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#### Hot Tickets

**Cancelled until further notice** 



Community TV channels:

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

- ABOD Policy Based Reserves **Planning, with David Cook**
- Keep Fit with Mwezo
- Keep Fit with Hartmut

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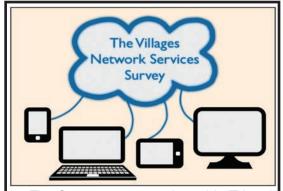
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## WOW! Learn how to set up your Resident Portal account!

If you'd like to find out how to set up your account and password on The Villages' now password-protected Resident Portal, please attend a WOW Zoom meeting Monday, March 29, at 10 a.m. We'll walk you step-by-step through

the process and answer your questions.
The Zoom meeting ID is 932 9904 4346 and the Passcode is 158383. You can log in using the Zoom app or visiting Zoom.com. Those who wish to dial in by telephone can call 1-669-900-6833.



The Comcast contract for cable TV and Internet access will terminate in June 2022 Before a follow-on network services and provider is chosen, it is VERY important that we understand what The Villages community wants for TV and Internet service.

Please see The Villages Network Services Survey on page 12.

## Association President's Message: Association Preliminary Budget— Returning to Normal

After several years of getting socked by unprecedented cost increases in water, labor, and insurance, Association Budgets are returning back to normal. In addition, investments made over the last several years into lowering lifetime ownership costs are

Last week each of the Association's District Advisory Committees (DAC's) participated in a presentation and Q&A session on the outlook for next year's operations and reserves budget. While the numbers presented were preliminary since DAC feedback is being evaluated, and formal Association Board approval is needed, the outcome was very positive - with a small overall average reduction of assessments. While most Villages are projected to see a reduction, a few Villages will see an increase due to increased Reserves savings for upcoming large expenses for roofs, siding, large-scale retaining walls, and paint.

Operations costs were down for water (due to our supplier unexpectedly not increasing prices this year), the Association not purchasing additional earthquake insurance, and lower G&A transfers from the Club for managing agent services. Those savings are proposed to be applied directly to next year's bills. While those one-time savings are not expected to be repeated, additional insurance cost reductions are under review and will be discussed during meetings in May. Policies on wildfire risk reduction, strict regulation of gas-powered generators, and focus on resident fire and water damage safety are paying off with no major incidents this year and better rates for insurance.

Reserves costs are bending back down to the normal Construction Cost Inflation factor estimated at 3.5% per year. Multiple years of investments into mundane things like sewer pop-off valves, rodent exclusions, enhanced paint selection, paint inspections determining painting years, plus a new caulking standard have increased the number of years between painting, and a new roof preventative maintenance has extended roof life. In addition, a new reserve policy has significantly reduced the size of savings needed over our required 30-year planning forecasts.

#### The Villages Association Assessment Trends

	FY2: (Projec		FY21		FY20		FY19	 FY18	FY17	FY16
Operating	\$ 10,257	,162	\$ 10,641,	736	\$ 10,203,087	9	8,567,558	\$ 7,339,285	\$ 7,348,168	\$ 7,514,959
Reserves	\$ 6,597	,840	\$ 6,223,	510	\$ 5,740,960	) \$	5,701,250	\$ 5,651,550	\$ 5,493,090	\$ 5,282,245
Overall	\$ 16,855	,002	\$ 16,865,	246	\$ 15,944,047	9	14,268,808	\$ 12,990,835	\$ 12,841,288	\$ 12,797,384
Operating		-3.6%		4.3%	19.1	%	16.6%	-0.1%	-2.2%	
Reserves	7	6.0%		8.4%	←→ / 0.7	%	7 3.8%	7 2.9%	7 4.0%	
Overall		-0.1%		5.8%	11.7	%	11.1%	1.2%	0.3%	
	R	K	7	-	R		K	K	2	
	Roofs, Paint, Siding, Dry Rot & Elevated Structures	As: In	Average wo Year sessment crease of 2.85%	L	Insurance Up 80.6% andscaping contract Up 19% Water Up 7%		Water Up 44% Insurance Up 12% G & A Up 6%	Insurance Reduction and Favorable Surplus Carryover Prior Year	Drought Water Levels Budgeted and Large Surplus from Prior Year	

Some residents have asked for more background on our landscaping contract which was put in place three years ago after a comprehensive update of the Village's requirements and bids by five leading vendors. After evaluating the best vendor based on price and demonstrated ability to deliver, the Boards selected Brightview. In addition to updating the service levels and coverage, a key focus of the new contract was on landscaping for sa

around our Wildlands Urban interface areas.

Bids	<b>Bright View</b>	Monarch/Jensen	Gothic	Gachina	Landcare
LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE	8 Week Rotation	8 Week Rotation	8 Week Rotation	8 Week Rotation	8 Week Rotation
Current Expense	\$ 2,340,004.00	\$ 2,340,004.00	\$ 2,340,004.00	\$ 2,340,004.00	\$ 2,340,004.00
Base + Projected Extras	\$ 19,513,141.80	\$ 20,101,356.70	\$ 22,374,693.85	\$ 21,710,066.50	\$ 32,241,173.50
	Selected				in the second

A similar work scope review and requirements statement will be updated in another year when the new bid cycle starts in advance of the next five-year contract.

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

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

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

thevillagesgcc.com/pulse, or emailed to Villager Managing Editor S. Hinrichs: shinrichs@the-villages.com. E-mailed letters must include the text within the body of the e-mail and the subject line must read PULSE LETTER.

4 Pulse letters received this week.

- 1 Pulse letters not meeting Pulse Letter Guidelines.
- 1 Pulse letter withdrawn by author.
- 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.

The 15-year contract with Comcast ends in less than 16 months. Comcast is currently the Villages' dominant Internet Service Provider. In the coming decades High-speed internet will be the foundation for virtually everything this community will do with technology. All plans for communication, entertainment, driverless transportation, building maintenance, health care delivery, robotics, water usage etc. will rest on a foundation of fast, reliable, cost effective internet.

It is our good fortune that just as the Comcast contract expires, two new technologies for providing high speed internet are now becoming available. The first is wireless 5G and the second is provided by networks of low earth orbit satellites sent aloft by SpaceX and others.

If we want a cost effective, responsive Internet we must make use of these new technologies to avoid getting locked into another fixed term contract with a single provider.

Given the monopoly position Comcast has enjoyed for almost 15 years, it is essential that a variety of vendors, especially the mobile phone companies working to bring us 5G technology, be included in the process.

In next week's pulse letter I'll suggest what we can do about it.

-Michael Clurman

Some Villagers are concerned about their safety when walking and their pet's safety. There is no rush when driving. Drive carefully. Look ahead of your vehicle for golf carts, pedestrians, pets on a leash, and wild animals. If possible, stop when a pedestrian, pet on a leash, wild animal, or golf cart(s) are crossing or want to cross the street ahead of your vehicle.

Here are some suggestions to improve visibility of pedestrians and animals ahead of your vehicle and to improve driver safety:

- Drivers must wear appropriate corrective eyeglasses or contact lenses.
- If a driver does not drive frequently or needs to refresh traffic and roadside safety rules, enroll in and complete an AARP driver safety course or DMV mature driver improvement class.
- Pedestrians are encouraged to wear adult size reflective vests. VMA offers them at 408-238-4230. Also, you can buy them in stores and online. Buy reflective vests or lighted dog collars for your pet. You can buy these in stores and online.

You may think of other safety improvement ideas. We live in a lovely community. Let's all work together and maintain a safe environment for all, including walkers and their pets.

—Joyce DeMattei

## **ABOVE & BEYOND**

In the spirit of community service, Fred, the proprietor of one of our local cleaning businesses removed the litter from the center divider on San Felipe Road just South of Yerba Buena (near the Evergreen Community Center). The divider fills with dirt, leaves, dead plants, and trash, and the city does little to clean it up. Fred deserves kudos for making the road up to The Villages more attractive for our residents and visitors.

-Ruth Brunings

More BOARDS & COMMITTEES, MANAGEMENT and COMMUNITY NOTICES on pages 4, 5, 6, 7, 12 & 21

### IN MEMORIAM

#### Jan Croad October 14, 1931 - March 2, 2021

(Please see obituary in the Classified Advertising section)

#### Janet Elizabeth Fahrner September 2, 1933 - March 11, 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 to 4:30 p.m. The Villager display advertising office hours are by appointment. Call 408-223-4657 to schedule.

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## Boards & Committees

## 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*.)

## FROM THE CLUB BOARD

### **Budget and Assessments**

#### By Howie Blumstein

The Villages is an active gated 55+ residential community. The community consists of 2,536 residences and many amenities. Two golf courses, restaurant/bistro & bar/Clubhouse, four pools and spas, six tennis courts, two bocce courts, fitness center, billiard room, craft rooms, library, four community centers, and the recent addition of four pickleball courts.

Our governing documents, Amended Articles of Incorporation —June 2006, requires that The Villages Golf and Country Club Corporation "provide for maintenance, protection, development and preservation thereof, and the landscaping, structures and facilities thereon, …. and additions thereto…. to promote the health, safety, welfare and interests of all owners of property and residents within The Villages Homeowners' Corporation and The Villages Association…."

Annual Club budgets that comply with these the governing documents requirements are prepared by management, and are reviewed and approved by Club Board Directors. The FY22 (July 2021—June 2022) budget process has been started, is ongoing with Club Board approval scheduled at the April 27, 2021 Board meeting.

A review of Club assessments for the most recent five-year (FY16—FY21) period reveals the following: Club assessments increased at a compounded rate below 4 percent. During this time period insurance (80 percent), landscape (19 percent), water (44 percent), minimum wage (50 percent), etc., were increasing, all driven by events beyond our staff's and Board's control.

As previous Club Board's have done, we will diligently review and approve next year's budget for FY22. Guidance for the budget development for FY22 was provided to management by the Club Board of Directors.

#### The following lists upcoming scheduled Club Board budget meetings:

March 30—Operating budget overview

April 9-Reserve plan (for equipment, facilities, structures, vehicles, etc.)

April 13—Proposed Operating budget, replacement reserve and capital improvement plans and schedule of fees

April 27—Club Board of Directors approves FY22 budget

Please plan to participate in these Zoom budget meetings, all scheduled to start at 1:30 p.m.

	neowners' Corporation March 18, 2 March 18, 2021								
	Quarterly Board Meeting	B.c	ard	Mon	nber	c*			
	Agenda Items	MM			GS		Comments	Cost	
1 I	Approval Consideration of Resolution Honoring Villages Volunteers	Υ	Y	Υ	Υ		Board approved resolution honoring Villages volunteers; resolution to be published in the Villager in the month of April (April is National Volunteer Month).	\$0	
2	Approval Consideration of the 2021 Annual Meeting and Election Schedule and Appoint Inspectors of Elections	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Approved June 9, 2021, at 5:00 p.m. via Zoom teleconference or in person if allowed as the date and time and place for this year's Annual Meeting of the Members; appointed Claudia Nicolai, Judy Bushey, and Jeanne Filice as Inspectors of Elections for 2021 Director Election, IRS Resolution Vote, and any other Vote of the Members that may take place in 2021; and approved May 1, 2021, at 5:00 p.m. as the Record Date for the 2021 Director Election and IRS Resolution Vote.	\$0	
9 1	FY 21/22 Preliminary Proposed Budget Summary Presentation	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Approved FY 21/22 Preliminary Proposed Budget Summary. Formal budget approval consideration will be at April 28, 2021, Special Open Meeting (9:00 a.m.).	\$0	
л і	Proposed Back-up Generator Rule and Guidelines	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Approved to publish for member notice proposed back-up generator rule and guidelines prior to formal approval consideration at the April 28, 2021, Special Open Meeting (9:00 a.m.).	\$0	

## MANAGEMENT

## **PUBLIC SAFETY**

## Public Safety Report February 2021

CLASSIFICATION	Present	YTD	YTD
	Month	2021	2020
ACCIDENTS			
1) PERSONAL INJURY	0	0	0
2) AUTO	1	1	1
3) HIT & RUN	0	0	0
4) GOLF CART	0	0	0
5) MISCELLANEOUS	0	0	0
AFTER HOURS REQUESTS			
1) LIGHTS	53	101	80
2) FACILITIES	5	9	8
3) SPRINKLERS	4	9	6
4) LANDSCAPE	0	1	1
5) ACTIVITIES	0	0	0
6) MISCELLANEOUS	0	0	0
7) GOLF MAINTENANCE	0	0	0
8) FOOD & BEVERAGE	0	0	0
9) BUSINESS OFFICE	0	0	0
10) PRO SHOP	0	0	0
11) WATER LEAKS (OUTSIDE)	0	3	2
12) ALARM ACTIVATION	0	0	1
ANIMAL	0	40	40
1) COMPLAINTS	8	16	12
2) TRAP REQUEST	0	0	0
3) LOST	0	1	0
4) FOUND	1	1	1
5) COYOTE COMPLAINTS/SIGHTINGS	19	32	N/A
CITATIONS	0	0	0
1) PARKING	6	0	0
2) SPEEDING	_	8	24
3) STOP SIGN - RESIDENTS	12	20	
4) STOP SIGN - NON-RESIDENTS	63	125	
STOP SIGN TOTALS		145	258
5) MISCELLANEOUS	7	9	23
6) ACC	0	0	0
DISTURBANCE	0	0	1
FIRE / SMOKE	0	0	0
HAZARDOUS CONDITION	0	0	1
MEDICAL EMEDICALISM	50	00	00
MEDICAL EMERGENCY	53	93	90
MISCELLANEOUS	9	25	30
PROPERTY	1	7	5
1) DAMAGED 2) LOST	1	2	5 0
3) FOUND	1	2	0
4) VANDALIZED	1	1	0
5) MISSING	1	1	2
PUBLIC SAFETY			
1) COMPLAINT	16	39	24
2) REQUEST	11	20	31
	- ' '	20	01
RESIDENT ASSIST	16	27	48
RESIDENT WELFARE CHECK	5	14	18
SUSPICIOUS CIRCUMSTANCES	0	1	1
TRESPASSING			
1) AUTO	0	0	0
2) PERSON	2	2	0
UNLOCKS	19	38	46
UNSECURED AREA	0	2	1
-			

### Property Report February 2021

Date	Item	Summary
2/5	Damaged	Resident reported that mailboxes were
knocke	d over on Presty	wick Circle No witnesses

2/8 Missing Resident reported plants were missing from the front porch of her home.

## Submit your questions for Candidates' Night

Each year the Communications Advisory Committee collects questions from Villagers to be answered by candidates for the Club, Association and the Homeowners' vacancies. Some of these questions may be used during Candidate's Night.

This year Candidate's Night will be posted online in the same format as last year. Please submit your candidate questions to Nick Yannaccone via email nyannac@gmail. com or phone 408-219-9296.

#### Telephone Directory delivery completed

The 2021 Villages Telephone Directories were delivered in February. If you did not receive your directory, please call Scott at 408-223-4655.

Missed or damaged directories may be replaced without charge until March 19. After that, Villages residents may purchase a telephone directory (or extra directories) for \$10 each.

## 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.  $\mbox{ly/2NjWp2e}$  and select a date and time on the calendar.



# Pulse letter deadline is Thursday by 4 p.m.

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 have changed the Pulse letter submission deadline. The change will provide reviewers and letter authors more time if changes are needed because the letter is not compliant with Club Rule 1.30.

The deadline for Pulse letters is now 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.

CommunicationsAdvisory Committee

## 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



## GOVERNANCE MEETINGS

#### Association President's Message...

(Continued from front page)

Another area that members have asked about is overall Association staffing costs and transfer fees from the Club - could they be lowered by using an outside company? The first thing to understand is that the Association has no staff of its own - all our work is outsourced to the Club as our Managing Agent. Many years ago, the three boards (Club, Association, and Homeowners) decided that the most cost-effective approach for the Villages was to have one shared staff to carry out the needs of all three boards. Because the Club includes all residents as members, it was decided that the Club would manage the shared staff. Since the Club does not publicly disclose all of its individual staffing costs, some Association boards have wondered how to evaluate the cost effectiveness of the services it purchases from the Club. During the discussions last summer regarding the Management Agreement (which is the outsourcing agreement between the Club and Association), the ABOD decided to research the question. With the assistance of a professional HOA consultant, we determined a pro forma budget for an Association of our size and nature and contacted two local and capable outside management agencies for their analysis and bids. What we learned was that our existing charges and staffing levels were reasonable and appropriate, and going outside offered no significant advantage in light of the many disruptions it would cause to our members. Our outsourced staff works very hard on our behalf, and their collective knowledge of all the details of our homes and infrastructure as well as our governing documents is invaluable.

The Association Board's mission is to protect, maintain, and enhance the common property of its members, and we work hard to do that at the minimum long-term cost, with fairness to all of our members.

Respectfully,

-David Cook, Villages Association Board President

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

## **BOARD MEETINGS**

#### Association

 The Villages Association Board of Directors Monthly Board Meeting is Tuesday, March 30 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, March 30 at 1:30 p.m. via Zoom Meeting

> Meeting ID: 961 5036 4740 Passcode: 260616 Dial: 1-669-900-6833

#### Homeowners

• The Villages Homewoners' Corporation Special Meeting (Budget, Election Materials, and Generator Rule Approvals) is Wednesday, April 28, at 9 a.m. via Zoom Meeting

Meeting ID: 975 5873 6401 Passcode: 591400 Dial: 1-669-900-6833

## **THE DACs**

## Montgomery DAC to meet April 5

There will be a Village Montgomery DAC Meeting on Monday, April 5 at 10 a.m. on Zoom. The Zoom information is as follows: Meeting ID is 880 7893 2209 and password is 408164. To dial in by phone, call 1-669-900-6833. For more information, contact Carol Hoffman, DAC Chair at 408-270-4070.

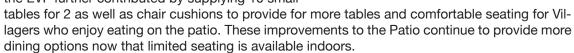
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#### More COMMUNITY NOTICES

## Enjoy Bistro al fresco dining with EVF-funded improvements

Villagers are thrilled that indoor dining has returned to the Bistro and the Clubhouse. But when the pandemic caused us to suspend indoor dining, outdoor dining with social distancing on the patio became the only alternative for Villagers. Seating was limited and the cooler winter temperatures and occasional rain brought challenges for the patio that needed to be addressed.

The EVF quickly stepped in to help improve our outdoor all-weather dining experience by purchasing a tent enclosure and 6 new propane heaters for the bistro patio. As usage of the patio increased, the EVF further contributed by supplying 10 small



"The cushions are really a welcome addition to the cold metal seats for those of us who like early morning weekend breakfast," said frequent diner Jerry Neece. "And the propane heaters make the area comfortably toasty. I come to the Bistro patio because it's warmer than my home kitchen."

These projects are consistent with the Evergreen Villages Foundation's mission to enhance Village amenities for the benefit and comfort of residents. This series of Bistro patio improvements is another example of how the EVF uses their General Fund to install small and large projects that make big differences to Villagers.

If you would like to work with the EVF and help to provide enhancements to the Villages life-style by contributing to the General Fund go to its website, evfsj.org and become a Sustaining Member. You can do this for as little as \$5 per month. Or single one-time donations to the EVF via the website are welcome at any time.



## New Villages Golf Committee to meet starting April

The new Villages Golf Committee (VGC) has been appointed as follows (in alphabetical order):

- Ray Blinde, General Member
- Ron Burke, General Member
- Rob Howe, General MemberBob Mandell, General Member
- Bev Poellot, General Member
- Shel Schumaker, Chairperson
- Mary Wagle, Secretary

Congratulations to them, and they are wished tremendous success with the newly reorganized VGC. The VGC Mission Statement is: To represent The Villages community by endeavoring to maintain the aesthetic values, functionality and playability of both courses and practice areas to enhance the residents' golf experience and to meet the expectations of the majority of golfing residents.

The VGC is having their first meeting on Thursday, April 8, 3 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. This initial meeting will be via Zoom. Thereafter, monthly meetings will be on each second Thursday of the month from 3 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. These are open meetings, and everyone is welcome to attend. Zoom details of the first meeting will be published when known.

## 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. More BOARDS & COMMITTEES

## Homeowners' Corporation Directors Election 2021

Want to make a difference in your community? The Homeowners' Corporation Board (HBOD) of Directors is looking for you. Serving on the HBOD is a rewarding and interesting activity that makes you feel a vital part of the community. You get to know your neighbors and you can make a difference in their enjoyment of Villages life.

The Villages Homeowners' Corporation Board of Directors' mission statement reads "The Homeowners' Board of Directors manages and regulates the use and enjoyment of the Homeowner Development in accordance with the governing documents and the law, and in a manner that preserves, protects, and enhances homeowner property." The bylaws of the Homeowners' Corporation provide that there will be five directors serving on the board. There will be three vacancies on the Board for 2021 with Greg Stewart's and Brooks Fuller's terms expiring, and the pending departure of Mary McBride due to an upcoming move to be with family.

If you would like to find out more about serving on the Homeowners' Corporation Board of Directors, please contact any current board member, President Mary McBride, 408-718-5790; Vice President Rob Kirschbaum, 201-960-4820; Secretary Brooks Fuller, 630-740-5542; CFO (Treasurer) Greg Stewart 408-531-1029; and Director at Large and ACC Liaison Richard Zahner, 408-717-0462.

### -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 7)

## 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 positons, 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.

### 2021 Director Elections

By Julia Meadows, Assistant General Manager, CCAM, CMCA, AMS, PCAM

The three Villages Corporations (Club, Association and Homeowners Corporation) are preparing for this year's elections and annual membership meetings (this year via teleconference).

Elections will be conducted in May and June with a ballot return deadline of June 7, 2021 at 8 a.m. with election results announced at this year's annual meetings to be held on June 9 with the Club's at 3 p.m., the Association's at 4 p.m. and the Homeowners' Corporation at 5 p.m. The Villager newspaper has been publishing information and will continue to do so for Villagers who may be interested in becoming director candidates for one of the various corporations.

#### **Board of Directors Elections**

**Club.** The Amended and Restated Bylaws of the Corporation provide that there shall be seven directors. Elections will be held for six director positions on The Villages Golf and Country Club (VGCC) Board of Directors. The director who will continue to serve during the ensuing year is Bob Wilk. Director terms expiring are for Mike Falarski, Mike Poellot, Howie Blumstein, Bob Krattli, Edward Ng, and Lee Thompson; all are eligible to run for re-election.

Of the six vacancies, Members will be electing three directors to serve three-year terms, one director to serve a two-year term, and two directors to serve terms of one-year.

Per VGCC Bylaws Section 6.2 (Election; Casting Votes), Members may cast, in respect to each position on the Board to be filled, one vote for each Lot or Condominium owned. The persons receiving the largest number of votes shall be elected and, of those persons elected, the one receiving the largest number of votes shall be elected to the longest position term and the one receiving the lowest number of votes shall be elected to the shortest position term. In case of a tie for any position, a run-off election will be conducted by written ballot.

Per VGCC Bylaws Section 6.1.1, the Board shall appoint a Nominating Committee which shall consist of three (3) or more Members, none of whom shall be current Directors. Presently serving on the committee are Nick Yannaccone, Jerry Neece and Bill DeVincenzi. In addition, the Nominating Committee shall nominate as many candidates for election to the Board of Directors as it shall in its discretion determine, but not less than the number of positions on the Board that are to be filled in a particular election. All nominations shall be made from among Members who satisfy the qualifications set forth in Bylaws Section 5.2. The Nominating Committee shall announce its candidate nominations for the annual election of Directors no later than April 15. Interested residents should contact one or more of the Nominating Committee Members (Bill DeVincenzi, Jerry Neece and Nick Yannaccone) for more information.

Also, per Bylaws Section 6.1.2, any Member in Good Standing may place his or her name in nomination by filing with the Secretary of the Club (Mike Poellot) a notice of intent signed by at least two percent (51) of the Members in Good Standing. Self-nomination petitions must be received no later than 5 p.m. on May 1.

**Association.** The Amended and Restated Bylaws of the Corporation provide that there shall be seven directors. Those who will continue to serve during the ensuing year are Richard Holmboe, Garry Ashby and Noel Lanctot. The four directors for which terms expire are David Cook, Diana Hallock, Julie Wash and Tom McLaughlin; all are eligible to run for re-election.

With the appointment last year of Tom McLaughlin to fill one year of a three-year term (per the Association's bylaws 5.8), the four director vacancies include three directors to fill terms of three years and one director to fill a term of two years that completes the remainder of the three-year term for which Tom McLaughlin was appointed.

Like the Club, per the Association Bylaws Section 6.5, Members may cast in respect to each position on the Board to be filled, one vote for each Unit owned. The persons receiving the largest number of votes shall be elected and, of those elected, the one receiving the largest number of votes shall be elect to the longest position term and the one receiving the lowest number of votes shall be elected to the shortest position term. In the case of a tie for any position, a run-off election will be conducted by secret ballot pursuant to Civil Code sections 5100 through 5145.

As duly noticed, the deadline for nominations for candidates for the Association Board is March 30, 2021 at 5 p.m. Also, published in *The Villager* beginning in the February 18 edition, is the Solicitation of Candidates Form (see page 7). 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 (rholmboe@hotmail.com) of the Board before the above posted deadline.

**Homeowners.** The Second Amended and Restated Bylaws of the Homeowners' Corporation provide that there will be five directors. There will be three vacancies on the Board for 2021 with Greg Stewart's and Brooks Fuller's terms expiring (both are eligible to run for re-election) and due to a move to be with family, the pending departure of Mary McBride. Two of the vacancies will be for three-year terms and one will be for a term of one year (to complete the term of Mary McBride.) Those directors who will continue to serve during the ensuing year are Richard Zahner and Rob Kirschbaum.

Also like the Club and Association, per the Homeowners' Corporation Bylaws Section 7.2, Members may cast in respect to each position on the Board to be filled, one vote for each Residential Lot owned. The person with the highest number of votes shall serve the longest term and the person with the lowest number of votes shall serve the shortest term. In the event there is a tie for any position, a run-off election will be conducted by secret written ballot in accordance with Section 4.4.1.

Any Member in Good Standing may place his or her name in nomination for election to the Board by giving written notice to the President (Mary McBride) or Secretary (Brooks Fuller) of the Corporation no later than 5:00 p.m. on May 1, 2021. (For contact information see article on page 6).

**IRS Resolution Votes.** For all three corporations, vote packages will also include a ballot resolution, Excess Membership Income Over Membership Expenses Refunded to Members. An approval vote of these resolutions will enable the corporations to avoid income tax on operating surpluses by refunding these surpluses to the membership in the form of assessment reduction in accordance with IRS Revenue Ruling 70-604.

Watch future *Villager* and Fast Lane editions for continued updates on this year's elections. Specific meeting information to be published in future Villager editions and included in annual meeting notices distributed in May to all members.

## 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—rholmboe@ hotmail.com) of the Board before the above posted deadline.

#### STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY

2021 Election of Directors

	I ar	n interested	in	serving	on	the	Board	of	<b>Directors</b>	of	The	Villages	Association.
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Member's Name		
Property Address(es) within The Villages Association	on.	
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 s 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:

- The nominee is not a Member. 3.1.1
- The nominee does not reside within The Villages condominium 3.1.2 project.
- 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.

- 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.
- If the nominee has been a member of the Association for less 3.1.6 than one year.
- If the nominee discloses, or if the Association is aware or be 3.1.7 comes 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.

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

## I'he Clubhouse

For Information: 408-223-4687

2800 Villages Fairway Drive, San Jose CA 95135

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

#### WHAT'S COOKING?

theclubhouse@the-villages.com

Clubhouse Restaurant opens Indoor and Patio dining-Reservations suggested: Indoor dining in the Restaurant began Saturday, March 6 for breakfast. Both indoor and outdoor dining is allowed, according to the state and county health orders. The Clubhouse suggests that you please make dining reservations. The Clubhouse still offers To-Go Grab & Go, Curbside Grab-and-Go service.

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.

Alcohol policy changes: Now alcohol does not need to be ordered with a meal in the restaurant and patio.

Online ordering: now available at: clubhousereservation. 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 9-11.)

Notice: No entry into foyer without facemask.



#### **CLUBHOUSE RESTAURANT & THE BISTRO & BAR** AND GRAB & GO ORDERS AVAILABLE







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

There are three ways to make a reservation: Call 223 4687 for auto reservation recording, or go to: Clubhousereservation. com click "Book a Reservation," or go to: the website, thevillgesgcc.com for the link. Limited seating available. Seating is now available for up to six Villages residents only.



#### 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 3/29 to 4/4

Monday 3/29 Lentil

Tuesday 3/30 Cream of Carrot with Ginger

Wednesday 3/31 Napa Cabbage with

Potstickers

Thursday 4/1 Chicken Fiesta

Friday 4/2 Corn and Shrimp Chowder

Saturday 4/3 Chef's Choice Sunday 4/4 Chef's Choice

## Indoor and Patio dining or Curbside hours of Operation

#### **Monday**

All-Day Menu: 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Last serving at 8 p.m.

### **Tuesday to Friday**

11 a.m. to 7 p.m. **Dinner Menu:** 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.

All-Day Menu:

Last serving at 8 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 8 p.m.

### Note about indoor and outdoor dining:

Because of a revision to the Santa Clara County Public Health Department's COVID-19 restrictions, indoor dining at the Clubhouse begins with Breakfast. This does not affect the Curbside Grab-and-Go pickup, or Patio Dining.

## County moves into Orange Tier; loosens

## some restaurant restrictions

Santa Clara County has moved into the Orange Tier of the State's Blueprint for a Safer Economy, allowing restaurants to seat diners at 50 percent of capacity.

All other COVID-19 protocols are still in effect.

More about this on Fast Lane and in next week's *Villager.* 

Recent adjustments to the order allowed for outdoor dining as well as indoor dining.

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.

## Weekly Specials

For the week of 3/29 to 4/4

#### Lunch:

## Grilled Teriyaki Chicken Salad

Mandarin Oranges, Chestnuts and Cucumbers over Greens with Orange Zest Pineapple

Dressing **\$14.50** ++

#### Dinner:

#### Grilled Mahi Mahi

with a Garlic Butter Sauce Served with a choice of sides \$22.95 ++



More CLUBHOUSE on pages 10, 11 & 21

#### New Menus for Curbside Grab-&-Go pickup, Indoor & Patio dining

### All Day Menu

11 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. Last Order

#### Fried Breaded Green Beans \$6.50

#### Calamari \$9.95

Lightly Dusted Rings and Tentacles

#### **GF Potato Skins** \$13.00

Cheddar, Tomatoes, Bacon, Scallions and Sour Cream

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

#### **GF** Loaded Nachos \$12

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

V Sub w/ Impossible Plant Based Meat \$13.50

#### **Battered Chicken Tenders \$7.95**

Served with Honey Mustard or BBO Sauce

#### Soup of the Day

Cup \$4.95 Bowl\$6.95

#### Entrée Caesar Salad \$10.50

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

#### V Chinese Salad .\$12.95

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 \$9.75

Crisp Iceberg Wedge with Bacon, Tomatoes Crumbled Maytag Blue Cheese

#### V Italian Chop Salad \$13.25

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

#### **Shrimp Louie** *\$15.25*

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

#### Fish and Chips \$11..95

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

#### Baja Fish Tacos \$11.95

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

#### V Quesadilla \$11.95

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

#### V Asian Stir Fry Vegetables Over Rice \$11.75

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. \$11.95

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

Cheese add \$1.50

#### V Impossible Burger with Side \$12.95

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

#### **BLT Sandwich with Side** \$10.50

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

#### **Brie Turkey Sandwich with Side \$11.95**

Cranberry Compote and Arugula on Telera Roll

#### Deli Sandwich \$10.95

Choice of Bread, Turkey, Ham, or Tuna

#### Half Deli Sandwich and Soup \$9.95

Grilled Sourdough, Ham & Swiss \$10..95

V Grilled Portabella and Pepper Sandwich \$11.50 With Mozzarella and Basil on a Brioche Bun

#### Melts:

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

#### **Reuben \$11.95**

Corned Beef, Sauerkraut, Swiss cheese, 1000 Island, Grilled Rye

#### **Grilled Pesto Chicken Sandwich \$11.95**

LTO and Monterey Cheese on Telera Roll

#### Fisherman Sandwich \$11.95

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

#### New York Steak Sandwich 2. \$17.95

Cheddar and Bacon LTO BBQ Sauce on Hoagie Roll

#### Naan Flatbread Pizzas

V Cheese Pizza \$10.25 Pepperoni Pizza \$11.25

V Margarita Pizza \$10.95

#### Combination Pizza \$12.95

Sausage, Pepperoni, Mushrooms, Onions, & Peppers

#### **Cobb Pizza** *\$12.95*

Bacon, Chicken, Black Olives, Avocadoes on Alfredo

Gluten Free Crust Add \$ 1.50

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

### Breakfast Menu

Saturday - Sunday 7am to 11am

## **New Menu** starts Tuesday, March 23

**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. \$8.50

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

**Huevos Rancheros \$9.75** 

Fried Corn Tortillas Topped with Lettuce Tomatoes, Sour Cream, Blacked Beans, Fried Egg and Salsa, Topped with Cotija Cheese

Eggs Benedict 2 \$9.95

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

Served with Choice of Hash Browns or Fruit



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

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

<sup>1.</sup> Served raw or undercooked, or contain raw or undercooked ingredients

<sup>2.</sup> 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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## **New Menu**

## **Dinner Menu**

starts

Tuesday - Sunday 5 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Last Order

#### **Tuesday, March 23**

#### **Starters**

**V** Baby Lettuce Mix Salad \$4.95

Small Caesar Salad \$6.75

The Lighter Side

Served à la carte

Linguini and Clams \$17.25

White Wine, Butter, Olive Oil, Lemon Juice Parsley

V Eggplant Parmesan \$14.95

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

V = Vegetarian GF = Gluten Free

 Served raw or undercooked, or contain raw or Undercooked ingredients

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

#### **Dinner Entrées**

Accompanied by 2 Sides Mashed Potatoes, Cilantro Rice Baked Potato with Sour Cream and Chives or Daily Vegetables Sides

Soup or Salad Included with Entrees

Fridays & Saturdays Only Slow Roasted Prime Rib 2. \$35.95 21 Days Aged, Hand Selected, Corned Fed

Grilled Filet Mignon 2. \$33.95 Center Cut with Béarnaise Sauce

**Chopped Sirloin Steak with Herbs 2 \$22.95** *Topped with Mushroom Gravy* 

**Home Style Pot Roast** 2. **\$24.95** *Braised with Mirepoix and Merlot* 

**Calf Liver and Onions 2. \$23.95**Sautéed Onions and Crispy Bacon Bits

**Grilled Spring Lamb Chops \$28.95** *Marinated with Rosemary and Garlic Served with Mint Sauce* 

Chicken Marsala \$22.95

Breast Cutlets with mushrooms and Marsala Wine Sauce

Filet of Sole Piccata \$25.75
Flour Dusted with Capers, White Wine,

**Grilled Salmon** \$26.95 Lemon Dill Butter Sauce

Lemon Butter Sauce

Salt and Pepper Prawns \$26.95 Lightly Battered and Fried







beverage

\$10.95 plus 10% service charge and tax

## Next CHANNEL Week on

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

Monday :00 Chair Aerobics Friday :24 Bollywood

Tuesday :00 Tai-Chi 8-Form :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 :00 Strength Training & Fri :13 Chair Fitness

Tue, Thu & Sat :12 Coordin Fitness

sunday :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+

-MOM-

Broadway Limited
+ One Got Fat + Topper

TUE
The Amazing Mr. X
+ Mickey's Race + Mickey Rooney Show

WED The Stranger

+ Front Page Detective

Captain Kidd + One Step Beyond

-FRI Dragnet + Mr & Mrs North

Scarlet Pimpernel

#### **SUNDAY VARIETY**

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

5:00/11:00 AM/PM

The Dinah Shore Chevy Show



**Events** 

& Notices

Network: Villages Public Password: Villages

Complimentary

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

## Villages Network Services Survey

As you may be aware, our current contract with Comcast, Inc. for cable TV and Internet access will terminate in June of next year, 2022. And before we can do an effective job at exploring a possible follow-on network services and providers, it is VERY important that we understand what The Villages community wants and needs with respect to TV and Internet service.

So please take just a few minutes of your time to complete the following survey. There is also room for general comments about your experience with Comcast service and technology. There are about 15 questions and it should take only 2 to 5 minutes to complete.

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To get this right, we'd like to hear from as many Villagers as possible, so please help us by returning your responses, one per household, by Monday, April 12. The survey on this page can be dropped in the box outside the entrance to Building B. There will be a drawing afterwards from among those who answered the survey, and three lucky winners will receive a lunch voucher at the Bistro.

Thank you for helping us!

#### **Network Services Survey Questions**

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The Villages

**Network Services** 

Survey

## Clubs & Events

### Arts & Crafts Profile: Ruth Keiser

By Barbara Gottesman



Experts say that your first teacher is your best teacher, and Ruth Keiser proves this point. When Ruth was 4, her mother began teaching her stamped cross stitch. She later learned to knit, to needlepoint and do crewel. Today Ruth enjoys counted cross stitch and needlepoint with landscape and animal themes. Her "Brother Wolf" is an example of her fondness for animals

Born in Endicott, NY, Ruth earned an M.A. degree from



Stanford. She worked as a consultant for the NJ Department of Education, started a program for gifted education in Freehold, and taught there for 30 years. She has taught college and community college courses and has worked as a college administrator. Ruth has also had a unique adventure: studying and training with an Apache Medicine Man for 25 years.

Ruth is the mother of two sons and two grandsons. She moved to The Villages in 2015. She is grateful for the Art & Crafts Association's offerings and has taken several acrylics classes from Jane Hink. Ruth, like many others, enjoys painting acrylics and her ceramics in the Art Room during Open Studio times. She is especially grateful for the congenial Stitchery Group that meets every Monday for a planned stitching time.

Ruth also has been on the Board of the Arts Community, is a volunteer with EPC, and participates in the Saturday Sing Along Group and the Folksters.

Ruth thinks artists are particularly adept at coping during the pandemic because art allows one to enjoy both solitude and creative space. She said this compensates for the lack of social activities and gives meaning to time alone.

## Jim Beall to speak to Villagers this Monday

**By Tony Berg** 



Jim Beall will speak to Villagers on Monday, March 29 at 2 p.m. via Zoom. Register using the webinar ID 895 8128 3061, password Sacramento or contact Tony Berg at anthonydberg@gmail.com.

Jim was our State Senator for 8 years before being termed out last year when Dave Cortese successfully ran for the seat to represent us.

Jim's career in public service covers more than 40 years and we are looking forward to getting his insights into how the machinery of government works with a strong supporting majority and to get his thoughts on how things in Washington are likely to pan out with a very different balance of power.

Hosted by the Democratic Club, Jim has a lot to share and will be happy to take questions. Questions can be asked the following ways: in advance: (to Tony anthonydberg@gmail.com), during the meeting by

using Zoom's Q&A feature, or by using the hands up with your microphone on, to speak directly to Jim after his presentation. However you choose to ask your questions, it is an opportunity for us to get a look inside the political system in Sacramento and beyond.

Do join us on March 29 at 2 p.m. via Zoom (ID 895 8128 3061, password Sacramento).

## Vote for your favorite art online

All Villagers are invited to vote for your favorite artworks from our online exhibits Art Challenges 10, 11 and 12. With the themes of "Home and Away," "Love is in the Air" and "Spring Has Come Again," you will find a wide variety of paintings, photos, ceramics, assemblages and other art on our website villagesartsandcrafts.org on the Art Challenges webpages.

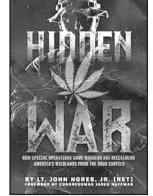
To vote, review the art on webpages Art Challenges 10, 11 and 12 on our website. In each category, choose a favorite. Send in your votes by naming the art works and the artists, along with your name, in an email message to our Webmaster at barb.gottesman@gmail.com—you can vote for one favorite in each category. Voting ends on March 31.

The favorite in each category will receive a \$50 check from the Arts & Crafts Association.

The photo with this article is of a painting by Pamela Thompson entitled "Hopeful Words" from a previous art challenge.



The Villages Hiking Club March meeting will be on Zoom and take place on Monday, March 29, 2021 at 7:30 p.m. Sign-in information will be at the end of this article. Besides a short business meeting, we will have a very informative and interesting guest speaker, Retired Fish and Wildlife Warden and author, Lt. John Nores Jr. His talk is titled "The Hidden War through COVID-19: Protecting America's Wildlands from the drug cartels through a global pandemic."



Lt. Nores was a team leader for the California Dept. of Fish and Wildlife's

special operations Marijuana Enforcement Team (MET) and has authored two books: "War in the Woods: Combating the Marijuana Cartels on America's Public Lands" (2010); and "Hidden War: How Special Operations Game Wardens are Reclaiming America's Wildlands from the Drug Cartels" (2019).

He will give an update and overview of the success and challenges of his team's fight to stop international drug trafficking organizations from destroying our nation's wildlife, wildlands and waterways throughout the U.S. during the current global pandemic. He will emphasize the cartel's exploitation of the low enforcement pressure throughout the COVID-19 shutdowns. Nores will cover current cartel environmental crime trends and highlight his team's development and use of amazing K9's to stop the decimation inflicted on our nations wildlife resources. He will also highlight his team's efforts through video clips as featured in the "Patriot Profiles – Life of Duty" documentary TV series and National Geographic Channel's "Wild Justice Game Warden" reality TV show.

Hiking Club members will receive their Zoom sign-in instructions via email a few days before the meeting. Non-members are welcome to attend by signing into their Zoom account and entering: Meeting ID 5959201234 and Password TakeAHike

## **Genealogy Club**: Genealogical Societies

What is a genealogical society and how do we locate one near our ancestors' homes? Why are these societies useful and what types of materials can they provide for us?

Please join the Genealogy Club on Thursday, April 1, at 10 a.m. on Zoom for our monthly meeting. We will discuss and learn about Genealogical Societies and how they are useful for our research, including how to find articles from society periodicals online. If you are not already a member, please contact Linda McMullen at lindavillage8392@gmail.com and she will send you a link for the meeting. Our group meets monthly to learn and share our research on family history. Come join us and start the search for your ancestors!

## VMA offers free incontinence supplies

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The VMA now has a **large** supply of donated incontinence supplies and has no room to store any more. Spread the word to those you know that might need these items. The sizes range from small to extra-large. If you are in need of these please call the VMA office (408-238-4230) and let them know what you need. Leave your name, phone number, address, and the size you would like. A volunteer will call you back, let you know if the size you require is available, and will deliver the supplies to your home.

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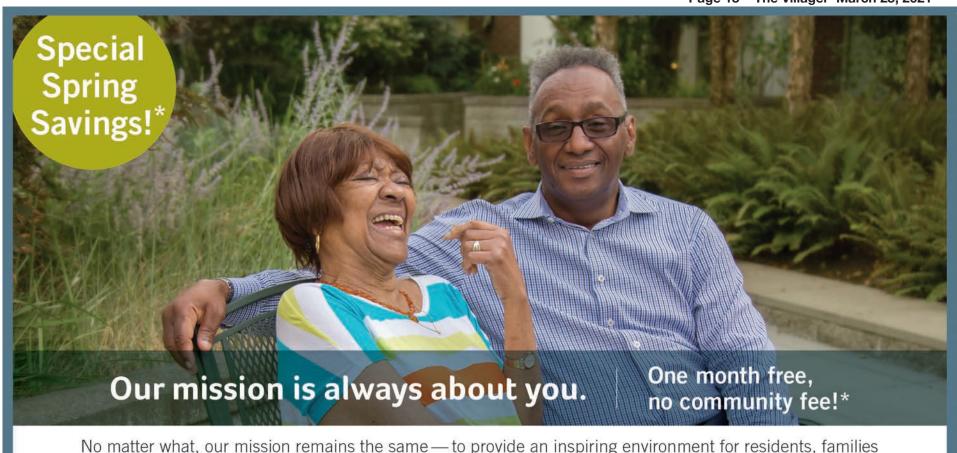


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## VMA: Hospice Myth Busters

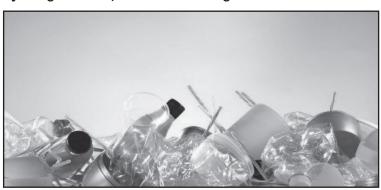
Hospice is a wonderful program that has helped so many families with a loved one near the end of life. But did you know that Hospice isn't just for the dying? The VMA is sponsoring a Zoom workshop on Wednesday, April 7 at 10:30 a.m., dispelling the myths that many people have about what Hospice really is. Sarah Jimenez from Grace Hospice will lead the discussion. A few misconceptions that Sarah will clear up are:

- · Hospice is only for old people.
- · Hospice is only for people who have cancer or are dying.
- · Hospice is for people who have given up.
- Once you are in hospice you have to stay there and can't change your mind about treatment.
  - · Hospice care is expensive.

If you are interested in this workshop, please contact Bonnie Grim at 408-238-4029 or e-mail her at bgrim@sequoialiving.org

## How to reduce single-use plastics in landfills

By Margaret Lam, Sustainable Villages Club



We have a love-hate relationship with plastic. It is a miracle product. It saves lives as a medical device and has made it possible to put men on the moon. Yet, long, ineffective waste management has led to serious plastic pollution. Of the 8.3 billion tons of virgin plastic produced since 1950, there are still 6.3 billion tons of plastic waste around. A recent discovery showed a staggering 8 million tons of microplastics found on the ocean floor. It is killing marine life, and ends up in the food chain.

The sad truth is, only 20 percent of global plastics are recycled, 79 percent are sitting in landfills.

What can we do?

90 percent of plastic produced are for "single-use," found in bottled water, straws, cup lids, plastic silverware, take-out containers and produce bags.

We can make a huge impact by curtailing consumption with a simple change of habits. Travel with a water bottle or coffee tumbler. Decline disposable cutlery on take-outs. Bring reusable containers for taking left-overs home. Use cloth bags for grocery produce.

Planet Earth will be around a very long time, but whether she remains "habitable for humans" will be up to us. Join the Sustainable Villages Club to learn more. Visit Sustainablevillagesclub.org for more information.



## Senior Academy Technology Explorers presents world's first computer

The next Senior Academy Technology Explorers meeting is April 5 at 1:30 p.m. (registration required—visit VillagesSA.org/tech-explorers). After registering, a confirmation email will be sent to you with a different link to access the meeting on the day of the program.

This meeting will present a fascinating and informative video on the 120-year hunt to understand the workings of the "world's first computer" made by ancient Greeks over 2000 years ago. Recent breakthroughs have come about by advances in X-ray technology have led to a recent scientific paper that claims to have solved the problems, almost.

So come join us and marvel at how such technology could have been created so long ago, and then been lost to the world for 1,500 years. We are planning for a lively participatory discussion after the 30-minute video presentation.



## Camera Club members win big at N4C photography competition

By Pamela Pierson

Villager Greg Sargent's "Elegance of Form" image in monochrome won Best of the Best award at the Northern California Council of Camera Clubs (N4C) annual awards ceremony. Five other Villages Camera Club (VCC) members placed: Tom Corchero, Gordon Jalkemo, Mary Miller and Ernie Murata in Journalism and Peter Nicholls in Creative.

On retiring from being a police officer and then a commercial photographer, Greg now concentrates on black and white photography and nude photography. Lately Greg lets his photography go wherever his imagination takes him. For his "Elegance in Form" image, he collaborated with professional models to make his job easier. His winning image showcases a broadly accepted definition of the ideal human. Note that his winning image in the FotoFanfare Newsletter contains nudity: https://n4c.org/download/2021/Special-Edition-2021-min-2.pdf (Thanks to Vicki Stephens, editor of FotoFanfare, for her permission to use information from their interview with Greg and for providing the link to FotoFanfare.)

If you have any interest in photography, contact Ray Blinde about VCC membership at 408-531-1776 or rwblinde@earthlink.net. The Villages Camera Club remains active during the pandemic both in the Villages and with the Northern California Council of Camera Clubs (N4C). The N4C is a consortium of 16 Bay Area Camera Clubs of beginners, amateurs and professionals.

On April 5 the Camera Club will hold its monthly competition night for members, with submission due by Wednesday, March 31. Categories include Journalism, Monochrome, Pictorial, and Travel. On April 19 Judge Greg Edwards hosts a Critique Night. All programs start at 7 p.m. For a slideshow of winning photos from club members, visit villagescameraclub.com

## Tour Medieval Islamic Art Exhibition with Gretchen Welch



On Wednesday, April 7 at 1 p.m., Senior Academy will host a Zoom presentation with Gretchen Welch speaking on the Medieval Islamic Art Exhibition. This tour will showcase the Islamic art collection at the Freer Gallery of Art, one half of the Smithsonian's National Museum of Asian Art in Washington D.C. The artworks we will examine were made by artisans living in countries under Muslim rule between the 9th and 17th century.

The Prophet Muhammed lived in present day Saudi Arabia in the early 7th century CE. After his death, his successors embarked on a series of conquests that resulted in their controlling much of North Africa and the Middle East. Muslim rule later spread to areas as diverse as Spain and South Asia. Adopting elements from Byzantine art and local traditions, the artisans of the area—many of whom were not Muslim, but Jewish, Christian or Hindu—made beautiful works on paper, in glass and ceramics, and with metal. They also benefited from vibrant trade with Europe and China.

Our look at the Freer's Islamic holdings will include treasures

made in Egypt, Syria, present-day Iraq, Iran, Afghanistan and India. Although this is the second virtual visit for the Senior Academy to the Freer Gallery, the first tour is not a prerequisite and all are welcome. Pre-registration with Zoom is required and can be done at the Senior Academy website: VillagesSA.org Zoom will then send you a link to join the tour. For members, this lecture is free. For non-members, this lecture is \$5. Fees will be charged to the attendee's house account.

Gretchen is a docent at the Freer Sackler Gallery and the Dumbarton Oaks Museum and Garden, both in Washington, D.C.

## RELIGION

### **JEWISH GROUP**

### **Passover**

#### By Rabbi Laurie Matzkin

The story of the Exodus from Egypt has been championed by many faiths and peoples throughout human history. The rawness of moving from slavery of any kind to freedom resonates with us on a visceral level. A rabbinic story teaches that as the Sea was parting, the power of the Divine was so palpable that even the fetuses in their mother's wombs pointed their fingers and cried out, "Zeh Eli- This is my God!" The goal of Passover is to remind ourselves, each other and our children that we too can have the experience of redemption.

Passover begins with a Seder, a ritual meal enacting the Exodus story. "Seder" means order in Hebrew. It was constructed as a Symposium, a Greek word meaning sym (together) + posium (drink). The Seder was meant to be a "nosh and drash," a philosophical cocktail party, a space for spontaneous learning and community building. Leading a Seder means making order and holiness out of constriction and chaos, the transformation out of slavery. With the Exodus from Egypt, we became a people, an organized community with clear leadership. Similarly, the Seder Leader sees larger picture, keeps the experience moving ahead, and understands when to rest on a topic and allow a deeper conversation to emerge. Many people try different versions of the Haggadah and are exposed to different traditions over the years. Ideally in our religious lives, we experience a range of thoughts, practices, and activities. Then, we can figure out how to lead our own "seder," giving order and meaning to the basic tools and materials we have inherited.

2021 is actually our Second Pandemic Seder. Last year, the Villages Jewish Group sold jars of the gefilte fish that had been purchased for the canceled community Seder in the Clubhouse. This year, we have learned how to come together over Zoom and feel a sense of close connection. Perhaps we have come through a certain slavery. Perhaps the constrictions of the Pandemic have given us a new sense of purpose and meaning, so that we too—like those babies in the womb—can point at our world and say, This is holy, and we are free.

### **EPISCOPAL**

## 'Sacred Surrender'

#### By The Rev. Julia McCray-Goldsmith

This Lenten season has found me revisiting favorite prayers. In the Episcopal Church, our Book of Common Prayer seems to have a prayer to speak to every situation, so when I come up short on ways to pray I can always search the book for words that speak the longing of my heart. I encourage you to try it! Meanwhile, in these waning days of Lent, I am revisiting a favorite: the "Prayer of Self Dedication," (p 832) which I think of as my prayer of ego surrender:

Almighty and eternal God, so draw our hearts to you, so guide our minds, so fill our imaginations, so control our wills, that we may be wholly yours, utterly dedicated to you; and then use us, we pray, as you will, and always to your glory and the welfare of your people; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

It's more than a bit countercultural to give away any pretense of sovereignty over our minds, wills, and imagination. Not unlike the ministry of our Lord, who gave over his body to the sacred sorrow of the crucifixion. And at the same time, we may well find a new freedom in our surrender to God's will. At the very least, we can be sure that God's mind is bigger than our own, and more compassionate. As we walk the way of Jesus in these deep days of Lent, I encourage you to "lighten your load" and dedicate yourself to sharing more of God's imagination. This kind of surrender is no loss, but rather a way to share God's certain victory.

## **COMMUNITY CHAPEL**

### 'Not Me'

#### By Pastor Bill Hayden

We are quick to point out to others our differences when we are questioned about our identity in comparison to someone we find less appealing. It is just the opposite, when we are being compared to another individual who has all the admirable qualities that are desirable to others.

There are similarities in all of us.

I remember when I was a youth, I was compared to a famous actor and I took great pride in my resemblance of him. It inspired me to want to be like him, but when my features changed, I accepted my unique individuality.

There is a need that exists within mankind to be accepted by others and some people will do whatever it takes, even if it draws negativity.

#### "We Are One"

My eyes are gray and your eyes are blue, hazel, brown and green; **We are one.** 

My hair is dark brown and your hair is red, black, auburn, blond and gray; We are one.

My skin is red and your skin is white, yellow, brown and black; **We are one.** 

You can blend in with any crowd and I can't hide, though I try; We are one.

You are looked upon as of great value and I am looked upon as a threat to someone's liberty;

## Many have crossed great waters to arrive to this land and others were already here; **We are one.**The Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit said, "Let us make man in our image, after our likeness.

And let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over the livestock and over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth."

So the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit created man in His own image, in the image of God

He created him; male and female He created them. {Genesis 1:26-27}

I see you and I see me; We are one.

Lord, bless us to be a reflection of your loving kindness on this earth and may we have a daily awareness of your presence. Amen!

Author: Pastor Bill Hayden 03/10/21

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

## **CATHOLIC COMMUNITY**

Palm Sunday, March 28, 2021, by Sr. Patricia Galli, RSM

Palm Sunday begins Holy Week. We experience this week the Paschal Mystery. We celebrate the real awareness of Jesus' humanity as described in the reading from Corinthians. Jesus experienced humanity in the same way we all do. He made friends, he taught, he was misunderstood, and he suffered a painful and devastating death. He did not mitigate his suffering with his Divinity. For this reason, we know that Jesus knows exactly what it means to be human. He can and does understand our reality. It is this that gives us the ability to be in relationship to Jesus as a friend and companion. We can talk to Jesus as one friend talks to another. We can share our greatest joy and deepest sorrow because he knows and has experienced it too.

There is a wonderful song that brings us to this truth: Lay Your Burden Down. We are told we can bring our burdens to the Cross and lay them down. Take our weary selves and lay our burdens down. Jesus takes these burdens and sorrows and transforms them. May we take this week as a time to lay our burdens down at the foot of the cross. This action makes the week holy.

**Holy Week, and Easter Schedule:** Check the parish website (sfoasj.com) for the complete schedule. Reservations will be required for the Holy Thursday Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper (outdoors) at 7 p.m.; on Good Friday, the Celebration of the Passion of the Lord (outdoors) at 12 Noon, 3 p.m., and 7 p.m., and the Easter Sunday Masses, which will be at the same times as all Sunday Masses. Easter Vigil Mass will be live-streamed on Holy Saturday at 8 p.m. Also on Good Friday, Confessions from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. in the Reconciliation Room and the Hall.

**Saturday Vigil and Sunday Masses:** Outdoor Masses will be celebrated under the tents in the upper parking lot. 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 3 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. Monday through Friday. **Mass Intentions:** If you would like to offer a Mass for someone, contact Jean Gillette at 408-270-5723.

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

**Staying up to date:** 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.

## Sports News

## **18-HOLE WOMEN**

#### By Judy Rodriguez

March 11 was a very cold play day but many ladies participated in the putting contest. The repeat winner was Jay Lee with 30 Putts. Congratulations Jay! And the high putts came in at 45, oh my! There were four Chip-ins-Holly McGowan, Dianne Doughty, Bonnie Hagen, and Loanne Rube. We salute the three Birdies made on three different holes—Marky Olsen #3, Helen Varenkamp #15, and Patti Hayes #18! Well done, ladies!

We are very happy and grateful to have the VGC approved again and two 18-Hole Women—Bev Poellot and Mary Wagle will be serving on this crucial committee. Thank you, Bev and Mary.

As we continue to celebrate Women during the month of March, let's remember, this calls for extra love and support for the women around us. So in the words of Rachel Marie Martin, "Live in love, not hate. Live in hope, not anger. Live in truth, not rumor. Live in kindness, not rudeness. Live in generosity, not selfishness. Live in peace, not frustration. Live in joy, not doubt. Live in movement, not fear. And most of all...Live in love!"

### **SHONIS**

#### By Fran Schumaker

'Twas the wearing of the green for our St. Patrick's Day game "Putting for Gold."

Twenty-eight Shonis came out to play on a cold start to the morning with lots of glorious sunshine. The game was for the low putts of the day. Congratulations go to Bonnie Evans and Meg Rogers in first place with 15 putts each. Teddy Morse came in second with 16 putts, and Pauline Robertson came in third with 17 putts. Congratulations to all of you. Honorable mention also goes to flight winners Teddy Morse, Bonnie Evans, Pauline Robertson, Delma Juarez, Bonnie Preston, Sally Nichols, Julianna Wahlgren, Uina Kubota, Johanna Bakker, Nancy Canepa.



Congratulations go to Bonnie Evans for a birdie tap in on hole #5.

And now the last two of the Temporary Wartime Golf Rules of the Richmond Golf Club in Surrey, England during World War II.

\* A ball lying in a crater may be lifted and dropped not nearer the hole, preserving the line to the hole, without penalty.

\* A player whose stroke is affected by the simultaneous explosion of a bomb may play another ball from the same place. Penalty one stroke.

These rules that I've shared with you certainly give one a different perspective about what it means to play golf during very difficult times.

If you are interested in learning more about the Shonis, give Fran Schumaker a call at 408-355-3270.

Have a wonderful week. Take care and stay safe.

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## **SWINGERS**

#### By Rita Karlsten

It was a cold and rainy morning on March 9. As a result, fewer players showed up and hence no birdies or chip-ins were reported.

That same day, however, Wendy conducted a successful Zoom club meeting. Forty-six members signed on and a spirited discussion ensued.

Scott gave a quick update on what is happening on and around the course. He reiterated the Club's guidelines on current COVID rulings which included not removing the blue protectors in the holes. He also shared that soon all 15 stalls on the driving range will be open as well more



Each member received this glass and trail mix with an invitation to the meeting.

holes will be added on the putting green. He agreed to review the yardage on hole #2. Finally, he announced that we might soon be getting new driving range mats.

For the first time, a Zoom polling feature was used on two issues:

- 1. Do we want to resume exchanges and guest days with WNGHA member clubs beginning next month? 4 Yes, 29 no.
- 2. Do we want to allow dual membership in our club provided the prospective member can qualify according to Standing Rule 2? 25 yes, 3 no, 6 not sure

There is a Women's score card available at the Pro Shop. Be sure to pick one up the next time you play.

Mary Wagle is now Secretary of the Villages Golf Committee. Thank you, Mary, for taking on this role.

Don't forget to sign up for our Spring Fling Golf Tournament scheduled for April 13. Four-person teams will be established either through your effort or by the tournament chairpersons.

Sign-up opens at 9 p.m. on April 5. The format will be One Best Ball and One Best Putt. Your team can start off at any time between 8 a.m. and 3 p.m.

For your amusement, following are some Murphy Laws to which you can probably relate:

If your driver is hot, your putter will be ice cold; if you can hit your irons, you will top your woods; if you are keeping your elbow tucked; your head will come up.

It is surprisingly easy to hole a 50-foot putt when you lie 10. Confidence evaporates in the presence of fairway water (or right before the green on hole 9).



## Swingers' Spring Fling Golf Tournament

Tuesday, April 13
Play anytime between 8 a.m. and 3 p.m.
"One Best Ball & One Best Putt Format"

Four-person teams
Chelsea sign-up opens at 9 p.m. on April 5!
Deadline for sign-up is April 7.

Team Captain must email Sheryl Driskell (sdriskell54@ gmail.com) with the names of your teammates and who's keeping score.

Scorecard and tournament rules will be sent to the scorekeeper prior to the tournament.

Prizes will be awarded to first, second and third place teams.

## **MEN'S GOLF CLUB**



### **IRONMEN**

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

**The Member/Member:** Get ready for some big fun! The Villages Men's Golf Club will hold its Member/Member Golf Tournament on Friday and Saturday, April 30-May 1. The format will be Net Better Ball on day 1, and Net *both* Balls on day 2. The entry fee will be \$60 per player + green fees. A box lunch will be provided both days. The starting date for signups will be Friday, April 9.

\*Sign up by calling the Pro Shop, but not before April 9.

Home & Home: With much anticipated excitement, and thanks to Mike Tuft, the 2021 Home & Home season will commence on April 1st hosted by Almaden Golf and Country Club. Sadly, with current Santa Clara County health restrictions, we were limited to a 15 player roster. The lucky participants for this event that have been drawn randomly should have a great time!

#### **Upcoming Events**

Spring/Summer Open: This is tentatively scheduled for the 22nd of May so please save the date. More information will be coming soon so we all can plan accordingly.

**2021 Evergreen Tournament:** The needle looks like it is starting to slowly swing in the right direction and this could very well come to fruition later on this year. This is the biggest and our favorite tournament of the year, and we are very much looking forward to it. Please stay tuned for more developments.

**Golf Thoughts:** Counting on your opponent to inform you when he breaks a rule is like expecting him to make fun of his own haircut.



### **TENNIS TALK**

#### By Ken Kline, Tennis Club President

Although we moved to the Villages less than three years ago it did not take us long to see what a great tennis community we have here. As the current President of the Club I see this every day. My job has been made fairly easy by a wonderful group of officers and volunteers many of whom have been doing the same jobs for years.

What has really impressed me is how this group comes together when tragedy strikes one of its members. Several weeks ago, M.A. Sridhar, who was our tennis site web guru, unexpectedly passed away. Within a week there was a scholarship in his name with already thousands of dollars in donations. Bob Peters, a past President from the '90s, passed and he also is being remembered with a scholarship.

When Phil Hawkinson was diagnosed with a form of cancer called Glioblastoma, a golf cart parade was organized to drive by Phil's house to cheer him up. Club member Michael Diltz volunteers several times a week to take Phil for a walk. Most of the time he goes by the courts to see his buddies play tennis and recently that has meant going down to Evergreen College.

Our resident nuclear scientist and true tennis junkie, Gordon Knapp, was diagnosed with the same disease as Phil. Tennis player Howie Blumstein has organized fellow tennis players to provide meals every other day for Gordon and his wife Janet. What other organization actually has a committee called Sunshine to help those going through tough times? Committee Chairman Julie Hawkinson custom makes her cards which makes them very special and unique.

During this year of isolation Adrien Fournier has kept the coffee seniors connected with three zoom calls per week and he has shown great patience in teaching this group how to zoom.

We cannot wait for the Tennis Club to get back into full swing with our 2021 calendar of events. If you want to contribute to either of these scholarships you can send your contribution to Tennis Club Scholarship at 8349 Riesling.

## **BOCCE NEWS**



#### **By Marcy Boyles**

**Fun Facts:** Bocce is the third most popular or played sport behind soccer and golf!

George Washington had a bocce court at Mt. Vernon.

25 Million people in the U.S. play bocce.

Thanks to Jeanne Whitacre for these.

Also, some more history: Bocce spread throughout Palestine and into Asia Minor. In 600 BC, bocce was picked up by the Greeks and passed to the Romans. It was played from the churches and castles to the city streets. In 1319 AD, Bocce was actually prohibited to people of lesser nobility because it was felt that it diverted attention from more important tasks, such as archery and war training. In 1519, bocce became a public game. It was played in Flanders, Holland, and Belgium.

Tune in next week to see where Bocce goes next.



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#### By Bill Travis

The Ironmen are currently playing every Thursday afternoon beginning at 1 p.m. and every 15 minutes thereafter until all that wish to play have reserved a tee time. No sweeps as yet, but championship points are being awarded. As always, we're paying attention to the new COVID rules regarding masks and social gathering.

This Thursday, March 18, 2021, was a rainout. The Ironmen will get back at it next week. In the meantime, enjoy the below.

Champions of Golf: Mary Kathryn "Mickey" Wright (February 14, 1935 – February 17, 2020)

Women's PGA Champion: 1958; 1960;1961; 1963 US Women's Open Champion: 1958; 1959; 1961; 1964 LPGA Money Winner: 1961; 1962; 1963; 1964

LPGA Vare Trophy Winner (Lowest Average Scoring): 1961; 1962; 1963; 1964

Associate Press Female Athlete of the Year: 1963; 1964 World Golf Hall of Fame: 1976

Mickey Wright is a legend in women's golf. In 1963, a year in which she dominated the women's tour, Wright won 13 times that season, including two majors, setting an LPGA record that stands today.

"When I play my best golf, I feel as if I'm in a fog, standing back watching the earth in orbit with a golf club in my hands."
- Mickey Wright

### **PINSEEKERS**

#### By Jack Bindon

How do you spell "wimp"? The weather gods frowned on us this last Friday. It wasn't supposed to rain... but it did. As a result, the group I was in packed it in after 6 holes since it didn't look like it was going to get any better and the rain was pretty steady and chilly. That's the bad news. There were 10 of us signed up and accordingly, though our group posted no scores for not finishing/picking up, the "event" was officially payable for real \$s. The hardy souls that did finish and winning those real \$s are:

First place with a nice net 34 was Don Lee winning 10 points.

Second place with a net 36 was Richard Petroski winning 8 points.

Third place with a net 41 was Lee Thompson, winning 6 points. Let's hope this next Friday will show some improvement since we'll officially be in *spring*. The condition of the greens after punching and sanding will result in the automatic two putt rule. This means that if your ball is on the putting surface, try the putt. If unsuccessful, pick up the ball and record one more putt for your final score. Also, clean the sand from your ball before trying that putt because the sand will affect your putt in a bad way. Remember to place your ball in an "un-punched" surface if it has come to rest in a punch hole.



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## FROM THE PRO



#### By Scott Steele, PGA Head Golf Professional

**Spring Aeration**— The greens aeration on the 18-hole course, and all three practice greens were completed this week.

On Wednesday, March 31 we will aerate the greens on the Par-3 Course.

The Par-3 Course will be *closed* on Wednesday, March 31.

The tees on both courses will be aerated on April 5 & 6 with no interruption to golf play.

#### **New Golf Hours as of DST**

**Tuesday-Sunday:** Pro Shop, Driving Range, Golf Courses Open 7 a.m. – 4 p.m.

**Monday:** Pro Shop 10 a.m. – 2 p.m., Golf Courses 12 p.m. – 2 p.m., Driving Range 10 a.m. – 3 p.m.

#### New Golf Course Walking Hours as of DST

Tuesday-Sunday: Before 7 a.m., Front-9 after 4:30 p.m. Entire Course After 8 p.m.

Monday: Before 12 p.m. and after 6 p.m.

**Golf instruction is back!** Both instructor and student wear face coverings and maintain a safe social distance throughout the lesson.

#### **Golf Lesson Contact Information:**

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

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

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

#### Red Tier County Health Orders now in place - New Golf Protocols

Here is a summary of the most recent golf protocols per the March 3rd county and state health orders:

- Golf play is now again permitted for four-household groups foursomes of any kind are again permitted
  - No guest play or practice residents only
  - · You must wear your mask when golfing with others or practicing golf
  - · You must maintain six feet of social distancing when golfing with others
- Avoid group gatherings before or after the golf round please arrive and depart 5-15 minutes before your scheduled tee time and after the round respectively
- The golf course, Pro Shop and driving range will be open from 7 a.m.-4 p.m. until further notice
  - The last tee time is 4 p.m. Tuesday-Sunday
  - •Mondays will be 12 p.m.-2 p.m. tee times with the range closing at 3 p.m.
  - Chelsea is available one week ahead for tee time reservations
  - We will return to 9-minute tee time increments
  - Single golfers may use the Chelsea online reservation system to reserve a tee time
  - Same day golfers may use the Chelsea online reservations system to reserve a tee time
  - Walk-in play will not be accepted, all golfers must have a reservation in order to play golf
  - All replays must check in with the Pro Shop and secure a tee time reservation
    Tee times only no shotguns permitted
  - All touch points will remain off of the golf courses and practice areas
- The Pro Shop is limited to Staff only until further notice we will hand deliver your merchandise selections to you
- Please always wear your mask when interacting with the Pro Shop staff or approaching the Pro Shop or driving range staff
- ${\mbox{\ }}$  Please use the Pro Shop intercom to communicate with the Pro Shop staff as opposed to opening the door
- COVID-19 Self Certification is still mandatory for anyone playing golf or practicing golf the sign in sheet is located at the table next to the practice green

Please phone the Pro Shop if you need any assistance at 408-274-3220, extension #1.

#### Tips From the Pro—Three Set Up Tricks to turn that Slice into a Draw

If you hit a nasty slice, your set-up could be the reason. Try these set up principles to straighten your ball flight:

- 1. Bump your hips to the left at address
- 2. Make sure your right arm is relaxed and lower than your left arm at address with a bit of right elbow flex
  - 3. Hold your hands and the handle higher at address

Try these tips and then swing your normal swing and watch that slice go away.

Let us know if these tips 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!

## **SRS SENIOR RESOURCE SERVICES**

## Will you get a stimulus payment this time?

Many of the third round of stimulus checks have been delivered. But this third Economic Income payment has gone out to fewer households than the two rounds sent in 2020.

#### Who qualifies for stimulus checks? How much will the stimulus checks be worth?

Single filers earning up to \$75,000 will get a full \$1,400 stimulus check, and couples filing jointly with income of up to \$150,000 will get a \$2,800 stimulus check in this new round. The payments are based on adjusted gross income, which is in your federal tax filing. Additionally, those who qualify will get an extra \$1,400 per dependent—which includes not only children, but for the first time, adult dependents as well.

If your income is more than \$75,000 (single) or \$150,000 (joint), the size of the payment will decrease quickly until it disappears entirely.

Single filers making over \$80,000 per year and joint filers making more than \$160,000 will not receive a payment at all. By some estimates, this could leave out roughly 12 million adults and roughly 5 million children from getting a check this time around. Before you complain that your payment has not yet arrived, check your tax returns to be sure you qualify this time.

The first stimulus payment did not phase out until adjusted gross income of \$99,000 (single) or \$198,000 (joint). The second Economic Income payment disappeared at \$87,000 and \$174,000. Now it is down to \$80,000 and \$160,000.

You can check the "Get My Payment" tool on IRS.gov to see the payment status of your third stimulus payment.

#### How will my check be delivered?

Taxpayers who are eligible and previously provided their direct deposit information to the IRS will not be required to do anything. Their check will automatically deposit in their bank account.

Taxpayers who don't have direct deposit set up will instead receive a paper check or an Economic Payment debit card in the mail. Do not throw away your EIP card! Go to eipcard.com and learn how to activate and use your card.

#### Will my stimulus check be based on my 2019 or 2020 income?

For this third stimulus check, eligibility will be based on taxpayers' most recently filed tax return: either 2019 or 2020.

That means Villagers who saw income decline in 2020 could potentially benefit if they have already filed their 2020 return. However, when your payment arrives, if you believe you have received a smaller amount of stimulus money than you qualified for because you haven't yet filed your 2020 return, you will be eligible to get the additional funds when you file your 2021 return.

As the same as the two other stimulus payments, this payment is not taxable income to you.

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 alert:

## New tax law guidance from IRS

The IRS is reviewing implementation plans for the newly enacted American Rescue Plan Act of 2021. Additional information about a new round of Economic Impact Payments and other tax provisions will be made available as soon as possible. The IRS strongly urges taxpayers to not file amended returns related to the new legislative provisions or take other unnecessary steps at this time.

The IRS will provide taxpayers with additional guidance on those provisions that could affect

their 2020 tax return, including the retroactive provision that makes the first \$10,200 of 2020 unemployment benefits nontaxable.

For those who haven't filed yet, the IRS will provide a worksheet for paper filers and work with software industry to update current tax software so that taxpayers can determine how to report their unemployment income on their 2020 tax return. For those who received unemployment benefits last year and have already filed their 2020 tax return, the IRS emphasizes they should not file an amended return at this time, until the IRS issues additional guidance.



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#### **EASTER CURB SIDE TO-GO MEALS**

Sunday, April 4, 2021 Three Pick-up Times At: 3 pm, 4 p.m. and 5 p.m.



Eister

Strawberry Spring Salad
With Kiwi, Chopped Walnuts, Dried Cranberries, Feta Cheese with
Lemon Dijon Vinaigrette

<u>Menu</u>

Roasted Rosemary Sliced Leg of Lamb With Mint Sauce

Or

Brown Sugar-Bourbon-Glazed Ham With

**Anna Potatoes** 

Grilled Baby Carrots and Asparagus
Rolls and Butter

**Easter Fruit Tart** 

\$28.95 plus service charge and tax

Reservation Starts Friday March 19th 9am.

All Orders Must Be In By Noon on Monday March 29<sup>th</sup>, 2021

RESERVATIONS REQUIRED
call 408-754-1337 or
e-mail: theclubhouse@the-villages.com

## LANDSCAPE & MAINTENANCE

## MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE

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

5001-5076—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 3/29-4/2. 5551—Utility room repairs in progress.

5451-5462—Cement walkway replacement in progress.

#### **Del Lago**

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

3101-3134 and 3201-3243 - Landscape maintenance and weed control, 3/29-4/2.

Concrete slicing at various locations in progress.

#### **Estates**

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

4001-4024—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 5/3-5/7.

Glen Arden

7698-7752 - 7753-7787 (odd)-Landscape maintenance and weed control, 4/19-4/23.

Emergency escape route project to connect upper Prestwick and Beltane Drive in progress.

#### **Heights**

8480-8505—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 4/12-4/16. 8500 and 8501 - Dry rot repairs in progress.

#### Hermosa

8005-8032, 8100-8121 and around lower Chardonay Lake-Landscape maintenance and weed control, 4/12-4/16.

Dead/missing plant replacement throughout the district in progress.

8339—Dry rot repairs in progress.

#### Highland

7500-7573—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 3/29-4/2. **Montgomery** 

6001-6068 and 6127-6136—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 4/5-4/9.

6204 - Dead/dying tree removal in progress.

6261 – Driveway and sidewalk replacement in progress.

6278—Rear patio replacement in progress.

#### **Olivas**

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

8600-8645, 8651-8664 and Vineyard Center-Landscape maintenance and weed control, 3/29-4/2. Dead/Missing plant replacement at various locations in progress.

Lomas Azules—Jet mulch installation in progress.

8699—Dry rot repairs in progress.

#### Sonata

2000-2024 and 2032-2064 - Landscape maintenance and weed control, 5/3-5/7.

#### Valle Vista

9048-9066-Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.

9037-9047 and 9067-9072—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 3/29-4/2.

Dead/Missing plant replacement at various locations, in progress. Insulation of water mains throughout the district in progress.

#### Verano

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

7001-7060 and 7395-7404—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 5/3-5/7.

#### **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.

## FROM BRIGHTVIEW

## Springtime Lawn Aeration

#### By Ryan C. Bolich, BrightView Landscape Services

In order to achieve and maintain a beautiful lawn it is important to ensure that nutrients can reach the soil beneath your grass. Aeration of the grass is an extremely vital element to a healthy lawn because it allows air and water to penetrate built-up grass or lawn thatch.

Aeration involves perforating the soil with small holes to allow air, water and nutrients to penetrate the grass roots. This helps the roots grow deeply and produce a stronger, more vigorous lawn.

The main reason for aerating is to alleviate soil compaction. Compacted soils prevent proper circulation of air, water and nutrients within the soil. Excess lawn thatch or heavy organic debris buried under the grass surface can also starve the roots from these essential elements.

The best time for aeration is during the growing season, when the grass can heal and fill in any open areas after soil plugs are removed. Ideally, aerate the lawn with cool season grass in the early spring and those with warm season grass in the late spring. Here at The Villages, aeration will begin early this month and continue throughout April.



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

Irrigation system checks and clearing up sprinkler heads in progress throughout the districts.

Spring turf aeration program in progress throughout the districts. Fire blight tree trunk injection treatment to all flowering pear trees in progress throughout the districts.

Liquidambar tree fruit treatment control in progress at various

Annual irrigation backflow device testing throughout the Villages scheduled to start next week.

#### **Club Centers**

Weed spraying in progress throughout the Villages.

Fire blight tree trunk injection treatment to all flowering pear trees in progress throughout the Club properties.

Liquidambar tree fruit treatment control in progress at club properties.

Annual irrigation and domestic backflow device testing throughout the Club properties scheduled to start next week. Foothill, Cribari and Montgomery pool and spa-Closed.

Cribari Center Ceramic Room - Cabinet and shelving replacement in progress.

Public safety parking lot—Perimeter fence repairs in progress.

## Don't feed the 'critters'

The Villages is known for its wide variety of wildlife. Many Villagers feel that being a good host necessitates feeding our four-legged or winged guests on a routine basis, which can be quite detrimental to our wild friends. Most wild animals naturally fear humans and keep their distance. When animals have access to food and garbage left out by residents they keep coming back for more. When this happens, they often lose their natural fear of humans and can become aggressive. To prevent that, residents should not leave out any food, including canned food, in a manner that may become accessible to our fury friends. Please comply with Villages Golf & County Club Rule 1.51.4, which states: "Feeding of waterfowl and other wild animals on a routine basis is prohibited for the protection of both residents and the animals."

## 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.

#### Maintenance Services

Customer Service Line: 408-223-4670

## **B**RIDGE HAND

#### **NORTH**

- Q 5
- 7 4
- 7643

K 10 8 5 3

#### **WEST**

- AK743
- 952 Q76

#### **EAST**

- J 10 8 2
- 962
- KQJ8

#### **SOUTH**

- 96
- AKQ1053
- A 4 2

Dealer: East Vulnerability: All

Bidding: East South West North **Pass** 1 Heart 1 Spade Pass 2 Spades 3 Hearts\* All Pass\*

Contract: 3 Hearts

Opening Lead: Ace of Spades

Dealer has 2 Spade losers, maybe a Heart loser, 1 in Diamonds, and a Club loser.

Strategy: Take out trumps and try to set up the Clubs.

West leads the Ace of Spades, follows with the King, and now East plays the 10 of Spades to tell his partner that he would like a Diamond lead since the board is now out of Spades. West obeys his partner and plays the 9 of Diamonds. East covers with the Jack, and South wins with the Ace. He then takes three rounds of Hearts to take out all the trumps. He next leads the Ace of Clubs, continues with another Club, finesses the 10, and East takes the trick with the Jack. He now leads the Queen of Diamonds, follows with the King, and South trumps. He then plays a Club to the King on the board and now claims since his last two cards are Hearts. Great! The contract is made exactly. Three Clubs can also be made but 3 Hearts provides more points.

\* South has a good hand with 6 Hearts and 17 HCP and raises the bid since West is in the over call position and can have as few as 8 HCP or as many as 17 HCP at the one level. Also South knows that East passed in the beginning and is just raising his partner at the next level which does not show many points.

## VMA: Do you need a loan of medical 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.

## Remember someone with a memorial gift to VMA

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

## Remember your loved one with a memorial gift to EVF

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



### 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 e 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@thevillages.com.

## Stroke is an emergency!

If you or a loved one is showing any of these signs, call 911 or go to the hospital immediately.

The signs of a stroke:

Face—does one side of the face drop or look uneven? Ask the person to smile.

**Speech**—Is speech slurred or unrecognizable? Ask the person to repeat a phrase.

**Eyes**—Is there a sudden loss of vision in one or both eyes? Arm—Is one arm or leg weak or numb and does it drift down? Ask the person to raise both arms.

**Balance**—Is there a sudden loss of balance.

**Headache**—Is there a sudden and pounding headache? If something looks or seems unusual, trust your instincts. Call 911 or go to the hospital immediately if you or a love one is showing any of these signs. Every second counts—know the signs and save a life!

This message provided by the Stroke Awareness Foundation. For more information visit strokeinfo.org.

## 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.

**Villages Medical Auxiliary-Since 1976** Office: 408-238-4230 Hours: Monday to Thursday, 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

**Service Coordinator:** 408-238-4029 www.vmavillages.org



\*\*Please note, ALL presentations are Via Zoom until further notice\*\*

## Coming in April

With Grace Hospice: Hospice Myth Buster -Top 10 Myths of Hospice explained by Sarah Jimenez, Administrator. Wednesday, April 7 at 10:30 a.m. To register email Bonnie at bgrim@sequoialiving.org or call 408-238-4029 and leave your email address.

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

Obstructive Sleep Apnea and other Sleep Disorders presented by Dr. Thomas Dailey, Chief of Pulmonary Medicine at the Santa Clara Medical Center and Medical Director of the Sleep Apnea Evaluation and Management Program at Kaiser Permanente Santa Clara on Tuesday, April 20 at 2 p.m. To register email Bonnie @ bgrim@sequoialiving.org or call 408-238-4029 and leave your email address.

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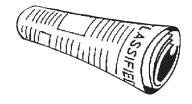
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## Wi-Fi hotspots for SJ Public Library members

As part of the SJ Access initiative, you can now check out a Wi-Fi hotspot device with your San Jose Public Library membership. The service is free and available to adults 18 and over.

To reserve a hotspot device, call one of the following library locations. Hotspots must be picked up and returned during Express pickup hours.

The two libraries offering this service closest to The Villages are:

Evergreen Branch Library (408-238-0221) and Village Square Branch Library (408-531-9464). Please call them directly to reserve your hotspot. You can also visit www.sipl. org/hotspot-members for more information and instructions.

## Leash rule for pets

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

## OBITUARY

### Janet Elizabeth Fahrner

September 2, 1933 - March 11, 2021



Janet Fahrner of San Jose passed away March 11, 2021 peacefully while sleeping. Loving wife, mother, friend, and volunteer, she was 87 years old. Janet is survived by her husband, Hugh, of 67 years, their six children, 11 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren. Janet's family moved from Massena, NY in 1947 to San Jose where Janet enrolled in Notre-Dame High School and was in the graduating class of 1951. Janet met Hugh at a Bellarmine High School dance. Janet and Hugh loved to travel and made many trips to Europe and Asia. After the children were raised, she took up golf, enjoying that for many years, especially competing with other clubs while in the 18-hole group at the SJ Country Club. Janet also enjoyed playing bridge with several groups. In 2006 Janet and Hugh moved to The Villages which was an excellent choice for enjoying retirement with more years of playing bridge and golf and making wonderful, loving friends.

Service details: Celebration of life details will be posted on the Darling & Fischer tribute page in the fall timeframe.

https://www.darlingandfischerchapelofthehills.com/tributes/Janet-Fahrner

## UBITUARY

#### **Jan Croad** October 14, 1931 - March 2, 2021



Jan, 89 years old, passed peacefully at her home in San Jose, California.

Janet was preceded in death by her high school sweetheart and husband of 51 years, John (Jack) Croad.

She is survived by her children, Susan, Mark, Dana and Pam, and leaves behind 9 grandchildren and 23 Great Grandchildren and her fur baby Harley.

As many of you know, Jan enjoyed playing Golf, Bocce Ball, and getting together with her friends for a glass of wine and pet visits. She was an avid dog walking, treat giving, animal lover. Her pockets were never empty as she always had Charlie Bears to share with neighborhood dogs as she went on her

daily walks with Harley by her side.

She will be deeply missed by her family, friends and all that knew her. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Best Friends Animal Sanctuary at: BESTFRIENDS.ORG/DONATE



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



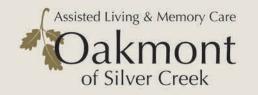
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