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The News this Week

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Hot Tickets

Cancelled until further notice

Channels 26 & 27

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CHANNEL 26: Club & Event notices
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- **ABOD Policy Based Reserves Planning, with David Cook**
- **Keep Fit with Mwezo**
- **Keep Fit with Hartmut**

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More vaccinations do not mean the end of COVID-19 protocols

Not enough information is currently available to say if or when CDC will stop recommending that people wear masks and avoid close contact with others to help prevent the spread of the virus that causes COVID-19.

Experts need to understand more about the protection that COVID-19 vaccines provide in real-world conditions before making that decision. Other factors, including how many people get vaccinated and how the virus is spreading in communities, will also affect this decision. We also don't yet know whether getting a COVID-19 vaccine will prevent you from spreading the virus that causes COVID-19 to other people, even if you don't get sick yourself. CDC will continue to update this page as we learn more.

While experts learn more about the protection that COVID-19 vaccines provide under real-life conditions, it will be important for everyone to continue using all the tools available to help stop this pandemic.

To protect yourself and others, follow these recommendations:

- Wear a mask over your nose and mouth
- Stay at least 6 feet away from others
- Avoid crowds
- Avoid poorly ventilated spaces
- Wash your hands often

Together, COVID-19 vaccination and following the CDC's recommendations for how to protect yourself and others will offer the best protection from getting and spreading COVID-19.

Vineyard Spa to open!

Beginning Monday, March 1, the Vineyard Spa will be available to all those who enjoy a good soak! Reservations will begin Monday, February 22 at 9 a.m. via web and phone.

How will using the spa be different than the pool?

Per health code guidelines only one person can use the spa at a time; your time in the spa will be limited to 30 minutes; and a mask is required while in the water. All other guidelines for swimming apply to the spa as well.

What times will be available to reserve?

Because of the shorter reservation length we will be starting the spa reservation times 15 minutes behind the pool reservation times (see chart below). This has the benefits of less traffic during the checking in process and all the reservations will end at the same time. If you arrive late you will not be able to make up your time.

Pool Reservation Times		Spa Reservation Times	
Weekday	Weekend	Weekday	Weekend
8:30 a.m.	—	8:45 a.m.	—
9:15 a.m.	—	9:30 a.m.	—
10:00 a.m.	10:00 a.m.	10:15 a.m.	10:15 a.m.
10:45 a.m.	10:45 a.m.	11:00 a.m.	11:00 a.m.
11:30 a.m.	11:30 a.m.	11:45 a.m.	11:45 a.m.
12:15 p.m.	12:15 p.m.	12:30 p.m.	12:30 p.m.
1:00 p.m.	1:00 p.m.	1:15 p.m.	1:15 p.m.
1:45 p.m.	1:45 p.m.	2:00 p.m.	2:00 p.m.
2:30 p.m.	2:30 p.m.	2:45 p.m.	2:45 p.m.
3:15 p.m.	3:15 p.m.	3:30 p.m.	3:30 p.m.

Can I reserve for the spa and pool on the same day?

Yes, we are considering them separate activities and they will have separate reservation websites. Please note that if you choose to reserve them back-to-back we recommend using the spa first because your reservation will end right when the next swim time begins. If you schedule a swim time first you will be asked to leave the pool deck for the 15 minutes until your spa reservation starts.

How can I reserve the spa?

Beginning Monday, February 22 at 9:00 a.m. you can reserve spa times on the Resident Portal or by calling the Swimming Reservation Line at 408-223-4636. The spa will have its own reservation webpage separate from the swimming webpage; you can access it on February 22 by clicking on the "Spa Reservations" Menu option or using the link in the updated "Pool/Spa Re-opening Safety Guidelines." If you need assistance please call the number above.

Golf Three-Household Protocols

Due to the recent state and county updates to outdoor sporting activities, The Villages is adopting a maximum of three households per golf group policy until further notice.

We are doing this to avoid the confusing "Cohort" rules that apply when a group has four or more households within it, and the accompanying administrative costs.

What does this mean?

Four different households are no longer permitted to play in the same golf group, until further notice.

Here are the allowable golf groupings going forward:

1 Couple	1 Household	twosome
2 Couples	2 Households	foursome
1 Couple + 1 Single	2 Households	threesome
1 Couple + 2 Singles	3 Households	foursome
1 Single	1 Household	single golfer
2 Singles	2 Households	twosome
3 Singles	3 Households	threesome

Call the Pro Shop at: 408-274-3220 extension 1, if you have any questions.

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COMMUNITY NEWS

PULSE

Dear Readers:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

I was disappointed that here it is Super Bowl Sunday and there is no putting contest, due to the pandemic. So I decided to have my own contest, and wouldn't you know it—I did so well I won twenty bucks! I'm contributing my winnings to EVF in thanks for all the good work they do. Next Super Bowl Sunday I will be back trying out my putting again and I hope to see you all there.
—David Cook

Disclaimer: This letter is strictly my personal position and is not an opinion from the Association Board, nor has it been endorsed or reviewed by the Association Board.

I was both pleased and surprised when I read the price comparison between The Villages, Silver Creek CC, The Ranch at Silver Creek, San Jose CC, Creek Eatery and the Village Grill.

I didn't think our prices were higher, but seeing the detailed explanations, that we offer soup/salad where they don't, and lower service charges was definitely eye-opening. I have eaten at three of the restaurants listed, and did some spot checking; they were all accurate. The quality of the meals we had at SCCC and the Village Eatery did not come close to matching the Bistro—and cost more (Note: our meals at SCCC were prior to the pandemic, but poor enough quality we had no desire to go back).

We've made it a policy to eat once or twice a week at the Bistro throughout the pandemic (breakfast, lunch and dinner), and have had no complaints. Our dinners have been outstanding, as was the New Year's dinner. We've eaten twice in the new tent, and felt very comfortable, the heaters keeping us warm. Thanks to the Food and Beverage Director—and especially to the Bistro staff. They follow the protocols and remain friendly and efficient during these hard times.
—Anahid Gregg

Pulse letter deadline to change

Your Pulse letters are important to *The Villager* and Village residents. To facilitate our ability to get your letters published in a timely manner we are making a change in the Pulse letter submission deadline. This change will provide reviewers and letter authors more time if changes are needed because the letter is not compliant with Club Rule 1.30.

Beginning the week of March 1, the deadline for Pulse letters will change to 4 p.m. on Thursday of the week prior to publication. We hope that this will result in more Pulse letters printed quickly. Any letters received after the deadline will be reviewed for inclusion in the next edition of *The Villager*. Thank you for your cooperation with this change.

—Communications Advisory Committee (CAC)

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

IN MEMORIAM

Billie Mechanic

May 2, 1930 — February 5, 2021

(Please see obituary in the Classified Advertising section)

Suzanne Delaney

Passed away February 9, 2021

(Please see obituary in the Classified Advertising section)

DEADLINES

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

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

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

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

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

POLICIES

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

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

The Villages Communications Advisory Committee "To inform and connect Villagers" develops operational plans, reviews rules and policies, and advises the General Manager and Club Board on issues pertaining to *The Villager*, including Pulse letters, Channel 26, Fast Lane and the web site. Residents having relevant concerns may attend meetings or call committee members by phone: Chair Barbara Clurman at 347-451-5309, Sue Callahan 408-238-2413, Jeanette Campa 408-661-0203, Debbie Champion at 408-960-6994, Jane Derow 408-440-0665, Patricia Reardon at 408-914-2432, and Nick Yannaccone at 408-219-9296.

HOURS

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

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

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BOARDS & COMMITTEES

- NOTICE -

From The Villages Association

The deadline for nominations for The Villages Association Board of Director candidates for this year's election is March 30, 2021, at 5:00 p.m.

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

(See *Solicitation of Candidates Form* on page 10)

February swim times

Due to the popularity of the Vineyard Pool reservations, on Monday, February 8, an additional morning time slot was added 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!

Stay in touch with essential developments on Fast Lane!

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

There are currently six editions of The Fast Lane: Wednesday (general announcements and board-recognized events), Friday (Board and Committee meeting information), Saturday (Maintenance Services), The Clubhouse & Bistro every Monday, The Pro Shop Tuesday, and Community Activities every Thursday.



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Club Nominating Committee seeks candidates

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

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

If you are interested in being a candidate, and/or need additional information please contact any of the Club Nominating Committee Members: Bill Devincenzi at 408-531-1031, Nick Yannaccone at 408-440-1765 and Jerry Neece at 408-270-2503.

Association/Homeowners documents available via e-mail

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

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

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

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



The *What I Love About The Villages* column is a place where you can share your positive comments about The Villages community. (To be in compliance with VGCC Rule 1.30, please do not name businesses or other commercial, religious or political entities.)

If you have an uplifting comment to share about some aspect of life at The Villages, please email your contribution to Villager Associate Editor Kory Tran: ktran@the-villages.com, Villager Managing Editor Scott Hinrichs: shinrichs@the-villages.com or submit it in the Villager Article Submission area on the Resident Portal: resident.thevillagesgcc.com/villager/artsub/

WHAT I LOVE ABOUT THE VILLAGES

EPC SEZ..

Did you know that The Villages is divided into 25 Sectors, each with an EPC Aid Station, Sector Chiefs and Area Reps to assist you during a disaster? To join the EPC team contact: chair@thevillagesepc.org

—The Villages Emergency Preparedness Committee

Please submit Pulse letters in digital form only

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

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

MANAGEMENT

A Message from the Accounting Office

The Villages Accounting Department would like to remind all of our residents that you have the option to receive your monthly statement via e-mail, the most cost-efficient way to receive your monthly statement. An authorization form will be included with your February statement. If you want to receive your monthly statement by email, please complete the form and return it to the Accounting office. A drop box in the parking lot adjacent to Building A is available to drop off your forms. If you have any questions, please contact Salvador Tlazola at 408-223-4639 or email stlazola@the-villages.com.

Questions for Comcast/Xfinity?

Comcast/Xfinity will resume its customer service appointments to Villages residents on Tuesdays in February 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.

Contributors' Notice: The Villager staff will be reviewing content to make sure it complies with the state public health order. Please avoid describing or depicting activities that violate the public health order.

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PUBLIC SAFETY

Coyote reminder and tips

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

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

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

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

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

Report Coyotes

Villagers are advised to report coyote sightings to Director of Public Safety Steve Norden. To report coyotes, please email location day and time to: snorden@the-villages.com

Telephone Directory distribution

The 2021 Villages Telephone Directory will be delivered the week of February 15.

Missed or damaged books may be replaced without charge for a month after start of delivery. After that, Villages residents may purchase a telephone directory (or extra directories) for \$10 each.

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

Missed your Villager?

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

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

Call 911 for medical emergencies

Public Safety Reminder: In case of a medical emergency, please remember to dial 911 first. Public Safety monitors all emergency calls through San Jose Fire Dispatch. We will respond at the exact same time as the Fire Department and Paramedics. Calling the front gate can only delay response time by emergency personnel. It is always quicker to call 911. It is the only phone call you will need to make.

Pedestrian Safety Reminder:

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



GOVERNANCE MEETINGS

THE DACs

Highland DAC meeting day changed

The next Highland DAC meeting has been moved to Thursday, March 25 (originally scheduled for Tuesday, February 16). More details to come.

AC NOTICE

Association applications for Owner Alteration Requests for the month of March are due to the Architectural Committee on or before February 18, 2021. Call Elissa at the Corporation Yard office to obtain an application. **Meeting date is scheduled for March 4, 2021.**

Association AC Landscape meeting deadline date is **February 18, 2021.**

More COMMUNITY NOTICES

ABOVE & BEYOND

I want to send a special "Thank you!" to the Villages Italian Club for the thoughtful gift delivered to my doorstep wishing a happy Valentine's Day. Your kindness was so appreciated.

— Carla Griffin

BOARD MEETINGS

Three Boards

- The Three Board Meeting Re.: General Liability Insurance Renewal is Thursday, February 25 at 10 a.m. via Zoom Meeting
Meeting ID: 990 3514 3393
Passcode: 288667
Dial: 1-669-900-6833

Association

- The Villages Association Board of Directors Monthly Board Meeting is Tuesday, February 23 at 9:30 a.m. via Zoom Meeting
Meeting ID: 917 8108 3392
Passcode: 223468
Dial: 1-669-900-6833

Club

- The Villages Golf and Country Club Monthly Board Meeting is Tuesday, February 23 at 1:30 p.m. via Zoom Meeting
Meeting ID: 961 5036 4740
Passcode: 260616
Dial: 1-669-900-6833

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

(SRS) SENIOR RESOURCE SERVICES

SRS Announcement: Free tax service appointments

Due to the pandemic, we are only able to offer the free tax service in the Villages on a very limited basis. We have requested approval to operate using a Drop Off service by which taxpayers will drop off their tax documents to our Local Coordinator at 6292 Blauer Lane and pick them up later when the returns are completed. We expect to start on Thursday, March 4 and continue every Thursday until the end of the tax season.

If approved, drop off and pickup will be **by appointment only**. Appointments will be scheduled one taxpayer at the time for 10 minutes' duration. Do not come early as there is limited parking.

To make an appointment, email Alan Waltho at aewaltho@comcast.net . By return email you will be given an appointment time with an attached intake form, which you will print and complete and bring with you to the appointment. If you are unable to use email, call 408-238-3435, but only on Thursday mornings starting February 25.

Don't forget to bring the completed intake form to your appointment along with all of your 2020 tax documents, a list of any estimated payments with their dates, last year's tax return, a voided check if you want direct deposit, your social security number and photo ID. Because the appointment is for only 10 minutes, it is important that you have your data organized.

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 Reminder:

Charity value guide for donated property

You may deduct the fair market value of property you donate to charity on your tax return as an itemized deduction. How do you determine fair market value? The best way is to determine value is what it will sell for in a thrift shop. SRS has a handout titled "Fair Market Value Guide – Noncash Charitable Contributions". The handout date is 2019. Our source only issues a new Guide every other year. Call SRS at 408-239-5253 if you would like a copy e-mailed to you.

The website for The Salvation Army has a list of the price range for items in its stores. Check out the valuation guide at satruck.org; click on Donation Value Guide near the bottom of the first screen.

More BOARDS & COMMITTEES,
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All Clubhouse & Bistro menus can be found at thevillagesgcc.com

WHAT'S COOKING?

theclubhouse@the-villages.com
Clubhouse Restaurant opens Patio dining—Reservations suggested: Outdoor dining is allowed again, according to the county health order. The Clubhouse suggests that you please make dining reservations. The Clubhouse still offers To-Go Grab & Go, Curbside Grab-and-Go and Patio dining.

Online ordering: now available at: clubhouserreservation.com

For Curbside Service: 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.)

Notice: No entry into foyer without facemask.



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

New Menus for Curbside Grab-&-Go pickup and Patio dining

Dining on the Bistro Patio; reservation not required, but suggested

There are three ways to make reservation: Call 223 4687 for auto reservation recording, or go to: Clubhouserreservation.com click "Book a Reservation," or go to: the website, thevillagesgcc.com for the link. Limited seating available.



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.

Soup of the Day



For the week of
2/22 to 2/28

- Monday 2/22** Split Pea
- Tuesday 2/23** Cream of Tomato
- Wednesday 2/24** Chicken and Shiitake Mushroom
- Thursday 2/25** Beef, Vegetable and Barley
- Friday 2/26** Clam Chowder
- Saturday 2/27** Chef's Choice
- Sunday 2/28** 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, or Patio dining.

Patio dining allowed by county order; reservations suggested

Santa Clara County, the Bay Area's first epicenter of the coronavirus pandemic, issued a health order that shut down indoor and outdoor dining after the State of California downgraded the county into the purple tier in December. In response, the Clubhouse Restaurant ceased indoor and outdoor dining out of an abundance of caution and concern for Villages residents.

Recent adjustments to the order now allow for outdoor dining.

The Clubhouse reopened Patio dining, as well as its Grab-and-Go meal options.

Dining on the Patio will take place under the new tent, provided by a generous donation from the Evergreen Villages Foundation (EVF).

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.

Golfer's Delight Lunch Box

Jumbo Hot Dog with choice of beverage

\$10.95 plus 10% service charge and tax

(See page 19 for details)

More CLUBHOUSE on pages 8, 9, 11 & 19

New Menus for Curbside Grab-&-Go pickup & Patio dining

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

All-Day Menu

11 a.m. 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
✓ **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

✓ **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

✓ **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

✓ **Quesadilla \$11.25**
Pico de Gallo, Sour Cream Guacamole
Add Chicken or Steak \$2.00

✓ **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
1. Served raw or undercooked, or contain raw or undercooked ingredients

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

✓ **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

✓ **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
✓ **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
Mustard Aioli Hoagie Roll

Naan Flatbread Pizzas

✓ **Cheese Pizza \$10.25 Pepperoni Pizza \$11.00**

✓ **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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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 time

Jan 2021

**To order Curbside
Grab-and Go**

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

408-370-8553

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

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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

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GF = Gluten Free

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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

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



12:00 & 6:00 a/p
 Fitness with Mwezo

Monday :00 Chair Aerobics
 Friday :24 Bollywood

Tuesday :00 Tai-Chi 8-Form
 Saturday :24 Dynamic Balance

Wednesday :00 Chair Yoga
 Sunday :26 Breathing Exercises

Thursday :00 Aerobics Workout
 :21 Breathing & Meditation

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

Mon, Wed & Fri :00 Strength Training
 :13 Chair Fitness

Tue, Thu & Sat :00 Strength Training
 :13 Cardio Fitness

Sunday :00 How to Stay Motivated

2:00 & 8:00 a/p

ABOD Policy Based Reserves
 Planning, with David Cook

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	Secret Agent + Front Page Detective
TUE	As You Like It + Old Barn
WED	The Capture + The Veil
THU	My Dear Secretary + Ask Dad
FRI	His Double Life + Richard Diamond Private Detective
SAT	Father's Little Dividend + Freedom Highway

SUNDAY VARIETY
 4:00/10:00 AM/PM
 Colgate Comedy Hour
 5:00/11:00 AM/PM
 The Dinah Shore Chevy Show

Club Events & Notices
 Network: Villages Public
 Password: villages

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



The Villages Association Solicitation of Candidates Form

The deadline for nominations for The Villages Association Board of Director candidates for this year's election is March 30, 2021, at 5 p.m.

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

STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY 2021 Election of Directors

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

Member's Name

Property Address(es) within The Villages Association.

Mailing Address, If Different

Daytime Telephone Number

E-mail Address

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

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

Candidates' statements must be received no later than April 23, 2021, in order to be included in the official voting materials. Candidates' statements may be sent to The Villages Association c/o Julia Meadows, Assistant General Manager, 5000 Cribari Lane, San Jose, CA 95135, or jmeadows@the-villages.com.

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



The Villages Association Election Rules

- NOTICE -

From The Villages Association

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ARTICLE 3: Candidates for the Board and Nomination Procedures

3.1 Qualification of Candidates.

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

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

- 3.1.4 If the nominee, if elected, would be serving on the Board at the same time as another owner of the same separate interest and the other person is either properly nominated for the current election or is an incumbent director.
- 3.1.5 If the nominee, at the time of nomination, is delinquent in the payment of regular and/or special assessments. A nominee shall not be considered "delinquent" if the delinquency relates to the payment of fines, fines renamed as assessments, collection charges, late charges, or costs levied by a third party and/or if the nominee: (a) has paid the regular or special assessment under protest; (b) has entered into a payment plan for repayment of the delinquent assessments and is not delinquent in payments due under the plan; or (c) the nominee has requested and has not been provide an opportunity to engage in internal dispute resolution.
- 3.1.6 If the nominee has been a member of the Association for less than one year.
- 3.1.7 If the nominee discloses, or if the Association is aware or becomes aware of, a past criminal conviction that would, if the Member was elected, either prevent the Association from purchasing the fidelity bond coverage required by Civil Code section 5806 or terminate the Association's existing fidelity bond coverage.

3.2 Nominations.

- 3.2.1 Solicitation of Candidates. At least thirty (30) days before the deadline for submitting a nomination, the Association shall provide general notice of the procedure and deadline for submitting a nomination for the Board. Any Member who satisfies the qualifications and is not otherwise prohibited from running for the Board may place their name in nomination for the Board by submitting the nomination before the published deadline for receiving nominations. In addition, the Board may recruit qualified candidates and/or may appoint a nominating committee to nominate qualified candidates.
- 3.2.2 No Write-Ins. No "write-in" candidates shall be permitted on the ballots in the election of directors.

CLUBS & EVENTS

See O. Henry readings this afternoon!



O. Henry is more than a delicious chocolate, nutty candy bar! It's the nom de plume of the famous American short story writer William Sydney Porter.

The Villages Amateur Theatre is pleased to present five of O. Henry's short stories **Friday, February 19**, at 3 p.m. Featuring Tom Carson, Reine Fedor, Connie Hendrickson, Estelle Kabbani, Nancy Keane, Elsa and/or Tom McLaughlin, Nancy and Larry Miller, Sally Otton, Shirley Roberts, Marilyn and Bill Rodman and Geri Zeri, the audience will experience unexpected emotions as these talented people read O. Henry's works.

The language in these stories represents colloquial phrases used by New York residents in the early 1900s. For example, "Bully, Girl!" means "Well done, Girl!". And "to the mustard" means excellent!

This performance will be a fun diversion from "lock down" and vaccines, so please register to attend the production by typing the following URL link into your browser: tinyurl.com/ohenrystories. Once you have registered, you will receive an e-mail with the information on how to get access to the zoom Matinee Theatre event.

Hiking Club to host Greenbelt Alliance

The Villages Hiking Club February meeting will feature a presentation by Justin Wang, the Advocacy Manager for the Greenbelt Alliance. The meeting will be live on Zoom on Monday, February 22 at 7:30 p.m. and the program will follow a short Hiking Club business meeting. The sign-in information will be at the end of this article.



The Greenbelt Alliance is a non-profit land conservation and urban planning entity. Its mission is to address a single challenge: how the Bay Area handles growth. It assists in shaping the rules that govern growth to protect the region's open spaces and to ensure neighborhoods within our cities and towns are amazing places for everyone. It has been working in the nine-county San Francisco Bay Area since 1958. For further information, visit greenbelt.org

Justin is a lifelong South Bay resident who, after attending UCLA and a year of service with the Jesuit Volunteer Corps at a conservation corps in Oakland, realized that the Bay area's vibrant natural landscapes were some of the region's most critical, and vulnerable resources. Determined to make a difference, Justin joined Greenbelt, first as an intern, then working his way up to become the organization's Advocacy Manager.

Currently, he is working on various initiatives to further climate resilience by addressing our water needs. He is working with developers to ensure that their projects are Climate SMART (Smart, Mixed Use, Affordable, Resilient, and Transit-Oriented). He is also working with the City of San Jose to reform their parking policy – making sure that equity is considered while furthering environmentally beneficial policies.

Hiking Club members will receive their Zoom sign-in details via email on the Saturday prior to the meeting. Non-members are welcome to attend by starting their free Zoom application, selecting "join a meeting" and entering: Meeting ID: 595 920 1234 and password: TakeAHike.

Rev. Jethroe Moore to speak on Black History Month

The Democratic Club is delighted to announce that the Reverend Jethroe (Jeff) Moore will be "coming" to The Villages on February 23 at 2 p.m. and will talk to us on "Beyond Words: Doing Justice."

Reverend Moore has presided over the San Jose Silicon Valley NAACP for the last seven years. He has had extensive training in diversity and issues of multiculturalism.

As a fitting conclusion to Black History Month, Reverend Moore will be sharing with us his experience as a Black Person involved in pursuing justice for all members of Society. He is eminently qualified to speak on this with an impressive and long list of organizations and groups to which he has committed his time and energy.

Reverend Moore has seen first-hand the problems of injustice and bias that still haunt our Country. He sees the positive side of things with a personal "Mission Statement": "If you see an injustice, you should step up and speak out for justice; many others have paid the price for our comfort: We must do our part. Freedom is not free."

Join us by webinar on February 23 to hear from our Black History Month speaker, The Reverend Jethroe Moore.

For information on joining the webinar contact Tony Berg at anthonyberg@gmail.com or Bob Lapidus on 703-967-3627



Senior Academy: Exploring the Norwegian Coast



All along the Norwegian coast you will find magnificent granite mountains and beautiful natural scenery. Senior Academy will be hosting John Trudeau on Thursday, February 25 at 2 p.m., taking us on a photo tour exploring the coast of Norway.

We will begin our adventure in the city of Oslo, travel across the Norwegian countryside and reach the North Sea coast at Bergen, with its classic sea harbor hosting many Tall Ships. From there we will travel up the coast on the "Hurtigruten," visiting coastal towns, some magnificent fjords, and the scenic Lofoten Islands. We will stop at the northernmost medieval Gothic cathedral in Trondheim, go to the northernmost point of Europe, and over the top of Europe to the Russian border with Norway. Following that will be a visit to a Sami reindeer farm in Finland and a quick visit to Helsinki on the way home. Dress warmly; we'll be going way above the Arctic Circle on this trip!

John Trudeau is an active Villager, a frequent hiker, and enthusiastic traveler. He gets considerable enjoyment from photographing nature and the great outdoors on his travels. He has presented travel lectures here at The Villages, at various travel groups at Bay Area libraries, and for Osher Life-Long Learning (OLLI) at Santa Clara University, UC Santa Cruz, and UC Santa Clara.

Pre-registration with Zoom is required for this event, and can be done at the Senior Academy website at VillagesSA.org. The event is free for Senior Academy members and there is a \$5 fee for non-members.

The Clubhouse

Online Meal Ordering

A fast and convenient way to order meals from The Clubhouse

To help streamline the process of ordering, The Clubhouse will now have, in addition to phone orders, an online meal ordering system. The system will be a fast and easy way for guests to choose meals and pickup times for their orders. This will also be a great way for golfers to order a meal from their phone while on the course.

Go to: Clubhouserreservation.com
for online orders

Active now!

Phone

Tablet

Desktop

More CLUBS

Arts and Crafts Profile: Wendy Ledamun

By Michael Sunzeri



If you've lived in The Villages for any amount of time, you've probably met Wendy Ledamun or participated in the many activities that she actively supports including coordinating afternoon and evening Bingo for the VMA, organizing social events for the Hiking Club, and lending a hand at Community Activities Events. Recently Wendy became a member of the Verano DAC and she currently

works with the Sustainable Villages Club on a household battery disposal program in Verano!

Wendy grew up in Connecticut and moved to California in 1981 as part of GE's new business acquisition/integration team.

In 2011, Wendy moved to The Villages from Willow Glen for an interim stay before permanently retiring to Florida. Fast forward to 2013. Newly retired, Wendy decided on The Villages and bought a condo in Cribari. She joined the Swingers Long-9 golf group and VACA, Villages Arts and Crafts. If you ever attended our Tuesday Night Coloring Parties, VinoPaint, Cardmaking with Brenda, Paint Your Pet with Stacey or Mosaic Workshops with Nancy Meyer, just thank Wendy! She coordinated these events for several years. Wendy enjoys all things "artsy crafty" be it watercolor, acrylics, coloring, finger-painting, glass mosaics, needlework, knitting, copper foil, or card-making. Her true passion, though, is cooking and entertaining! View this artistic food presentation.



Wendy and her partner, Rich, met at The Villages and moved to Verano in 2017 where they enjoy life with their cats, Ella and Charlie, mixing in a little Bocce, Hiking, and Biking. Seek her out as she is a wealth of knowledge to talk with.

Update on Solar Tax Credit for 2021

By the Sustainable Villages Club

Burning coal, oil and natural gas for heat and electricity accounts for roughly 75 percent of U.S. greenhouse gas emissions. These energy sources contribute to rising global temperatures and sea levels, changes in weather patterns and other symptoms now recognized as associated with climate change.



Renewable alternatives, such as wind power and solar power, reduce the footprint caused by these fossil fuels. There are several financial incentives for commercial and residential use of renewable energy, including the federal solar tax credit.

So, if you are thinking about installing solar panels, you can still take advantage of the substantial Investment Tax Credit, also called the federal solar tax credit. The current federal solar tax credit guidelines were extended through 2022 as part of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, signed in December 2020. That is good news for anyone interested in getting a residential solar panel set up in the next couple years at the same 26 percent tax credit as 2020.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact Maxine Amundson or visit the Sustainable Villages Club Website at sustainablevillagesclub.org.

Free 'Farewell to Falls' workshop

About one in four people over the age of 65 fall each year. There are many reasons for falling, but it doesn't need to be an inevitable part of aging. On Thursday, February 25, 2021 at 11 a.m. the VMA will sponsor a Zoom meeting on how to reduce your risk of falling. The workshop will be led by Ellen Corman who is an Injury Prevention and Community Engagement Manager for the Trauma Service at Stanford Health Care. She has over 20 years' experience working in the area of injury prevention. She will discuss the multiple factors such as balance, medications, vision, and home safety that contribute to falls and give tips that will contribute to safely staying upright.

If you would like to join this workshop, please contact Bonnie Grim at 408-238-4029 or e-mail her at bgrim@sequoialiving.org.

Brandeis: 30th Anniversary of Authors Presentation

For 29 years, Silicon Valley's premier Literary Event—the Brandeis-sponsored Book and Author/ Lunch with the Authors afternoon—has been the yearly highlight of our Literary calendar.

This year, when so many other events had to cancel, our 30th Anniversary presentation—"Close Encounters with the Authors"—has been expanded into a three-day online presentation. You can choose to attend one, two or all three sessions:

March 2: Fiction authors Kate Quinn and Susan Meissner. Moderator: author, Elayne Klasson.

March 16: Mystery and Nonfiction authors Robert Dugoni and Rachel Levin. Moderator: author Ann Bridges.

March 23: Children's authors Gennifer Choldenko and Ori Gutin. Moderator: author Larry Gerston.

Zoom entrance is from 3 to 3:15 p.m. Authors will speak from 3:15 to 4:30 p.m. and will be taking questions. Once again, Hicklebee's Bookstore is offering a discount to participants.

Brandeis members will receive their invitations by email. Non-members are welcome and should request an invitation with additional information about the authors by emailing mindy.frankel@gmail.com. Reservations are requested by February 22.

New 'Mining Your Memories' class

This class, "Mining Your Memories," will provide the tools to help tell the stories of your life to share with your family and friends. Beginners, and all writing levels are welcome. We will start by identifying life experiences for an event to describe effectively—what people said or did, and most importantly, how it all made you feel. You may find ideas in your memories, photographs, letters, cards, or relics from the past.

This memory will be written to stand alone. Keep in mind that one positive experience may spark even more memories for additional stories.



Barb Gottesman

The class is limited to 6 participants who will write one or two paragraphs developed and read during our Zoom meetings. Claudia Welch and Barb Gottesman will offer their gentle insights to help bring your memories to life on the page. No pre-work or assignments are required—other than mining your own memories for ideas. This class could be a pathway for further development of stories for those who are interested. Our goal is to help you get started weaving a tapestry of stories from the threads of your life experiences.

Claudia has been writing childhood memories for several years. Her previous writing experience is in marketing, advertising and executive presentations. Barb has written many articles and has published four books. This class meets via Zoom on Wednesdays, March 3 to March 24, 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. Fee: \$10. Register for this class at barb.gottesman@gmail.com



Claudia Welch

Become a Climate Reality Leader—free program

By Rita Marcojohn, Sustainable Villages Club

The Sustainable Villages Club recommends the Climate Reality Leader Corps program, which has developed over 10,000 leaders from around the world. The free professionally delivered program offers participants a deep dive into the climate crisis and the challenges facing our planet today. The immersive, virtual nine-day program combines live two-hour presentations by Climate experts with free time for independent study. You will hear from experienced change-agents committed to raising awareness of the threats to our environment and to change behaviors compromising future of life on this planet.



The program begins April 22. You can take it from your home using the Climate Reality platform and technology. The technology used to present this program is impressive, effective, and enjoyable. Their training platform creates seamless transitions from auditorium-style live presentations to localized, breakouts for discussion-group study. You will enjoy the experience and the knowledge gain.

Contact Bill DeVincenzi, the President and Founder of the Sustainable Villages Club, for more information and help signing up for the program. Bill is a Climate Reality Leader and will be your mentor should you decide to sign up for this program. Visit climateralityproject.org/apply/virtual-us-training for more information. Become a Climate Reality Leader!

VMA: Will you help?

Are you looking to volunteer and contribute to a wonderful organization? Well, look no further! The VMA would love to have new people join them in their mission to help Villagers. From loaning medical equipment, running educational workshops and support groups, driving people to medical appointments (not during COVID) to name a few, the VMA is an organization aimed at helping all of us. If you have time to give to something that benefits every Villager, the VMA would love to have you and your ideas as part of their board. In particular, if there is anyone out there who has Webmaster experience please consider sharing your knowledge with the VMA. To talk about how you might contribute please call Mattie Alesi at 408-239-0513.

VMA: Do you need equipment?

Did you know that if you are ill or have had surgery the VMA has equipment to loan that you might need? Always available are items such as wheelchairs, walkers, commodes, canes, disposable bed pads and rails, to name a few. These can be delivered to your house. Just call the VMA office at 408-238-4230, leave your request with your name, phone number, and a volunteer will call you back to arrange for delivery. Occasionally, the VMA receives large donations from residents, such as electric wheelchairs and hospital beds. Although the VMA cannot deliver these items they are available to Villagers if they can arrange to get the items from point A to point B. So before you buy or rent a large item, call Bonnie Grim at 408-238-4029 to see what might be available.

Meditate with the Global Village Club

The Global Village Club wants to invite you to join us on Zoom every Wednesday at 7 p.m. for a **meditation** session. Contact Darlene Korb at 408-268-8337 or darlenekorb@gmail.com for more information.

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****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 25** at 10:30 a.m. If interested in attending via Zoom please contact Judy at judithlondon@sbcglobal.net or call 408-784-3325.

Stanford's Farewell to Falls presented by Ellen Corman, Manager of Injury Prevention and Community Engagement. Thursday, **February 25** at 11 a.m. To register, email Bonnie at bgrim@sequoialiving.org or call 408-238-4029 and leave your email address.

Coming in March

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


Senior Care Consulting: Certified Senior Advisor and owner, Roxana Dumitrescu will present "Senior Living Communities and Covid-19." Wednesday March 17 at 10:30 a.m. To register email Bonnie at bgrim@sequoialiving.org or call 408-238-4029 and leave your email address.

With Grace Hospice: Meds Matter presented by Sabine Haas RN. Wednesday March 24 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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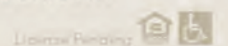
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RELIGION

EPISCOPAL

Invitation to a Holy Lent

By The Rev. Julia McCray-Goldsmith

This is a Lent like no other, at least not in our lifetimes. And it's not as if we need any more reminders of our mortality during this long season of pandemic! But this year, especially, reminds me that being mortal is not just about grief and loss. Even if there's more than enough of those to go around. Mortality—symbolized by ashes—reminds us that we are limited and finite, which is the very human truth that draws us to the infinite limitlessness of God. Who is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love.

Lent offers us an invitation to turn to our gracious God in prayer frequently. That's how God's inevitable grace becomes real for us, I think: in the daily-ness of returning and receiving God's love. Which I recognize especially when I try to practice the "self-examination and repentance; prayer, fasting, and self-denial; reading and meditating on God's holy Word" (Book of Common Prayer, p. 265) that this season calls us to. I do these, I struggle to do these, I fail at them. And in each case, I find myself drawn closer to the Lord who is right there in the midst of our struggles, and whom we know in the fullness of His self-gift.

My invitation to a Holy Lent? Give it your best, which need not be perfection. That's God's role! And through these 40 days, may you rediscover that it's not about what you do or don't do, but rather about how much God longs to meet you more than halfway. Even while we are far off, as the Prodigal Son has taught us, our Father sees us, and is filled with compassion.

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

Reflection on Sunday's Readings, by Joe Cabrido, Deacon Candidate:

Whenever I'm frustrated with an electronic gadget that stops cooperating with me, I cycle power or reset it to make it work again. Aren't we glad that God doesn't reset humanity when we don't cooperate with Him? In today's first reading, God made a covenant with Noah to never again "destroy all bodily creatures by the waters of a flood."

Though our biblical ancestors kept on violating this covenant, God knew we were worth saving and chose instead to enter the messiness of our world through the Incarnation of Jesus. Being fully human, God experiences what we experience. Emerging from his own struggles in his forty-day test in the desert, Jesus understands our daily tests with the reality of evil, the devil. St. Ignatius calls it "the enemy of our human nature" which is the voice that we hear that turns us away from God. We shouldn't let the noise of evil drown out God's voice. Entering the first week of Lent, Jesus invites us to bring our fears, secrets and weaknesses to God. May we be transformed to glorify and thank God who chose to save us, rather than destroy us.

Saturday Vigil and Sunday Masses: As long as there is no rain, Sunday Masses in the Memorial Garden have resumed. Please make your reservation. Masses will be on Saturday at 4:30 p.m.; Sunday at 8 am, 10 am and 12 p.m. Mass in Vietnamese will be on Saturday at 6:30 p.m. and Sunday at 4 p.m. Indoor Masses will be held at 9 and 11 a.m. on Sundays. Check the parish website for possible changes in the location of the Masses.

Daily Mass will continue to be live streamed each morning at 8:30 a.m.

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.

COMMUNITY CHAPEL

'Healing Words'

By Pastor Bill Hayden

Over the past years we have been exposed to so many hurtful words that have been spoken about others. Sometimes people feel empowered to say anything about a person without any concept of the irreparable damage that it can cause to the individual receiving it. If a person is dealing with low self-esteem issues, they can be pushed over the edge and bring harm to themselves or others.

It's becoming too common to hear about a young person being bullied and taking out their anger on others or resorting to suicide because of rejection. It is even worse when adults do this to others, which allows them to feel better about their own individual brokenness. As the saying goes, "Hurt people...hurt people!"

Is it too much to expect a broken person to understand that we all come from the same broken fabric? As much as we aspire perfection from ourselves and demand it from others, we are all subject to the imperfection of being a human being in a world under condemnation. Every living thing has been given limitations upon this earth, including the earth itself.

Each person is uniquely connected and is given the responsibility of caring for each other, as well as sharing this place where we live and breathe together. There is one earth and one people of many nations that have been placed here to make life beautiful for each other in our broken state of being.

Is there any person who desires not to be loved, accepted and to be forgiven, especially when asked from a humbled heart? When our paths intersect, how often do we wonder about the other person's welfare, or if we can bring a little joy into their lives?

Since, we all are broken people, let us use our words to bring encouragement, comfort, peace, joy and love to each other because we know not, the number of our days left here on Earth.

Proverbs 12:25 NKJV "Anxiety in the heart of man causes depression, But a good word makes it glad." **Proverbs 16:24 NKJV** "Kind words are like honey—sweet to the soul and healthy for the body."

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

May God bless all of you with good health!

JEWISH GROUP

By Arnold Pinck

Below is the ninth and last installment of Jewish Migration to the US (If you would like the complete list, email me at arnoldpinck@gmail.com):

42. After an appeal from a New York judge, Nathan Perlman, Jewish gangster Meyer Lansky and members of Murder Inc. broke up Nazi rallies around the city for over a year, with the one stipulation that there be no killing.

43. Lines of a sonnet by Sephardic poet Emma Lazarus, who was born in New York City in 1847, are inscribed on the pedestal of the Statue of Liberty.

44. The house that stands at 770 Eastern Parkway in the Crown Heights neighborhood of Brooklyn is the center and spiritual home of the Chabad-Lubavitch movement. Formerly inhabited by Chabad's late leader Menachem Mendel Schneerson, Lubavitchers have built replicas of the building all over the world to serve as movement outposts.

45. The first Reform congregation in New York City, Temple Emanu-El, was founded in 1845 by 33 mostly German Jews, and moved to its present location in 1929. Members have included Joan Rivers and Michael Bloomberg.

46. As large numbers of German Jews fleeing Nazi persecution made their homes in Washington Heights in the mid-1930s, the area was dubbed "Frankfurt on the Hudson."

47. Sweet 'n' Low was invented in 1957 in Brooklyn by Benjamin Eisenstaedt.

48. Bronx-born Steve Karmen wrote the jingle "I Love NY." Bronx-born Milton Glaser designed the "I LOVE NY" logo in 1977.

49. Eight Hasidic dynasties are headquartered in the Borough Park neighborhood of Brooklyn.

50. Outside of Israel, New York City is home to the largest population of Jews in the world.

The Villages Jewish Group welcomes Ms. Lael Grey as guest speaker at our February 19th services. Ms. Grey moved to the Bay Area in June 2019 to serve as CEO of the Addison-Penzak Jewish Community Center and to oversee the merger of that organization with the Jewish Federation of Silicon Valley. She also serves on the Board of Directors of the JCC Association of North America and on the Advisory Board of Taube Philanthropies. Prior to moving to Los Gatos Lael was Executive Director of the Asheville North Carolina JCC. Lael and her husband Jeff and they are enjoying their new home.

Lael will discuss the mission and vision of the new Jewish Silicon Valley and how the new agency will partner with others in the community to best serve Jewish life in the Bay Area. Services will be led by our dynamic Rabbi Laurie Matzkin on Zoom beginning at 7:15 p.m. A link to the services will be sent to all Jewish Group members. All Villagers are welcome to attend. Contact Marilyn Goldsmith for the link.

For information about Jewish Family Service (JFS), contact Dee Garfinkle, 954-806-5493 and for the Second Harvest Food Bank, Joyce Mendel 408-238-7316.

If you would like more information about the Villages Jewish Group, contact Joyce Mendel at emendel2@gmail.com.

Stay healthy and remember our next Shabbat Service is February 19.

SPORTS NEWS

SWINGERS

By Diane Nelson

News: On Friday, February 5, Charlotte Waugh sank a 75-foot chip-in on hole 14! I'm sure you could hear her screaming like everyone else nearby. It was extremely exciting, the ball seemed to roll forever...very slowly and then dropped into the hole. Witnesses include Joy Rem, Connie Fortner and Linda Lamanno.

And more...During the **Fore the Love of Golf Tournament** on February 9, Mary Wagle had a chip-in on Hole #8 for a *par!*

Congratulations to Mary and Charlotte!

Golf Trivia: What golfer was known as "The Golden Bear"? (See answer below.)

Unplayable Lie: If you're in a situation where you don't think you can play your ball (such as: ball lands in the middle of the 150-yard Cypress Tree), you have the option of taking relief under the unplayable ball rule. The player is the only person who can decide if their ball is unplayable, and this can be done anywhere on the course except when your ball lies in a penalty area. If your ball lies in a penalty area, your only relief option is to take relief under the penalty area rule.

When you decide that your ball is unplayable, you have three relief options, all for one penalty stroke. (1) Go back to the spot of your previous stroke and play again. (2) Go back as far as you'd like and drop on the line from the hole through the spot where the ball lies. (3) Drop anywhere within two club-lengths of where your ball lies, no closer to the hole.

If your ball lies in a bunker, you must remain inside the bunker under options two and three. You also have a fourth option for an extra penalty stroke (two penalty strokes total) which allows you to go back on the line and drop your ball outside the bunker.

Coming up next month: Swingers' Spring General Meeting on March 9. Watch the Swingers9.org website for a flyer with details about this fun event.

Trivia Answer: Jack Nicklaus, considered by many critics to be the greatest golfer of all time.

SHONIS

By Fran Schumaker

Hello to everyone reading this article. This week I am going to talk about a new tradition that the Shonis have started for our members.

Several weeks ago, the Shonis played what we called the Star Game. Every player got to star out their worst hole and add up the other 8 holes to get their net. It was great fun and let's face it, there is usually one hole you wish you could do over. Our fun committee decided that it would be really nice to have something to recognize our members' birthdays while playing golf.

Thus the Birthday Game was born. Shonis submit the birthdays to Co-captain Lil Yamada, who keeps a record of them. Every month she lets us know who will be playing the Star Game on the fourth Tuesday of the month. January's game was rained out, so it was moved to this week.

Our birthday ladies for January were Bonnie Evans and Kathleen Benz. For these two ladies the game was indeed special. Each one came in first in their respective flights—Kathleen with a net of 17 and Bonnie with a net of 18. Happy Birthday to you both. Honorable mention also goes to Nanci Newell and Jonna Robinson. Both had birdies on hole #8. Jonna's was a 42 foot pitch-in. Way to go, ladies!

Next week I will write about another tradition of the Shonis. If you are interested in knowing more about our Shoni traditions you can call me at 408-355-3270.

Have a great week. Take care and stay safe.

18-HOLE WOMEN

By Chris Leisy

This month we were able to have Captain's Trophy and a Valentine Tournament. They were so successful that we will now have two tournaments a month. On March 4 is Captain's Trophy. After golf, at 3 p.m., there will be a Zoom General Meeting. On March 25, Judy Owen is planning a Beat the Pro. Look forward to more exciting tournaments in the months to follow.

As most of you know due to the recent State & County updates to outdoor sporting activities and COVID-19; The Villages will be adopting a maximum of three households per golf group policy. Four different households are no longer permitted to play in the same golf group.

Here are the allowable golf groupings:

Foursome: 2 Couples, 2 Households

Threesome: 1 Couple + 1 Single, 2 Households

Foursome: 1 Couple + 2 Singles, 3 Households

Single Golfer: 1 Single, 1 Household

Twosome: 2 Singles, 2 Households

Threesome: 3 Singles, 3 Households

You can sign up two weeks in advance between 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. On team tournament play days, threesomes only.

This is going to be a great year playing golf with this great group of women.

PICKLEBALL

Pickleball Q&A Part 1

By Anahid Gregg

There have been some questions asked of the Pickleball Club about how to play and why certain rules are in place. We thought we'd clear up some questions.

1. Why do I have to sign up to play?

Just like Tennis & Bocce, reservations are required and use an online system: yourcourts.com. You can apply for an account there, or email pickleballvgcc@gmail.com for assistance. Also, we are required to track all players for contact tracing purposes.

2. Why do we have to have Designated Participants?

DPs are required by Santa Clara County. We love our DPs, they are wonderful volunteers, without whom we would not be playing. No one can enter the courts until they are cleared by the DP, who asks about COVID symptoms, makes sure everyone uses hand sanitizers and is wearing masks.

3. When can I sign up to play?

Members can reserve one week out, non-members three days out. Until COVID restrictions are lifted, you have to reserve at least one day in advance because we have to print the DP sheets each morning.

Pickleball demos are available to help you learn how to play! Contact Mike Walias at mjw0275@yahoo.com.

PINSEEKERS

By Jack Bindon

The sun finally showed itself late in the round but it was soon enough for some good scores. My first day back, I wasn't one of them. It's hard to come back from a triple bogie on the first hole.

Our weekly winners with some very fine scores were:

First place, Leighton Horio with an excellent net 32.

Second place, David Cook was close behind with a net 34.

Third place, Don Lee finished with a very good net 35.

I'm finding the weather here to be a drastic change from the desert. I felt like I was dressing to go ice fishing. That's my excuse for a not so good start but, hopefully, I'll get acclimated. The new strict protocol for threesomes is going to be a challenge in registration each week. I understand this is being dictated by the County so don't throw rocks at the staff. I'm sure they are as frustrated as we are... but somehow the message needs to get to the county to ease up. We have been advocating a rotation of players together so we get to know each other better. This signup procedure goes in the face of that. We have some work to do!

Golf instruction is back!

Pursuant to the new protocols sent out last Friday by the Santa Clara County Public Health Emergency Operations Center; golf instruction is again now permitted as long as both instructor and student wear face coverings and maintain a safe social distance throughout the lesson.

Golf Lesson Contact Information:

Contact **PGA Instructor Tim Flanagan** at flanagolf@aol.com or 408-209-4653

Contact **PGA Director of Golf Scott Steele** at ssteele@the-villages.com or 408-274-3220

Couples Special—two for the price of one! 45-minute couples lesson with Tim or Scott for \$50!

MEN'S GOLF CLUB



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

Due to the recent State & County updates to outdoor sporting activities and COVID-19, we are now back in the "Purple Tier" and there is not much to post at this time. There are some exciting things in the works that will hopefully come to fruition, and we will keep you updated as soon as solid information becomes available.

So Which Tees Do I Use? It depends. Are you still trying to convince yourself that you can hit it as far as you did when you were younger? (It's not you...they have been moving the fence on the driving range farther back for years) Are you tired of trying to hit the green in regulation by hitting fairway woods or rescue clubs? We all would agree that it is much more enjoyable to be able to reach all or most of the par 3s, par 4s, and par 5s in regulation.

Men's Club member Jim Seymour did some research and found an article that recommends using a formula, (your well struck driver distance) X 28, to determine which tees you should be hitting from. Here are the recommendations for The Villages golf course:

Driver	x28	Tee #	Yards
240	6720	#5	6630
220	6160	#4	6306
200	5600	#3	5701
180	5040	#2	4935
160	4480	#1	4031

For example, a player that drives the ball 200 yards playing from tees that are approximately 5600 yards should have a more enjoyable round playing from the #3 tees on our course. Consider the distance of your "well struck drive" and do the math. Something to definitely think about.

Golf Thoughts: "The only sure rule in golf is he who has the fastest cart never has to play the bad lie." – Mickey Mantle



TENNIS TALK

By Shelley Schlender

In memory of M.A. Sridhar

The tennis great Andre Agassi once said, "Tennis uses the language of life. Advantage, service, fault, break, love, the basic elements of tennis are those of everyday existence, because every match is a life in miniature."

The tennis play of Villages resident M.A. Sridhar is a clue that he lived a very good life. Cool, calm, with a sense of peace around him, is how M.A.'s friend Rajeev Singh recalls M.A. on the tennis court. "He was always at ease," Rajeev said. "I never heard him get annoyed...unless he didn't get his serve right."

M.A. died suddenly on February 4. He was 64 and seemed to be the picture of health, so it was a shock to friends, both here and around the world. M.A. is survived by two daughters in their 20s, who live in the Bay Area, and by his brother and mother, who live in India. Villages tennis friends recall M.A. as an all-around good guy and one of the better players.

In the broader Game of Life, M.A. was a brilliant computer scientist with a Bachelor's in Engineering in the University of Bangalore, Master's in Computer Science from the prestigious Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore and a Ph.D. from the University of Wisconsin, Madison. He also worked as a top tenured Professor in the University of South Carolina before moving to the Bay Area and working as a programmer par excellence in Cisco and HP. He wrote books on computer programming. In 2011, M.A. founded Apsona. His incredible programming skills and solutions to complex problems led to a series of analytical apps on the Salesforce.com platform that help consultants and thousands of users worldwide.

For the Villages Tennis Club, M.A. combined his computer skills, his sense of Service and Love of tennis, to give a Break and an Advantage to the Tennis Club website. He updated that website and transformed the reservation system into an easy, online way to "Book a Court" from home. Friends say M.A.'s efforts revolutionized the ability to sign up for tennis. M.A. did all this work as a volunteer.

M.A.'s lifelong friend and fellow Villages tennis player, Narasimha Krishna (aka Norman), is organizing a Zoom Remembrance for M.A. The tennis club will publish the Zoom remembrance date on the Villages Tennis page.

The club is naming one of the Tennis Club scholarships in honor of M.A. As you may know, the Tennis Club donates four, \$3,000 scholarships, to four high school tennis playing students (one scholarship each) to be used for college or a trade school. M.A. loved playing against tennis youth when they came to The Villages, and of course playing in the Scholarship tournament. M.A.'s family has confirmed that his Villages friends can make a special donation to the Tennis Club Scholarship in lieu of flowers. Having a scholarship in M.A.'s name will be a great celebration of his life!

Donations may be made by check to: "Tennis Club Scholarship" "In honor of M. A. Sridhar." Either mail your check or put it in the tube at 8349 Riesling Way, San Jose, CA 95135



Remember someone with a gift to the TC Scholarship

A great way to honor a loved one is with a gift to the Tennis Club Scholarship. The Scholarship is for graduating seniors from Silver Creek High School. Simply mail your check to "Tennis Club Scholarship," 5000 Cribari Lane, San Jose CA 95135. An acknowledgement will be sent.

IRONMEN

By Bill Travis

The Ironmen are currently playing every Thursday afternoon beginning at 1:00PM and every eight 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 COVID rules regarding masks and social gathering.

This Thursday, February 11, 2021 was overcast but mild, really a perfect day for golf. We had a great turnout and the results are as follows:

First place there was a two-way tie between Patrick McMordie and Lee Thompson, each with a net score of 25.

Second place there was three-way tie among David Cook, Dave Hathaway, and Bill Travis, each with a net score of 27.

Third place there was a two-way tie between Floyd Boyer and Roger Pyle, each with a net score of 28.

There were two birdies today: Dave Cook on hole 9, and Bill Travis on hole 8.

Deep thoughts:

"The secret of good golf is to hit the ball hard, straight, and not too often." - Anonymous

"Golf is played with a number of striking implements more intricate in shape than those used in any form of recreation except dentistry." - E.V. Knox, magazine editor

BOCCE NEWS



By Marcy Boyles

Four old men were playing bocce one day when an angel of healing appeared at the end of the court.

When the astonished men had settled down enough to speak, the first man asked the angel humbly, "I've suffered from back pain ever since I took shrapnel in the Vietnam War and can hardly bend over to throw the ball. Could you help me?" "Of course," the angel said, and when he touched the man's back, the man felt relief for the first time in years.

The second man who wore very thick glasses said he has a hard time seeing the pallino and bocce balls. He asked if the angel could do anything about his poor eyesight. The angel smiled, removed the man's glasses and took his glass of wine from him. When she rubbed some wine on his eyes, the man's eyes cleared and he could see everything distinctly.

The third man said he had arthritis so bad in his hand that he could hardly hold a bocce ball. The angel took his hand and touched each finger and then threw a ball to him which he caught easily.

When the angel turned to the fourth man, he quickly raised his hands out defensively toward the angel. "Don't touch me!" he cried, "I'm on a disability pension."

A little Bocce History: Bocce is a word stemming from the Latin, Bottica, a direct root word. Bocce Ball was first documented in a 5200 BC painting of two boys playing which was discovered by an English scientist, Sir Francis Petrial, in an Egyptian tomb.

Now you know, and when you are on Jeopardy... More history to come. Stay tuned.

Golf Course Walking Hours

Always remember that the golf course is for golf play. Walking is 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.

Three-household protocols...

(Continued from front page)

Chelsea/Tee Times

All prior Chelsea reservations made for the week of February 15 through 18 will be wiped out and the tee sheets rebuilt.

We will be returning to eight-minute tee time increments to allow more groups per day and to keep revenues flat.

Chelsea will be available starting this Friday, February 12 at 9 p.m. for the following dates:

- Monday 2/15
- Tuesday 2/16
- Wednesday 2/17
- Thursday 2/18
- Friday 2/19
- Saturday 2/20

Tee time reservations will be limited to one week in advance

Tee sheets will be audited one week prior to assure that a maximum of three households are represented in each booking.

Tee times will remain 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. until Daylight Saving Time begins on March 14 and then the last tee time will move to 4 p.m.

Single golfers will not be able to book on Chelsea, they must phone the Pro Shop for a tee time at: 408-274-3220 extension 1.

All golfers MUST have a reservation—we will no longer accept walk-in play

Same-day reservations have been disabled on Chelsea

Same-day reservations can be made by calling the Pro Shop at: 408-274-3220 extension 1.

COVID-19 Self-Health Check Acknowledgement

Until further notice, all golfers playing on the golf course or practicing at the Driving Range must sign the Golf COVID-19 Self-Health Check Acknowledgement Form that will be located at a designated sign in table near the range/practice green. By signing this daily form, all golf facility participants are confirming that they have not been exposed to COVID-19 nor do they personally have COVID-19 or any of the following symptoms:

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defined as a temperature at or above 100.4 degrees Fahrenheit. | Headache
that cannot be attributed to another health condition. |
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| Fatigue | Nausea or vomiting |
| Muscle or body aches | Diarrhea
that cannot be attributed to another health condition |

This procedure is currently being followed for all other Villages outdoor activities including tennis, pickleball and bocce.

If anyone forgets to sign the form before they tee off, our marshal will locate your group on the golf course and ask that you sign the form at the turn.

Completion of the form is mandatory – no exceptions.

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The Golf COVID-19 self-health check acknowledgement form




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FROM THE PRO



By Scott Steele, PGA Head Golf Professional

New COVID-19 Golf Protocols—Pursuant to the new protocols sent out last Friday by the Santa Clara County Public Health Emergency Operations Center; all those participating in outdoor sports including golf, tennis, pickleball, bocce ball, walking and jogging **must wear a mask at all times**. Only participants who are unable to wear a face covering for a medical or disability-related reason are exempt from this requirement.

To quote Santa Clara County...Mandatory Directive for Youth and Adult Recreational Athletic Activities

Face Covering Requirements – For adult recreational athletic activities involving more than one household, all participants must wear face coverings at all times while participating in the activity, except that participants may remove their face coverings while engaged in activities in the water. These participants must put their face coverings back on as soon as they leave the water.

Golf Pro Shop Hours—Please remember that the Pro Shop is open daily from 7 a.m.- 3 p.m. unless we close early due to severe inclement weather. On Mondays we are open from 10 a.m.- 2 p.m. If you call before or after hours or on a rainy day; please leave us a voicemail message and we will facilitate upon return. Thank you!

Golf Instruction Is Back! Pursuant to the new protocols sent out last Friday by the Santa Clara County Public Health Emergency Operations Center; golf instruction is again now permitted as long as both instructor and student wear face coverings and maintain a safe social distance throughout the lesson. See complete information in this week's sports pages.

Inclement Weather—If it is or has been raining, please remember to phone the golf maintenance hotline each morning at 408-223-4663 for the daily update on course conditions, cart status, hole location, and any other pertinent information.

Remember a green flag means everything is open as normal; a yellow flag means that there is a frost delay; and red flag means that carts must remain on the paths at all times; and black flag means that all golf facilities are closed due to dangerous or unplayable conditions. You may also phone the Pro Shop after 7 a.m. for the same information.

More COVID-19 Protocols!

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.

The Pro Shop is **closed** to foot traffic—if you need assistance, you must call the Pro Shop 408-274-3220 x1. No more pulling the door open. We will leave the door propped open on nice days with a table blocking entrance so we can serve members as necessary.

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.

Please do not try to converse with the Pro Shop staff through the glass window, it's best to phone us with any inquiries. If you need personal assistance, please wear your mask when approaching the Pro Shop or Driving Range staff.

Golf Cart Rentals—We are now permitted to rent golf carts to residents in need. **Please call the Pro Shop at 408-274-3220 x1 to reserve a cart at least one day prior to your reservation.** A single rider is \$13 and for two it's \$26. There is a \$5 surcharge applied to each cart rental for cleaning and disinfecting services. Let us know if you have any questions.

Tips from the Pro—Speed is Key...Hit your Lag Putts Close

How often do you hit your approach shot inside 10 feet? Or even inside 20 feet? Yet when I watch our golfers practice putting, they rarely work on lag putts of 30 feet or more. Think of your last round of golf and how many putts you had of 30 feet or more. I bet it was at least nine. So practice lag putting as much as anything else in your game and you will shave strokes. Here are a few tips for lag putting practice...

Lay a bath towel on the green...line up 4 balls, one each from 25 feet, 30 feet, 35 feet and 40 feet, then roll the balls onto the towel and try to stop the balls on the towel. Do this from all four sides of the towel so you are putting uphill, downhill, right to left and left to right.

Putt with one ball from 30-40 feet and try to 2-putt everything.

Phil Mickelson Lag Drill...put a tee in the ground at 30 feet, 40 feet and 50 feet. Putt five balls from each tee and try to get all five balls inside the length of your sand or pitching wedge.

Let us know if these drills help. To sign up for a lesson with PGA Head Professional Scott Steele, call the Pro Shop at 408.274.3220 or email him at ssteele@the-villages.com. See you at the course!

LANDSCAPE & MAINTENANCE

MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE

Cribari
5250-5319 and 5384-5399—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.

5364-5383 and 5433-5488—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 2/22-2/26.

5551—Utility room repairs in progress.

Gutter cleaning scheduled for 2/22-2/27.

Del Lago

3301-3315—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 3/15-3/19.

3364—Reconstruction in progress.

Estates

8876-8897—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.

8809-8875—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 4/5-4/9.

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 in progress.

Heights

8480-8505—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.

8464-8479 and 8506-8509—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 2/22-2/26.

Trash enclosure cleaning in progress.

Hermosa

8005-8032, 8100-8121 and Lower Chardonay Lake—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.

8065-8088, 8096-8099, 8122-8125, 8334-8349, 8388-8399 and around Chardonay Lake—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 2/22-2/26.

Dead/missing plant replacement in progress throughout the district.

8388, 8390, 8395 and 8397—Dry rot repairs in progress.

Highland

7574-7598, 7661-7701 and Findhorn Court—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.

7500-7573—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 3/29-4/2. Lantana pruning rejuvenation/reshaping in progress throughout the district.

Gutter cleaning in progress.

Montgomery

6079-6126 and 6137-6183—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.

6246-6336—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 2/22-2/26.

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

Entrance median—Planting project in progress.

Montgomery Lane Lake Hillside—Planting project in progress.

Trash enclosure cleaning scheduled to start 2/15.

Olivas

8740-8752, 8769-8807 and Foothill Center—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 3/8-3/12.

Dead/Missing plant replacement at various locations, in progress.

Sonata

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








Valle Vista

9001-9014 and 9034-9036—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 3/8-3/12.

Rain Gutter Cleaning Schedule for 2021

Cribari	February 22 to February 27	Completion (weather permitting)
Verano	February 8 to February 13	Completion (weather permitting)
Highland	February 15 to February 20	Completion (weather permitted)
Club Buildings	March 1 to March 6	Completion (weather permitted)

What do I do with this?

Type of Plastic	
	PET polyethylene terephthalate <i>It's tough and shatterproof.</i>
	HDPE high density polyethylene <i>It's flexible and often translucent.</i>
	PVC polyvinyl chloride <i>It's tough and chemical resistant.</i>
	LDPE low density polyethylene <i>It's flexible and tough.</i>
	PP polypropylene <i>It's chemical and heat resistant.</i>
	PS polystyrene <i>It's brittle and see-through OR soft opaque foam.</i>
	OTHER other plastics

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



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

Plastic—Recycle container

No plastic bags may be placed in the recycle container. Clear plastic bags may be used only to hold shredded paper or textiles (for easier recycling purposes).

Plastic items labeled 1-7 inside chasing arrows, baby wipe containers, beverage bottles, bleach and detergent bottles, buckets (remove handle), flower pots, food containers (i.e. cottage cheese and margarine tubs, yogurt cups), household cleaner bottles, prescription bottles, shampoo bottles, plastic take out and food containers and compact disc cases.

All items must be empty and rinsed.

Plastic products—Garbage container

Plastic bags (all types), bubble wrap, credit cards, disposable razors, hoses, ointment and toothpaste tubes, plastic without numbers 1-7, PVC piping, shoes, straws, tarps, toys, utensils, cellophane food bags (i.e. pasta, bagged salad, candy, etc.), polystyrene/foam take-out, egg and food containers, frozen food bags or pouches, plastic or wax liners from food packaging and plastic wrap.

Verano

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

Association

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

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

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

Plum tree fruit spaying control in planning.

Club Centers

Weed spraying in progress throughout the Villages.

Plum tree fruit spaying control in planning.

Foothill, Cribari and Montgomery pool and spa – Closed.

Club buildings – Gutter cleaning scheduled for 3/1-3/6.

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By J.M.K.

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Dealer: South
Vulnerability: None

Bidding: South	West	North	East
1 Club	Pass	1 Diamond	Pass
1 Spade	Pass	2 Diamonds	Pass
3 NoTrump*	All Pass		

Contract: 3 NoTrump by South
Opening lead: 6 of Hearts

Dealer has a Spade winner, a Heart winner due to the lead, 1 in Diamonds, and 5 Club winners.

Strategy: With West leading a Heart, probably fourth down from his longest suit, then East cannot get the lead because he would lead a Heart back. Then West would probably get four tricks in that suit plus the opponents will be able to get another trick in one of the other suits, and the contract goes down one trick.

West leads the 8 of Hearts, East, the 10, South, the Jack, switches to a low Club to the King on the board, then plays the 2 of Spades, East, the 4, South finesses the 10, and West wins with the Queen. He then leads a Diamond, South covers with the Ace on the board, continues with the Jack of Spades, East ducks, follows with the last Spade from the board, East still ducks, and South takes the trick with the 9. He leads the Ace of Clubs and runs the rest of the Clubs, then plays the Ace of Spades and captures East's King. He now has two cards left the 7 of Hearts and the King. South leads the 7 of Hearts, West wins with the Queen and plays his last card, the Ace of Hearts. Great! South makes an overtrick. If South had tried to set up the Diamonds, East would get in the lead and immediately return his partner's initial lead which would lead to the contract not being made.

* South has 15 HCP and since his partner went to the second level showing 10 or more HCP, he takes a chance and bids game. If North has only 6-9 HCP, his second bid would be 1 NT.

Ways to say 'Thank you!'

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

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

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These three ways to thank individuals or groups are considered articles, and therefore are free of charge. They can be submitted directly to Associate Editor Kory Tran via email at: ktran@the-villages.com or submitted through the Resident Portal on *The Villager* page. (Since *The Villager* office

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PUZ-LER

This week's PUZ-LER: Villagers are proving their intellect but do they have a way with words? We'll see. What common English word actually becomes shorter by adding a syllable to it? Give it your best shot and email me, Mike Bailey, at michsp@aol.com with your answer. Please put the word "puzzle" in the subject line.

Last week I thought that I finally had you, only to find out that you are too dang smart. The answer to that puzzle was 194 and the Villagers who got it right were Jim Livingstone (my golfing buddy), Mike Gilbert, John Hill, Bob Mandell, Fred Mathis, Tony Berg, Diana Hallock, Jacqueline Wise, Caryl ?, Odila Nielsen, Harriet Fernandez, Janet Mize, Peter Groot, Don Fernandez, Kathleen Holt, Claude and Phyllis A, Olga de la Serna, Karl Reid, John Stratakos and Harriet Tower (sort of. 491? We'll call it a typo). And thank you, Tom Moore!

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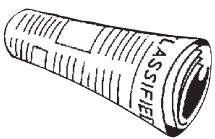
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OBITUARY

Billie Mechanic

May 2, 1930 - February 5, 2021



Blanche Mae Rosen was born in Stafford Springs, CT to Harry Rosen & Esther Zinnerman.

The family moved to Brooklyn, where Billie grew up. She later attended Ithaca College.

On a blind date (1953) Billie met Mort Mechanic and after a whirlwind courtship they married.

In Mort's job as an engineer, they traveled to many places, while raising four daughters.

Billie's greatest labor of love was nurturing, protecting and raising her children, two of whom suffered from mental illness. This was difficult in a time when mental illness

was stigmatized, effective treatments were few and support groups were yet to exist. In 1976 Billie and Mort joined Parents of the Mentally Ill, which became The National Alliance on Mental Illness, which she remained active in.

In 1988 Mort and Billie retired to The Villages, enjoying music golf & tennis for over a decade. As Competitive bridge players, they each became Life Masters.

Unexpectedly, Mort died in 1999.

In 2005 Billie had the good fortune to meet a widower, Chet Purcell. During their 16 years together, they lived "The Villager's Life." Billie remained active and vibrant into her 90th year.

Billie was preceded in death by her husband Mort (1999) and daughters Cyd (2005) & Linda (2011). Billie is survived by her daughters Donna and Debra (Patrick Cunningham), grandson Kealan Cunningham (Lauren) and her partner, Chet Purcell.

In lieu of flowers donations are appreciated to NAMI-SCC, 1150 S. Bascom Ave, Suite 24, SJ, CA 95128.

OBITUARY

Suzanne Delaney



Suzanne Delaney, born in Mt. Kisco, New York, passed away on February 9, 2021 at 85 years of age. Sue is survived by her husband of 64 years, John A. Delaney, daughters Patricia Delaney, Ann Delaney-Jack, and sons-in-law Brian Jack and William Heidepriem. Sue is also survived by her four grandchildren, Brian Jack, William Jack, Daniel Thompson, and Meghan Thompson.

For the past 30 years, Sue lived in The Villages community in San Jose. There she enjoyed embroidery, floral arranging, and cooking. Her kitchen was command central! Baking was

a special area of expertise. She is famous for her Christmas cookies, which could be found in the freezer all year long! Special holidays included Grandma Sue's rolls. Over the years, her rolls became a family legend and were rationed to avoid squabbles over individual amounts consumed!

In her earlier years, Sue played tennis, bowled and golfed regularly. She also enjoyed over 25 cruises to places near and far. She had a beautiful singing voice, loved music and would often be found singing at the piano bar at the end of most nights!

Sue was certainly no DUMMY when it came to playing bridge and she enjoyed many a bridge game with her Villager bridge groups. She loved all games. She won whatever she played, always took your money and added it to her favorite "ransom" money box!

Sue is best remembered for her sense of humor. Sue was a great partner, mother, grandmother and true friend to many. She was loved by all and will be truly missed.

In keeping with Sue's wishes, a private cremation and family service will be held.

In Memoriam and Obituary Notices

In Memoriam notices are run free of charge.

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

Obituary notices may be placed in the Classified Advertising section for a fee.



For more information, please call Kory Tran at 408-754-1341 or email: ktran@the-villages.com, or Scott Hinrichs at 408-223-4655 or email: shinrichs@the-villages.com.

Give a memorial gift to VMA

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

Give a memorial gift to EVF

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

A GREAT DEAL! Villager Business Card Ads \$35 per week! Call Adrienne at 223-4657



Support the advertisers who support our publications!

When you choose to use the services and/or purchase the goods of an advertiser in *The Villager*, Villages Telephone Directory or Resource Guide, tell them that you saw their advertisement in one of our publications.

Maintenance Emergencies and/or Advice

The Maintenance Services Department's general work hours are Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. If you experience a maintenance emergency during those hours, please call the office right away at 408-223-4670. Even if you are certain the emergency is your responsibility, Maintenance Services can provide a list of contractors that are familiar with The Villages and may be helpful for the repair.

If a maintenance emergency occurs outside of the general work hours or during a holiday, please call Public Safety at 408-223-4665. The Public Safety Department will contact the Maintenance Area Supervisor and/or the appropriate contractor. Together, they will all help to resolve your maintenance emergency.

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

The Villager Classified Advertising Pricing

Category	Cost
Real Estate Services <i>(See below for Services sub-categories.)</i>	\$1.25 per word (minimum of 10 words)
Notices	\$1.25 per word (minimum of 10 words)
Personals	\$1.25 per word (minimum of 10 words)
Cars & Carts	\$1.25 per word (minimum of 10 words)
Help Wanted <i>(Employment notices)</i>	\$1.25 per word (minimum of 10 words)
Wanted	\$1.25 per word (minimum of 10 words)
Items for Sale <i>(Personal items only)</i>	Villagers: 75¢ per word (minimum of 10 words) Non-residents: \$1.25 per word (minimum of 10 words)
Free Stuff	Villagers: 75¢ per word (minimum of 10 words) Non-residents: \$1.25 per word (minimum of 10 words)
Obituaries	\$1 per word. Photo of the deceased \$25 Free flag for veterans
Villages Business Directory <i>(Business Directory available to Villages residents only. Listings must be compact enough to fit on two lines only.)</i>	\$7.50 per week
Lost & Found	First 15 words of first ad are free; after 15 words: \$1.25 per word <i>(Subsequent ads after first week are billed at \$1.25 per word)</i>

CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING GUIDELINES

To submit ad copy, renew, cancel, or make changes to your ad: **Contact Adrienne at 408-223-4657, Areed@the-villages.com; or Scott at 408-223-4655, Shinrichs@the-villages.com; fax to 408-274-2843; or mail to: Villager Classified Ads, Building B, 5000 Cribari Lane, San Jose, CA 95135.** (Downloadable forms available on the Villages website at www.thevillagesgcc.com. Ad copy is not taken over the telephone. Call Adrienne or Kory to verify receipt of fax.)

Payment:

All ads are to be paid in advance by check or money order—no cash. Make checks/money orders payable to: **The Villager.** Villages residents may charge ads to their Villages accounts. Take payments to the Villager office in Building B or mail to the address above.

Deadlines:

Ads are due Mondays by 10 a.m. for publication in Friday's paper. Deadline also applies to renewals, cancellations and changes. Exceptions are only for holiday deadlines, details of which will be published in advance.

The Villages does not endorse or guarantee any advertisement or insert using space in this paper to reach our readers. It is the responsibility of the users of these services to check references and claims made. Residents, please be aware California State law mandates any contractor bidding for a job more than \$500 in parts and labor must be licensed. The Contractors State License Board (1-800-321-2752) may be contacted regarding any questions or concerns about a contractor. The Villager reserves the right to refuse ads containing offensive or questionable content.

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Specials (Additional add-ons to regular ad pricing)

Placement in box	\$15 per week (boxes limited to one-column width)
Premium placement	\$20 per week, placement anywhere with special box

*(Anywhere in Classified Ad section, not including first column or above section heading)
(Premium ads will have a bolder border. Placement space is on a first-come-first-served basis.)*

The Villager Classified Ad Form

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Fill out your ad here. Be sure to include contact information. Phone numbers, email addresses, websites, and symbols (&, +, @, etc.) are counted as one word. Hyphenated words are counted as two words. Please print clearly. See other side for pricing information and specific details for your ad. For more information, please contact Adrienne at Areed@the-villages.com or 408-223-4657.

Select Category:

- REAL ESTATE
- NOTICES
- PERSONALS
- CARS & CARTS
- HELP WANTED
- WANTED
- ITEMS FOR SALE
- FREE STUFF
- OBITUARIES
- LOST & FOUND
- SERVICES
 - Appliances
 - Automotive Repair
 - Senior Care Facilities
 - Senior In-Home Care
 - Computers
 - Electrical
 - Landscape
 - Errands/Odd Jobs
 - Health & Beauty
 - Heating & A/C
 - Flooring
 - Remodeling

- OTHER CATEGORY
(Please specify)
- VILLAGES BUSINESS DIRECTORY
(Must fit in two lines)

Additional Options:

- Single Line Box
(\$15 in addition to ad)
- Premium Box
(\$20 in addition to ad)
- Housecleaning
- Legal/Professional
- Plumbing
- Moving/Storage
- Painting
- Pet Care
- Repair/Handyperson
- Window Cleaning
- Tax/Finance/Insurance
- Transportation

x _____
(Other suggested custom heading)

Amount per week: \$ _____ # of weeks: _____

Issue Date(s): _____

Total Amount: \$ _____ Bill: _____

**"#1 REAL ESTATE OFFICE
IN VILLAGES SALES"**

The Villages
SPECIALISTS

**WE'RE AVAILABLE FOR YOU,
7 DAYS A WEEK!**

JANUARY SALES REPORT FOR ALL HOMES IN THE VILLAGES

Status	Street Address	Total Sq.Ft.	Beds	Bths	Orig. List \$	DOM	Sale \$	Price/SqFt	Close Date
Active	7904 Caledonia Drive	1,945	2	2 0	\$1,089,000	8		\$559.90	
Active	7017 Via Valverde	1,837	3	2 0	\$775,000	5		\$421.88	
Active	7357 Via Laguna	1,568	2	2 0	\$739,000	32		\$471.30	
Active	6115 Montgomery Court	1,520	2	2 0	\$719,000	18		\$473.03	
Active	7723 Kilmarnok Drive	1,804	2	2 0	\$725,000	105		\$392.46	
Active	6011 Montgomery Corners	1,927	3	3 0	\$699,000	7		\$362.74	
Active	7213 Via Amparo	1,815	2	2 0	\$698,800	6		\$385.01	
Active	7241 Via Mimosa	1,588	2	2 0	\$698,000	81		\$439.55	
Active	6097 Montgomery Court	1,307	2	2 0	\$689,000	4		\$527.16	
Active	8366 Riesling Way	1,646	2	2 0	\$685,000	84		\$416.16	
Active	8077 Winery Court	1,497	2	2 0	\$679,000	25		\$453.57	
Active	8404 Chenin Blanc Lane	1,370	2	2 0	\$660,000	14		\$481.75	
Active	6025 Montgomery Corner	1,700	3	2 0	\$689,900	131		\$370.53	
Active	8461 Traminer Court	1,646	2	2 0	\$729,999	175		\$379.71	
Active	8367 Riesling Way	1,646	2	2 0	\$619,000	33		\$376.06	
Active	6173 Montgomery Place	1,127	2	1 0	\$565,000	271		\$483.58	
Active	6061 Montgomery Bend	913	2	1 0	\$498,800	41		\$546.33	
Active	5200 Cribari Hls	1,223	2	2 0	\$450,000	15		\$367.95	
Active	5520 Cribari Circle	947	1	1 0	\$425,000	74		\$448.79	
Contingent	9046 Village View Loop	2,224	2	2 1	\$1,399,999	5		\$629.50	
Contingent	2075 Mataro Way	1,969	3	3 0	\$990,000	138		\$477.40	
Contingent	8655 Solera Drive	1,675	2	2 1	\$835,500	65		\$498.81	
Contingent	6239 Gerdts Drive	1,526	2	2 0	\$778,000	201		\$471.17	
Contingent	7631 Buckhaven Drive	1,751	2	2 1	\$765,000	61		\$408.34	
Contingent	7731 Kilmarnok Drive	1,265	2	2 0	\$698,000	4		\$551.78	
Contingent	6204 Wehner Way	1,526	2	2 0	\$625,000	31		\$409.57	
Contingent	8515 Fume Blanc Court	1,370	2	2 0	\$585,000	113		\$383.21	
Contingent	6119 Montgomery Court	913	2	1 0	\$495,000	73		\$542.17	
Contingent	5420 Cribari Court	1,223	2	2 0	\$465,000	84		\$363.86	
Pending	9029 Village View Drive	2,025	3	2 0	\$1,260,000	4		\$622.22	
Pending	3325 Lake Albano Circle	1,776	2	2 1	\$759,000	67		\$427.36	
Pending	7851 Prestwick Circle	1,804	2	2 0	\$722,000	15		\$400.22	
Pending	7558 Morevern Circle	1,572	2	2 0	\$699,000	87		\$444.66	
Pending	3309 Lake Albano Circle	1,776	2	2 1	\$695,000	8		\$391.33	
Pending	7053 Via Belmonte	1,386	2	2 0	\$650,000	91		\$454.55	
Pending	6167 Montgomery Place	1,307	2	2 0	\$599,000	60		\$420.05	
Pending	6245 Gerdts Drive	1,242	2	2 0	\$525,000	12		\$422.71	
Sold	8762 Mccarty Ranch Drive	2,209	3	2 1	\$1,125,000	85	\$1,050,000	\$475.33	1/20/2021
Sold	3347 Lake Albano Circle	1,776	2	2 1	\$769,000	46	\$750,000	\$422.30	1/15/2021
Sold	8440 SAUVIGNON Court	1,571	2	2 0	\$768,000	44	\$740,000	\$471.04	1/19/2021
Sold	3113 Lake Albano Circle	1,776	3	2 1	\$799,000	91	\$724,000	\$407.66	1/15/2021
Sold	5058 Cribari Vale	1,240	2	2 0	\$455,000	75	\$455,000	\$366.94	1/7/2021

	NUMBER OF SALES		AVERAGES		
Active	21	1553	\$679,257	69	\$435.88
Cont/Pend	18	1574	\$752,528	62	\$462.16
Sold	5	1714	\$783,200	68	\$743,800 \$428.65

*All information deemed reliable, but not guaranteed.

408.270.4400

We are located outside the gate,
two doors down from Bank of America



Suzanne Jonathan Dee
Ramirez Team



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Suzanne Dave
Tofte Team