.

Stand wide rather than narrow and bend a bit more at the knee.

Hold your hands and wrists low rather than high at address – this helps expose the sole's heel bounce.

Do not look at the ball but rather at a spot a 2-3 inches behind the ball – that's where you want to hit.

Play the ball forward in your stance just inside your left heel.

Keep your weight left – **never right** – and finish on your left side.

Swing into the sand with a bit more force than you think you need – "thump" the sand hard.

Never hit the ball first.

Long shot = long finish. Short shot = short finish.

Let us know if these tips help.

BOCCE NEWS



By Barbara Orlando

Last year's Village Challenge First Place Winners were from Cribari Village. Lovely individual Village signs were made and donated by Fran Pulis. Team members Robert Bianchi, Carm Grande, Captain Jeanne Anne Whitacre, Patrick McMordie, Barbara Orlando, Karen Carlson and Margaret Richardson, played most of the day seeking the coveted title for 2019.



2019 Village Challenge Winners - Cribari Village

Unfortunately, the Bocce Club won't be hosting the Challenge this year due to COVID-19. We can only hope next year we will all be resuming our regular schedule for playing bocce.

Remember you must reserve the courts to play bocce. This can only be accomplished by going online at villagesbocceclub.com and following the "To Reserve Court" prompts. Questions can be directed to George or Helen Paris at 408-440-4848.

Please if you are experiencing any of the following, **please stay home.** Symptoms include: fever, cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, chills, fatigue, muscle or body aches, headache, sore throat, new loss of taste or smell, congestion or runny nose, nausea or vomiting, diarrhea.

Thank you for continuing to practice safe healthy measures.

IRONMEN

By Bill Travis

The Ironmen are currently playing every Thursday morning beginning at 9:45/10 a.m. and every 15 minutes thereafter until all that wish to play have reserved a tee time. No sweeps as yet, but championship points are being awarded. As always, we're paying attention to the new social gathering rules.

Thursday, September 10, 2020, was the second week of our annual Ironmen tournament that runs for three weeks. Currently, no tournaments are officially sanctioned or being played, so our "tournament" is completely informal but follows all COVID 19 and Pro Shop rules. There are two flights. After the second week, a number of players are still in the hunt, but the top of the leaderboard for each flight is as follows:

Flight One: In first place Al Bruno with a two round total net score of 55. In second place Floyd Boyer with a two round total net score of 56. In third place Jack Bindon with a two round total net score of 58.

Flight Two: In first place, there is a four-way tie among Roger Pyle, Herb Rogers, Charlie Wilson, and Bill Travis each with a two round total net score of 59. In second place, there is a two-way tie between Lee Thompson and Bob Lapidus each with a two round total net score of 64. In third place Phil Renteria with a two round total net score of 75.

Note: The Flight Two standings may change because two players are eligible to make up the round they missed today.

There were two birdies today: Al Bruno on hole 9 and Mario Silva on hole 1.

Deep thoughts: "Love and putting are mysteries for the philosopher to solve. Both subjects are beyond golfers." - Tommy Armour (1895-1968), winner of the US Open, the British Open, and the PGA Championship.

TENNIS TALK

By Claire Hintergardt

Dolores Escobar, one of our active tennis players, has celebrated her 92nd birthday!

Her secret? Dolores attributes her excellent health and level of activity to three attributes: her good genes, her intellectual, stimulating and engaged life and her two wonderful husbands!

Dolores, born in Wisconsin in 1928, is a child of The Depression. Her father died when she was 18 months old and the family was challenged with a lack of economic stability. Imagine seven people



Dolores Escobar after a Tennis Club tournament.

living in a four-room house without running water (yes...that means using an outhouse, even in those cold and snowy winters). She thrived in the two-room grammar school that was warm in the winter! It was in third grade that Dolores decided she wanted to become a teacher.

Dolores' mother, who was a guiding force, remarried and the family moved to Los Angeles during WWII. During her high school years Dolores really flourished. UCLA was next on her docket, with a PTA scholarship during her undergraduate years. Dolores married, raised two children and earned a Ph.D. It was during a sabbatical year that Dolores joined a friend's tennis class, learned the game and played tennis with friends.

While at San Jose State University as Dean of the College of Education, Dolores chose The Villages as her new home. Why did she choose The Villages? Tennis and the swimming pools were the major reasons. Dolores loved the competitive tennis in both Women's and Mixed USTA teams, playing in the 2002 Northern District Finals and inter-club competitions. Since then, Dolores has enhanced the quality of life at The Villages through her commitment to numerous organizations including as Senior Academy Board and Chair, Tennis Club Past President, and being part of the EPC and now Olivas DAC.

Sooo...here's to Dolores and her good genes, intellectual, stimulating and engaged life and two wonderful husbands!

Landscape & Maintenance

MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE

Cribari

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

Cribari Center—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 9/21-9/25.

Turf dethatching and over-seeding at various locations in planning. Trash Enclosures—Adding third hinge to doors, in progress.

Flat roof preventative maintenance scheduled to start next week. **Del Lago**

3301-3315—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 9/28-10/2. Pro chip jet mulch installation in progress at various locations. 3364 and 3365—Reconstruction in progress.

3363-3366-Roof replacement in progress.

3129-3207 - Painting project in progress.

Building and fence repairs in progress.

Estates

8809-8875—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 10/19-10/23. **Fairways**

4001-4024—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 9/21-9/25. Front door painting in progress.

Glen Arden

7754-7786 (even) and 7791-7867—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.

7698-7752 and 7753-7787 (odd) — Landscape maintenance and weed control, 11/2-11/6.

Upper Prestwick and Valle Vista—Fire fuel management in progress. Trash Enclosures—Adding third hinge to doors, scheduled to start next week.

Heights

8448-8463 and 8510-8519—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.

8480-8505—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 10/26-10/30. **Hermosa**

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

8005-8032, 8100-8121 and around lower Chardonay Lake—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 10/26-10/30.

Additional dying/dead tree removals at various locations in progress.

Cabernet Ct.—Pro chip jet mulch installation in planning. 8426-8429—Carport repairs in planning.

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8005, 8428 and 8429—Dry rot repairs in progress.

Highland

7500-7573—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 10/12-10/16. **Montgomery**

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

6001-6068 and 6127-6136—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 10/19-10/23.

Additional dead/dying tree removal at various locations in progress. Shrub beds and street cracks—Weed spraying in progress. 6141-6157—Painting in progress.

6153-6168-Painting scheduled to start next week.

Olivas

8740-8752, 8769-8807 and Foothill Center—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 9/21-9/25.

Shrub beds and street cracks—Weed spraying in progress. 8743—Reconstruction in progress.

Sonata

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Valle Vista

 $9001\mbox{-}9014$ and $9034\mbox{-}9036\mbox{--}Landscape$ maintenance and weed control, 9/21-9/25.

Between Valle Vista and Glen Arden—Fire fuel management in progress.

FY21 Annual Street Maintenance Project—August and September 2020

This project provides for the repair and maintenance of select road segments at The Villages. This includes asphalt roadways (streets) and parking facilities (vehicles and carts). Designated areas undergo repairs and surface treatment processes on a six-year rotating schedule. For FY21 (this summer), the six-year rotating schedule is targeted at Village Cribari and Village Del Lago and Corporation Yard. The planned scope of work and work areas and tentative schedule are as follows:

Seal Coat along The Villages Fairway Drive

Wednesday, September 16

Eastbound lane - Between Montgomery and Hermosa Lanes Eastbound lane - Between Villages Parkway and Olivas Circle

Seal Coat at Corporation Yard

Wednesday, September 16 Upper Parking Lots and Lower Warehouse Yard

Week of September 14 & 21 Striping

(Cribari, Del Lago, Montgomery, Villages Fairway Drive, Villages Parkway, Corporation Yard)

Please note the following:

We ask for your assistance in parking outside of the closed work areas for the seal coat processes.
 Vehicles and golf carts will be able to return first thing the next morning.

Please be aware of detour and construction signage, restrictions and closures.

- Updates will be posted in the Villager and Fast Lane and/or delivered to specific sets of homes (including Cribari and Del Lago). For unforeseen reasons, the schedule may be subject to change.
- Work hours are planned between 7 a.m. and 6 p.m. Please be prepared for the inconveniences. Saturday work may be authorized.
- We ask for your assistance with protecting your personal property (including vehicles, golf carts, etc.).
- · Please ensure that all pets are secured.
- Debris, dust, noise, odor and sight inconveniences may result from this project.
- Contractors will use electrical power and water from common utilities, as needed.
- · Use of parking facilities and roadways may be required on a temporary basis.
- Debris will be cleaned up at end of each workday. We will do our best to keep damages to a minimum.
- For seal coat processes, access to streets, driveways and parking areas may be restricted.
 For safety reasons and work crew needs, parking may be restricted along streets.
- Contractor is required to follow COVID-19 measures for resident and crew safety.

Thank you for your cooperation and support as we complete this important work for the community.

Verano

7001-7060 and 7395-7404—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 9/21-9/25.

7015—Dead Monterey pine tree removal in planning.

N. Verano along Villages Parkway—Turf dethatching and over seeding in progress.

7200-7213—Dry rot repairs in progress.

7047-7060—Power wash and paint in progress.

7200-7213—Power wash and paint to start this week.

7001-7060—Flat roof preventative maintenance in progress. 7200-7251—Flat roof preventative maintenance scheduled for next week.

Association

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

Weed spraying at turf and shrub bed areas throughout the Villages in progress.

Irrigation checks and selective watering throughout the districts, in progress.

Clean up and spot treating of turf grub activity throughout the districts in progress. Lawn repairs to follow. Turf dethatching and over seeding throughout the districts in progress.

Club Centers
Clubhouse, Tennis Courts and Driving Range—Landscape

maintenance and weed control in progress.

Weed spraying throughout the Villages in progress.

Irrigation system check and selective watering throughout the

Club centers in progress.

Vineyard, Cribari and Montgomery pool and spa—Closed.

Business Office—Section of concrete walkway installation in planning.

Vineyard Center—Trellis replacement in progress. Golf Course Lake #10—Repairs in progress.

Cribari, Del Lago, Villages Parkway, Fairway Drive and Corporation Yard—Street repair and sealing in progress.

Verano, Montgomery, Heights and Hermosa—Street repairs in progress. Pickleball Court—Construction in progress.

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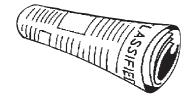
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By J.M.K.

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Dealer: West Vulnerability: North/South

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

Contract: 2 Diamonds
Opening Lead: 5 of Diamonds

Dealer has 3 losers in Hearts, and possible 2 losers in Clubs. Strategy: Looks like the hands are distributional. It might be a good idea not to pull trumps immediately.

West leads the 5 of Diamonds, King from the board, then plays a low Spade to the Ace in his hand, next a Club, and it doesn't matter whether West uses his Ace now or later. Let's say he ducks, South finesses the King, switches to the King of Spades, then the Queen of Diamonds and then leads a Spade that he trumps in his hand. He now leads the Ace of Diamonds, next the Jack to take out the remaining trump. He next plays a Club, West covers with the Ace, then switches to a Heart, East wins with the Queen, continues with the King, then leads a low Heart to West's Jack. West plays his last card, the Ace of Hearts, and South uses his last card, a trump. Great! The contract is made exactly. By the way, 2 Spades could also be made but the scores are the same as long as South makes an overtrick in the Diamond bid.

Along the Way—a trip down Memory Lane

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

An old movie reminded me recently of the trials and joys of preparing a small bedroom for our first child. The crib was made of wood. It was quite heavy and took real tools to assemble. That may have been the beginning of my realization that I am a little short on mechanical aptitude and common sense. But we persevered and got it together. Today, of course, the cribs are light-weight plastic and pop together easily.



I remember putting up wallpaper. Sandy always took the lead in selecting the wallpaper (hideous in our current thinking) and gathering the tools and supplies. Together we would estimate how many rolls we needed and discuss where to start, how to negotiate the corners, how to compensate for any "out of square" wall conditions, and so forth. Hardly anyone decorates with wallpaper these days, as far as I am aware.

I remember the shag carpet. It was a soft landing for the toys the baby would throw out of the crib, but a good hiding place for vomit—not just the baby's, but the poodle's. We would smell something, then search for the source hiding in the carpet. Funny—at the time, these were the trials and tribulations of starting a family. Now they are the fondest of memories.

Like most people, the photos of our own babies are out of sight in albums, while photos of our grandchildren as babies adorn the walls and sideboards. Now we look forward to great-grandchildren, but of our eight mostly-grown grandchildren, no one is married or has had a baby yet. Their joys will be ours when the time comes.



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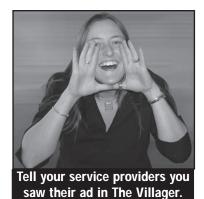
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