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## Hot Tickets

Cancelled until further notice

## Channels 26 & 27

### Community TV channels:

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

- **Aerial Views of The Villages**
- **Senior Scams**

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## Chain-link fencing installed around Pickleball courts



With the playing surface installed, the chain-link mesh was mounted on the fence frames.

## Important guidelines for flu clinic

Today, Friday, is the final day to come register for the Flu Clinic happening on Tuesday, October 6 or Thursday, October 8. Register at the table in front of the double doors closest to the VMA office in Cribari. There are still many times available for you to sign up.

We are planning to make these outdoor clinics as safe as possible. To do that, we will need your cooperation:

- You must **wear a mask** the entire time you are outdoors at Cribari Plaza. That includes the moment you leave your car or golf cart, walking in, while getting your flu shot, walking out, until you are back at your vehicle.
- Park your vehicle in the lot by the wood shop or in front of Cribari Auditorium.
- If you have provided us with your cell phone number, we will call you about five minutes prior to your appointment. If you do not have a cell phone, please walk in toward Cribari Plaza, leaving enough time to get to your appointment.
- We will have VMA volunteers to guide you every step of the way.
- There will be a table/s with a form that must be filled out by each individual prior to having your flu shot. Please stop there on your way to your specific tent.
- Always **maintain social distancing**, except when you receive your flu shot.
- After your flu shot, you will need to sit and rest for about 15 minutes. A VMA volunteer will be there to be sure you are safe.

If you have questions, please call the VMA office at 408-238-4230.



## Who was that masked man?

We all remember watching that masked stranger on television who used to ride in on his horse "Silver" and save the day. The Lone Ranger isn't the only masked person who can save the day—we can all be heroes by preventing the spread of the COVID-19 virus and wear our masks when out among our neighbors and when interacting with employees while pursuing activities, obtaining food from the Clubhouse or while shopping for necessities outside the gate.

During the COVID-19 crisis probably the most effective thing you can do—other than washing your hands frequently—is to wear a face mask when out in public. Your mask serves double duty because it not only keeps you safe from particles in the air, but it shows that you care about others with whom you come in contact. By wearing a mask, you are saying "I care about your safety, too!"

Remember to always wear your mask when you are out among your friends, neighbors and service providers. According to the Center for Disease Control, "We are not defenseless against COVID-19. Cloth face coverings are one of the most powerful weapons we have to slow and stop the spread of the virus—particularly when used universally within a community setting."

Show everyone in The Villages community that you care. Wear your mask.

## 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 recently arrived. They will allow staff to efficiently and effectively disinfect large spaces in a minimal amount of time versus using hand-held spray bottles. The machines can be used for indoor and outdoor tasks.

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. Although indoor areas are not yet open, being able to meet public health orders to reduce risk to Villagers when they can

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A Villages janitor tries the new equipment on Fitness Center equipment.

# COMMUNITY NEWS

## PULSE

Dear Readers:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

KCBS carried an interview today (Sunday 9/13) with a professor who was a wildfire expert, and in one part of the interview he mentioned things to do to make your house more secure against fire. A comment, which caught my attention was the need to clear mulch away from the foundations of your house. Since the Villages has a program to blow such mulch onto our outside spaces, I would suggest management look at this policy and find a better way. I know the landscape vendor prefers to see mulch used as it cuts down their weeding workload, but it may well be a policy that we need to change.

—Dick Miller

"The nature of bureaucracy is growth and self-preservation. You can't cut them back. You can only replace them," to quote a noted historian. If we use the growth of our HOA dues as a reflection of the bureaucracy that stands behind it, we can perhaps understand what we are dealing with.

In my opinion, management will resist all attempts to reduce our dues, and will in fact continue to increase our dues for a variety of "reasons" and rationales. The result is an ever larger, ever more complex organization...and growth and self-preservation.

Our elected representatives on the Club Board and Association Board, though qualified based on their successful careers, seem to be unable to handle this huge, multimillion-dollar bureaucracy. Whether intimidated by management, or by the size and complexity of the operation; or perhaps fragmented and unable to speak as one, our representatives may have no real option but to take management's word for what or how much is needed.

What has happened here at The Villages may be captured by the incredible increases in our HOA dues over the years. It is a story of growth and self-preservation. "You can't cut them back. You can only replace them."

—Tom Zades

## 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.

## 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.

## 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 call 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.

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

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

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

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Call 408-223-4655 to report missed deliveries.

### POLICIES

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

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

**The Villages Communications Advisory Committee** "To inform and connect Villagers" develops operational plans, reviews rules and policies, and advises the General Manager and Club Board on issues pertaining to The Villager, including Pulse letters, Channel 26, Fast Lane and the web site. Residents having relevant concerns may attend meetings or call committee members by phone: Chair 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 4:30 p.m. The Villager display advertising office hours are by appointment. Call 408-223-4657 to schedule.

The Villager is the official and legal communication medium for The Villages, a Senior Community. Its mission is to provide residents with timely information about activities, facilities and services at The Villages, and to promote a sense of community by documenting and celebrating those common experiences highlighting life at The Villages.

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# BOARDS & COMMITTEES

## FROM THE HOMEOWNERS' BOARD

The Homeowners' Corporation Board of Directors is pleased to share our goals for 2020-2021. The goals guide the focus of the Board. We welcome your feedback and your ideas. Please contact us if you would like to discuss your ideas or if you have any concerns. The Goals are also posted in the Homeowners Governance page in the Resident's Portal—check it out if you haven't visited lately. <https://resident.thevillagesgcc.com/home/>

The Villages Homeowners' Corporation 2020/2021 Goals

1. Advocate for homeowners.
  - a. Review monthly Management Report for any issues that may impact Homeowners' Corporation members.
  - b. Annually review Club Board Management Services Agreement to ensure Homeowners' Corporation members' needs are met.
2. Provide ongoing review and enforcement of the governing documents.
  - a. Work with Architectural Control Committee (ACC) to keep the AC Rules up to date and current with neighborhood trends.
  - b. Maintain liaison with Estates District Advisory Committee (DAC).
  - c. Review Homeowner CC&R document to assure accuracy and current compliance.
3. Continue to enhance lines of communication with single-family homeowners.
  - a. Attend New Resident Orientations and provide New Resident Welcome Package.
  - b. Sponsor annual homeowners' social event.
  - c. Present at least one informational program for homeowners.
4. Manage homeowners' assessment fund responsibly.
  - a. Evaluate input from DAC regarding Estates budget items.
  - b. Adopt a budget that meets the needs of single-family homeowners.

## Message from the Fitness Committee

Dear Villagers:

The Fitness Committee conducted a user survey that took place from March 3 to 13 of this year. The original survey was to cover the month of March but was cut short by the shelter-in-place order mandate that resulted in the closure of the Fitness Center and other amenities here at The Villages. Even though it was cut short, we received a total of 120 responses, which was relatively close to the number of average daily users (120 to 130 per day) which was a fairly good representation of the population. Here is a summary of key areas responded to:

- We received at least one response from each of the 14 Villages.
- Most visits occur on weekdays and weekends from 8:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. and 1 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.
- A majority of respondents (65) use the center 3 to 4 times per week.
- Confidence using gym equipment properly. Refresher training may be needed for those that answered Somewhat (27) and Just OK (1). Training classes are available at no cost for users that have not used the facilities in a while or just need a re-boot. Contact Community Activities to schedule.
  - Facility temperature, noise level, atmosphere and cleanliness are good.
  - Respondents do not favor piped in music in the center.
  - Television tally: Yes, to having TVs (31), No (14), Leave as-is (62) with CNN, ESPN, Fox News.
  - Equipment use: Top four most popular machines; #1 Leg Press, #2 Hip abduction/adduction, #3 Lateral Pull Down, and #4 Treadmill. Least used machines Recumbent Stepper (new) and Upper Body Cranking.

Our plan is to publish more detailed information in the future covered in the survey. We also do investigate inquiries and comments in our suggestion box and try to respond accordingly.

Here's hoping that we get back to some sort of normalcy in the near future. The Fitness Center is an especially important amenity at The Villages right up there with the golf course as far as traffic. There are over 2,500 residents out of roughly 4,500 that are registered.

See you at the Fitness Center when it opens.

## EPC SEZ..

Keep copies of important documents (will, bank account numbers, credit cards, passports, proof of residency, prescription names and numbers, etc.) in a waterproof container. If you have questions, please contact EPC at [updates@thevillagesepc.org](mailto:updates@thevillagesepc.org).

— The Villages Emergency Preparedness Committee

## Association/Homeowners

### documents available via e-mail

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

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

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

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

## Leash rule for pets

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



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

## Martha's House Cleaning

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# MANAGEMENT

## PUBLIC SAFETY

### Public Safety Report August 2020

CLASSIFICATION	Present Month	YTD 2020	YTD 2019
<b>ACCIDENTS</b>			
1) PERSONAL INJURY	0	0	3
2) AUTO	0	5	4
3) HIT & RUN	0	0	3
4) GOLF CART	0	0	0
5) MISCELLANEOUS	0	0	0
<b>AFTER HOURS REQUESTS</b>			
1) LIGHTS	117	558	467
2) FACILITIES	12	55	107
3) SPRINKLERS	18	88	102
4) LANDSCAPE	3	14	19
5) ACTIVITIES	0	2	2
6) MISCELLANEOUS	0	0	0
7) GOLF MAINTENANCE	0	3	1
8) FOOD & BEVERAGE	0	0	0
9) BUSINESS OFFICE	0	0	0
10) PRO SHOP	0	0	0
11) WATER LEAKS (OUTSIDE)	4	11	35
12) ALARM ACTIVATION	1	9	6
<b>ANIMAL</b>			
1) COMPLAINTS	33	116	68
2) TRAP REQUEST	0	0	0
3) LOST	0	0	0
4) FOUND	0	1	5
<b>CITATIONS</b>			
1) PARKING	0	1	7
2) SPEEDING	13	66	359
3) STOP SIGN - RESIDENTS	19	327	
4) STOP SIGN - NON-RESIDENTS	51	471	
STOP SIGN TOTALS	70	798	4
5) MISCELLANEOUS	12	74	24
6) ACC	0	0	0
<b>DISTURBANCE</b>			
	0	5	3
<b>FIRE / SMOKE</b>			
	0	2	2
<b>HAZARDOUS CONDITION</b>			
	0	7	8
<b>MEDICAL EMERGENCY</b>			
	45	363	307
<b>MISCELLANEOUS</b>			
	6	118	164
<b>PROPERTY</b>			
1) DAMAGED	6	22	39
2) LOST	0	2	0
3) FOUND	1	3	3
4) VANDALIZED	0	4	1
5) MISSING	0	3	10
<b>PUBLIC SAFETY</b>			
1) COMPLAINT	27	168	146
2) REQUEST	17	108	194
<b>RESIDENT ASSIST</b>			
	13	142	157
<b>RESIDENT WELFARE CHECK</b>			
	1	54	64
<b>SUSPICIOUS CIRCUMSTANCES</b>			
	0	3	5
<b>TRESPASSING</b>			
1) AUTO	0	0	0
2) PERSON	1	1	3
<b>UNLOCKS</b>			
	21	142	191
<b>UNSECURED AREA</b>			
	1	16	13

### Property Report for August 2020

Date	Item	Summary
8/5	Damaged	A fire hydrant was found knocked over in Del Lago.
8/12	Damaged	A resident reported a broken concrete bench in front of his home.
8/20	Damaged	A contractor slowly drove through the resident gate damaging the gate arm.
8/21	Damaged	A resident reported that a tree fell into some mailboxes.
8/21	Damaged	A resident accidentally backed into some mailboxes.
8/28	Damaged	A resident reported that her RV was damaged while parked in the RV lot.

## 2021 Telephone Directory updates

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.

## 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 September 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-payenzadah/xfinity-virtual-q-a](https://calendly.com/ruhullah-payenzadah/xfinity-virtual-q-a)

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

## Coyote reminder and tips

Coyotes may try to escort walkers out of an area to protect their pups or food sources when encountered on a trail or street. Humans may perceive this behavior as stalking, which is usually not the case. They may also view your pet as prey. To allow coyotes to be wild while keeping yourself and pets safe, please follow these pointers:

- Never feed coyotes—it is illegal to feed coyotes in most places. Feeding endangers your family and neighbors because it lures coyotes into neighborhoods.
- Keep unattended cats and dogs indoors or in completely enclosed runs, especially at night, and do not assume that a fence will keep a coyote out of your backyard.
- Accompany your leashed pet outside. Make sure you turn on lights if it is dark to check your backyard for unexpected wildlife.
- Keep dogs on short leashes while walking outside; the Division of Wildlife recommends a leash no longer than 6 feet.
- Keep noisemakers on hand to scare away coyotes that may enter your yard. Some examples of noise makers are whistles, horns or metal cans with small rocks or coins that rattle.
- Never run away or turn your back on a coyote.
- Do not allow a coyote to get between you and your pet or child—keep children close to you.
- Yell, clap hands, blow a whistle or rattle a can and try to make yourself look larger if you have a close encounter with a coyote.
- An empty soda can with pennies sealed with duct tape makes a very good noise maker when shaken.

**Reminder to all small pet owners:** A recent rise in coyote aggression has been seen with small dogs, most unleashed. Please always leash your pets. Keep leashes short. Coyotes will try to get between you and your pet if the leash is extended far enough. Carry a noise maker and always be alert. Use caution when walking past wooded areas, hiding spots between homes, and the golf course. They are widespread in The Villages and can truly be anywhere.

There is no way to completely eliminate coyotes from The Villages so always use caution when walking, especially with pets. Also, coyotes tend to be most active around sunrise and sunset. Pick different times for walks.

Please report any sightings or aggressive behavior to Public Safety at 408-223-4665.

We are working on options to possibly trap and relocate some particularly troublesome coyotes. However, this will only help, not eliminate coyotes. Please use caution and common sense when outdoors.

## Report Coyotes

Villagers are advised to report coyote sightings to Interim Director of Public Safety Steve Norden. To report Coyotes, please email location day and time to: [snorden@the-villages.com](mailto:snorden@the-villages.com)

# GOVERNANCE MEETINGS

## 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.

## 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 Association Board of Directors October Board Meeting is Tuesday, October 27 at 9:30 a.m. via Zoom Teleconference

### Club

- 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

- The Villages Golf and Country Club Board of Directors Executive Session Re.: Legal is Tuesday, September 29 following the Monthly Board Meeting

- The Villages Golf and Country Club October Board Meeting is Tuesday, October 27 at 1:30 p.m. via Zoom Webinar

- Emergency Communication Plan Discussion is Thursday, October 29 at 11 a.m. via Zoom Webinar

## 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.

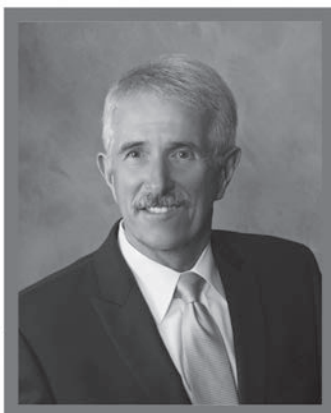


**Deadline for editorial materials is the Thursday before the date of publication. If your notice is late, please call Kory at The Villager copy desk at 408-754-1341 to arrange for space to be available. You may e-mail your copy to: ktran@the-villages.com**

## Estate Planning Attorneys

Establishing or updating your Estate Plan has never been more important than it is right now. At Del Ponte and Hirz, we offer comprehensive Estate Planning, Probate, and Trust Administration services.

Call us to schedule your [Free Consultation!](#)



### Del Ponte & Hirz

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## More COMMUNITY NOTICES on page 10

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# THE CLUBHOUSE

For Reservations  
or Information:  
408-223-4687

2800 Villages Fairway Drive, San Jose CA 95135

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

## WHAT'S COOKING?

[theclubhouse@the-villages.com](mailto: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:** Starting Monday, September 28, the foyer of the Clubhouse is open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

7 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. serving "Morning Rush Breakfast Sandwiches, Espresso, Coffee, Juices, and Cocktails"

11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Serving "Ralph and Neft's To-Go Deli Counter, including hot dogs, deli sandwiches, salads, beers, wines and cocktails"

Alcoholic beverages must be purchased in conjunction with a meal.

2 p.m. to 8 p.m. "Order off the Menu"

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**  
Avocados, 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, Avocados 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 \$8.25**

**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

1. Served raw or undercooked, or contains raw or undercooked ingredients

2. Consuming raw or undercooked meats, poultry, seafood, shellfish or eggs may increase your 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](mailto: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 \$5.25
- Small Caesar Salad \$6.95
- Wedge Salad \$8.75  
*Iceberg Wedge Lettuce, Tomato, Bacon and Bleu Cheese Crumbles*



- 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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#### The Lighter Side

- Served à la carte*
- Cobb Salad \$13.25  
*Mixed Greens, Bacon, Avocados, Tomato, Cucumber, Hard Boiled Egg, Olives, and Feta Cheese*  
Add Chicken \$2    Prawns \$4    Salmon \$3
  - Shrimp Louie \$15.25  
*Mixed Greens with Avocados, Tomatoes, Cucumbers, and Hard Boiled Eggs with 1,000 Island Dressing*
  - Linguini & Clams \$17.25  
*Cherry Stone 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*

#### 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*

- 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 \$24.95  
*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 Saturdays Only

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

**Call  
408-370-8553**

**Broiled Australian  
Lobster Tail**  
*Mixed Green Salad or Soup  
Drawn Butter, Lemons,  
Chef's 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

### Home Delivery Schedule includes all districts Tuesday through Sunday

The Clubhouse is delivering meals to all Villages on all six days.  
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](mailto:ClubhouseManagers@the-villages.com)  
or call 408-754-1337**

### Morning Rush To-Go 7 a.m. to 10:45 a.m.

Breakfast Burritos, Breakfast Sandwiches, Sausage Egg Sliders or Bacon Egg Sliders  
Coffees, Espresso, Juices, Bloody Marys and Cocktails



Beginning Monday, September 28

### Ralph and Neft's To-Go Deli Counter 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Hot Dogs, Deli Sandwiches, Salads, Beers, Wines and Cocktails



### New Mixed Grill Box for Delivery

Order by Monday for Thursday Delivery  
E-mail: [theclubhouse@the-villages.com](mailto:theclubhouse@the-villages.com)  
or call: 408-754-1337

\$79 plus 18% Service charge and tax

**Grilling At It's Best**



Meat and Poultry are Cryovac Sealed

#### Items Include:

- 2ea 10oz USDA Choice Center Cut Ribeye Steaks
- 2ea USDA Bone In 10oz Center Cut Pork Chops
- 2ea ½ LB Grass Fed Chuck Patties
- 2ea ½ Split Chicken
- Chef's Secret BBQ and Steak Sauce

## Soup of the Day



**For the week of  
9/28 to 10/4**

- Monday 9/28**    Lentil
- Tuesday 9/29**    Cream of Zucchini
- Wednesday 9/30**    Mint Chicken Noodle
- Thursday 10/1**    Beef Barley
- Friday 10/2**    Manhattan Clam Chowder
- Saturday 10/3**    Chef's Choice
- Sunday 10/4**    Chef's Choice

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

### Breakfast Menu

Saturday - Sunday 7 a.m. to 2 p.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**  
*Egg 2. \$1.75, Breakfast Meats \$3,  
Hash Browns \$2, Toast \$1.50*

**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**

### All Day & Appetizer Menu

11 a.m. to 8 p.m.

V = Vegetarian

GF = Gluten Free

**V Fried Breaded Green Beans \$7.25**

**Fried Calamari \$10.25**  
*Battered Rings and Tentacles*

**GF Potato Skins \$10.50**  
*Cheddar, Tomatoes, Bacon,  
Scallions and Sour Cream*

**Wings with Carrots, Celery, 6Pc \$8.25 12Pc \$16**  
*Ranch Dressing with BBQ,  
Teriyaki or Buffalo Sauce*

**GF Loaded Nachos \$11.25**  
*Black Beans, Ground Chuck,  
Corn, Guacamole, Pico de Gallo,  
Sour Cream, Cilantro and Cheese*

**V Sub w/Impossible Plant Based Meat \$12.25**

**Angus Beef Sliders 2. \$9.50**  
*2 Mini Sliders with Tomatoes,  
and Red Onion Relish*

**V Samosas \$9.25**  
*Curried Potatoes, Peas and  
Carrots with Cole Slaw*

**Southern Crab Cakes \$11.50**  
*Panko Crusted with Cayenne  
Remoulade*

**Soup of the Day**  
*Cup \$4.95 Bowl \$6.95*



**Entrée Caesar Salad \$10.50**  
*Romaine, Cherry Tomatoes,  
Parmesan and Croutons*  
Add Chicken \$2 Salmon \$3  
Prawns \$4

**V Chinese Salad \$10.95**  
*Chopped Cabbage, Carrots,  
Edamame, Peanuts,  
Fried Noodles with a Sesame  
Ginger Dressing*  
Add Chicken \$2  
Add Prawns \$4

**Strawberry Chicken Salad \$12.95**  
*Mixed Green Salad with Grilled  
Chicken and served with a Poppy  
Seed Dressing*

**Fish and Chips \$10.95**  
*Batter Dipped Cod, Tartar Sauce,  
Fries, Cole Slaw and Malted  
Vinegar*

**Baja Fish Tacos \$10.95**  
*2 Corn Tortillas with Batter  
Dipped Cod, Cilantro, Onions and  
Radish Coleslaw with Salsa*

**Sides: \$4.95**  
*Potato Salad, Coleslaw, French  
Fries, Sweet Potato Fries, Garlic  
Fries, Onion Rings, Fresh Fruit,  
Small Salad, Cup of Soup*

**Polish with Side \$9.95**  
**Hot Dog with Side \$8.95**  
*Toppings: Onions, Tomatoes &  
Red Onion Relish.  
Cheddar add \$1.50*

**Burger with Side 2. \$10.95**  
*Angus Beef with LTO and Side  
Dish. Avocado, Bacon add \$2  
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  
Cheese add \$1.50*

**V Impossible Burger with Side \$11.95**  
*Plant Based Meat with Lettuce  
Tomatoes and Onions with Side  
Dish. With Avocado \$2  
Cheese \$1.50*

**BLT Sandwich with Side \$9.25**  
*Bacon, Lettuce and Tomato  
Served on Sourdough or Wheat  
Bread. Add Turkey \$2  
Add Avocado \$2*

**Brie Turkey Sandwich with Side \$10.75**  
*Cranberry Compote and Arugula  
on Telera Roll*

**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*  
Chicken or Beef add \$2, Salmon  
\$3 or Prawns \$4



**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*

## 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 Brunch Saturday and Sunday 7 a.m. to 2 p.m.; Lunch, All-Day Menu and Dinner 7 days a week, 11 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Also the Morning Rush and the Deli Counter starts on Monday, September 28.

**Notice:** 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 of Villagers 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.

### 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**

**Ice Cream (Sugar Free Available)**

**Sherbet**

**Sorbet**

**Milk Shakes**





## Lunch Menu

11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

V = Vegetarian GF = Gluten Free

**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**  
Avocados, 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



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 \$8.25**

**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



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

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### DAILY

Aerial Views of the Villages  
12:00/6:00 AM/PM  
Senior Scams  
2:20/9:20 AM/PM

### KEEP FIT

MON - WED - FRI - SUN

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

### WEEKLY

3:00/9:00 AM/PM

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

3:30/9:30 AM/PM

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

4:00/10:00 AM/PM

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

4:30/13:00 AM/PM

THU Suspense  
FRI Letters to Loretta

5:00/11:00 AM/PM

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

5:30/11:30 AM/PM

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

### MOVIES

4:00/10:00 AM/PM

MON The Girl from Monterrey  
TUE Radio Ranch  
WED Mutiny Ahead  
SAT Friday the Thirteenth

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Club  
Events  
& Notices

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More information online at the Villages Resident Portal:  
[resident.thevillagesgcc.com](http://resident.thevillagesgcc.com)

## Dinner Menu

Tuesday - Sunday 5pm to 8pm

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### Starters

**V Baby Lettuce Mix Salad \$5.25**

**Small Caesar Salad \$6.95**

**Wedge Salad \$8.75**  
Iceberg Wedge Lettuce, Tomato, Bacon and Bleu Cheese Crumbles

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



### 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

### The Lighter Side

Served à la carte

**Cobb Salad \$13.25**  
Mixed Greens, Bacon, Avocados, Tomato, Cucumber, Hard Boiled Egg, Olives, and Feta Cheese  
Add Chicken \$2 Prawns \$4.00 Salmon \$3



**Shrimp Louie \$15.25**  
Mixed Greens with Avocados, Tomatoes, Cucumbers, and Hard Boiled Eggs with 1,000 Island Dressing

**Linguini & Clams \$17.25**  
Cherry Stone Clams with White Wine, Butter, Parmesan Cheese and Italian Herbs

**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 \$24.95**  
Pounded Abalone and Scallops, With Lemon Garlic Butter Sauce

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

### Friday & Saturday:

**Prime Rib - 21 Days Aged \$32.95**  
21 Day Aged, Corned Fed Beef served with Yorkshire Pudding

**Broiled Australian Lobster Tail \$34.95**  
Drawn Butter & Lemons

**Surf & Turf Lobster Tail & Prime Rib \$49.95**

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

## **SRS SENIOR RESOURCE SERVICES**

### *Property tax disaster relief*

The good news is that none of The Villages was damaged in the SCU Lightning Complex fire. However, we have heard that a couple of our neighbors lost a second home in the Santa Cruz mountains or the Wine Country. You might have relatives or friends who have damaged or destroyed homes from one of the lightning fires. Please be sure they know that their property tax can be reduced.

**Reduction in property taxes:** In general, there are two types of property tax relief. One relief is a reassessment of the property to reflect its damaged condition causing a reduction in the property tax. After the property is full repaired, owners will retain their previous base year value if the property is rebuilt in a like or similar manner.

Please note property tax will not be eliminated because the land still exists and has value. It is the improvements on the land that have been damaged or destroyed. The property tax on the land will still be payable.

You start the process to reduce your property taxes by filing a Disaster Relief Application. It must be filed within twelve months of the date of the disaster. Go to [assessor.org](http://assessor.org). Click on "Tax Savings" and then on "Disaster Relief." This is a California state taxation law to have the property taxes reduced. Consequently, it does not matter in which county your property is located.

If the property is in a governor-declared disaster area, there is yet another special law. You may purchase a replacement property within five years of the disaster and transfer your base year value (Prop 13 value) of the damaged property to the replacement property in Santa Clara County even if the disaster occurred in another county in California. There are 13 counties that have this ordinance: Contra Costa, Glenn, Los Angeles, Modoc, Orange, San Diego, San Francisco, Santa Clara, Solano, Sonoma, Sutter, Ventura, and Yuba. As long as the replacement property is in one of these counties, it does not matter where the California damaged property is located.

**Property tax bill deferral:** If the property has been substantially damaged or destroyed in a governor-declared disaster and if you have filed a Disaster Relief Application, you may qualify to have the next property tax installment payment following the disaster deferred. For the current fires, this is the December 10 payment. The counties qualifying for the fires as a disaster are Santa Clara, Stanislaus, Santa Cruz, San Mateo, Napa, Nevada, Lake, Solano, Yolo, and Monterey counties.

If you file a property tax installment deferral claim and it is approved before December 10, your payment will be postponed without penalty or interest until the county assessor has reassessed the property and you receive a corrected tax bill. Your payment is due within 30 days after you receive a corrected tax bill.

This is a general summary of the property tax law. There are more precise details on the assessor's website, [sccassessor.org](http://sccassessor.org). This includes minimum dollar amounts and minimum percent of fair market value of damages.

*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.*

**SRS Request:**

### *Are you a reverse mortgage broker?*

SRS is updating its list of reverse mortgage brokers. Are you a Villager who would like to be added to the list? Or are you an extremely satisfied client of a broker whom you think should be included on the list?

Please leave a message at the SRS office at 408-239-5253.

### *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.

### *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 of Villagers until further notice.

The county issued a shelter-in-place order that allowed certain additional businesses and activities to resume, subject to restrictions to reduce transmission risk. Included in those activities 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.

**MOVIE NIGHT**



at The Villages

**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 at <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 aired September 21 to September 24. Take the trivia quiz Friday, 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 posted Monday, September 28. Movie Night is sponsored by Xfinity.

Residents have the opportunity to win one of the following prizes by participating in the La La Land Movie Trivia event:

- Fitbit Inspire
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- Kuerig K200 Coffee Maker


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

**Service Coordinator: 408-238-4029**

**[www.vmvillages.org](http://www.vmvillages.org)**



The Villages Medical Auxiliary

***\*\*Please note: ALL presentations are Via ZOOM until further notice\*\****

### *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, 10:30-11:30 a.m. To register contact the VMA Service Coordinator Bonnie Grim at [bgrim@sequoialive.org](mailto:bgrim@sequoialive.org) or call 408-238-4029.

**Caregiver Support Group:** a group designed to provide emotional, educational, and social support for all caregivers facilitated by Judy London Ph.D. Thursday, October 8 at 10:30 a.m. If interested in attending via Zoom please contact Judy at [judithlondon@sbcglobal.net](mailto:judithlondon@sbcglobal.net) or call 408-784-3325.

**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@sequoialive.org](mailto:bgrim@sequoialive.org) or call 408-238-4029.

### *From Bonnie's Desk...*

Have you been trying to exercise and stay in shape? Hard to do when you are forced to stay inside! Here are some great reasons to keep up with your exercise routine or even start one...

- it improves your balance—I'm hearing of too many falls lately
- gives you more energy—you are busier during the day, so you sleep better at night
- delays or even prevents certain diseases like heart disease, stroke or diabetes
- improves your mood and helps fight depression

YouTube offers so many different types of classes for free such as dance, Zumba, strength training, Pilates and yoga, just to name a few. There is no reason not to take advantage of what is available and the time you have now!

Warm regards,  
Bonnie

# CLUBS & EVENTS

## Senior Academy: 'England, Scotland and Wales'



Senior Academy is presenting "Early History of England, Scotland and Wales." The second session is this Tuesday, September 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 princship 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.

## Senior Academy: Supreme Court update

She's back! On Friday, October 2 at 2 p.m., Barbara Creed will return to the Villages (via Zoom) with updates on the U.S. Supreme Court. She will share her reflections on the post-RGB Court, the October term of the Supreme Court including a look at Chief Justice John Roberts, the surprises from Justice Gorsuch, the triumph of religion, insight into Court statistics, the impact of COVID-19 on the court, the possibility of changes on the court, the significance of the "shadow docket" and a review of the upcoming cases to be heard.

Barbara Creed has been leading these Supreme Court discussions for approximately 10 years. A graduate with honors from Wellesley College and a magna cum laude graduate of Boston University Law School where she served on the Law Review, Ms. Creed has practiced law in San Francisco for almost 50 years, first with the major law firm Pillsbury Madison & Sutro, and since 1997 with the employee benefits boutique law firm Trucker Huss APC.

To register for this event, go to the Senior Academy website at VillagesSA.org, select the Events Calendar tab, and click on the "Supreme Court Update" title for a link to the Zoom registration page.

## Sustainable Villages Club launches new website

The Sustainable Villages Club (SVC) is proud to announce its new website at [sustainablevillagesclub.org](http://sustainablevillagesclub.org). The site has been designed to educate and inform visitors on climate change and provide details on the SVC Action Teams' programs in the Villages. You will find links to climate and sustainability sites for news and activities locally and around the globe. The SVC thanks Judy Wessler for her incredible job building and populating the site. The club also wishes to thank Diane Finley for its logo design. Please visit the site and join the fight. Join the SVC by visiting the site and signing up.



## How much does a solar energy system cost?

By Maxine Amundson, SVC Solar Team

How much is a solar energy system going to cost you? Well, it depends. Cost varies with your typical energy usage, the number of panels required to satisfy your power demands, your optional equipment such as backup storage, and your solar installation contract.

Villagers typically require 10-20 panels to satisfy their energy requirements. About 30 percent of the systems installed, so far, include a battery backup system.

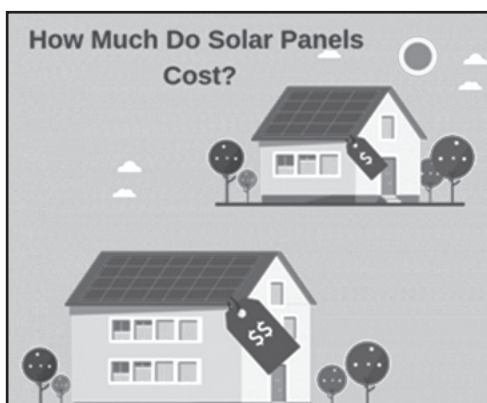
At The Villages you must purchase your system as leasing is not an option here. With financing at today's low rates, you may choose a three-year term and your monthly payment will likely be no more than your current PG&E bill. Your decision to finance will eliminate the need for a large cash outlay.

Also, you will benefit from this year's government clean air incentive and qualify for a 26 percent tax credit if you install before January 1, 2021.

It is time to consider moving to clean energy for several reasons:

First, you will be doing your part to reduce greenhouse gases. Secondly, the 26 percent tax credit ends December 31, 2020 and next year's 22 percent tax credit, good through December 31, 2021. This is the last chance to take advantage of tax credits.

If you have questions, contact the Solar Team of the Sustainable Villages Club. We can help answer your questions or point you to the experts if we don't know. Contact Maxine Amundson at [drmaxa@comcast.net](mailto:drmaxa@comcast.net) or 408-425-0614.



## Results of Art Challenge voting

Longing for the beach could be the reason many Villagers voted Pat Urrutia's "A Day at the Beach" as their favorite artwork in the Art Challenge 4: Summer Time contest during June. "Party Fish" by Pat was the favorite in the July Art Challenge 5: Red, White and/or Blue. Lena Henderson's painting "Villa del Balbianello, Lake Como, Italy" was where many of us would rather be than in fire-ravaged California with its orange skies. It was the favorite for August's Art Challenge 6: Imagination.



"A Day at the Beach" by Pat Urrutia



"Party Fish" by Pat Urrutia

Congratulations to these artists who will receive a \$50 prize from the Arts & Crafts Association! Many thanks to all who participated: we enjoy seeing your art online!

All Villagers are cordially invited to lift up our spirits by sending a photo of your artwork—painting, ceramic, assemblage, pastel, photograph, needlework, or other—for **Art Challenge 7: Joy and Hope** which runs through September 30. Send your photo to our Webmaster at [barb.gottesman@gmail.com](mailto:barb.gottesman@gmail.com)



"Villa del Balbianello, Lake Como, Italy" by Lena Henderson

## Register for League of Women Voters presentation

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 at VillagesSA.org. Click on the News Junkies tab at the top.

News Junkies will also have a meeting this Monday, September 28 at 1:30 p.m. that will focus on conjecture about the first Presidential debate that evening.

## The VMA wants your used golf cart!

Do you have a golf cart sitting around that you don't use? The VMA takes donations of gas and electric golf carts (working or not). These carts are sold and the proceeds are used to support the VMA's mission to assist residents and help them lead active, independent, and healthy lives.

Your golf cart donation qualifies as a charitable contribution under Internal Revenue Code 501(c)(3). You will receive a receipt that you can use when you are completing your taxes.

The donated carts are available for Villagers to purchase. Contact the VMA office (408-238-4230) to donate your old cart or put your name on the waiting list to buy a cart.

The VMA also accepts donations of cars.



## Senior Academy: *Join museum virtual tour*

Join Senior Academy for a virtual tour of the Freer Gallery of Art in Washington, DC, given by Gretchen Welch. This Zoom Webinar Tour is scheduled for Friday, October 16 at 1 p.m. This Webinar is free and open to all Villagers. Pre-registration is required. Go to the Senior Academy website at VillagesSA.org and click the links in the description of this event.

The Freer Gallery was the nation's first art museum on the National Mall and opened to the public in 1923. Its founding collection was assembled by Charles Lang Freer (1854-1919), an American industrialist and art collector who donated more than 5000 objects to the US government, the first American to bequeath his private collection to the country. Freer's collection included the arts of Asia, especially China, Japan and Korea, and the Middle East, as well as one of the world's most important collections of the works of James McNeill Whistler.

During this virtual tour, we will learn about Mr. Freer, his distinctive aesthetic vision, and how and why he assembled his collection; and look closely at several of the museum's fabulous highlights, including the famous Peacock Room.

Gretchen Gerwe Welch is the daughter of Villages residents Barb and Gene Gerwe. She graduated from Stanford University in 1978 with a degree in international relations. She joined the U.S. State Department in 1980 and had a 32-year career as a Foreign Service Officer, with postings in Pakistan, Syria, Jordan, Saudi Arabia, Egypt, the United Kingdom and Washington D.C. After retiring from the government in 2012, she earned a Postgraduate Diploma in Asian Art from the School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS) in London. She is currently a docent at the Freer Sackler Gallery in Washington D.C. and at the Dumbarton Oaks Museum and Garden, also in Washington.



**Gretchen Welch**

## Senior Academy newsletter now available 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.

## 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.

## Evergreen Blood Drive is October 10

The next Evergreen Blood Drive, sponsored by St. Francis of Assisi of Evergreen and the Stanford Blood Center, will be held on Saturday, October 10 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the St. Francis Community Center on 5111 San Felipe Rd, Evergreen, San Jose, CA 95135. The event is open to the public and any and all eligible donors are encouraged to come by that Saturday and become a blood donor. Folks are encouraged to sign up in advance, to minimize waiting times for all. Villagers can call Tom Mitchell at 408-476-6104 or go online to [sbcdonor.org/donor/schedules/drive\\_schedule/7971](https://sbcdonor.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/7971) to learn more.



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## EVF FOCUS

### *Only the richest Villagers donate? No way!*

By Diana Hallock, EVF Board VP

Rumor has it that only rich people or rich companies donate to non-profit organizations like EVF and the VMA. In World War II over 65 percent of all-American citizens purchased savings bonds and supported the war effort, a nickel or a dime at a time. Even children participated in their own small ways. Remember the books of stamps we bought at school?



President Franklin D. Roosevelt bought the first Series E bond and called on patriotic Americans to join "one great partnership."

Contrary to popular belief, here in The Villages, most monthly donors are not rich but give \$5 to \$10 per month, less than the cost of a glass of wine! Yes, the Evergreen Villages Foundation has some very generous donors but the small but consistent donations from your friends and neighbors are just as critical. Come join "one great partnership" for your community and consider a small monthly donation! For more information visit [evfsj.org](http://evfsj.org)



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# RELIGION

## EPISCOPAL

### ‘A Joyful Noise’

By The Rev. Julia McCray-Goldsmith

Of the many things we miss during this pandemic, I suspect that singing is near the top of the list. Especially for we people of faith, who know that to sing is to pray twice! Of course, you are always welcome to join Trinity Cathedral’s Sunday services—on Facebook or YouTube—and belt out the beloved hymns from the comfort of your couch, as my husband and I do every Sunday. But we all know it’s not quite the same as having our choir at full strength, or singing next to friends in the pews.

Reaching out to God in praise—making a joyful noise to the Lord, as our Psalms remind us repeatedly—is at the core of our being. And notice that the Psalmist describes it as joyful, which means that it doesn’t necessarily need to be perfect (although I’m convinced that all songs sung in love are perfectly beautiful). So in the midst of multiple crises, let us not forget to sing! Inside, in the shower, wherever we feel safest doing it, for now. At Trinity Cathedral, we’re taking advantage of our closed church to do some substantial repairs to our historic Hook & Hastings organ, which means that there will be plenty of pipes to accompany our songs of praise when we gather in person again. We’re also making plans with our video production team to record a virtual Lessons & Carols service for Advent. Stay tuned!

Be safe and stay healthy in this pandemic season, beloveds. And singing, in whatever way you are able to do it (although not in face-to-face groups, for now) keeps you safer and healthier. Singing has been proven to reduce stress, relieve chronic pain, and boost immune responses. What a joyful-unto-the-Lord way to bring some health and happiness into your days, even in hard times!

“Are any among you suffering? They should pray. Are any cheerful? They should sing songs of praise.” - James 5:13

## 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**, Ezekiel 18:25-28; Philippians 2:1-11; Psalm 25; Matthew 21:28-32, by Sister Patricia Galli, RSM: Ezekiel starts us with lament, “God’s way is not fair!” Jesus’ parable in Matthew gives us a reminder that it might take us a little while to respond to God’s invitation but better late than never. Yet, it is the poetry of Philippians that gives us the true answer. Godself comes to us where we are in whatever circumstance and is present to us right there. We can bemoan the loss of what we think is ours but whatever can be taken from us is never God. When we are tired and weary, do not be afraid. Jesus suffers and is with us in what we experience as loss. What we might think is hopelessness is really God arising in our heart and soul. In what we perceive as darkness is the true light. In our experience of powerlessness, we can fully comprehend our freedom. Like the first son in Matthew it might take us a while to understand what it means to experience the presence of a God of freedom and light. It might help us in this waiting time to echo the refrain of the Psalm 25, “Remember your mercies, O God!” We can read the Psalm aloud using our voice to express our desire for God to enter our hearts and redeem us from all our distress.

**St. Francis of Assisi Fundraiser:** SFOA is having an online Annual Sweepstakes and Auction Fundraiser. They are seeking donation items to add to their Auction. Also, please take a moment to participate in the Sweepstakes by visiting [go.rallyup.com/sfoafundraiser](http://go.rallyup.com/sfoafundraiser). Please contact the parish office at 408-223-1562, or Karen Meschke at 408-540-8491, if you have an item that you want to donate. The deadline for the Auction is Saturday, October 3. Thank you for your generosity.

**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. Reservations are required. 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.

**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](http://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](mailto: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](mailto:marion93940@aol.com).



## COMMUNITY CHAPEL

### ‘The Blessing and Curse’

By Pastor Bill Hayden

It is a wonderful thing to live in this powerful information age and have access to perplexing questions at your finger tips. Information that would take, weeks, months and years of research to gather, is now through your phones. It was hard to imagine that 50 plus years ago but someone had the vision and today it is around the world information and readily available to all.

All information (factual, fictional and outright lies) is sent to the cloud or to different sites for the picking. People can choose to defame a person’s character because they have jealousy, malice, hatred and rage in their hearts. Kids and adults have been bullied, shamed and pressured to end their careers and lives because of a pandemic of people spreading the virus of hate and lies.

If you say or do something innocently and a person doesn’t like it, they can flood the internet with untruths to destroy the person’s character. People are so gullible to believe that if it’s on the internet it must be true without checking the facts first. People are thriving on false information because the truth is no longer sought with passion because our hearts have become calloused.

Technology allows criminals near you to spy and prey on the innocent with high powered sound devices and cameras that see through walls. These devices monitor your habits to gain information for their purposes. On the other hand, technology has made some tremendous advancements in medicine, artificial intelligence, biotechnology, industry and the environment. With all of this knowledge, we can be a blessing to the world or be a curse.

Being in tune with God’s Word and allowing the Holy Spirit to lead us in truth set us free from lies and deception in the world. John 16:13 NKJV “*When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all truth. He will not speak on his own but will tell you what he has heard. He will tell you about the future.*”

**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](http://villagescommunitychapel.org)

May God bless all of you with good health!

# SPORTS NEWS

## SWINGERS

By Linda Lamanno

**Save the date!** Monday, October 5 at 9 a.m. is the Swingers General Meeting. All members need to join via Zoom. This is a very important meeting to approve some officers, budget, by-law changes and calendar for next year. Captain Wendy Ledamun will send an email to each member, who will need to click on the link and then follow directions to join the meeting.

Post, post and post! We should be posting our scores every time we golf. According to Scott, "posting scores and maintaining a handicap is very important. Not to offend anyone, but it is rather ignorant to think just because it's not a sweeps competition that the scores should not be posted." Start by downloading the NCGA app, then follow directions. If you have any questions, ask another member for help.

We each pay \$15 a year (as part of our Swingers' dues) to be members of the Women's Nine Hole Golf Association. What do we get for our money? As WNGHA members we can participate in Team Play, attend Open Days at other member clubs and play a part in the Corena Green Junior Golf. We are invited to compete in Exchanges, Guest Days, Invitationals, the Tournament of Champions and rules seminars. However, this year many activities were cancelled due to COVID.

One upcoming event is the Oakdale Par Tee Niners Invitational. The event theme is "sea shells and sand traps," to be held Tuesday, October 20. If interested, check the website or call Anka Hoek, 408 274-7957.

### Swingers Fall Meeting

**Monday, October 5  
10:30 a.m.  
Cribari Plaza**

Bring a folding chair and bottled water only.  
Food is not permitted. The restrooms are closed.  
Masks and social distancing enforced.  
For more info: Swingers9.org

#### Agenda:

Vote on Officers for 2021  
Wendy Ledamun, Captain  
Kay Gray, Co-Captain  
Judi Falarski, Secretary  
Laura Swenson, Treasurer  
Vote on Changes to By-Laws and Standing Rules  
(posted on Swingers' website for review)

#### Questions:

Wendy Ledamun at wledamun49@gmail.com

## SHONIS

By Tom Zades

Creatures of habit that we are, the Shonis like to play on Tuesday mornings. During "normal" sweeps play, we have a shotgun start. These days, with social distancing, etc., the threesomes and foursomes are teeing off all morning. The air quality was so poor on Tuesday, September 15, however, that no one played. And the course is closed for aeration on the last Tuesday of the month, the 29th.

"Golf in the time of Covid," then, has the Shonis changing their routines, checking their rather blank calendars, and calling each other for golf dates. A wonderful side benefit is that Shonis who usually don't play together are joining others to complete the two-three-four player groups wanting to play. The Pro Shop has been very accommodating as various Shonis call in to join groups, speak for each other, add people, cancel tee times, etc.

As previously announced, the all-important October general meeting is scheduled for 9 a.m. Tuesday, October 20 at Cribari Plaza. At this meeting the proposed new Board is announced, voted on and approved. Turnover of the gavel and whistle takes place in December, with the new Board starting in January. We usually do not have meetings two months in a row. But when Cribari Plaza opened up for September, we grabbed it.

The usual schedule of general meetings (at Montgomery Center) was every other month, beginning with February. The meetings usually started around noontime, so general meetings were also called "bag lunch" meetings. One wonders if we will be eternally grateful or just briefly grateful (human nature) when we are able to return to normal living. Either way, "golf in the time of Covid" has certainly helped us reach out to each other, play with Shonis we didn't know well before, bring in new Shonis, and appreciate the many benefits we were taking for granted here in The Villages.

This time of recreational golf is a great time to check out the Short Nine course and the Short Nine (Shoni) ladies. If you have been playing the course and wondering about the Shonis, contact Captain Bonnie Evans (bhe52371@yahoo.com). She can answer your questions and set you up with other Shonis to play with. To become a new Shoni you need to play five rounds with any current or past Board member. This would be a great time to get it done and be ready for the new year.

**Chip shot:** Golf: The adult version of an Easter egg hunt.

## TENNIS TALK

By Roy Pennington

Stress, tension, anxiety, and many other terms can be used to describe what we have all endured for more than half a year. I prefer to reflect upon the "bright spots" during this period rather than focus on the phrases of the day such as COVID-19, pandemic, or shelter-in-place. Even during these strange times there are interesting and humorous things happening at The Tennis Club. We have all been witness to some.

After playing a long and challenging game of tennis, Bob Semple and Brian Dombrowski frequently lounge in their golf carts recovering and enjoying some conversation. Topics range from tennis to current events. Not sure they have found solutions for either. Brian frequently ends their tennis comments by saying, "I'm the worst player on the court." His friend, Bob, nods in agreement.

And then there is Ken Kline. At each change-over Ken is anxious to grab a breath and a drink of water. Suffering from a tender back, Ken also needs an extra minute of recovery time. Ken's partners all agree that he is just out of shape. We are also pleased to report that Ken has recovered from a rotator cuff strain. Ken claims it was from a blistering serve yet many of us saw him grimace following a whiff of the tennis ball.

One of the more humorous things occurred just recently. Suzi Hathaway and Sherry Benz were struggling to keep up with Liz Kung and Shelley Schlender. During a lengthy exchange, Suzi managed to tumble to the court (not hurt). Her partner, Sherry, hollered, "Suzi, get up." As Suzi was struggling to her feet, Sherry sensed that she was in this alone. Sherry raced across the court and proceeded to strike a mighty forehand just as Suzi was regaining her footing. You guessed it, the ball struck Suzi with a loud thud. Both ladies doubled over, one with laughter and the other in pain (again not hurt). Those of us on the adjacent courts joined in with a laugh as it was quite a sight. Even Suzi began to laugh while massaging her arm.

Others have used this stressful time to be innovative in their social activities. We have previously reported on a weekly driveway gathering of Phyllis Seeger, Camille Hoffman, Stan Evert, and Ken Keck. Word comes that others using this same practice include Mike and Cheryl Diltz while Mike Actman attends a neighborhood gathering for cigars and a beverage (or maybe several). Claire Hintergardt is a bit more upscale as friends gather on her deck with its scenic views.

Just look around. There are "bright spots" everywhere.



From the May 2019 Shoni/Swingers Invitational. Seated are (left to right) Swinger Karen Carlson and Shoni Vivian Wilczak. Standing are Shoni Barbara Mayer (who passed away in November) and Swinger Judy Gurgurich.




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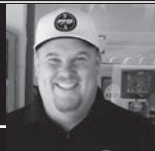


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## FROM THE PRO



By Scott Steele, PGA Head Golf Professional

**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.

### Additional Aeration Information

Monday, September 28 – Montgomery Practice Green *closed*

Tuesday, September 29 – All golf facilities *closed*

October 9-23 (weekdays only) – Fairway Aeration

October 26-28 – Tees Aeration

October 19-30 - Interseed Fairways

**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.

**Our Eyes and Ears**—Did you know that our golf courses cover approximately 200 acres? That is a lot of golf course to maintain! Did you know that our Villages residents play over 30,000 golf rounds per year on our golf courses? That's a lot of golf play!

So during those 30,000 rounds, I am sure that the residents see many things on the golf course throughout the year, some good, and some not as good. And because of the sheer number of rounds played, the residents are going to see things that are missed by the maintenance crew and the golf staff. Here's the important part...to steal a phrase, when you are playing golf if you see something, say something; in this case meaning, if you see a bad wet spot, or a hole in the ground, or unsightly weeds on a tee box, or a large tree limb that has fallen, do not assume that we know about it, but rather tell us what you saw. A picture is the best vehicle. Simply take a picture of the situation, and email it to me at: [ssteele@the-villages.com](mailto:ssteele@the-villages.com) and I will be sure to follow up. Remember that you are our eyes and ears on the golf course! Let's all get together and make our golf course the best it can be! Join the movement!

**It Takes a Village**—I wanted to take this opportunity to thank two resident volunteer groups who do a lot to help keep our golf courses in wonderful condition. They deserve our thanks and gratitude for their weekly efforts every year.

The first group is the **Bandini Patrol**, headed by Betty & Gary Sharps. This group goes out once a week and fills all unfilled divots on both courses with sand/seed mix. This endeavor helps follow up on those golfers who choose not to fill their divots, and also helps repair the divots so good turf regrows swiftly. Here are the members of the Bandini Patrol...when you see them next, please say “Thank you.”

**2020 Bandini Patrol**—Betty Sharps, Gary Sharps, Tom Morse, Teddy Morse, Richard Fisher, Holly McGowan, Mark Garcia, Brad Baldinger, Mike Singleton, Diana Hallock, Kerry Besmehn, Marky Olsen, Jay Lee, Geri Wilk, JoAnn Bundgard, Rich Warren, Jerry Ryckewaert, Renee Woolard, Rick Tobler, Tom Fedrow, Bob Lippert, Young Kim, George Southland, Dianne Dowdy, Camille Giulioldibari, Kathy Kyne, Brooks Fuller, Bruce Blinn, Jim Castle.

The second group is the **Green Team** headed by Ron Burke. This group goes out once a week and repairs all unrepaired ball marks on the greens. This endeavor helps repair the ball marks that some golfers choose not to repair and also helps keep our greens smooth and fast and without scars. Here are the members of the Green Team...when you see them next, please say “Thank you.”

**2020 Green Team**—Ron Burke, Shel Schumaker, Michael Schwerin, Brad Baldinger, Sue Baldinger, Doug Moore, John Thomas, Sue Daughtrey, Janis LeCompte, Noel Lanctot, Mike Singleton, Harry Davis, Bill Johnston, Vera Johnston, Dave Needham, Ray Brown, Quincy Virgilio, Ray Blinde, Matt Galloway, Mickey Wagle.

### Tips From The Pro—5 Simple Tips to Help you Score better...

**1. Use a GPS yardage device**...exact yardages to targets and hazards is essential to proper course management

**2. Play to your favorite yardage**...we all have a favorite club and yardage so use that to your advantage, plan 1 shot ahead, and play to your favorite club and yardage for your approach to the green.

**3. Play away from trouble**...if you are going to lay up on #9 or #18, then *lay up!* A good layup is a minimum of 15 yards short of the cross penalty areas. Also, use the open side of the hole to your advantage and aim away from lakes and bunkers...for instance on the tee shot on hole #7, aim at the eucalyptus tree and the 150 marker in the left rough, do not even flirt with the right side as the lake is looming..

**4. Keep the ball below the hole**...uphill putts are simply easier than downhill putts in every way. Often it is much easier to chip from just short than it is to putt from the back of the green, like on Hole #5 for instance. Keep the ball under the hole for your best chance at a one or two putt.

**5. Use our yardage book to read the greens**...our yardage book is a great one with much detail (maybe too much, haha). The best part about it to me is the schematic of each green. It shows in detail the slopes in each area of the green and in what direction putts will break. Knowing exactly where the low spot is on the green and what direction putts will break is key to 2-putting. So avoid 3-putts and buy our course guide which has excellent and pertinent information on our greens and how they break. Let us know if these tips help.

## 18-HOLE WOMEN

By Barbara Nilsen

I'm looking forward to the new opportunity to win some money with the new Putts pay out method, paying 75 percent for low putts and 25 percent for high putts! Last week I had 40, what do you think, do I have a chance?

Scott Steele, our Golf Professional, has been writing very good articles in the Villager, packed with lots of “Culture of Care” suggestions.

Last week I observed two carts parked on the slope of one of our #2 teeing areas. The same was observed on the slope of one of our Greens. Golfers are driving their golf carts too close to the tee, green and bunker areas!

Ladies, it's really simple! Don't be lazy, keep your carts on the paths whenever possible, practice the 90-degree rule. All of our teeing and greens areas are reasonably reached from the cart paths. If you have a Handicap Flag, do not park within 30 feet of the teeing, green or bunker areas. Never park on the slope (berm) areas of the tees, greens and bunkers. Care about your Course!

## BOCCE NEWS



2019 Fall RR-Team “Amici” - Team members, Joe Civello, Captain Don DeVincenzi, Maria Civello, Al Girolami, Don Willey, Carm Grande and Marlyn Unger.



2019 Fall RR-Team “Holy Rollers” - Team members, Karen Harsany, Mike Foss, Ina Baxter, Tom Rossi, Jim Valenti, Laura Lee Pixton, Susie Daughtrey, Captain Patti Smith and Jan Kiernan.

By Barbara Orlando

Last year at this time, we were just starting the last tournament of the 2019 bocce season. The 2019 Fall Round Robin was led and organized by Paul Andersen, tournament coordinator. A total of 23 teams played through-out the six-week tournament, with the playoffs on the seventh week. Each team having played bocce the entire season, were in tip-top shape and ready for all challengers. We miss all of our tournaments this year due to Covid-19, but rest assured the courts are full and reserved with team members practicing and honing their skills. Pretty sure most will be ready for a hopeful 2021 tournament season. If you haven't reserved a bocce court or gotten out to play, it's not too late.

Reserve a court by going to [villagesbocceclub.com](http://villagesbocceclub.com) and in the right margin in bold, bright wording, click on “Reserve a Court.” Having trouble, contact Helen or George Paris at 408-440-4848.

The bocce board wishes to thank those volunteers who helps make playing possible and all the players who are playing safe and following the rules.

More SPORTS

# 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 17, 2020, was the third and final week of our annual Ironmen tournament. 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. Congratulations to the top three players in each flight. They are listed below:

**Flight One:** First Place - Al Bruno with a net 80. Second Place - Jack Bindon with a net 81. Third Place - David Cook with a net 87 in a tie-breaker (a 3 on hole 6 vs a 4 on hole 6 for Floyd Boyer).

**Flight Two:** First Place - Roger Pyle with a net 88. Second Place - Herb Rogers with a net 89. Third Place - Charlie Wilson with a net 90 in a tie-breaker (a 5 on hole 6 vs a 6 on hole 6 for Bill Travis)

**There were 3 birdies today:** Al Bruno on hole 7; Bill Crill on hole 7; and Jack Bindon on hole 8.

**Deep thoughts:**

"The golf swing is like a suitcase into which we are trying to pack too many things." - John Updike, American author

"My swing is so bad I look like a caveman killing his lunch." - Lee Trevino, two-time winner of three majors: the US Open, British Open, and PGA

# PINSEEKERS

By Jack Bindon

**Calling all Pinseekers!** We need to get at least 8 or 10 players to sign up with the pro shop for an informal "tournament." Scott has indicated that if we can get that many to play he will set aside two tee times for us on a Tuesday morning event.

Soooooo, now is your chance to get in the swing of things and play with other members of the choir. Mostly for bragging rights but that is better than nothing, which is what we are looking at right now. This will get the ball rolling for what we might put together in the near future. **Watch this space!**

## VMA reminder to walkers

In this age of Covid-19 many more people are out walking. If you are out walking, especially in the early morning and late evening, you need to be seen. Wearing lighter color clothing is a good idea. 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.

## Saying 'Thank you!'

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

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@the-villages.com](mailto:ktran@the-villages.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](mailto:areed@the-villages.com).

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# LANDSCAPE & MAINTENANCE

## MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE

### Cribari

Cribari Center—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.

5320-5363, 5400-5432 and 5489-5499—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 9/28-10/2.

Turf dethatching and over seeding at various locations in progress.

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.

3201-3226—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 in progress.

### Glen Arden

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

Upper Prestwick and Valle Vista—Fire fuel management; low hanging tree clearing in progress.

Trash Enclosures—Hinge repairs in progress.

### Heights

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

### Hermosa

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 progress.

8426-8429—Carport roof repairs scheduled to start 10/5.

### Highland

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

Trash Enclosures—Hinge repairs scheduled to start 9/28.

### Montgomery

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.

6141-6168—Painting in progress.

6169-6183—Painting scheduled to start next week.

### Olivas

8740-8752, 8769-8807 and Foothill Center—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.

8713-8738 and 8753-8768—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 9/28-10/2.

Shrub beds and street cracks—Weed spraying in progress.

McCarty Ranch creek side—Fire fuel management; tree clearing in progress.

8743—Reconstruction in progress.

### Sonata

2000-2024 and 2032-2064—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.

2025-2031 and 2065-2101—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 9/28-10/2.

### Valle Vista

9001-9014 and 9034-9036—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.

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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 through July.

**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 vertebrate 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 aesthetics, and for the overall health of the plants, a property-wide mulching program is part of the current landscape maintenance 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.

*Note: Per a concern voiced by a resident, we checked with Fire Station #11 about The Villages redwood mulch program and they report having never seen a problem where redwood mulch is a factor in any fires.*

**BrightView**

# BRIDGE HAND

By J.M.K.

## NORTH

♠ A 7 3  
♥ 10 8 4  
♦ 10 9 7 3  
♣ A Q 6

## WEST

♠ K 10 8 5 2  
♥ 6 5 2  
♦ 8 2  
♣ 9 5 4

## EAST

♠ J 9 6  
♥ K Q J 9  
♦ A 4  
♣ 10 8 7 3

## SOUTH

♠ Q 4  
♥ A 7 3  
♦ K Q J 6 5  
♣ K J 2

Dealer: South  
Vulnerability: North/South

Bidding: South West North East  
1 NoTrump Pass 3 NoTrump\* All Pass

Contract: 3 NoTrump  
Opening Lead: 5 of Spades

Dealer has 1 sure winner in Spades, 1 in Hearts, after the Ace of Diamonds is gone, there will be 4 winners in that suit, and 3 winners in Clubs.

Strategy: Need to have the opponents play the Ace of Diamonds before losing controls in the other suits.

West leads the 5 of Spades, low from the board, East, the Jack, South covers with the Queen, switches to a low Diamond to the 10 on the board, and East takes the trick with the Ace. He returns a Spade, South wins with the Ace on the board, continues with the 9 of Diamonds, then a Diamond to the King in his hand and proceeds to run the rest of the Diamonds. He next plays a Club to the Ace on the board, then the Queen, next a Club to the King in his hand. He then leads the Ace of Hearts and has 2 Hearts left. He plays a Heart, East covers with the King and continues with his last card, the Queen of Hearts. Great! The contract is made with an overtrick.

\* North has a nice hand with 10 HCP but not a 4-card major and bids game since his partner has to have at least 15 HCP to open with 1 NoTrump.

## Maintenance Schedule...

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9015-9033—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 9/28-10/2.

Fire fuel management; Rosemary clean up and invasive brush clearing in progress.

### Verano

7001-7060 and 7395-7404—Landscape maintenance and weed control, in progress.

7314-7394—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 9/28-10/2.

7015—Stump removal in planning.

Turf dethatching and over seeding at various locations in progress.

7214-7230—Dry rot repairs in progress.

7047-7060—Power wash and paint in progress.

7200-7213—Power wash and paint in progress.

7001-7060—Flat roof preventative maintenance in progress.

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### 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

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 pending.

Golf Course Lake #10—Repairs in progress.

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

Pickleball Court—Construction in progress.

## Sprayers...

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open will be essential.

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## Along the Way—a trip down Memory Lane

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



Contentment. That's the thing we seek and expect in retirement. Contentment: More difficult to define than achieve? Years ago, we saw bumper stickers that said "We poor, but we happy!" The idea, of course, was that money doesn't buy happiness (aka "contentment.") I remember a comedian saying "Money isn't everything, but it sure beats whatever is in second place." Others have quipped that money doesn't buy happiness, but neither does poverty. More than one speaker has said, in effect, "Growing up, we were poor, but we didn't know we were poor." (I always thought to myself "Well, but I'll bet your parents knew you were poor!") But does contentment have much, if anything, to do with money?

Thornton Wilder, in his novel "The Eighth Day" (page 40), said of a fictional family that they "lived in all the wealth of contentment on very little money...It was a large part of their wealth that they gave little concern to the neighbors' opinions." I couldn't help but contrast that with our little family of four struggling on Long Island in the 1950s. We had very little money and little concern for the neighbors' opinions, but there wasn't much contentment. It was more like begrudging acceptance; like one of the characters in the animated "Antz" movie of some years ago, who said "That's our lot in life. It's not a lot, but it's our life."

The great war hero Audie Murphy was raised in a dirt-poor, but apparently contented, share cropping family during the 1920s and '30s. As an adult looking back, Murphy seemed very tactful and diplomatic when he said that his father "...was not lazy, but he had a genius for not considering the future." That seems like a good way to stay dirt poor.

I have a hunch that the vast majority of us did "consider the future" as we made our way through life, and that "contentment" would be one of the first words that would come to mind in describing life here in The Villages.

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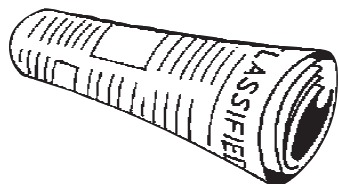
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