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Hot Tickets

Cancelled until further notice

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

- All-DAC Budget Presentation
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- Aerial Views of The Villages

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Attention all swimmers

Please remember that during the current swim schedule, cancellations may be made by 8 a.m. the day of the reservation for weekdays and by 4 p.m. on Friday for weekend days. When the swim schedule changes on February 8 (see the article that week), cancellations may be made by 4 p.m. on the day before your reservation for weekdays and by 4 p.m. on Friday for weekend days.

Please be courteous to your fellow swimmers and cancel if you know by the above deadline that you will not be attending your swim time. This will allow others the chance to reserve that time slot. Your help with this, combined with the changes to the swimming schedule, will let more residents enjoy the pool facility. Cancelling can be done online or by calling the Swimming Reservation Line at 408-223-4636. If you need help cancelling or are unsure of your current reservations, please contact us.

Taking a morning stroll after the rain



A rafter of turkeys strut their stuff on Beltane Drive the morning after a much-needed overnight rain storm.

✓ WEAR YOUR MASK



Wear your mask so it comes all the way up, close to the bridge of your nose, and all the way down under your chin. Keep it snug to your face.

New Clubhouse developments:

- The Clubhouse will reopen Patio dining this Saturday, January 30 beginning with Breakfast.
- Please see Clubhouse Restaurant Food Menu Price Comparison article on page 3 and go to this link on the Villages Resident Portal, https://resident.thevillagesgcc. com/menu-comparison-202101/ to see the results of the comparison.
- · You can order meals online now by going to: www. clubhousereservation.com

(For details on Food Menu Price Comparison and Online Ordering, see page 3)

Operating Financial Commentary for the Month of December 2020

Club Operating Financial Commentary

For the month of December 2020

Total revenue was \$236,700 unfavorable to budget, or 19.5 percent less than the budget of \$1,215,300. December is typically the highest revenue producing month for the Clubhouse/Restaurant with holiday events and banquets galore. However, state and county health orders continue to limit dining options, which produced a negative budget variance in food and bar sales totaling \$212,100, achieving only 26.4 percent of the budget target for the month. With resident activities such as events, trips, classes and lessons cancelled, there was no resident activities income, although the revenue loss was offset by no resident activities expense. Golf play remains as the bright spot in terms of revenue, as well as serving a much needed outlet for recreation. Member golf play, in all categories, was up dramatically compared to last year. December green fees were \$22,200 (30.3 percent) higher than the budget of \$73,300. These green fee revenue results were aided by beautiful weather during the month, but are remarkable in that all revenue is from residents, as no guest play is allowed at this time. There were no other notable favorable to budget revenue categories during the month.

Total expenditures were \$302,100 favorable to budget or 25.2 percent less than the budget of \$1,199,200. The two most significant favorable to budget categories were employee expense at 22.2 percent less than budget (\$611,300 actual vs. budget of \$786,200) and total cost of sales (food, bar, Pro Shop mechandise, resident activities and community events expense) with a combined positive budget variance of \$86,500, which is expected with loss of revenue in these areas. Facility closures and reduced restaurant operations continued to produce positive budget variances in the following expense categories: repair and maintenance, operating supplies, utilities, professional fees, laundry service, credit card processing fees, and advertising and promotion. There were no significant unfavorable to budget expense categories for the month. The net positive operating budget variance for the month of December was \$65,400. See table on page 4. (Continued on page 4)

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.

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Letters may be submitted electronically through the Pulse Submission Form on the Resident Portal: resident. the villagescc.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.

- 3 Pulse letters received this week.
- 1 Pulse letters deferred pending changes.
- 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.

My wife and I had COVID, me on October 20, her on October 22. These dates are important as you will see. My case was milder than hers. I was sick for one day but ran a temperature for five days. She was sick for 10 days.

We are both involved with a program at Stanford that is looking at new testing techniques and blood draws. After our first meeting in December, we were told to contact the doctor who was running the program for results. When we did contact her, we were told that we had very strong antibodies, which leads me to the point of this post. We both got the vaccinations January 12, 85 and 83 days after getting sick and were both very sick the next day. Upon doing some research, we found out that we should have waited at least 90 days from the time we were both infected. That would have been January 22. Our antibodies fought back making us very sick. My advice, if you have had COVID, you wait at least 90 days before being vaccinated. We were miserable for two days, but now are both fine.

-Don Fernandez

At a recent Zoom Board meeting a Board member made the point that it would be unfair to charge road maintenance expenses to residents using the AFA allocation method rather than spread the expense equally to all the condos because road expenses have nothing to do with the size of a condo unit, which makes sense. Why then does it seem that the Board thinks it is fair to allocate expenses for Landscape, Water, Trash Collection and G&A using the AFA allocation method when none of these expenses have anything to do with condo size either? In the interest of fairness, it seems like all expenses in similar categories should be allocated to the residents using the same method.

-Rick Casey

ABOVE & BEYOND

When I heard the news that long-time employee extraordinaire Ruth DePonzi is retiring (hanging up one of the many hats she wears, but of course not her SF Giants hat) my mind filled up with Ruth's multitude of contributions to The Villages, Villagers, employees, and the community overall—it is impossible to list them all.

More importantly, Ruth's legacy includes how she made us feel—special, listened to, comforted when sad, like our event was the most important event of all times, and that we can make it happen! She's given us fond memories, help, smiles, jokes (some good), many laughs and sometimes a much-needed hug.

Ruth, I cannot ever thank you enough for all that you've done and all that you are, will miss you bunches, and know, too, that you will always be a part of The Villages.

I chose this *Villager* venue, because I can wholeheartedly say, in thoughts, words, and deeds, that Ruth DePonzi embodies the spirit of above and beyond, and forever more to me, and perhaps to you, too, her name will now be, and she will be remembered as Ruth "Above and Beyond" DePonzi.

— *Julia Meadows, Assistant General Manager*

IN MEMORIAM

Robert (Bob) Marquis June 15, 1926 – December 4, 2020

(Please see obituary in the Classified Advertising section)

Everett "Ev" Freeman Waining II
October 21, 1932—December 24, 2020

(Please see obituary in the Classified Advertising section)

DEADLINES

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

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GOVERNANCE MEETINGS

THE DACS

Del Lago DAC to meet February 11

Village Del Lago will hold a meeting via Zoom on Thursday, February 11 at 9:45 a.m. Meeting ID: 891 3871 4541. Passcode: 239626. To call in by phone, dial 1-669-900-6833.

Santa Clara Valley Water District will present Water Conservation in The Villages, with guest speaker KJ Scott.

Sonata DAC to meet February 18

The Village Sonata DAC Meeting will be held online via Zoom on Thursday, February 18 at 9:30 a.m. Meeting ID: 894 1094 6074. Passcode: 256926. To dial in by phone, call 669-900-9128.

If you have questions, contact Kathleen Benz, Sonata DAC Secretary at 217-352-1698 or sonatavillagedac@gmail.com

Verano DAC to meet February 1

The Verano DAC will be holding its quarterly meeting on Monday, February 1, 2021 at 4 p.m. via Zoom. To log on, please use the meeting ID: 87238367500 and Passcode: 326828.

Montgomery DAC to meet February 1

There will be a Village Montgomery DAC Meeting on Monday, February 1 at 10 a.m. on Zoom. The Zoom information is as follows: Meeting ID is 819 9128 8305 and password is 115229. To dial in by phone, call 1-669-900-6833. For more information, contact Carol Hoffman, DAC Chair at 408-270-4070.

From the CLUBHOUSE



BOARD MEETINGS

Association

• The Villages Association Board of Directors Monthly Board Meeting is Tuesday, February 23 at 9:30 a.m. via Zoom Meeting

Club

• The Villages Golf and Country Club Monthly Board Meeting is Tuesday, February 23 at 1:30 p.m. via Zoom Webinar

Homeowners

• The Villages Homewoners' Quarterly Meeting Thursday, March 18, at 9 a.m. Zoom Meeting

Meeting ID: 929 3079 4514 Passcode: 567509 Dial: 1-669-900-6833

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

More BOARDS & COMMITTEES, and COMMUNITY NOTICES on pages 4, 5, 13, 14 & 20

Villages Golf and Country Club Food Menu Price Comparison January 2021

It has been several years since our last menu price comparison from our competitive set.

With the pandemic and the concern over pricing in Pulse letters, I thought it would be a good time to do the exercise again.

I took the liberty to compare our menus with the following comp set.

We are assuming all the qualities are top notch and grades and specifications are the same.

- 1. San Jose Country Club
- 2. Silver Creek Country Club
- 3. The Ranch at Silver Creek
- 4. Rossmoor Country Club Walnut Creek
- 5. Creek Eatery Silver Creek, independent full-service restaurant
- 6. Village Grill Evergreen Village Square, independent partial-service restaurant **Points to Note:**

Hamburgers in other restaurants are 8-oz. patties. Ours is 6-oz.; however taking into consideration the difference, we still come out lower.

- Our Sandwiches come with sides with a large lineup of varieties. Most venues only offer Fries, Cole Slaw or sometimes Potato Salad with their sandwiches. We offer the full lineup including Sweet Potato Fries, Garlic Fries, Onion Rings, Soup or Salad. This can be an additional \$6 to \$9 in our comp set restaurants.
- Our Dinner Entrees all come with two sides like other restaurants, but we also include a Salad or Soup with the meal. Comp set restaurants charge an additional \$4.95 to \$7.

Service Charge and Curbside Service

- Our prices include a 10-percent service charge currently for Curbside Service.
- Silver Creek adds an 18-percent Service Charge right now for pick up. No Curbside Service
- San Jose Country Club adds an 18 percent Service Charge also for pick up.
 No Curbside Service
- Rossmoor, Creek Eatery, Villages Grill in Evergreen and the Ranch at Silver Creek do not automatically add service charge. No Curbside Service.

In the side-by-side comparison you can access on the Resident Portal (https://resident.thevillagesgcc.com/menu-comparison-202101/) you can see the pricing structure of the Villages Golf & Country Club is much better than our competition in almost all items including standalone restaurants that do not provide full service.

—John Yu

Director of Food and Beverage

December Financial Reports...

(Continued from front page)

December 2020 Club Operating Results

	Actual	Budget	Variance
Revenue	\$978,600	\$1,215,300	\$ -236,700
Expenses	\$897,100	\$1,199,200	\$ 302,100
Net	\$ 81.500	\$ 16.100	\$ 65.400

Year-to-date revenue is \$1,537,000 unfavorable to budget, 20.5 percent lower than the budget of \$7,486,000. Year-to-date expenditures are \$1,639,000 favorable to budget, 22.3 percent below the budget of \$7,358,000. Savings generated in many expense categories have more than offset the revenue loss for the first half of the fiscal year. The year-to-date net positive operating budget variance is \$102,000. See table below for detail by department.

The Villages Golf and Country Club **Summary Club Operating Budget FY21** For Six Months ended December 31, 2020

	ŀ	Revenues (\$)	EX	penditures ((\$) FY	21 Net (\$)
Department	Actual	Budget	Variance	Actual	Budget	Variance	Variance
G&A	531,000	525,000	6,000	490,000	519,000	29,000	35,000
Maintenance Admin	82,000	80,000	2,000	74,000	73,000	-1,000	1,000
Golf Course/Pro Shop	1,137,000	1,357,000	-220,000	1,099,000	1,351,000	252,000	32,000
Community Activities	428,000	629,000	-201,000	401,000	611,000	210,000	9,000
Community Centers	385,000	395,000	-10,000	314,000	397,000	83,000	73,000
Public Safety	624,000	628,000	-4,000	601,000	638,000	37,000	33,000
Pools	103,000	103,000	0	81,000	99,000	18,000	18,000
Clubhouse/Restaurant	1,345,000	2,445,000	-1,100,000	1,516,000	2,402,000	886,000	-214,000
All Other	1,314,000	1,324,000	-10,000	1,143,000	1,268,000	125,000	115,000
Totals	5,949,000	7,486,000	-1,537,000	5,719,000	7,358,000	1,639,000	102,000
Solar Lease—Bal. S	Sheet -	-	-	120,000	120,000	-	-
Net Assessment	5,949,000	7,486,000	-1,537,000	5,839,000	7,478,000	1,639,000	102,000
Variance							

The bottom of the table above shows the financial impact of the monthly solar lease payments and contribution to the balloon payment fund (to be paid in 2023) captured on the Club's balance sheet. The year-to-date total for these two items is \$120,000.

The above table shows All Others with a \$115,000 net positive variance from less than planned expenses in the following categories: water, repair and maintenance, Comcast, irrigation supplies and planting expense. The community centers have a \$73,000 net positive variance from favorable utilities expense,

intra-company cost transfers and repair and maintenance. G&A has a \$35,000 net positive variance due to less than planned employee expense. Public Safety shows a \$33,000 net positive variance mostly from less than planned employee expense. Gof Course/Pro Shop has a \$32,000 net positive variance due to favorable water expense, employee expense, cost of sales and tree trimming expense, offset by unfavorable revenues in green fees, Pro Shop merchandise and golf cart rentals. Pools have posted an \$18,000 net positive variance mostly due to favorable utilities expense. Clubhouse/Restaurant has posted a \$214,000 net negative variance due to less than planned food/bar sales. Part of the Clubhouse/ Restaurant variance noted above is due to keeping additional employees on the payroll due to the requirements of the PPP loan.

Association Operating Financial Commentary

For the month of December 2020

Revenue was \$300 favorable to the budget of \$892,000 for the month, due to less than planned laundry concession fees.

Expenditures for the month were \$43,000 (5.5 percent) favorable to the budget of \$782,200. The two most significant favorable to budget expense categories were insurance expense (actual \$176,200 vs. budget of \$193,800) and water expense (actual \$115,200 vs. budget of \$128,700). December financial statements reflect the two-month water bill for November/December. Fortunately, despite very little rainfall to date, a positive budget variance was achieved in water expense. This is due to the fact that water and meter rate increases, factored into this year's budget, did not take place at the beginning of the fiscal year. There were no notable unfavorable to budget expense categories for the month. The net positive operating budget variance for the month of December was \$42,700.

Year-to-date (six months of operations), total revenue is short of budget by \$900 at \$5,351,000 (laundry concession fees). Year-to-date operating expenditures are \$5.091.700 or 6.4 percent (\$347.800) less than the budget of \$5.439.500. The positive budget variance is mostly attributed to savings in the following expenses: insurance, water, irrigation maintenance, planting, and repair and maintenance.

The year-to-date net positive operating budget variance is \$346,900.

Homeowners' Operating Financial Commentary

For the month of December 2020

Revenue tracked budget at \$3,487 (non-Estates single family homes). Expenditures for the month were \$56 favorable to budget due to less than planned legal fees. The year-to-date net positive operating budget variance is \$347 (legal fees).

Estates revenue for the month was on budget at \$13,415. Expenditures were \$2,038 favorable to budget, 19,3 percent less than the budget of \$10,571 mostly due to lower than planned water expense (actual \$852 vs. budget of \$2,251). The year-to-date net positive operating budget variance is \$5,357 (mostly in planting and water expense).

Association Board Voting Record for January 2021 Association Voting Record for January 2021 January 26, 2021 Regular Monthly Meeting Costs DC DH RH JW GA NL TM The Board provisionally approved the addition of paragraph 7 as modified to <u>Association Policy 304 (Replacement</u> Reserves Policy), and to publish same in The Villager newspaper for the required 30-day member period. The purpose of the proposed changes is to improve the useful information provided in the Annual Reserves Plan report; Υ Α Υ Υ \$0 Consideration of Reserves Plan Policy Update the 30-year Reserve Spending Plans will be updated to add (beginning with the FY21/22 budgets) The Board awarded Association Reserves Inc. to perform a one-time reserves study with the following components \$18,270: Basic study includes 4 hours of presentation to ABOD/Ad Hoc/Staff Consideration of Reserves Plan Outside Review Contract AB Υ Α Υ Υ \$1,800: One "what-if" new version of plans for each of 12 Villages (\$150 each) \$22,957 \$800: Four additional hours of meetings and consulting with ABOD/Ad Hoc/Staff \$2,087: 10% Contingency \$22,957: TOTAL The Board denied the request from the Ad-Hoc Reserves Accumulation Plan Committee for staff to provide a copy of Consideration of Ad-Hoc Reserves Committee request for Spreadsheet the template of spreadsheet used to forecast the reserve projections for future years. Election Timeline for The Villages Association 2021 The Board approved The Villages Association Timeline and Timeline Checklist for the 2021 Election of Directors, IRS Υ Α Υ Υ Resolution Vote and Annual Meeting as proposed, and appointed Claudia Nicolai, Judy Bushey and Jeanne Filice \$0 Election of Directors and IRS Resolution Vote; Approve Υ nspectors of Election as the Inspectors of Elections for this election and any additional votes in 2021 District Advisory Committee (DAC) Appointments Υ Α Υ The Board approved the Olivas DAC appointments of Wanda Holt and Charlie Kalb as voting members. \$0 N/A The Ad-Hoc Reserves Accumulation Committee Appointment was postponed to the February monthly meeting. Ad-Hoc Reserves Accumulation Committee Appointment N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A \$0 Review to Approve - AC Solar Conditionally Approved The Board conditionally approved the installation of solar systems on common area sloped roofs located at 7364 Via Applications: Montecitos, 7559 Morevern Circle and 9036 Village View Drive pending alternative proof of receipt of revocable Α AB Υ \$0 easement recordation, including a copy of the signed and notarized document and each owner submitting required insurance and city permit paperwork including comments to AC prior to starting construction. 7559 Morevern Montecitos 9036 Village View Drive The Board approved the transfer of \$166,000 from the Association's Operating Fund to the Reserves Fund for the Approve to Transfer Funds for Partial Payment on partial payment on the outstanding loan of \$1,004,000 used to help pay the 2020 property insurance premium of \$166,000 Outstanding Loan for 2020 Property Insurance Premium March 2020 with balance of \$838,000 to be paid back by June 30, 2021. Vote to Ratify the Monthly Review of Accounts per Civil The Board approved to ratify the monthly review of accounts as presented. \$0 Code §5500 Total APPROVED Expenditures this meeting \$188,957 A = Absent | AB = Abstained | N = No Vote (does not vote in favor)| Y = Yes Vote (votes in favor) | N/A = Not Applicable | C = Consent | R = Recused

DC = David Cook | DH = Diana Hallock | RH = Richard Holmboe | JW = Julie Wash | GA = Garry Ashby | NL = Noel Lanctot | TM = Thomas McLaughlin

Club Board of Directors President's Message for January 2021

We appreciate everyone's interest in participation in the Club's governance as demonstrated by the attendance at meetings, email requests and personal inquiries. As usual most things continue to change, some faster than others, which make life interesting. This emphasizes the need to be flexible and adaptable. I continue to be impressed with how well Villages staff and contractors perform their services in spite of these changes. In most cases these changes are invisible to you and I.

The COVID pandemic certainly is a prime example of constant change. This week, the governor canceled the shelter-in-place lockdown so we are back to the purple tier. Happily, that will relax some of the restrictions. The affected clubs are being notified of the changes to play and John Yu is getting ready to offer patio dining again. Vaccines exist, but are hard to get. We are still working to bring vaccinations to The Villages. Watch *The Villager* and Fast Lane for more details as they become available. Please be sure to take the health care service provider Health Survey.

The Club Board director election process was started last week with a kick-off meeting of the candidate nomination committee. The committee consists of Nick Yannaccone, Bill DeVincenzi and Jerry Neece. The nominees will be announced by April 15. The Villages could not exist without its dedicated volunteers. The three corporation boards are critical and need Villagers willing to take on that role. I hope you will consider being a candidate. You will be seeing more information about this soon.

Happily, the overall Club financial picture is reasonably okay considering the impact of COVID. Tim and the staff are continuing to balance revenue losses with cost control, so the worry about making up for a significant loss in FY21 is gone. The ever-changing pandemic situation makes that a fulltime effort. It is still not known if the PPP loan will be forgiven. The team is also well into the FY22 budget development.

We continue to make progress on our priority Board projects. We have held special open meetings to work on the Villages Golf Committee (VGC), emergency response plan and streets. This has allowed the Board to have open discussions, as well as hear from Villagers. You will see the proposed new VGC charter in this Friday's Villager. The plan for creating an integrated Emergency Response Plan was approved at the Board meeting. The Board also agreed to have the Club continue doing the streets repair and maintenance service as it has been doing. The proposal will be discussed by the President's Council.

We continue to look for ways to improve our communication using special meetings to discuss specific topics and additional information in *The Villager* and Fast Lane. Also, a high continuing priority for the Club is finding ways to become more efficient in performing our services and finding new ways to do things for less cost. The goal is to control our HOA fees.

Thanks again for your continued interest in keeping The Villages the best place for seniors to live.

Mike Falarski, President
 Villages Golf & Country Club Board of Directors

Association President's Report, January 26, 2021

Dear fellow Villagers

Welcome to the new year, and the promise of Covid vaccinations and eventually getting back to normal activities with family and friends. I hope a goodly number of you have already had your first shots or are scheduled for them. For the rest of us, it is hard to be patient while the process goes forward, but for now patience is more valuable than gold.

The Association is now in the middle of the budget preparation process for next year's Operations and Reserves. Our focus at every board meeting is on what we can do to manage expenses and make processes more efficient. Unfortunately, many cost drivers are outside of the board or management control – costs like labor, building supply costs, water, and insurance. Monday's Mercury News headlines once again documented that Silicon Valley is the most expensive place in the country to live and noted the exodus of many residents. I've lived in this part of San Jose since 1977, and costs have never gone down. It is only reasonable to expect the same cost inflation over the next 44 years as well.

The things the board can control are processes and policies to do things smarter and more efficiently. While it is boring, adding another year or two to a paint cycle, five to 10 years to a roof lifetime, and adjusting insurance coverages can save millions of dollars over the Villages 30-year planning cycle. That is why we are constantly focusing on making improvements to preventative maintenance and

trying to anticipate and prevent problems before they happen. Another process improvement example is that now we inspect and assess the need, rather than just following a set schedule for painting or component replacements. Maybe giving up some of our expectations on customized landscaping around our condos will be another area to explore for cost savings in the future.

It is frustrating that HOA assessments keep going up, but home ownership costs are going up for all homeowners, not just at the Villages. It is interesting to read the Rossmoor newspaper each week, and they are facing all of the same challenges, also with rising HOA fees. Yes, HOA fees are part of a buyer's decision when buying at the Villages, but prospective buyers aren't complaining about shabby maintenance or shoddy landscaping; instead they praise the beautiful and consistent environment at The Villages. It is a desirable place to live and our home sales are always strong.

Some good news is that the Association has had significant savings this year in expenses for water, insurance, and planting. Those savings will be applied toward paying next year's operating expenses.

The Association Board will continue to focus on protecting, maintaining, and enhancing our common property with a strong focus on cost controls month in and month out. With gratitude and thankfulness for all of you,

—David Cook, President Association Board of Directors

Club Board Voting Record for January 2021 Club Board Voting Record for January 2021 January 26, 2021 Monthly Meeting **Board Members*** HB MP BW BK ΕN LT Comments Costs Agenda Items MF Approval Consideration of Proposal to The Board approved the proposal for EPC to create an Υ Υ Υ Υ Υ Υ \$0 Create an Emergency Response Plan emergency response plan for The Villages. By consensus, the Board concurred to move forward in the direction of the proposal to have the Club continue C C C Streets Maintenance at The Villages C C C \$0 providing The Villages streets repair and maintenance service. The Board approved the appointment of Frances Schumaker and Duane Jones (as Co-Chair) to the Emergency Preparedness Committee as voting members Committee Appointments to terms ending December 31, 2023. Approved the **Emergency Preparedness Committee** Υ Υ Υ Υ Υ \$0 appointment of Nick Yannaccone as voting member to the Swimming Pools Advisory Committee Communications Advisory Committee to term ending Communications Advisory Committee December 31, 2022. Approved the appointment of Michael Jablon to the Swimming Pools Advisory Committee as voting member to term ending December 31, 2022. Approval Consideration to Accept Υ Υ Accepted the quarterly review of accounts as presented. \$0 **Ouarterly Review of Accounts** Discuss Agenda Items for February 23, N/A N/A N/A N/A Potential agenda items were briefly discussed. N/A N/A N/A 2021 Meeting \$0

Total APPROVED Expenditures this meeting

A = Absent | AB = Abstained | N = No Vote (does not vote in favor) | Y = Yes Vote (votes in favor) | N/A = Not Applicable | C = Consensus | R = Recused

*MF = Mike Falarski | HB = Howie Blumstein | MP = Mike Poellot | BW = Bob Wilk | BK = Bob Krattli | EN = Ed Ng | LT = Lee Thompson

HE CLUBHOUSE

For Information: 408-223-4687

2800 Villages Fairway Drive, San Jose CA 95135

All Clubhouse & Bistro menus can be found at the villagesgcc.com

WHAT'S COOKING?

theclubhouse@the-villages.com

Clubhouse Restaurant opens patio dining Saturday, January 30: Indoor dining ceased in November because of the county health order. The Clubhouse still offers To-Go Grab & Go, Home Delivery programs and Patio dining, also online ordering.

Online ordering: now available at: clubhousereservation.

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 7-9.)

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.

Alcoholic beverages are available for purchase-with a food order-from curbside pick-up services. Alcohol is not available for home delivery.

Notice: No entry into foyer without facemask.



CLUBHOUSE RESTAURANT & THE BISTRO & BAR HOME DELIVERY AND GRAB & GO ORDERS AVAILABLE



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 hot food items for delivery are "heat-and-serve."

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.

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

Except for salads, and items from Dessert menus take-out icecream and milk shakes, all items are heat-and-serve.

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

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

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.

Dining on the Bistro Patio opens Saturday, January 30

Soup of the Day



For the week of 2/1 to 2/7

Monday 2/1 Tomato Basil Tuesday 2/2 Split Pea Wednesday 2/3 Potato Leek

Thursday 2/4 Beef, Vegetable and Barley

Friday 2/5 Seafood Chowder Saturday 2/6 Chef's Choice Sunday 2/7 Chef's Choice

Patio and Curbside Service Hours of Operation

Monday

All-Day Menu: 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Last serving at 7 p.m. **Tuesday to Friday** All-Day Menu: 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Dinner Menu: 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Last serving at 7 p.m.

Saturday and Sunday

Breakfast Menu: 7 a.m. to 11 a.m. All-Day Menu: 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. **Dinner Menu:** 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Last serving at 7 p.m.

Note about indoor dining:
Because of a revision to the Santa Clara County Public Health Department's COVID-19 restrictions, indoor dining at the Clubhouse is no longer available. This does not affect the Curbside Grab-and-Go pickup, Home Delivery service or Patio dining.

New Menus for Home Delivery, Curbside Grab-&-Go pickup & Patio dining

All indoor dining discontinued as county entered 'Purple Tier'

Santa Clara County, the Bay Area's first epicenter of the coronavirus pandemic, shut down indoor and outdoor dining after the State of California downgraded the county into the purple tier in December.

The average number of daily COVID-19 more than doubled since early October, the health department said, prompting the new restrictions. The new restrictions include shutting down indoor and outdoor dining.

In response, the Clubhouse Restaurant ceased indoor dining out of an abundance of caution and concern for Villages residents.

The Clubhouse still offers Patio dining, Home Delivery and its Grab-and-Go meal options.

Thank you for your understanding while we continue our efforts to keep Villagers and staff safe.



NOTICE:

Due to the recent spike in COVID-19 cases and the county's move to a more restrictive tier, alcoholic beverages are now only available for purchase with a food order from the curbside pickup service. Alcohol is not available for delivery.

Valentine's Day

Saturday, February 13

Sunday, February 14
Specials

See page 12

More CLUBHOUSE on pages 3, 8, 9, 12 & 23

To order Curbside Grab-and Go 408-370-8553

All-Day Menu

11 am. to 7p.m. Last Order

GF Potato Skins \$12.00

Cheddar, Tomatoes, Bacon, Scallions and Sour Cream

Wings with Carrots, Celery, 6Pc \$8.25 12Pc \$16.00 Ranch Dressing with BBQ, Teriyaki or Buffalo Sauce

GF Loaded Nachos \$12

Black Beans, Ground Chuck, Corn, Guacamole, Pico de Gallo, Sour Cream, Cilantro and Cheese

V Sub w/ Impossible Plant Based Meat \$13.50

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 \$4.00

V Chinese Salad .\$11.95

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

Cobb Salad \$14.25

Mixed Greens, Tomato, Cucumber, Hard boil Egg, Olives, Avocado Bacon and Feta Cheese Add chicken \$2. Prawns\$4 or Salmon \$3

Hermosa Wedge Salad \$9.25

Crisp Iceberg Wedge with Bacon, *Tomatoes* Crumbled Maytag Blue Cheese

V Italian Chop Salad \$13.25

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

Shrimp Louie \$15.25

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

Fish and Chips \$11..95

Batter Dipped Cod, Tartar Sauce, Fries, Cole Slaw and Malted Vinegar

Baja Fish Tacos \$11.95

2 Corn Tortillas with Batter Dipped Cod, Cilantro, Onions and Radish Coleslaw with Salsa

V Quesadilla \$11.25

Pico de Gallo, Sour Cream Guacamole Add Chicken or Steak \$2.00

V Asian Stir Fry Vegetables Over Rice \$11.25

Vegetables over Rice with Ponzu Sauce Add Chicken or Beef \$2, Salmon \$3 or Prawns \$4.00

Shanghai Stir Fry Vegetable Chow Mein \$11.95 *Add, Beef, Chicken or Bay Shrimp* \$2

V = Vegetarian GF = Gluten Free

 ${\it 1. Served\ raw\ or\ under cooked, or\ contain\ raw\ or\ under cooked ingredients}$

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

Sandwiches served with Choice of Sides Gluten Free Bread Available Upon Request Sides: \$4.95

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

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 Add Avocado, Bacon add \$2 Cheese add \$1.50

V Impossible Burger with Side \$12.50

Plant Based Meat with Lettuce Tomatoes and Onions with Side Dish Add Avocado \$2 Cheese \$1.50

BLT Sandwich with Side \$9.25

Bacon, Lettuce and Tomato Served on Sourdough or Wheat Bread Add Turkey \$2.00 Add Avocado \$2.00

Brie Turkey Sandwich with Side \$10.95 Cranberry Compote and Arugula on Telera Roll

Deli Sandwich \$10.50 Choice of Bread, Turkey, Ham, or Tuna

Half Deli Sandwich and Soup \$8.50

Grilled Sourdough, Ham & Swiss \$9.95

V Grilled Portabella and Pepper Sandwich \$10.50 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

Hot Sub Pastrami \$11.25

With Provolone and mile high Pastrami

Grilled Pesto Chicken Sandwich \$10.95 LTO 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

Naan Flatbread Pizzas

Mustard Aioli Hoagie Roll

V Cheese Pizza \$10.25 Pepperoni Pizza \$11.00

V Margarita Pizza \$10.50

Combination Pizza \$12.95

Sausage, Pepperoni, Mushrooms, Onions, & Peppers

Cobb Pizza *\$12.95*

Bacon, Chicken, Black Olives, Avocadoes on Alfredo Sauce

Gluten Free Crust Add \$ 1.50

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For Curbside Grab-and-Go Service, call in your order at 408-370-8553.

Call again when you get to the Clubhouse curbside and we will bring it out to your vehicle.

Breakfast Menu

Saturday - Sunday 7 a.m. to 11a.m.

Short Stack Pancakes \$6.95 *With Berries*



Belgium Waffles \$8.25

Seasonal Fruit and 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. \$8.00

Scrambled Eggs, Bacon or Sausage, Cheddar Cheese and Fruit

Sides

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

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



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. \$1.00 each, Bay Shrimp \$2.00, Spanish Sauce Add \$.25 Served with Hash Brown or Fruit and Choice of Toast

Eggs Benedict 2. \$9.95

2 Poached Eggs, Canadian Bacon over English Muffins with Hollandaise Sauce

Served with Choice of Hash Browns or Fruit





(Breakfast orders only Saturday & Sunday 7 to 11 a.m.)

408-370-8553

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

For Curbside Grab-and-Go Service, call in your order at 408-370-8553. Call again when you get to the Clubhouse curbside and we will bring it out to your vehicle.

Dinner Menu

Tuesday - Sunday 5pm to 7pm Last Order

Starters

V Baby Lettuce Mix Salad \$5.25

Small Caesar Salad \$6.95

The Lighter Side

Served à la carte

Spaghetti and Meatballs \$17.25

Chef's Marinara Sauce with Meatballs

V Eggplant Parmesan \$14.95

Eggplant breaded in Crispy Panko Crumbs, Layered in Marinara Sauce, Parmesan and Provolone

V = Vegetarian GF = Gluten Free

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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 condition

To order Curbside Grab-and Go 408-370-8553

Dinner Entrées

Served with Soup or Mixed Green Salad And Choice of Sides Mashed Potatoes, or Rice Pilaf Daily Vegetables Sides

Fridays & Saturdays Only Grilled Rib Eye Steak 2. \$32.95

21 Days Aged, Hand Selected, Corned Fed

Grilled Filet Mignon 2. \$32.95

Center Cut with Béarnaise Sauce

Chicken Fried Steak 2. \$22.95

Pounded Sirloin Steak Battered, Breaded and Pan *Fried with Country Gravy*

Calf Liver and Onions 2. \$20.95

Sautéed Onions and Crispy Bacon Bits

Braised Lamb Shank \$27.95

Slow Cooked in Red Wine Sauce

Chicken Marsala \$22.95

Breast Cutlets with mushrooms and Marsala Wine Sauce

Villages Honey Stung Fried Chicken \$20.95 Country Gravy

Filet of Sole Picatta \$24.75

Flour Dusted with Capers, White Wine, Lemon Butter Sauce

Grilled Salmon \$25.95

Tarragon Beurre Blanc

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

Next CHANNEL Week

12:00 & 6:00 a/p Fitness with Mweżo

:00 Chair Aerobics :24 Bollywood :00 Tai-Chi 8-Form :24 Dynamic Balance

Wednesday :00 Chair Yoga Sunday :26 Breathing F :26 Breathing Exercises

Thursday :00 Aerobics Workout :21 Breathing & Meditation

1:00 & 7:00 a/p Fitness with Hartmut

Mon, Wed :00 Strength Training & Fri :13 Chair Fitness :00 Strength Training :13 Cardio Fitness Sunday :00 How to Stay Motivated

2:00 & 8:00 a/p **All-DAC Budget Presentation**

3:00 & 9:00 a/p Aerial Views of The Villages

3:30 & 9:30 a/p Classic Television

MON Dragnet TUE The Lucy Show

WED Sherlock Holmes THU Burns & Allen Show FRI Robin Hood SAT The Beverly Hillbillies

SUN You Bet Your Life

3:30 & 9:30 a/p Movies+

-MON-

The Great Imposter + Another Romance of Celluloid

Love Laughs at Andy Hardy

+ The Mickey Rooney Show

One of Our Aircraft is Missing + Disorder in the Court

The Woman in Green

Incredible Petrified World + Murder by Television

SAT

Things to Come + One Step Beyond

SUNDAY VARIETY

4:00/10:00 AM/PM Colgate Comedy Hour

5:00/11:00 AM/PM

The Dinah Shore Chevy Show



Club **Events** villages & Notices

Public Password:

Complimentary

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

MMUNITY ACTIVITIES

What to Expect With the Swimming Reservation Website Migration:

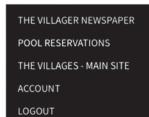
As you may have heard the swimming reservation website will be updated this **Does this change how I use the website?** Thursday, January 21 to integrate it within the Resident Portal. The web address will remain the same but the site will be changed to have the same look as the Portal. Here is more information about this change:

Does this change how I locate the website?

Yes and no.

Yes: The green Menu on the side of the page has new features available. When you are not logged in a "Login" option now appears (see below left image). When you log in the Menu changes to include a link to the Pool Reservation site and a link to your Account profile (see below right image). At present the only part of the Resident Portal affected by you being logged in or logged out is the swimming reservation website (see the last section of this article for more information about our plans for the Portal).





No: If you do not want to use the above Menu options the website can still be accessed from the Portal's Home page through the "Swimming" safety guidelines link and then through the "Pool Registration Now Available Online" button (see images below). The web address for the site has not changed; so if you wrote it down or if you chose to save the page as a Favorite or Bookmark on your web browser, the information will still work as before.

The Villages Golf and Country Club has reopened golf, bocce, pickleball, swimming and tennis activities in compliance with the existing health orders by the county and state. Each activity has it's own set of safety guidelines.	
All re-opening activities are for residents only and will require reservations in advance.	
The pool will only be open if a pool monitor is available.	Reservation Process
The specific requirements for each activity are available by clicking the buttons below.	iday from 9 none number in Pool Registration Now Available Online
Golf Pickleball Tennis (rev 1/5) Swimming Bocce	a.m. and 3 p.m. Ends will be emade for up er week (one excess (one excess one). The pool will be open only if a pool monitor is available. Santa Clara County Public Health order June 5, 2020, Appendix c-1, Section (8), b, iv.
Masks are required while using these facilities, except while swimming in the pool.	No walk-ins allowed.

Does this change how I access the website with my log in?

Current Users: The first time you access the swimming reservation website after the update you will need to log in using your current account information (see image below). If you wish to remain signed in for the future select the "Keep Me Signed In" box before clicking "Login".

New Users: When accessing the website for the first time please click on the "Sign Up" button to set up your account.

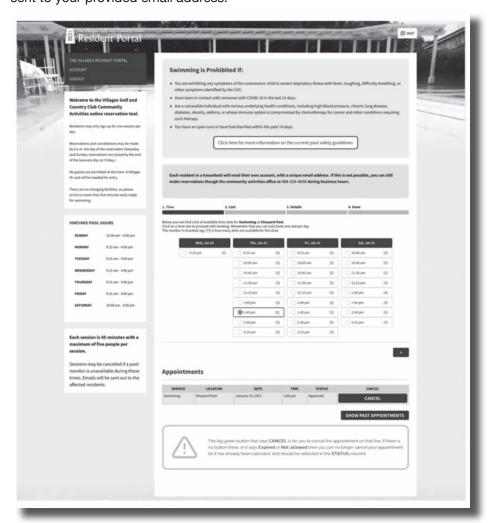
Welcome to The Villages G	olf and Country Club's Resident Portal. Please enter your Username and Password in the form below.
	using the Pool Reservation site use the same Username and Password that you have been using there. Other ess, PayLease, etc) user information are not valid for the Resident Portal.
If you are new to the Resid	ent Portal, please click the "Sign Up" button.
	ur Username or Password, click the "Forgot your password?" link under the buttons. An email will be sent to you link to change your Password.
	USERNAME *
	PASSWORD *
	KEEP ME SIGNED IN
	Login Sign Up
	Forgot your password?

Yes and no.

Yes: These are the changes you will find after the update:

- The four tabs you are familiar with have been removed and all the information from the tabs appear on one page for easy viewing (see image below).
- If your reservation went through properly there will be no confirmation page, the site will refresh and all your upcoming appointments will appear at the bottom of the page (there is no need to manually refresh the page).
- All upcoming appointments (approved or cancelled) will appear at the bottom of the page. Your past appointments can be viewed by clicking "Show Past Appointments".

No: The process for completing a reservation remains the same; the area directly below the green box will update as you progress through the steps of choosing an appointment time, creating your cart, entering your details, and completing the reservation. Email confirmations of appointments created or cancelled will still be sent to your provided email address.



Why are we making this change?

This change is to prepare for the future implementation of a password protection on the Portal. Once this password protected Portal is in place anyone who has created an account on the swimming reservation website will be able to use that account information as their log in for the secured areas of the Portal. All other residents who wish to use the Portal will have to create an account.

The areas of the Portal that will be secured beyond the swimming reservation website are still being determined. The GateAccess, PayLease, and Chelsea Tee Time systems will not be affected by this change and your account information for these services will work only for these services and not for accessing the Portal. More information about what the future Portal will look like will be provided when it is ready to go.

If you have any questions about how to locate, access, or use the updated swimming reservation website please call 408-223-4363 and we would be happy to assist you.

Clubs & Events

Genealogy Club: 'Writing Your Story' workshop

How do you turn your genealogy research into a story to share with your family? At our next meeting, Peggy White will present a workshop on "Beginning to Write about an Ancestor" based on the book, "A Recipe for Writing Family History" by Devon Noel Lee & Andrew Lee.

In preparation for this workshop please identify an ancestor to write about. You can choose any ancestor about whom you have information, but to learn the process the authors suggest choosing an ancestor born between 1900 and 1940, for whom you have a birth record, and a family group sheet and/or a pedigree chart.

Please join us on Thursday, February 4, at 10 a.m. on Zoom for the workshop. If you are not already a member, please contact Linda McMullen at lindavillage8392@gmail.com and she will send you the link for the meeting. Our group meets monthly to learn and share our research on family history. Come join us and start the search for your ancestors!

San Jose provides electric heat pump water heater rebate

By Beth DeVincenzi, Sustainable Villages Club

In our journey to "Electrify Everything" we elected to replace our conventional gas-powered water heater with a hybrid electric heat pump water heater. Although this model of water heater is more expensive to purchase and install, the city of San Jose has a wonderful program that subsidizes this change. Do a google search on Electrify San Jose to visit their site for all the forms and details on the rebate. Although our cost to install the new system was about \$5,000, after the rebates our cost was reduced to about \$1880. Because it is a more efficient way to produce hot water, we estimate we will save about \$500 per year now that we have switched, so in less than four years, the total cost of our installation will be recovered.

So, what is a **hybrid heat pump water heater**? Well, the technology isn't new. In fact, our refrigerators cool with a heat pump. The heat pump in the refrigerator pulls any heat out of the refrigerator and exits it into your kitchen. For the water heater it does the opposite; it pulls the heat from your garage and uses it to heat the water. On cold winter days, it may also activate the *hybrid* part of the water heater which runs a small amount of electricity to warm the water. Of course, at your end, your hot water continues to come out of the tap just as it used to, but it decreases our use of fossil fuels and helps us preserve our planet's health for our children, grandchildren, and all life.

Visit our Sustainable Villages Website at sustainablevillagesclub.org for more information.

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Arts & Crafts profile: Baker turned Artist

By Barbara Gottesman

You may have seen 91-year-old Walter Howald at his daily swim or admired his pumpkin-rolling skills in Olivas, but did you recognize him as a mostly-unknown Villages artist?

I first met Walter in 2007 when Clyde Stout was teaching a drawing class. Walter said he had no experience in drawing, but he knew how to decorate cakes. He attended Clyde's drawing class and later on two classes with Jane Hink.

As for that cake decorating: he immigrated from Switzerland to the U.S. in 1966, answering an ad in a Swiss newspaper for a pastry chef at a small Walnut Creek bakery. When he retired, he and his wife Hanna traveled to many different countries to help poor communities set up their own bakeries. This was with the International Executive Service Corps, funded by David Rockefeller, who paid the expenses but with no salary for the volunteers.



As for that drawing, Walter says that drawing a Villages scene becomes a life within itself because there is an excitement about art creation which is sometimes as good as sex. Hanna and Walter have three sons, seven grand-children and 13 great grandchildren. They moved to The Villages in 2002 from Los Altos because their friend here assured them that they would never be alone.

Walter made a calendar of his Villages scenes and from that, greeting cards which he still sends to friends.

Which is the best of Walter's creations now? The huge gingerbread house at the downtown Fairmont

lobby? The smaller one in the Clubhouse restaurant lobby? His unsurpassed French macarons? Or his pen and ink drawings of the Wehner Mansion or Montgomery Pond?

Walter moved on from drawing to acrylics and encourages all Villagers to try something new in Art, as he did.

VAT to audition for O. Henry readings today

If you are interested in being a part of narrating the witty works of well-known writer, O. Henry for the Villages' Matinee Theatre, then please email Susan Pastorini (susanpasta54@gmail.com) by Friday, January 29 at 4 p.m. Auditions will be held on Saturday, January 30, at 2 p.m. via Zoom. The show will be performed on Friday, February 19, at 3 p.m. we have not chosen the stories to be read at this point, but if you would like to get an idea of O. Henry's style and tone of voice, check out the Internet. Copies of chosen stories will be sent via email prior to auditions.

Senior Academy introduces Technology Explorers By Barry Sardis

As lifelong learning is the aim of Senior Academy, the Villages Technology Explorers club (VTE) has merged into Senior Academy to broaden its technology programs. VTE-type events will now be standard Senior Academy events, the first being in June.

Senior Academy Technology Explorers (S.A.T.E.) is new and will be, like the popular News Junkies, a recurring monthly meeting. A goal of S.A.T.E. is to explore technology and help dispel the aura of mystery that can intimidate many of us.

Various technology-related topics will be discussed each month. Audience participation is encouraged, sharing experience and offering topics for future discussion.

Registration (required) for the current Zoom meeting is at VillagesSA.org/tech-explorers. Meetings are on the first Monday of the month at 1:30 p.m. The first one is February 1. Senior Academy members will be able to submit a question to be posed to the group for answers. One attendee will be selected to pose their question in the last part of the meeting.

For questions, contact Barry Sardis at 408-768-6948.



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February 13th Saturday and 14th Sunday Night Special

Valentine's Special Prix Fixe Menu

Curbside Pick Up 5pm to 7pm

Strawberry Spinach Salad

Strawberries, Spinach, Red Onion, Feta Cheese **Candied Pecans Balsamic Honey Vinaigrette**

Surf and Turf

Grilled Petite Filet Mignon Bearnaise and Scampi Prawns with Garlic Butter Sauce Wild and Mixed Rice Pilaf Broiled Parmesan Pesto Vine Ripe Tomato

Dessert

Red Velvet Cake And

\$49++

18% service charge and tax wil be added

All Charges Made to Account House Number Prior to Event For Reservations:

Call 408-754-1337 or e-mail theclubhouse@the-villages.com Please Provide: Time of Pick-Up (5pm to 7pm) and House Number, Full Name, Phone Number and Number of Meals

Orders Must Be In by Wednesday, February 10th

More CLUBS

Senior Academy to tour Outer Space!

On Monday, February 8, Senior Academy will be hosting Andrew Fraknoi, a very popular and experienced instructor, who will be taking us via Zoom on a grand tour of the "Top Tourist Sites of the Solar System." This trip-of-a-lifetime tour of the planets and moons in our cosmic neighborhood will be illustrated with the latest images from U.S. and European space probes. Highlighted sites will include the 4,000-mile lava channel on Venus, the towering Mount Olympus volcano on Mars (three times the height of Mount Everest), and "Cold Faithful" the salt- water geyser on one of Saturn's moons. We will get to explore the must-see alien vistas that future tourists will surely include on their itineraries. Andrew will provide us with excellent background information about these sites as well.



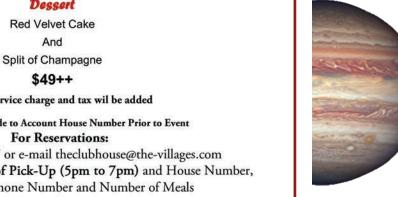
Andrew Fraknoi

Andrew Fraknoi is an award-winning scientist and educator, who specializes in explaining developments in astronomy to the public in everyday language. He

> also works with teachers, museum educators, and young astronomers to help them be more effective in doing spacescience education and outreach. He retired in 2017 as the Chair of the Astronomy Department at Foothill College and now teaches introductory astronomy and physics at the Fromm Institute of the University of San Francisco, and through the OLLI Program at San Francisco State University. Asteroid 4859 has been named Asteroid Fraknoi by the International Astronomical Union to honor his work in the public understanding of science.

> Please join us on Monday, February 8 at 2 p.m. for this unique and exciting lecture. The lecture is free, but preregistration is required. Please go to the Senior Academy website at VillagesSA.org for more information and for the

link to register for this event.





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VMA seeks hats, scarves for homeless

With winter upon us, the VMA is in desperate need of warm hats and scarves. As part of their outreach services, the VMA provides clothing and other items to the homeless and are presently in need of hats and scarves. If you would like to make a donation of hats and scarves, yarn, or money for yarn, please contact Margaret Campisi at 408-532-8644. If you have been knitting or crocheting hats and scarves to donate to the VMA, thank you! Please continue to do so and contact Margaret to make arrangements to drop them off and/or get yarn.



FROM BRIGHTVIEW

Lantana Pruning

By Ryan Bolich Associate Branch Manager, BrightView Landscape Services

Lantana is a bright, colorful shrub that grows best in warm, full sun conditions. Proper pruning of lantana helps promote full vigorous growth, luscious flowers, and a full healthy look. For best results proper pruning of lantana should take place in the late winter/early spring before spring growth appears and after the possibility of a hard frost has passed. At the Villages you will see Brightview

crews begin pruning of the lantana soon and continue into early spring. Below are some of the pruning techniques Brightview will use to prune the lantana based on the condition of the plant:

1. Normal healthy lantana: will be pruned back, leaving them 8 to12 inches tall. Pruning cuts are made at 45-degree angles as this helps the lantana recover from the pruning quicker.

2. Frost-damaged lantana: frost-damaged lantana will look brown and dead this time of year, but we can rejuvenate these plants. Frost-damaged lantanas will be pruned down

to the ground for a full rejuvenation of the plant. This amount of pruning can be shocking to the eye but once spring hits the plant will recover quickly and will grow back healthier and with fuller blooms all spring and summer long.

Lantana is a sun loving, warm weather loving, drought-tolerant shrub. As such, when spring finally arrives don't be afraid if your lantana is one of the last plants in your area to show signs of growth, this is normal. Often at this time the lantana will look "twiggy" or like dry sticks. If you see this, rest assured the plant is fine it just hasn't woken up from its winter slumber yet. Depending on the amount of sun that reaches your plant, it may take well into late spring before it awakens from its winter slumber and begins to grow. Once lantana starts its spring growth you can expect fast, vigorous growth of deep green leaves and blooms that range from purple to yellows and reds.





Frost-damaged lantana





Did You Know?

Ruth DePonzi to retire February 5

After 23 years of service to The Villages, Event Coordinator and Administrative Assistant Ruth DePonzi is retiring.

Ruth has shared her passion for the Giants baseball team, classic cars and all things fun with Villagers for more than two decades. She loved arranging entertainment dinner shows at the Clubhouse, driving range concerts, July 4 celebrations and a variety of Bay Area excursions. She always made each resident feel special and taken care of. Quality customer service

was her calling card. She was supportive of her work mates and was often the Building B cheerleader. She and Mary Tatum started companywide potlucks and were especially known for the potluck held near Thanksgiving.

Those visiting the office would revel at her Giants memorabilia on display and the stories behind some of them.

She loved taking Villagers to the Giants game. Another trip near to her heart was

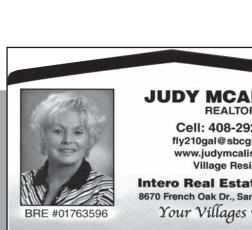
the annual Reno trip. She was able to arrange a jam-packed fun weekend in one of the resorts complete with a kick-off social event.

Ruth is moving out of the area to start another chapter of her life. She would love to say goodbye in person, but with the public health restrictions in place, it is not possible. Those wishing to send her good thoughts may drop off notes in the drop box outside of Building B before February 5.

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







More COMMUNITY NOTICES

New swim times in February

Due to the popularity of the Vineyard Pool reservations on Monday, February 8 we will be adding an additional morning timeslot at 8:30 a.m. on weekdays only. The last swim on weekdays will still end at 4 p.m. There will be no change to the weekend schedule of swimming from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Our online reservation software has already been updated to reflect this change and as always you can call the Swimming Reservation line at 408-223-4636 to make reservations or if you have any questions. We hope you have a wonderful time swimming!

Villages Medical Auxiliary-Since 1976 Office: 408-238-4230

Hours: Monday to Thursday, 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
Service Coordinator:
408-238-4029
www.vmavillages.org



Please note, ALL presentations are Via Zoom until further notice In February

Caregiver Support Group: a group designed to provide emotional, educational, and social support for all caregivers facilitated by Judy London Ph.D. Thursday, **February 11** at 10:30 a.m. If interested in attending via Zoom please contact Judy at judithlondon@sbcglobal.net or call 408-784-3325.

Clear Caption: A free captioning service for qualified individuals with hearing loss. Tuesday, February 16 at 10:30 a.m. Elli Tehrani will explain this free program funded and administered by the FCC. To register, email Bonnie at bgrim@ sequoialiving.org or call 408-238-4029 and leave your email address.

Stanford's Farewell to Falls presented by Ellen Corman, Manager of Injury Prevention and Community Engagement. Thursday, **February 25** at 10:30 a.m. To register, email Bonnie at bgrim@sequoialiving.org or call 408-238-4029 and leave your email address.







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EVF FOCUS

A Circle of Friends

By Jerry Neece, EVF Board Member

The Evergreen Villages Foundation's (EVF) Circle of Friends Is one of the foundation's original programs. Local vendors become Friends by making an annual contribution of \$1,000 or more to the General Fund, which supports EVF's amenity-enhancing projects, which now include the recently-completed Pickleball Courts.

You can see a list of the current Circle of Friends members for 2021 on the EVF website at: evfsj.org/circle-of-friends. We encourage you to support these local realtors, insurance agents, dentists, and others who, in turn, support The Villages.

If you, or someone you know, would like to become a Circle of Friends member, contact us. Friends receive recognition several times a year in The Villager Newspaper and the EVF Newsletter, as well as items to display their EVF membership for their place of business.

EVF's Circle of Friends deserves your support!

SRS SENIOR RESOURCE SERVICES

How to get your own tax forms

Are you one of the Villagers who like to do your own return by hand on paper forms? You will need to order the needed tax forms by telephone or from your computer, or you may download them from the web sites. Here's how:

Federal forms:

To order by telephone: Call 1-800-829-3676 (1-800-Tax-Form)

To order via web site: Go to **irs.gov** and about half-way down the page, click on the heading **"Search Forms & Instructions"**; then on the left side menu click on **"Order Forms & Pubs"**; then on the next page click on **"Forms & Publications by U.S. Mail."** Toward the bottom of the page, type **"1040"** into the search box; the order list for 1040 forms, schedules and instructions will pop up.

It is possible you will need some forms that have not yet been released. Go ahead and order the forms. You will receive them in a later mailing when they are available.

To download and print forms from the website: Simply click on the "Search Forms and Instructions" header and then enter your needed form number in the search box.

By the way, you may wish to review Publication 17 "Your Federal Income Tax (for Individuals)." This 135-page booklet covers most topics about income and deductions. You cannot order a paper copy of the Publication.

California forms:

To order by telephone: Call 1-800-338-0505. Select 1 for Personal Income Tax and then select "Forms and Publications."

To order via web site: Go to www.ftb.ca.gov and on the top banner click on "Forms." On the next page under the "Get Forms" menu, click on "By U.S. Mail."

To download and print forms from the website: Follow the same instructions as above but click on the blue "Online" button. Enter your form number in the search box.

There is a button labeled "Location Near You" indicating you may be able to pick up forms. This will not be activated until February 1.

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. Please note that the return phone call will be from a volunteer calling from their home and your phone identification will not read SRS. 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 notice:

IRS gig economy webpage

Do you work part-time as part of the gig economy? Perhaps you drive people to the airport or delivery food or goods for a retailer or other freelance or on-demand work.

The IRS has launched a Gig Economy Tax Center that streamlines information for workers and businesses in the gig economy: irs.gov/businesses/gig-economy-tax-center

California has also launched its own gig economy webpage: ftb.ca/file/business/industries/gig-economy.html

Questions for Comcast/Xfinity?

Comcast/Xfinity will resume its customer service appointments to Villages residents on Tuesdays, starting February 2 and going through April 27 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

This is Comcast driven and at no cost to the Villages. This is your chance to ask your questions about your existing service or if you want to upgrade your service, they are there to help.

To schedule a 30-minute appointment, visit https://bit.ly/2NjWp2e and select a date and time on the calendar.

RELIGION

JEWISH GROUP

By Rabbi Laurie Matzkin

Happy New Year, again! Did you know the Jewish calendar has four new years, not including January 1? Today we celebrate Tu b'Shvat, the new year for the trees. According to 1st century ancient Jewish law, Tu b'Shvat set the "tax date" or tithing schedule for farmers who owned fruit-bearing trees. However, like many perspectives in Jewish tradition, the importance of this date as a legal signpost for the first flowering of trees in Israel evolved into a spiritual-psychological framework. By the Kabbalistic period of the 16th century, with taxing and tithing far less relevant, the tree's growth comes to symbolize a spiritual process. The sap which rises from the roots to the flowering buds after a long and cold winter is an example of a reawakening, a warming, a defrost after hibernation of the body and spirit. The earliest tree to blossom each year in Northern Israel, where the mystical tradition was also blossoming, was (and still is) the almond tree with its delicate pink flowers fluttering through a mostly-grey landscape around Tu b'Shvat. The observation of this process inspired the rabbis to imagine the unseen energy that is beneath the surface of our lives and invite our consciousness towards it, coaxing out the blossoms and eventually the vibrant fruit that is the physical result of all this inner growth. The tree, then, becomes a metaphor in Judaism for a connection to the past and future, as well as between the physical and spiritual planes. Do you have any special trees in your life? A tree from your childhood home, your neighborhood, one you planted at a meaningful moment? Is there a tree that you visit on your walks through The Villages that seems to be your spiritual companion? This week, you might meditate on the incredible processes at work in the trees, as well as in your own life and in our collective experience, and find your own reawakening and warming to the blossoms in your own life that have been growing for seasons.

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

Trust in the Slow Work of God, from a letter of Pierre Teilhard de Chardin, Jesuit priest (1881-1955):

"Above all, trust in the slow work of God. We are quite naturally impatient in everything to reach the end without delay.

We should like to skip the intermediate stages. We are impatient of being on the way to something unknown, something new.

And yet it is the law of all progress that it is made by passing through some stages of instability – and that it may take a very long time.

And so, I think it is with you; your ideas mature gradually – let them grow, let them shape themselves, without undue haste.

Don't try to force them on, as though you could be today what time (that is to say, grace and circumstances acting on your own good will) will make of you tomorrow.

Only God could say what this new spirit gradually forming within you will be. Give Our Lord the benefit of believing that his hand is leading you, and accept the anxiety of feeling yourself in suspense and incomplete."

Daily Mass: Held on Memorial Garden Patio. 8:30 a.m. No reservation needed. Saturday Vigil and Sunday Masses: Held on Memorial Garden Patio. Saturday at 4:30 and 6:30 p.m. (V) Sunday at 8 and 10 a.m., 12-noon, 4 p.m. (V). Reservations required.

Rain Cancellations: If it is raining when you are leaving home for Mass, assume that the Mass has been cancelled.

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: St. Francis of Assisi (SFOA) website at sfoasj.com and daily emails from SFOA. Call SFOA at 408-223-1562, or email rolivas@dsj.org for information.

Questions? Comments? Contact Marion Burry at 408-528-8231 or marion93940@aol.com.

EPISCOPAL

'Holy is the Trinity'

By Julia McCray-Goldsmith

In this season of leadership transitions — everywhere from Trinity Cathedral's new vestry to our President and Vice-President - I find myself thinking a lot about the power of community. And especially of Trinity's founding fathers and mothers, who saw fit to choose this wise name for our own parish community. Much theological ink has been spilled in attempts to explain the unlikely three-in-one-ness of our God, and I am looking forward to the days when we can reflect and learn more about the Holy Trinity together, face to face. But in the meantime, consider this. Good news is proclaimed to community. Care occurs within community. Love is expressed through community. We can't do this alone.

Of course all of the contrary happens in community, and—as the Gospel of Mark reminds us—"a house divided against itself will not be able to stand." Nevertheless, the loving community of God's very self-manifested in Trinity-calls us to model our own communities on love. Not in uniformity of style, appearance or opinion. When the historic Athanasian Creed insists that Trinitarian unity does not "confound the Persons" (nor "divide the Substance") this ancient doctrine reminds us that God's unity is actually expressed in diversity.

We all know how hard it is to be unified when we are so different, but the church insists that's who God is, and that's who we are called to be. As we give thanks for new manifestations of national and local community, and approach the reflective season of Lent, I invite you to consider how you manifest God's love through the community of diversity that you are. Trinity Episcopal Cathedral itself is a "community of communities," and you are integral to our unity.

COMMUNITY CHAPEL

'Willingness to Wait'

By Pastor Bill Hayden

You never know a person's state of mind, especially in these days of escalated stress and the pandemic. Just the other day at the store a customer was addressing a clerk concerning her purchase and the clerk was kind and considerate in responding to her. The clerk told her that she was not there when her order was submitted and directed her to a person that would assist her, but the lady wanted to vent. The clerk remained calm and politely restated the information to her. The customer accused the clerk of being rude and not catering to her, as she said, "The customer is always right."

I have seen people stand in lines for hours and camp out overnight when there is a pressing need. Recently, in the news, I saw people in cars at designated locations throughout California waiting in lines for COVID-19 testing and COVID-19 vaccines. The people were orderly, considerate and didn't mind waiting for their turn. When people are faced with the choice of sustaining their lives they can become a little more patient.

At other times, people have been inconsiderate of others when they are stressed, tired or fearful. The reality is that no one wants to wait, if they don't have to. It is very disappointing to wait for hours and finally get to the front of the line, only to be turned away. You are left with the frustration and hope that maybe the next time you will have your needs met.

Today with many dying from COVID-19, people are more willing to do whatever it takes to extend their lives a little longer. More importantly, we should all be more concerned about our eternal lives because we were created for eternity. To have a shot is temporary but to have the Son is the assurance of having eternal life.

I John 5:12 NTL "Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have God's Son does not have life."

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

May God bless all of you with good health!

Evergreen Blood Drive is Saturday, February 13

and the Stanford Blood Center, will be held Saturday, February 13 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the St. Francis Community Center on 5111 San Felipe Rd., San Jose, CA 95135. The event is open to the public and any and all eligible donors are encouraged to come by and become a blood donor. Due to the large number of companies

The next Evergreen Blood Drive, sponsored by St. Francis of Assisi of Evergreen shut down, there is a big shortage of blood types, so your donation will be impactful. We encourage folks to sign up in advance, to minimize waiting times for all. They can call me at 408-476-6104 or go to https://sbcdonor.org/donor/schedules/ drive_schedule/9054 to learn more.

Thank you for your support, and don't forget to wear a mask.

Sports News

SWINGERS

By Pam McCarthy

"It's going, it's going, it's going, it's at the crest, it's OVER THE HILL!" Shrieks of joy and adulation burst forth from Christine Zinn's foursome on the 9th hole. Shortly after joining the Swingers, Christine made it a personal goal to drive her tee shot "over the hill." You know the "hill." It's where most of us hope our second shot clears! Everyone who ever shared a round with Christine knew that goal was on her Bucket List. Now, she can place a huge "X" by "Over the HILL on #9!" Congratulations to a "Mighty" Christine.

Oh, ICYMI here's a reminder:

The time to register for the "Fore the Love of Golf Tournament" starts Monday, January 25 at 9 p.m. Registration closes January 29. Please send the name of your team's scorekeeper to Sheryl Driskell so she can get the team's scorecard prepared. It is going to be great to have a group activity again.

Here's a mindful thought from Ben Hogan: "As you walk down the fairway of life, you must smell the roses, for you only get to play one round."

Here's a link to a great survey on golf balls for 2021: bestgolfiron2018.com/best-golf-balls

18-HOLE WOMEN

By Diana Hallock

Our Sunshine team of Sue Daughtrey and Pat Smith have been busy this month, sending cards to several members with injuries and illnesses. If you know of a member that could use a bit of cheer or help, do let Sue know.

Many of us are pleased to hear that the Club Board is considering a reinstatement of the VGC (Villages Golf Committee). The VGC has served for many years, working with the Pro Shop staff, advising the Club Board on golf concerns, course conditions and player satisfaction. The VGC also works with all six Villages golf clubs to balance the annual golf schedule and to ensure all golf organizations are informed about golf issues. More information about the "new" VGC will be coming in the Villager.

We are starting a pilot of Captain's Trophy Days and other events. When you make your Thursday tee times, please select a time between 8 and 10:30 a.m. This will help the Pro Shop identify the participants in our events. The Captain's Trophy days will remain an individual event, players will make their own tee times, and players will not be reshuffled by handicap for the foreseeable future. Make sure you attest and sign each other's scorecards.

The Women's 18 Hole Golf Board continues meeting via Zoom. Members with questions or suggestions are urged to contact Captain Vicki Krattli or any Board member.

SHONIS

Tuesday, January 19 was extremely windy. Shonis were seen stopping play while they turned their backs to the wind waiting for the strong gusts to pass. Despite the wind, the top players for the day in order were: Teddy Morse, Bonnie Evans, Betty Hall, Barbara Karayn, Barb Sunseri and Lil Yamada.

Tales of a new Shoni, "My round was adventurous, including getting in the sand, up a tree, hitting a push cart, and having my ball run over by the leaf blower. This round was followed by a game where I ended up on the fringe of the wrong green, landed under a bird house and at the base of a very large tree. Despite my adventurous play, my score at the end of the day was a net 24. Just another great day playing with the Shonis."

If you want to add a little adventure to your life, contact Fran Schumaker (408-355-3270) and come join the Shonis.

PICKLEBALL

How to sign up for Pickleball

Are you interested in playing Pickleball? We want to make sure everyone knows how to sign up and play on our new courts!

The latest State/County Health Orders allow Singles play for Two Households for Pickleball. Tennis, and Bocce. Good news! Under these new County orders we still can only play Singles Pickleball (only two people allowed on a court at once), but they may now be members of two different households. For example: Bob and Cathy from one household can play singles. Bob and Dan from two different households can play singles. Bob and Cathy cannot play against Dan. Only two players only on one court!

All players must sign up on YourCourts.com. Account approval requires all players have a Pickleball Paddle on the Villages approved paddle list and use Onix 2 Pure pickleballs (available through the club). These specific paddles and balls are required by the SJ Planning Commission, so are now Villages rules. Once COVID regulations are lifted, the Club has sample paddles for players to try, and provides balls for players in our equipment shed.

There are several COVID regulations everyone needs to understand. All players must sign up on YourCourts.com for County contact tracing purposes. Each 90-minute session has a "Designated Participant." The DP ensures that players do not have COVID symptoms, wear a mask, and use hand sanitizer prior to play and when leaving the court. They also make sure everyone social distances by remaining 6 feet apart, and that the benches inside the courts and the tables/benches outside the court are not used.

No players may enter the court until they have been checked in by the Designated Participant. All players must wear court shoes ("tennis shoes") - not only to protect our specialized surface from damage, but also to prevent injury. Running and exercise shoes are designed to prevent lateral motion, making falls more likely. The adjacent small parking lot is for golf carts only; please park cars by the tennis courts and use the crosswalk.

It may sound like a lot, but we must follow COVID regulations as required. Approved Paddles and Balls as well as signups will still be required after the COVID regulations are lifted. For the latest news, visit villagespickleball.org. Contact pickballvqcc@gmail.com with any questions and have fun!

TENNIS TALK

By Betty Olsen

Please excuse my Covid-brain, but I inadvertently omitted one very important new officer for 2021. Nancy Fodor is our new secretary and will be keeping the tennis club board meeting minutes which is held once a month on every fourth Tuesday at 3:30 p.m. But of course, until we get the green light from Santa Clara Health Department will be held on Zoom.

Watch for your Tennis Club Directory to be delivered this week.

Well, how did you do with last week's questions? I will no longer keep you in suspense. Here are the answers:

#1. Nancy Fodor-photo of the girl with dark curls leaning of her elbows.

#2. Cheryl Diltz—photo of the toddler about 1 year old.

#3. Peggy Seidel-photo of girl with a cat.

#4 Melinda Dobbs—photo of little girl standing with a bow in her hair.

Now for this week's quiz:

#1. Who had a childhood dream to become a writer and wrote and directed a play when they were in third grade for a summer program?

#2. What member has lived in five different foreign countries?

#3. What member lived in Iran for one year in 1978 for their job?

#4. What member has watched Tirac and Natase live, when they were still new on the circuit, at a local tournament in their city?

Again, stay tuned for answers next week in Tennis Talk.









Golf Course Walking Hours

Always remember that the golf course is for golf play. Walking s permitted only at times when there is no golf play. During these winter months, and until further notice, walking is permitted on the golf course at the following times only:

Monday – Before 11 a.m. / After 5 p.m.

Tuesday through Sunday – Before 7 a.m. and after 5 p.m.

Please stay safe, and always defer to golfers on the golf course regardless of the time of day.

MEN'S GOLF CLUB



By Doug Moore (douglas.moore865@gmail.com) website villagesgolfers.com

Super Bowl Putting Contest:

The Men's Club and VMA would have joined together to bring back the 7th Annual Super Bowl Putting contest on Sunday, February 7,



but due to our current COVID protocols, this has not been formally scheduled.

Upcoming Events

New Year Eclectic Tournament: This has not been formally approved as of yet. Fingers crossed for a later date.

President's Day Tournament: The first tournament of the 2021 season has not been scheduled. Once the completed **2021 Tournament Schedule** and **2021 Home & Home Schedule** are approved, they will be available on the Men's Club website, www.villagesgolfers.com. Look for additional details here.

Golf Thoughts: A good golf partner is one who's always slightly worse than you are...that's why I get so many calls to play with friends.

FROM THE PRO



By Scott Steele, PGA Head Golf Professional

Six Clubs Villages Golf & Social Clubs: The Villages had hundreds of social, activities and sports clubs to join and enjoy. Of those, there are six formal golf clubs at The Villages. The Six Clubs for golf are: **Men's Club** (Monday-Wednesday-Saturday), **Women's 18-Hole Golf Association** (Thursday), **Swingers 9-Hole Women** (Tuesday), **Pinseekers 9-Hole Men** (Friday), **Shonies Par-3 Course Women** (Tuesday), and **Ironmen Par-3 Course Men** (Thursday).

Contact information for one of the six clubs is available on the Villages website, in the Tuesday golf Fast Lane or by phoning the Pro Shop.

Golf Course Tree Pruning—We will be starting some tree pruning this week on the golf course in various locations. Please be aware that the tree crews will be working most of the day. Please Be careful around these coned-off areas. If your golf ball enters a work zone, do not attempt to retrieve your ball, please drop another ball off to the side and play without penalty.

Goose Control—We have contracted 4 Paws Goose control this month every Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. Please be aware that they will be running dogs and chasing geese on these days.

Back-Nine Start—To allow those Villagers that enjoy playing nine-holes only on the long course to play both the front-9 and the back-9, we will continue to start play on the back nine on alternate weeks on Tuesday & Friday. Upcoming back-9 start dates are: February 2, 5, 16 & 19

COVID-19 Protocols! Every golfer must have a mask in their cart and must wear it when visiting with others, or waiting to tee off, or after the round. **If approaching the range table or Pro Shop without a mask, you will no longer be served.**

Arrive a maximum of 5 minutes early for your tee time (unless hitting balls at the range) to avoid unnecessary "gatherings." After golf, you must exit and go home immediately, no social gatherings around the Clubhouse. ...not even sitting in your carts separated.

Maintain 6 feet of social distancing at all times, even when playing—no hugging, shaking hands, fist bumps or elbows.

Same day golf must be done by phoning the Pro Shop. Attempts to walk up to play golf without a reservation will be denied; no walk-in play.

No taking range balls home and bringing them back to the range on another day—you will be denied access to the range if you have your own bag of balls.

Only one golfer permitted on the tee box at any time.

Maintain 6 feet of distance on the putting green. Whoever is furthest putts first, then finishes out (do not mark) and exit green. Do not gather around the hole on the putting green.

Tips from the Pro - Get a Grip!

The one fundamental of golf that is the most important is the grip. Your hands are your only connection to the golf club, so the grip therefore is paramount to performance. Although the grip is often overlooked by the golfer, we that teach the game never give a lesson without checking the golfer's grip first. The key is to be comfortable but also position sound. Not every grip has to be perfect, but we do not want aggressive misconceptions of how the hands are placed.

Here are some grip tips (for a right hander)...

Make sure the club rests in your fingers, not your palms.

Make sure the left thumb naturally rests to the right of the handle (not down the middle). Make sure the right thumb rests to the left of the handle.

The left thumb should not be visible as it tucks into the right palm.

When you fan your right hand out, your palm should face the target, not the sky.

Make sure neither hand is aggressively rotated right or left but rather in a neutral position with your palms opposing. Grip pressure should be secure but not tight as that will inhibit hand and wrist action.

Two More Tips...If your grip is biased to the right (right hand under, left hand on top)... that is called a "strong" grip and will promote the ball going left.

If your grip is biased to the left (left hand under, right hand on top)...that is called a "weak" grip and will promote the ball going right. Let us know if these tips help. See you at the course!

IRONMEN

By Bill Travis

The Ironmen have begun their Winter tee time schedule and are now currently playing every Thursday afternoon beginning at 1 p.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, January 21, 2021 was sunny and warm, a beautiful day for golf and we had a good turnout. The results of play are as follows:

First place went to Dave Cook with a net score of 25.

Second place there was a two-way tie between Rob Boyles and Bob Mandell, each with a net score of 26.

Third place went to Chuck Benjamin with a net score of 27. **There were three birdies:** Al Bruno on hole 4; Dave Cook on hole 8; and Bob Mandell on hole 6.

Deep thoughts:

"Golf is an ideal diversion but a ruinous disease." - Gerald Ford, 38th President of the United States

"The least thing upsets him (the golfer) on the links. He missed short putts because of the uproar of the butterflies in the adjoining meadows." - P.G. Wodehouse, English author and humorist

PINSEEKERS

By Jack Bindon

It would seem that Mother Nature is not a golfer since she provided a bit of a shower on Friday. As a result, only one foursome attempted to challenge the elements and managed only four holes before "packing it in." I would say that was a wise move, gentlemen. We older folks must stay healthy and besides not being fun, playing in the rain is not good for the body. As a result, there are no winners this week. Hopefully it might be better next week.

Practice your putting on the carpet to a hole size target. If the floor is level that straight putt will improve the putting stroke. Just stay healthy and safe during the winter days.

BOCCE NEWS





Evonne Cook

By Marcy Boyles

This week we are highlighting Evonne Cook, our Bocce Club Secretary. She has a lot to offer. Some facts about Evonne in her own words:

"I moved into The Villages on December 26, 2019. I was not a bocce player before moving here. After retiring in 2016 I started to look for activities to build new friendships, contribute to others, get more physical exercise, and

find a joint activity both my husband and I could enjoy together. My first Bocce trainer was Barbara Orlando at the beginners training in 2017. Great job, Barbara.

Some memorable moments: On Bocce Posse 2019 we took third place. As captain of Vino To Win-O in 2019 we took second place. On Joe Pulis' team, We Take No Prisoners in 2018 we won first place. On Wayne Weiler's team, We Take No Prisoners in 2019 we won first place. The best part of the game is encouraging others and building relationships.

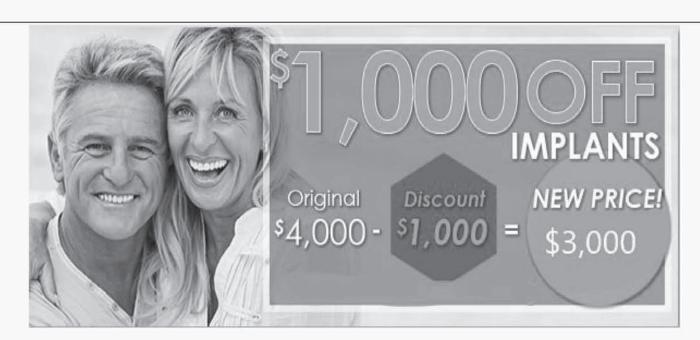
Bocce improvements (I have seen since moving here) include adding seating at the courts, trying out new tournaments, expanding membership involvement, and having fun.

Positions I have held include Associate board member, Treasurer, and Secretary.

It has been a joy and privilege to get to know, play with and serve others through our Bocce Club."

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MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE

Cribari

5500-5576—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress. 5001-5076—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 2/1-2/5. West side perimeter fence—Large oleander hedge trimming down to 8' high in progress.

5070, 5092, 5093, 5105, 5109 and 5111 — Dry rot repairs in progress. Gutter cleaning scheduled for 2/1-2/6.

Del Lago

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

3101-3134 and 3201-3243—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 2/1-2/5.

3364 and 3365—Reconstruction in progress. 3363-3366—Roof replacement in progress.

Estates

8809-8875—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 2/8-2/12. **Fairways**

4001-4024—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 3/8-3/12. **Glen Arden**

7698-7752 and 7753-7787 (odd)—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 2/22-2/26.

Trash enclosure cleaning scheduled to start 2/8.

Heights

8480-8505—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 2/15-2/19. 8470-8483—Hillside review in progress.

Trash enclosure cleaning scheduled to start 2/15.

Hermosa

8005-8032, 8100-8121 and Lower Chardonay Lake—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 2/15-2/19.

Dead/missing plant replacement throughout the district in progress. 8362 and 8368—Dry rot repairs in progress.

8370-8374—Dry rot repairs scheduled for next week.

Trash enclosure cleaning scheduled to start 2/1. **Highland**

7500 757

7500-7573—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 2/1-2/5. Trash enclosure cleaning in progress.

Gutter cleaning in progress.

Montgomery

6001-6068 and 6127-6136—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 2/8-2/12.

6204 and 6246—Dead/dying tree removal in progress.

Plant replacement throughout the district in progress. Trash enclosure cleaning scheduled to start 2/15.

Olivas

8646-8650 and 8665-8712—Landscape maint. and weed control. 8600-8645, 8651-8665 and Vineyard Center—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 2/1-2/5.

Dead/Missing plant replacement at various locations in progress. Trash enclosure cleaning scheduled to start 2/8.

Sonata

2000-2024 and 2032-2064—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 3/8-3/12.

Trash enclosure cleaning scheduled to start 2/1.

Valle Vista

9048-9066—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress. 9037-9047 and 9067-9072—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 2/1-2/5.

Trash enclosure cleaning scheduled to start 2/1.

Verand

7200-7251 and 7300-7313—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.

7001-7060 and 7395-7404—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 3/8-3/12.

Trash enclosure cleaning in progress.

Association

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

Weed spraying in progress at turf and shrub bed areas throughout

the Villages.
Tree/shrub and ground cover fertilization in progress in the districts.

Club Centers

Weed spraying in progress throughout the Villages.

Chardonay Lake—Circulation pump repairs in progress. Foothill, Cribari and Montgomery pool and spa – Closed.

Business Office—Section of concrete walkway installation in planning.

Rain Gutter Cleaning Schedule for 2021

Cribari February 1 to February 6

February 22 to February 27 February 8 to February 13

VeranoFebruary 8 to February 13HighlandJanuary 25 to January 30

February 15 to February 20

Club Buildings March 1 to March 6

Completion (weather permitting)
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Maintenance Emergencies and/or Advice

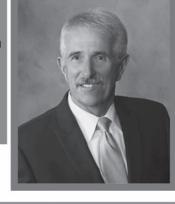
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Bridge Hand

By J.M.K.

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- **1093**
- **♥** J642
- ◆ Q 5◆ A 10 9 5

WEST

- **♠** Q
- ✓ 10753✓ K10872
- ★ K82

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♦ J872

EAST

- ♦ A9643
- **♣** J76

SOUTH

- ♠ AK654
- ♥ AKQ8
- ↓ J♣ Q 4 3

Dealer: West

Vulnerability: North/South

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

Contract: 4 Spades Opening Lead: 7 of Hearts

Dealer has loser 1 or 2 losers in Spades, 1 in Diamonds, and 1 or more in Clubs.

Strategy: There are 5 trumps out and usually they will break 3-2. However, there is a possibility that they could be divided 4-1 or 5-0. Having only the Ace and King of Spades, some players will play the Ace in case an opponent has only 1 card, the Queen before trying to finesse for it.

West leads the 7 of Hearts, low from the board, East, the 9, South, the Ace, switches to the Ace of Spades and captures the Queen. He then plays a Club to the Ace on the board, follows with the 10 of Spades, East ducks, continues with the 9 of Spades, and East still plays low. He next leads a Diamond, East, low, South, the Jack, and West wins with the King. Now he leads a Heart, East trumps, follows with a Club, South, the 4, West takes the trick with the King, plays a Diamond, Queen from the board, East, the Ace, and South trumps. He next leads the King of Hearts, continues with the Queen, then the King of Spades, and plays his last card, the good Queen of Clubs. Great! The contract is made exactly.

* South has a good hand, 19 HCP and after seeing his partner responding with 2 Spades, showing 6 – 9 HCP, he jumps to game.

POZ-LER

This week's PUZ-LER: Can you arrange for Jane to stand behind Lee and at the same time for Lee to stand behind Jane? Sound impossible?

Email me, Mike Bailey at michsp@aol.com if you have an answer to this complex problem.

Last week we had a series of characters that could be made into a sentence. Your responses were so varied that I gave a little leeway in the answers. The sentence was "I ought to owe nothing for I ate nothing." The winners and so-so winners were Janet Mize, Fred Mathis, Harriet Fernadez, Peter Groot, Harriet Tower and Phyllis A.

More BOARDS & COMMITTEES

Notice of Proposed Changes to Club <u>Policy</u> <u>CPo 213 Villages Golf Committee Charter</u>

At the January 12, 2021, Club special open meeting, the Board approved to publish for 30-day notice proposed changes to Club Policy CPo 213 Villages Golf Committee (Standing Committee Charter) prior to formal approval consideration at the February 23, 2021, board meeting.

The purpose of the proposed revision is to clarify the Villages Golf Committee's (VGCC) role, simplify the VGC organization and more clearly define roles and responsibilities for the committee, staff, and the Board.

Response to the proposed revised charter may be made by one or more of the following methods: 1) Participation in the discussion of the change at the Club Board of Directors February 23 monthly meeting, 2) via-email (jmeadows@the-villages.com), with comments sent to the Club Board through the General Manager's office at least seven (7) days prior to the Club Board of Directors February 23 meeting, or 3) via written comments addressed to the Club Board and delivered to Building A at least seven (7) days prior to the Club Board of Directors February 23 meeting.

The Board will consider oral and written comments regarding the proposed revised charter at the February 23, 2021, monthly meeting (1:30 p.m. via Zoom teleconference) prior to formal approval consideration.

Note: Because the proposed charter revision was essentially a re-write, the reformatting of the current policy and highlighting specific additions and deletions would make the policy(charter) difficult to read and understand. Proposed Policy <u>CPo 213</u> as modified, is presented for review. You can find current Policy <u>CPo 213</u> on The Villages website or you may contact Julia Meadows at 408-223-4634 or jmeadows@the-villages.com to obtain a copy.

THE VILLAGES: STANDING (Advisory) COMMITTEE CHARTER

Committee: THE VILLAGES GOLF COMMITTEE (VGC).

Responsible to: The Villages Club Board of Directors (CBOD)

VGC MISSION STATEMENT: The mission of the Villages Golf Committee is to represent the Villages' golfing community by endeavoring to maintain the aesthetic values, functionality and playability of both courses and practice areas to enhance the resident's golfing experience and to meet the expectations of the majority of golfing residents.

VGC PURPOSE AND DUTIES:

The VGC shall, in collaboration with management, advise and make recommendations to the CBOD regarding golf-related issues such as course maintenance, course utilization, golf programs/events and future planning. The VGC shall collaborate with management on planning for and implementing long-term capital improvement projects for presentation to the CBOD. The VGC shall: represent and provide liaison with the various Villages' golf organizations; collaborate with and provide feedback to both the Director of Golf/Head Golf Professional and the Director of Maintenance/Golf Course Superintendent regarding daily course conditions, maintenance practices and identification of areas of the course(s) requiring attention; collaborate with the Director of Golf/Head Golf Professional and the Director of Maintenance/Golf Course Superintendent in developing and planning for golf course enhancement/improvement projects for both golf courses and practice areas; make use of publicity media inside and outside the Villages to educate and inform golfers on important golf subjects; provide advice and comment regarding golf course related financial matters, including any monthly Analysis Report and/or the development of the 5-year plan; provide various other golf-related recommendations as determined necessary by the CBOD from time to time.

Voting Members: There shall be seven (7) voting members of the VGC:

- 1. One Chairperson of the VGC selected by the CBOD.
- 2. Five (5) general members of the VGC

5. One (1) Secretary

The voting members should be selected based on their knowledge and experience with the Villages' golf program and their ability and willingness to serve in the best interest of the entire Villages golfing community.

Terms of Voting Members: The Chairperson shall be appointed for a two-year term and may serve no more than two consecutive terms without the consent of the VGC and the CBOD. After the initial appointment, Chairperson candidates must be a current or past member of the VGC or have had prior VGC committee experience. The five general members shall serve one-year terms January 1 through December 31. Thereafter, a general member may serve additional one-year terms with the approval of the VGC. A replacement VGC member shall complete the term of the member being replaced. The Secretary shall serve a one-year term January 1 through December 31. Thereafter, the Secretary may serve additional one-year terms with the approval of the VGC.

VGC Membership Selection: Initially, in the formation of the VGC, members of the golfing community interested in joining the VGC shall complete a Club Advisory Committee Application Form which will be submitted to the CBOD for consideration and approval. In subsequent years, the VGC members will evaluate and select applicants to be recommended to the CBOD for approval.

Non-voting members:

Club Board of Directors Liaison

Director of Golf/Head Golf Professional

Director of Maintenance/Golf Course Superintendent

Each member, voting and non-voting, is requested to attend all VGC meetings. If a non-voting member is unable to attend, she/he should send an authorized representative (with the exception of the CBOD Liaison). Prior to each monthly meeting of the VGC, non-voting members are requested to submit to the VGC Secretary, a report updating the VGC on golf course conditions, ongoing projects and other significant golf course related matters.

DUTIES OF THE VILLAGES GOLF COMMITTEE CHAIR:

Organize and hold regularly scheduled monthly VGC meetings.

Represent and be the spokesperson for the VGC.

Be available to attend CBOD meetings which have golf-related proposals from the VGC on the agenda and present such proposals including all arguments, pro and con, for consideration. **DUTIES OF THE VILLAGES GOLF COMMITTEE SECRETARY:**

To take and distribute monthly VGC meeting minutes.

To organize all reports and distribute to VGC members one week before meetings (or sooner if available).

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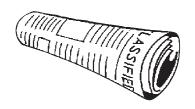
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Since we can't bring them here you can enjoy them on your television or computer at any time. We cannot stress enough how much we all miss having venues here and this is the next best thing!

Brian and Danny have been here at The Villages two different times and performed for a full house of 150 residents at the Cribari Auditorium under the name Holland &



Coots. Together with Steve, these three are known as "Groovus" and have already recorded their second album. You will enjoy this trio so much because they have so much fun playing and performing.

With a delightful mix of jazz, blues, stride, boogie, pop, and ragtime, Holland & Coots have created something for every taste. This winning duo has been the driving rhythmic foundation for bands like the Titan Hot Seven and B.A.D. Rhythm, and has several recordings to their credit. Now with "Groovus" they have become the winning trio! Danny Coots prior to hooking up with Brian was the drummer for Ivory & Gold.

UBITUARY

Everett "Ev" Freeman Waining II

October 21, 1932 - December 24, 2020



Everett "Ev" Freeman Waining II, loving husband and father, passed away in his home on Thursday, December 24, 2020 in San Jose, California with his wife by his side. He was 88 years old.

Everett was born in Needham, Massachusetts to Everett Freeman Waining Sr. and Evelyn Basterash. Everett is survived by his wife of 62 years, Rosmarie, daughters, Adrienne and Monique, son, Everett, seven grandchildren and six great grandchildren, countless relatives and friends. Everett retired from Local 16, Heat and Frost Insulators and Allied Workers of San Francisco, where he worked as a mechanical insulator

In his retirement, he enjoyed working outdoors in his garden and helping out neighbors, friends and family.

His teenage years were spent in Richland, Washington. He enlisted in the air force in 1952 at Edwards

Air Force Base. When Everett was asked what he did in the service, he would jokingly say he played baseball. While traveling through Europe with the service, he met his wife, Rosmarie in Munich, Germany. They married on May 31, 1957 and went on to have 3

He loved watching, talking, and playing sports and was a lifelong Boston Red Sox and San Francisco Giants fan. He played softball with his union brothers and hardball with the San Jose Old Timers. He was always there to cheer on his kids in the sports they played.

His life was spent as a kind and caring man, always encouraging togetherness and happiness. The family has many fond memories of the adventures they shared. Everett was loved by all and was known as the "mayor" of Traminer Court, always ready for friendly gatherings and a good party. We will miss his happy smiling face, greeting and warmly welcoming all into our family and neighborhood.

A small private service will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers please donate to Mesothelioma Research Foundation of America (https://www.mesorfa.org/support) or the charity of your choice.

UBITUARY

Robert (Bob) Marquis

June 15, 1926 - December 4, 2020



Robert (Bob) Marquis, 94, longtime resident of The Villages, passed away on December 4, 2020. He grew up in Alameda, and after college resided in San Jose at The Villages for nearly 50 years. He was an original owner in Cribari Heights before moving to Verano.

Bob was very proud to be a U.S.

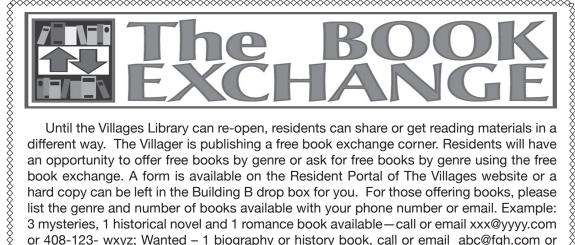
veteran, serving in the Navy during WWII. He attended UC Berkeley and San Jose State, and taught business classes at James Lick and Mt. Pleasant High Schools for 34 years.

He was an avid skier, skiing all over the world. In his travels, he was proud to say he visited all the continents of the world except Antarctica. Bob never married but is survived by several uncles, his cousin Jackie Cathcart, who he spent wonderful summers with camping in Yosemite, and thousands of students Bob was very proud of teaching during his career. At The Villages, Bob enjoyed sitting and watching all the wildlife around him, even naming many of the deer and turkeys that visited.

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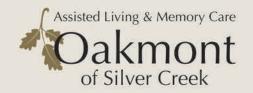
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