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Cancelled until further notice



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Villages Network Services Project

Last fall the Club Board of Directors, in anticipation of the upcoming end to our cable TV contract with Comcast, initiated the Network Services Project. The objective of this project is to investigate available and upcoming technologies for the delivery of television and Internet services and, where relevant, telephone service to Villagers' homes. A research team of seven tech-savvy Villagers was assembled to do the investigations and submit appropriate reports to the CBOD.

The team will present its findings to the Club Board as research reports and not as proposals for any particular solution or set of solutions. With the background information provided in the reports, the CBOD will be better able to make decisions about network services for The Villages going forward. Contrary to what has been said in various Pulse letters, it is not the role of the project team to make any decisions whatsoever regarding network services for The Villages; that task belongs to the CBOD and Villages Management.

Areas that are being examined right now include: new technologies (e.g. 5G, etc), our network infrastructure, market availability of alternate network providers, examples from other senior communities, contract restrictions, and Villagers' current use and preferences. With regard to the last item, we recently circulated the Villages Network Services Survey and collected over 750 responses indicating Villagers' current usage of television, telephone, and Internet services, and their preferences. If you submitted a response to that survey we thank you for your participation. Results of that survey will be published by the CBOD.

On the technology front, we find that many of the hot new Internet and WiFi technologies are, despite the hype, still a few years away from the standpoint of availability here in The Villages. And many of those would require antennas on residences, a complex matter at best, and would not necessarily offer any better performance than our current fiber/coax setup. And distinctions must be made between cable TV in the home and broadband TV (video streaming) in determining what TV technologies to pursue. We are continuing to investigate what other companies are offering in the current timeframe and what best aligns with The Villages' needs and environment.

A very important discovery found from our investigations is that there are a number of heavily inter-related elements in deciding on a follow-on solution when the current contract ends. Elements that interplay in the decision include: 1) Technology choice, 2) Infrastructure capability, 3) Business options (providers), 4) Villagers' ease of use and cost, 5) Contract issues and protections. To stay focused on only one of these aspects (e.g. "We must have the best technology") creates major problems in the other areas. All these elements will have to be considered together as a whole in order to arrive at a good, functional solution.

The Network Services Project team is continuing to work with the CBOD and Management, and we anticipate submitting a number of reports regarding our fact-finding in each of the above-mentioned areas. We regularly report our progress at the monthly CBOD meetings.

Association Board Soliciting Volunteers for Water Conservation Committee

In response to the severe drought projection for California, Association President David Cook is activating the ABOD Water Conservation Committee, per Association Policy 212. This policy requires the ABOD to select one member from each village. Mr. Cook is requesting each DAC nominate a member from its village to create, re-activate, or encourage the DAC's Water Use committee.

Association members who are interested in water conservation, please nominate yourself to your Village DAC chair so that the DAC can pick their representative before the May 25 monthly board meeting.

The deadline for contacting your Villages DAC is no later than Wednesday, May 19.

Thank you for your support and attention to this vital issue by helping our community save water and water expenses.

The Villages Golf and Country Club

Election Results

Amending the Amended Articles of Incorporation of VG&CC

A vote "FOR" will amend the Amended Articles of Incorporation to clarify the VG&CC's authority to maintain and repair, at its expense, certain streets, associated improvements and fencing.

With a quorum of 1,287 votes cast

FOR 1,232 votes

AGAINST

AINST 55 votes

The Amendment passes

Gazebo Park to reopen with restrictions

Gazebo Park will be available for use again by reservation only and with public health order restrictions beginning May 17. Gatherings will be allowed for up to two hours. The maximum number of attendees is 50 in the Orange Tier and 100 in the Yellow Tier. Events are limited to resident events only. If there are mixed households, then those households must socially distance from each other (separate tables). If food is to be served, it must be served and not self-served. Beverages may not be shared. The host must have a guest list prior to the event. Only those on the list will be allowed to attend. No walk-ins. The host must complete a self-health screening with guests prior to the start of the event. That form and the roster of attendees are to be turned in to the Community Activities Office within one day of the event. Please contact the Community Activities Office for additional information.



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

- 5 Pulse letters received this week.
- 2 Pulse letters deferred pending revisions.
- 3 Pulse letters published this week.

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

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

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

High-speed internet is the basis for Villagers' current communication and entertainment technologies. It will be the increasingly important foundation for virtually every future technology we foresee bringing to The Villages.

For the past 15 years, the only really high-speed internet service available to Villagers has been provided by the monopoly responsible for the Villages' cable infrastructure. The most plausible alternative to this monopoly is wireless home internet delivered by the same cellular signals that provide us with our cell phone service. The coming months will see high-speed wireless home internet using new 5G technology offered by the three big cell phone companies.

In my opinion, those responsible for planning the future of Villages internet and cable have not done any serious investigation of the feasibility of establishing sufficient cellular broadcast points to allow every Villager household to enjoy excellent cell phone service and high-speed wireless

The possibility of providing excellent cellular services to the entire Villages appears to have been dismissed and our internet future is likely to be controlled in the future, as it has been for the past 15 years, by whatever monopoly oversees our cable infrastructure.

-Michael Clurman

"Our Vision is to be the Country Club Community of Choice for Seniors in Northern California" The Villages Country Club Board of Directors, October 30, 2007. Fourteen years later there are Club Board candidates who are, perversely, working against this vision statement. They suggest that, by cutting costs, HOA fees will be reduced, providing welcome financial relief to those seeking it. That relief is a chimera. A fleeting fancy. A false promise. Expenses will inexorably rise over the next year. San Jose is one of the 10 most expensive places to live in this country. The costs of everything from groceries to utilities are rising as you read this. The Villages cannot escape this mathematical reality. Shortsightedly cutting maintenance and staff costs today will have dire results tomorrow. We will cease to be the Country Club Community of Choice and our property values will go down. I am looking for honest candidates whose desire to care for our beautiful Villages will, at the same time, protect the equity in our homes.

-Linda Dahlberg

We are writing in regards to a notice from BrightView, "Plum Fruit Suppression and Liquid Ambar/ Olive Control." As residents who appreciate most of the wildlife here and beautiful mountains, trees, etc., we are concerned about the spraying of these chemicals which can be potentially harmful to the environment, including air quality, residents, especially those with compromised pulmonary and other health concerns, and the impact on the wildlife who naturally eat the seeds, pods, etc., fallen from these trees, including grass, weeds, flowers, etc. We are also very concerned when one of us saw them spray chemicals to kill the weeds right along the edge of the ponds and around the trees close to the pond, potentially adding to the contamination of the ponds directly and/or through the soil, and where various animals drink from, graze, sleep, etc. Who goes "bare feet" here except our beloved pet dogs and the wildlife?

-Sandra Chinen Mathis and Vicky Freeland

IN MEMORIAM

Roland Keith Attebery January 6, 1929 - May 1, 2021

(Please see obituary in the Classified Advertising section)

In Memoriam notices are run free of charge.

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

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

DEADLINES

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

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

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

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

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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.

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

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BOARDS & COMMITTEES

Proposed Changes to Rule 1.14 Golf Facilities

At the May 4, Special Open Meeting, the Board approved to publish for 30-day notice, proposed changes to Rule 1.14 Golf Facilities prior to formal approval consideration at the June 29, monthly meeting.

The purpose of the proposed changes is to update the rule as written to reflect some possible new protocols that were introduced over the last year and that were found to be very successful and work better than the old protocols. The goal of these changes is to meet demand and to enhance the resident and guest golf experience at The Villages.

Response to the proposed rule changes may be made by one or more of the following methods: 1) Participation in the discussion of the changes at the May 25, and June 29, 2021, board meetings, 2) via e-mail (jmeadows@the-villages.com) with comments sent to the General Manager's office at least seven days prior to the May 25, and June 29, 2021, board meetings. or 3) via written comments to the General Manager's office (Business Administration Building A) delivered at least seven days prior to the aforementioned board meetings.

Deletions are noted in strikethrough font; additions are <u>underlined</u>.

1.14 GOLF FACILITIES

The golf facilities are defined as the golf Pro Shop, golf courses, golf cart paths, practice putting green, driving range, and practice areas. It is the intent of these Golf Rules to ensure the maximum enjoyment and safety of all golfers at The Villages. All residents are encouraged to become familiar with these rules, and while having consideration for fellow residents, help management in the enforcement of these rules. Cooperation, common sense, and communication among golf players, Villagers, and the professional staff are essential.

The Villages has two separate golf courses, the 18-hole golf course, and the 9-hole Par 3 Course. A resident does not have to be a member of one of The Villages golf organizations to play golf, reserve a tee time, or sponsor guests.

The "golf course," as used in this Rule, includes the courses, cart paths, and rough areas, including areas outside the cart paths up to the out of bounds stakes.

Residents are responsible for the behavior and Rules violations of their guests.

1. Rules Enforcement

The Club Board has authorized the General Manager and his or her designees, including the Director of Golf and the golf staff, to issue citations for alleged violations of this Rule. Some Rule violations may be corrected immediately by the Director of Golf or golf staff. Possible consequences to be imposed by the Board, under Rule 1.71 Enforcement of Non-Traffic Rules, include fines and the suspension of a resident's rights and privileges. 2. General Rules

A. The Club Board and Director of Golf establish fees for use of the golf facilities. These fees are listed on the Villages Golf & Country Club Schedule of Fees and Charges available on the

website, in Buildings A & B, and in the Pro Shop.

B. The rules of play, tournaments, and membership in Boardrecognized golf groups shall be stated in the handbooks and rosters of these organizations.

C. Guests

- 1) Guests must obey all Rules, including the dress code, when on the golf course or in the Golf Practice Facilities. The sponsoring resident is responsible for the guests' Rule violations.
- 2) An **Accompanied Guest** is a one-day guest accompanied by a resident. Any resident may sponsor a maximum of three guests at any one time unless prior permission has been granted by the Director of Golf. Regular guest rates
- 3) An **Unaccompanied Guest** is defined as a one-day golfing guest who is sponsored by a resident but is not accompanied by a resident. Only a resident may sponsor unaccompanied guests for play.
- 4) A Registered Guest is defined as a frequent golf guest (Continued on page 10)

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.

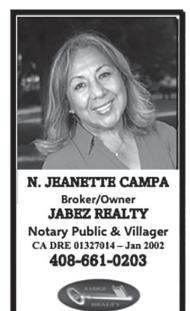
Consent forms for owners to request delivery of documents have been developed for both The Villages Association and Homeowners Corporations. These forms provide an owner's consent to electronic delivery of documents that are capable, under current laws, of being distributed electronically. Owners have 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.)

Candidates' Night posted online and aired on Channel 27

Because of the current CO-VID-19 live gathering limitations, the 2021 Candidates Night is a recorded Zoom event. It will follow the same format as last year. The Candidates Night recording is posted to the Resident Portal and aired on Channel 27. All Villagers have the opportunity to watch the recorded event at their leisure.

More BOARDS & COMMITTEES, MANAGEMENT and **COMMUNITY** NOTICES on pages 4, 5, 10, 28 & 31



Save the Date for these important Zoom events

Annual Meetings of Members Wednesday, June 9, at 3 p.m., 4 p.m. and 5 p.m.

via Zoom Teleconferences. More details to follow in future editions of The Villager.

David Cook Diana Hallock Julie Wash

Already making positive changes for YOU!

We have learned so much by attending:

- Over 90 ABOD meetings
- Over 60 presentations and articles
- Over 50 budget meetings
- Over 20 insurance meetings
- Over 40 DAC meetings

Our team has faithfully attended ECHO conferences to learn about HOA law.

Our team has worked with ALL DACS to know what Villagers want and need.

Our team listens, cares, and works hard for you!











MANAGEMENT

PUBLIC SAFETY

Coyote reminder and tips

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

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

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

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

Please report all coyote sightings to Public Safety and Vector Control at the email addresses listed below.

Report Coyote Activity

Please report all coyote sightings to Public Safety and Vector Control at the email addresses listed below.

- Director of Public Safety Steve Norden at snorden@thevillages.com and include in email the location day and time of the sighting.
- Contact for Vector Control is Vector.sccgov.org/home.
 Residents can use this to report coyote / wildlife incidents directly to the county.

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

More BOARDS & COMMITTEES and COMMUNITY NOTICES on pages 10, 28 & 31 CANDIDATE PAGES 16 - 23

Missed your Villager?

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

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

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

More COMMUNITY NOTICES

SRS SENIOR RESOURCE SERVICES

Time to pay your income taxes

Monday, May 17 is Tax Day. It is the due date for filing and paying of your 2020 form 1040 and form 540 income taxes.

If you can't file on time, what should you do? SRS advice: Do not panic! You may request a Federal extension of time to file to October 15, 2021. You do not need to explain why you are asking for additional time. However, note that an extension request only extends the date to file your return; it does not extend the date to pay your tax. The final payment date of your 2021 income tax is still May 17.

There are three ways to request an automatic extension of time to file from the IRS.

- 1) The fastest and easiest way is through irs.gov. Click on "Do your taxes for free." The extension service is free for everyone, regardless of income. Then click on whether your income is below or above \$72,000. Under available forms click on Form 4868. Filing this form gives you until October 15 to file your tax return. Remember, to get the extension you must estimate your tax liability on this form and pay any amount due.
- 2) You may pay your estimated income tax due and indicate that the payment is for an extension using Direct Pay, the Electronic Federal Tax Payment System, at irs.gov. There is no need to file a separate Form 4868 extension request when making an electronic payment and indicating it is for an extension. The IRS will automatically count it as an extension. There is no charge for a direct deduction from your checking or savings account. However, there is a fee for a debit card or credit card.
- 3) You may mail a paper Form 4868 and enclose the payment if tax is due. If you believe you do not owe any California tax, no form is required to be filed with the Franchise Tax Board. Your due date for filling a return is automatically extended to October 15. If you estimate you owe California taxes, the FTB requires a "Payment Voucher for Automatic Extension for Individuals" (FTB Form 3519) postmarked by May 17 or your taxes paid electronically from your home computer at ftb. ca.gov.

You should file an extension even if you can't pay the full amount of estimated tax due. By filing either a regular return or requesting an extension by the May 17 filing deadline, you will avoid the late-filing penalty, which can be 10 times as costly as the penalty for not paying.

Taxpayers who pay as much as they can by the due date reduce the overall amount subject to penalty and interest charges. The interest rate is currently 3 percent per year, compounded daily. The late-filing penalty is generally 5 percent per month and the late-payment penalty is normally 0.5 percent per month.

The IRS will work with taxpayers who cannot pay the full amount of tax they owe. Most people can set up an installment agreement with the IRS using the Online Payment Agreement tool on IRS.gov. Other options to pay, such as getting a loan or paying by credit card, may help resolve a tax debt.

California has comparable interest and penalties and payment agreements.

Note: The Senior Resource Services (SRS) office is currently closed for drop-in assistance. You may still leave messages at 408-239-5253 as we monitor phone messages every day and can still answer questions by phone. Please note that the return phone call will be from a volunteer calling from their home and your phone identification will not read SRS. We can also e-mail handouts. The purpose of SRS is to provide education and general business and financial information. All assistance is free and confidential. You should ask your professional adviser about your individual situation.

SRS Reminder:

Tax Day is May 17

Don't forget that Monday May 17 is the day to file your Federal and California taxes. Many people have already electronically filed their returns but have not yet paid. The payment day has arrived.

The easiest way to pay is through the IRS and FTB web sites. There are no fees for a payment directly from your bank account. If you mail your payment, we recommend you do it before May 17.

GOVERNANCE MEETINGS

THE DACs

Sonata DAC to meet May 20

The Village Sonata DAC will be meeting via Zoom on **Thursday, May 20 at 9:30 a.m.** Meeting ID: 812 2824 9590. Passcode: 446952. To dial in by phone, call 669-900-9128.

AC NOTICE

Association applications for Owner Alteration Requests for the month of June are due to the Architectural Committee on or before May 21, 2021. Call Elissa at the Corporation Yard office to obtain an application. **Meeting date is scheduled for June 3, 2021.**

Association AC Landscape meeting deadline date is May 21, 2021.

ENCROACHMENTS

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

• 8712 Lomas Azules Place-Staircase

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

More COMMUNITY NOTICES

Coyote Watch Networks

By Laurie Truman

Over the years, we have typically had the shy coyote who stays in the distance, often unnoticed. During the pandemic we observed some who seemed to linger and get too close, but that is not the usual. The safety risks and concerns of an aggressive type of coyote and resolve rests in the hands of U.S. protection and law enforcing agencies. Even their hands are tied sometimes due to laws, mandates, and protocols. It is misleading to believe that any CBOD or GM of any community can wave a magic wand to solve the problem entirely. This appears to be a law and protocol issue and management, in concert with your reports, are seeking out some of those agencies. If you have a concerning incident, it is for every resident to report their unsafe wildlife condition to our government protection agencies, on their website form, listed below. You may also want to consider writing letters to lawmakers for aid and safer mandates. For incident reporting purposes, send a report in on the websites. All contacts below are mutually important.

Currently, these are the facts they look for in order to address public health and safety:

In your reports, note if:

• You got injured due to being in the midst of an attack. (very important that agencies see the safety risks involved, especially with the aggressive type of coyote). This may include a fall, bruises, etc.

You have been seeing a "repeat" coyote.

 You were in the midst of an attack because your dog was next to you (remember short-leash safety).

Report how many people it took to de-escalate an encounter.

 How close the coyote approached, encircling you, pinning you in your path, lying in wait, stalking.

• Describe the size, color, if it was mangy, etc.

• Write your report in a Word document first, then you can simply cut and paste into each report form.

• Keep your report simple. Stick to the concerning facts, not your thoughts and opinions, or unecessary details.

• Calls and emails to report to agencies can get deleted or lost in translation. Use their website forms to cocument your encounter. You will receive a receipt that your report was received.

Report your sightings and incidents to the following. They are all mutually important:

 vector.sccgov.org Select "Service Request" Submit the report online. For the type of wildlife, select coyote.
 wildlife.ca.gov Select "WIR" Wildlife Incident Report. Submit the report

online. If you have photos, you can upload those as well.

3. snorden@the-villages.com

- 4. (Optional) Aric Heath 408-593-6214 He is our appointed field tech and very knowledgeable.
- 5. If you want to provide your sighting and encounter location to help U.C. Davis with their coyote research, go to: www.thevillagesgcc.com/coyote-sightings. If you need help navigating the agency website to their forms, or more information, you can email me at: laurietruman777@gmail.com

BOARD MEETINGS

Combined Board Meetings

 The Villages Golf and Country Club and Association Boards of Directors Combined Meeting Re: Master Property Insurance Approval is Thursday, May 27, at 10 a.m. via Zoom Teleconference.

Meeting ID: 996 3076 7680, Passcode: 217222, Dial: 1-669-900-6833

Association

• The Villages Association Board of Directors Monthly Board Meeting is Tuesday, May 25 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, May 25 at 1:30 p.m. via Zoom Meeting

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

Minutes from the Presidents' Council meeting

Prepared by Mike Falarski

Attendees: Mike F, Davis C, Diana H, Rob K, Tim S, Shel S

- 1) **Geese Control:** Shel had requested a meeting of the PC to discuss the concern about the growing geese population. Shel discussed the current activity of the Goose Busters Team including their survey of the goose population which totaled 266 geese in their last count. Shel was advocating for an integrated goose management program with all 3 corporations participating. Here is the outcome from the discussion:
 - a. PC sees the geese as a concern.
 - b. PC believes a cooperative integrated program is a good idea.
 - c. It is accepted that the geese are here to stay at some level.
 - d. We need to find out how Villagers feel about the geese.
 - e. An education program like the Coyote Management program needs to be established.

The following action resulted from the discussion:

- a. Shel will present his information and proposal at each of the individual Board meetings in June.
- b. Shel will convert the Geese Buster activity from a Club activity to a Villages activity.
- c. The ABOD will encourage the DACs to invite Shel to make presentations at their next DAC meeting.
- d. PC will work to establish a Geese management program.
- 2) **Turf Reduction Program:** David wanted to discuss the potential of creating a turf reduction program to take advantage the new rebate program. The objective of the program is reduced water usage as we enter into severe drought conditions.
 - a. Program would start with a pilot program converting 6,600 sq ft of grass lawn to low-water use landscaping. However, the amount of turf reduction possible under the funding available to the Villages is minor, only about the size of one condo building.
 - b. ABOD, CBOD, HBOD could share the cost using same ratio as is used or other shared services. Or there may be other projects that could use the funding. The opportunity cost of limited staff time to manage various drought related programs also needs to be considered to get the best return on staff time invested.
- 3) **Leaking lakes:** Tim raised the potential for saving water and money by fixing the leaking lakes sooner than later.
 - a. The Club developing plan to fix lake at #18 green.
 - b. Discussed fixing the both Association and Club leaking lakes sooner than later. Tim confirmed that Club lakes should be the target, as Association lakes are in good shape
 - c. Leaking lakes are both an environmental and financial issue.

After discussing pros and cons of turf reduction and a lake program, it was decided to pursue the lake program vs the turf reduction as a more effective means of controlling water consumption in the drought. The Association feels the best investment of staff time for Association water conservation will be to focus on underground leaking water supply lines in older Villages like Cribari. This will have an immediate return on investment in major water use reduction, and a larger impact on reducing water usage than any turf reduction project.

THE 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 in March 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).

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.



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

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





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: Clubhousereservation.com click "Book a Reservation," or go to: the website, the villagesgcc.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. **Beginning May 15 a 15% 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 5/17 to 5/23

Monday	May 17	Split Pea
Tuesday	May 18	Meatball
Wednesday	May 19	Cream of Broccoli
Thursday	May 20	Chicken Tortilla
Friday	May 21	Seafood Chowder
Saturday	May 22	Chef's Choice
Sunday	May 23	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.

Last serving at 8 p.m.

All-Day Menu:

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.

Family and friends may join Villagers at the

Restaurant

On April 13, the Clubhouse began serving family and friends of Villagers at the Clubhouse Restaurant.

Friends and family must be accompanied by a Villager.

All charges must be posted to the house account of the Villager. Credit Card and Cash will not be accepted.

Tables of six diners is maximum.

Villager will sign in for the visitors and be the point person for the party.

All other COVID-19 protocol will apply.

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



Weekly Specials

For the week of 5/18 to 5/23

Lunch Specials:

Tuesday 5/18 to Saturday 5/23

French Dip Sandwich: Sliced Beef on a French Roll with Au Jus \$16.95

Dinner Specials:

Tuesday 5/18 to Saturday 5/23

Lemon Pepper Tri-Tip:

Char Broiled and Roasted Tri-Tip thinly sliced with Au Jus Choice of Sides

\$29.50

More CLUBHOUSE on pages 8 & 9

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 BBQ 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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Breakfast Menu

Saturday - Sunday 7am to 11am

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,



Coffee \$1.95



Starbucks Espresso \$2.50 Extra Shot \$1.50

Starbucks Americano \$2.50

Starbucks Latte/Cappuccino \$3.25





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



Beginning Saturday, May 15 the Clubhouse Curbside service charge will increase to 15% from 10%. The service charge for the Indoor and Patio Dining will still be 18%.

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

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

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

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Dinner Menu

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

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

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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

Filet of Sole Piccata \$25.75

Flour Dusted with Capers, White Wine, Lemon Butter Sauce

Grilled Salmon \$26.95

Lemon Dill Butter Sauce

Salt and Pepper Prawns Lightly Battered and Fried

Land Control The Clubhouse 408-223-4687 theclubhouse@the-villages.com Reservations, Menus and Online Ordering at: www.clubhousereservation.com Served at The Clubhouse Every Friday and Saturday Nights



NO CORKAGE



Lunch Box

Jumbo Hot Dog with choice of beverage

\$10.95 plus 10% service charge and tax



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

:00 Chair Aerobics :24 Bollywood

: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

:00 Strength Training :13 Cardio Fitness

:00 How to Stay Motivated

2:00 & 8:00 a/p Candidates' Night (TBA)

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

MON Dragnet TUE The Lucy Show

WED Sherlock Holmes

THU Burns & Allen Show FRI Robin Hood

SAT The Beverly Hillbillies SUN You Bet Your Life

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

MON-Cyrano de Bergerac

The Man with the Golden Arm

WED

Lady Gangster + The Girl from Monterrey

The Last Time I Saw Paris

+ Felix the Cat

My Man Godfrev George Gobel Show

SAT

Heartbeat + The Pharmacist

SUNDAY VARIETY

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

5:00/11:00 AM/PM

The Dinah Shore Chevy Show



Events

Villages Public Password: villages & Notices

Complimentary

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

Proposed Changes to Rule 1.14...

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at The Villages who is sponsored by a resident, who has completed the annual "Registered Guest Application," and paid the \$10 annual fee. A Registered Guest may reserve their own tee times up to seven days in advance, and may play golf independently from the resident. A Registered Guest may bring up to three additional guests; any more must be approved by the Pro Shop staff. The Registered Guest must provide the guests' names in advance to the Pro Shop, which will provide them to Public Safety.

A Registered Guest and their group may be admitted to The Villages, and use The Villages golf practice facilities, only on the day of play, and only if their names are on the Play Sheet, unless otherwise approved by the Pro Shop staff.

Unaccompanied guest rates will apply.

-5)4) All guest groups must include at least one player who is 21 years of age or older. An exception would be a High School golf team practice or match. D. Residents are encouraged to register their house guests in the Registered Guest program, to take advantage of its benefits.

E.D. A non-resident owner may use the golf facilities upon presentation of a valid non-resident identification card (NR) and payment of a regular guest green fee. F.E. Pets are not permitted on the golf course. Leashed pets are permitted

on the golf course cart paths during "Pedestrians on the Golf Course" hours. Control of pets and other animals is governed by Rule 1.51, Animals and Pets.

G.F. Pedestrians are not permitted on the golf course except during "Non-Golfing Pedestrians on the Golf Course" hours. At all times, pedestrians are permitted on the cart paths immediately adjacent to the golf course restrooms, and the cart path between Fairway Drive and the Clubhouse, as long as it's done safely and respectfully. Pedestrians on the golf courses must comply with Rule 1.02, Traffic Within The Villages.

H.G. The Director of Golf, with the Golf Course Superintendent, shall be the judge of whether the course is playable, whether power carts must remain on the cart paths and whether certain holes shall be closed for maintenance.

A colored flag will be flown to advise golfers of course conditions, as follows:

1) Green flag - no restrictions unless hole is marked "cart path only."

2) Red flag - riding golf carts are restricted to cart paths.

3) Yellow flag - frost delay, all facilities are closed.

4) Black flag - all facilities are closed.

H.H. Smoking is prohibited on the Driving Range, Practice Putting Green, and all areas within a 300 foot perimeter of the Pro Shop and Bistro Patio.

J.I. Golfers using the driving range are prohibited from hitting balls over the netting or over 225 yards.

3. Rules of Play

A. USGA Rules and Golf Local Rules established by the Director of Golf shall govern all play.

B. Golf Course Etiquette and Safety

- 1) Golf etiquette must always be observed. Golfers must leave the course in the condition they found it filling divots, raking the bunkers and replacing the rakes, fixing their ball marks on the greens, <u>and obeying cart directional signs</u>
- 2) All non-tournament golfers are required to depart from the golf course fifteen (15) minutes prior to the announced starting time of a scheduled shotgun tournament. Players who have completed their play shall remain on cart paths and exit to the nearest street.
- 3) The Director of Golf and Golf Professional Staff have the authority and responsibility to decide all disputes that interfere with the orderly progress of the scheduled activities on the golf course.

4) Practice is prohibited on the golf course during times of heavy play.

5) Throwing clubs, hitting when unsafe, and any other unbecoming behavior is prohibited on the golf course and practice areas.

6) Foursomes have priority and, if maintaining proper speed of play, are not required to give way to faster-playing foursomes, threesomes, or twosomes. The exception to this rule would be any two-ball match sponsored by one of The Villages golf organizations (such as the Men's Club championship).

7) A single player has no standing and should give way to a match of any kind. 8) When appropriate, slower golfers are asked to move aside and allow faster golfers to play through in a safe manner.

C. Dress Code

This dress code applies to all golfers when using the golf course or practice facilities.

1) Acceptable golf attire for MALE golfers:

Shorts at Bermuda length (no cut-offs, swim trunks, tennis or basketball/ gym shorts).

Slacks or colored jeans (no blue jeans or sweatpants).

Collared, mock t-neck and turtleneck shirts (no tee shirts or tank tops). Golf shoes with soft spikes and tennis shoes (no bare feet or flip flops). Caps and visors with bill facing forward; knit caps.

2) Acceptable golf attire for FEMALE golfers:

Shorts or skorts no more than 4 inches above the knee (no cut-offs, tennis shorts, or yoga/spandex shorts).

Slacks and Capris (no sweatpants, leggings, or blue jeans).

Collared or collarless shirts (no bare midriff tee shirts or tank tops).

Golf shoes with soft spikes and tennis shoes (no bare feet or flip flops).

Caps and visors with bill facing forward; knit caps.

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Club Board Voting Record for May 4, 2021 Club Board Voting Record for May 4, 2021 May 4, 2021 Special Meeting **Board Members*** MF | HB | MP BW BK EN LT Comments Costs Agenda Items The Board approved the proposed operating budget, reserve funding plans, schedule of fees and charges for Approval Consideration of Proposed FY Fiscal Year 2021/2022, to include a transfer of \$200,000 21/22 Operating and Reserve Plan from the FY21 estimated operating surplus to reduce the Budgets, Schedule of Fees and Charges FY22 monthly Reserve Fund assessment from \$73.07 to Y Υ Υ Υ Υ \$0 and Allocation of Capital Reserve Funds \$66.50 thereby reducing the monthly FY22 Total Club for Preliminary Capital Improvement Monthly Assessments from \$356.79 to \$350.22 and Projects, Project Scoping authorized a \$40,000 allocation out of the Capital Reserve Fund to begin the preliminary scoping of potential future capital improvement projects. The Board approved to publish in The Villager for 30-day notice proposed changes to Rule 1.14 Golf Facilities. The purpose of the proposed changes is to update the rule as Approval Consideration to Publish for 30written to reflect some possible new protocols there day Notice Proposed Changes to Rule Y Y Y Y Υ Y were introduced over the last year and that were found \$0 1.14 Golf Facilities to be very successful and work better than the old protocols. The goal of these changes is to meet demand and to enhance the resident and guest golf experience at The Villages. The Board approved a lease with Club Car for 30 new Club Car carts in July at a cost of \$2,015.99/month for 54 Approval Consideration to Lease 30 New \$2,015.99 months. Board to discuss at May 25 monthly meeting Y Club Car Golf Carts for Golf Course /month options for the current 15 Club owned carts and installation of cart charging stations. Total APPROVED Expenditures this meeting

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

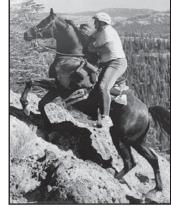
*MF = Mike Falarski | HB = Howie Blumstein | MP = Mike Poellot | BW = Bob Wilk | BK = Bob Krattli | EN = Ed Ng | LT = Lee Thompson

Clubs & Events

Riding Club: Tevis, Anyone?

By Janet Buonocore

The Tevis Cup is a renowned endurance event for horses and their riders. Also known as the Western States Trail Ride, it was named by Time Magazine as one of the toughest endurance events in the world. The goal is to ride 100 miles in 24 hours over a rugged California trail from Lake Tahoe to Auburn. The trail is so challenging for horse and rider that only about half of the participants who begin are able to finish. Those who do finish, receive a Tevis belt buckle (the reward for completing the ride with a sound horse). The buckle is the crown jewel for endurance riders around the world and most



Bill Parker riding Darque during Tevis event.

can only dream of competing, much less finishing this ride. In 2020, however, the Tevis Cup was forced to cancel for the first time since it began in 1955. This was sad news for many, but also, an opportunity for Riding Club members Joyce Dorsey and Jackie Clemens to take on the challenge. To make up for the disappointment that many of the Tevis Trail lovers would certainly feel, a Tevis Cup Virtual event was created. Joyce and Jackie along with their horses Red and Casey set out to cover 100 miles in 100 days. They were allowed to complete the 100 miles in as many smaller excursions as they wanted. After a ride or walk, they would log their miles virtually and find out how far along they were on the trail. The best part is they were able to do it right here on our own Villages' hiking trails.

Amazingly, Red and Casey are not the only horses at the barn with The Tevis under their girth: Our own wonder horse, Darque, along with his rider Bill Parker, not only rode, but finished the actual Tevis Cup Ride three times! Sandy Jones, Darque's owner, tells many stories of Tevis Cup adventures and how her late husband's love for the event moved her to purchase a portion of the trail in his name. Darque is now retired and enjoys a well-earned life of leisure under Sandy's loving care.

We are so proud of all of us of our Tevis Cup finishers!

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



In May

Cannabis Basics: Sara Payan – Educator/Public Policy Advocate/Writer will speak on cannabis and how it works in our bodies as we age. **Tuesday, May 18** 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, May 20 at 10:30 a.m. If interested in attending via Zoom please contact Judy at judithlondon@sbcglobal.net or call 408-784-3325.

Coming in June

Caregiver Support Group: a group designed to provide emotional, educational, and social support for all caregivers facilitated by Judy London Ph.D. Thursday, June 3 at 10:30 a.m. If interested in attending via ZOOM please contact Judy at judithlondon@sbcglobal.net or call 408-784-3325

Understanding Dementia – Living in the Moment: Elizabeth Landsverk M.D.-Founder of ElderConsult Geriatric Medicine and board-certified geriatrician, will address the medical and behavioral issues facing older patients and their families on Thursday, June 10 at 10:30 a.m. To register please contact Bonnie at bgrim@sequoialiving.org or call 408-238-4029 and please leave your email address.

Brandeis Club: Book Drive for VA Clinic

As their annual Community Service project, the Villages Brandeis Club will be collecting paperback books for donation to the San Jose VA Clinic nearby.

The collection drive runs from May 15 to June 15. Books are being collected at 7679 Helmsdale Drive (Village Highland). Drop-off boxes will be available outside.

Paperbacks only, please; Thrillers, Mysteries and Westerns are in great demand. If you have questions, contact Joey Stern at sternjo@pacbell.net

It's time for News Junkies

The next News Junkies Meeting is **Monday, May 17 at 1:30 p.m.** Everyone is welcome. Please remember to register in advance for Monday's News Junkies meeting. Find the Registration page on the Senior Academy website: VillagesSA.org and then click on News Junkies Registration.

We are working on the Agenda but there is room for more. Bring your topics and let's talk about current events.

If you wish to receive News Junkies topics and information to prepare for the meeting, please join the Senior Academy Members receive advance notice of current events to be placed on the Agenda. Plus newspaper articles to help you prepare for this month's discussion. See you there.

Village Readers: Do you want to join a book group?

A meeting of The Village Readers Club will be held at 2 p.m. on Wednesday, May 19, 2021, at Gazebo Park. Any Villagers who would like to join an existing group or wish to form a new group are invited to attend. There are currently 13 book groups, each with eight to 10 members. Each book group is managed independently and functions differently, from the genre of books read to the snacks provided. Groups usually meet once a month in members' homes. If you love to read, want to make new friends, and enjoy interesting book discussions, please attend. Please contact Trudy Nicholls (trudy_nicholls@hotmail.com) with any questions.



'Picking Tomatoes when the Sky was in Flames'

On Tuesday, May 25 at 2 p.m., the Senior Academy will be offering a personal insight into life in Germany through the horrors of WWII. Register for this personal account on our website at VillagesSA.org

Ursula Anna Fischer Smith was born in Esen, Germany nine months before World War II began. At the age of 18, speaking no English, she sought a fresh start by purchasing a one-way ticket to Canada. Six years later, she moved to California. She graduated from SJSU in 1986 with a Baccalaureate in Economics. She worked for Lockheed Martin Missile and Space Company until she retired.

Ursula will share with us the story of her early life documented in her book "Picking Tomatoes when the Sky was in Flames." It is an illuminating story of a young girl in a close-knit coal miner's family, growing up in Germany during six years of WWII and the struggle to recover in the years that follow. The struggle for survival comes alive in Essen, a city in the Ruhr Valley known for its steel industry, coal mines and manufacturing plants. The



strategic importance of this region for Germany's war effort made it a prime target for the Allied bombers. Ursula and her brothers try to experience the normal adventures of childhood while the world around them is caught up in the flames of war.

Ursula's storytelling skills help us understand the effect of conflict on a civilian population in a war zone and how the human spirit kept them going during the war and in their determination to rebuild their lives when peace returned.

This is a story told in such a personal and vivid way that the experience will leave a lasting impression on all who are privileged to hear it. Join us for this special webinar on May 25 at 2 p.m. Register on our website VillagesSA.org

Villages Library Donation Event

With the partial opening of the library on June 1, there will be a special donation event held on Tuesday, May 25 from 10 a.m. to 12-noon and Thursday, May 27 from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Since the library will not be open, there will be volunteers stationed outside to accept donations of *only* books published in 2020 and 2021. We do not have the room to accept all books yet. That will come after some of the restrictions are lifted.

More CLUBS

Online Art Challenge 14 for May

All Villagers are invited to send in photos of their artwork or crafts for our May online exhibit "Portraits." You can send portraits of human faces, clock faces, portraits of your ceramic designs, a portrait of a tree, fence or rock. We want to be as inclusive as we can to include many works of art.





"Art Challenge 14" until May 31 on our Arts & Crafts website at villagesartsandcrafts.org

Save The Date Document Shredding Event

July 17, 2021, starting at 9 a.m. unless changed by the County. Sponsored by High Twelve Club—Ken Brady

Come join the Friends of SJSU!

Do you have a connection with San Jose State University? Are you alumni, know faculty or staff, follow athletics or theatre, or, maybe, you have a family member enrolled? We are the Friends of San Jose State University, an official club of the Villages. Our purpose is to provide a social and supportive outlet for Villagers who have an interest or affiliation with the university.

We do this through social gatherings, dinners, and golf tournaments many times featuring University deans, administrators, staff and coaches. Our last event was a fabulous dinner that featured the coaches of the women's golf team and the executive director of SJSU's Hammer Theatre Center.

There are no dues or initiations and it's open to all residents. Interested? If you're not already on our list, just send your email and address to Richard James at rajames5959@gmail.com. You'll receive notices of upcoming events—nothing more, nothing less—and learn more about the university that has meant so much to our community, and maybe make a few new friends, too. Should you have questions please contact Pat Smith at 408-532-6414.

Weekly Sustainability Practices

By the Sustainable Villages Club

If food waste were a country, it would be the third largest emitter of greenhouse gases, just behind the U.S. and China. Each week the Sustainability Club will be suggesting one

simple behavior that can reduce waste.

This week is a simple one: **Don't waste Food.** To waste less food, buy less food. Do not go grocery shopping hungry...buy less food. Use what you have at home. (Information from "Zero Waste Chef" by Anne Marie Bonneau)

Pool Shower Etiquette Reminder

Due to current health department guidelines the only shower available at the pool is the sole outdoor shower; and it is for rinsing only. We are asking pool and spa patrons to keep their use of this shower brief so more people can use it. Any additional cleaning routine or other shower behavior beyond rinsing should be done at home. Also, please ensure your swimwear is properly covering you while rinsing to avoid accidental exposure. Thank you for being courteous to your fellow residents and staff.

San Jose Fire Chief to speak to Villagers

By Tony Berg

As the days get longer and the sun hotter, concern over the 2021 fire season starts to build. The Democratic Club has managed to get our Fire Chief Robert Sapien Jr. to visit The Villages and bring us up to date on planning and organizing for the coming season.

Please mark your calendar for Wednesday, May 26 at 3 p.m. for a Zoom presentation from Chief Sapien. This is the second visit by the Chief and those of us who were able to hear him last time can affirm how useful his knowledge and experience was to raise awareness of potential impact to Villagers. The Chief will bring us up to date on how climate change is exacerbating problems for all of us living here in the Bay Area.

This presentation will be by Zoom on May 26 at 3 p.m. and registration information is available by emailing the villages democratic club@gmail.com.

Toiletries requested for Grateful Garment Project

By Gayle Kludt

Two years ago, I invited Villagers to make donations of small items for the Grateful Garment Project. The GGP works with police to help the victims of sexual assault after they have been given their rape screening. The victim's clothing is taken away for DNA testing. Although they are allowed to take a shower, they have no clothing in which to change. I am asking for the small toiletries you often get from hotels when you visit. These includes shampoo, conditioner, body lotion, small bars of soap, hand cream, tooth paste and brushes, combs, and small hairbrushes. Since men are also assault victims, I am also asking for razors and shaving cream. Donations of new clothing are also accepted. Requested items include sweatshirts, leggings, men's and women's underwear, and socks. Donations of gift cards are also encouraged. When I did this drive two years ago, I was hoping for 500 items. Working with the Villages, PEO, my Lions Club, and outside neighbors, we actually collected over 3,000 items. Donations may be left by my front door (you can find me in the phone directory). If you have questions or need me to pick up your items, email me at kludtgayle70@gmail.com or call 408-531-1063. For more information about the GGP, visit gratefulgarment.org

The VMA wants your used golf cart!

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

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



or put your name on the waiting list to buy a cart. The VMA also accepts donations of cars.

Calling young golfers— granddaughters, nieces or friends for Corena Green Jr. girl's golf tournament

It is that time again when the Villages Women's Long 9-Hole Golf Club begins its search for young women golfers between the ages of 8 and 17 to play in this year's 31st annual Corena Green Jr. Girls Golf Classic. It will be held this year on July 26 at Valley Hi Country Club in Elk Grove, California. There are two age groups, 8-13 and 14-17. They do not have to be terrific players but must have played enough to know the rules and proper etiquette of the course. Prizes are awarded and the 14-17 age group girls compete for \$8,755 in college gift certificates.

Ladies and gentlemen of the Villages, if you know a young lady—granddaughters, nieces, friends—who would like the experience of playing in a 9 hole golf tournament, application



packets are now available and the 9-hole ladies would be happy to sponsor them. Spots do fill up quickly, particularly in the 14-17 age group, so if you know someone who is interested, please contact Mary Stowers at (408) 440-2856 for application packets. Entry deadline is June 26 or capacity.

Meditate with the Global Village Club

The Global Village Club wants to invite you to join us on Zoom every Wednesday at 7 p.m. for a **meditation** session. Contact Darlene Korb at 408-268-8337 or darlenekorb@gmail.com for more information. Meditation may significantly reduce stress, anxiety, depression and pain, and enhance peace, perception, self-concept and well-being.

Quilters Club puts on Villages-wide display

By Marilee Kline

The Village Quilters enjoyed the opportunity to display our quilts to you over Mother's Day weekend. We had quilts from large to small, there was some wearable art and a few specific Mother's Day displays with flowers and props.

We had a good turnout both days with very encouraging comments. We got to know our neighbors better and met new ones. We loved how many others, who may not be quilters themselves, put out a quilt or two. All were welcome.

The quilters here are a very philanthophic group. They have made and given quilts to various women's shelters, churches, Quilts of Valor, and fire victims. Over 1,500 quilts have been lovingly made for Project Linus, a non-profit organization which provides new quilts to children in need and in hospitals. This year necessitated us making hundreds of masks.

We look forward to being able to use the Patio room again for our first and third Friday meetings at 10:15 a.m. That gives us time to share ideas and new techniques. The second and fourth Fridays we meet to work on group charity quilts. So much more gets accomplished when we work together.



This colorful quilt was made to commemorate a Salsa Festival. Quilter: Marilee Kline



At left: A closeup of sewnon chips on Marilee's salsa quilt.

Photos and captions by Ciel Duke



Quilter: Jean Gillette



Christmas was a popular theme...can you find Santa? Quilter: Jean Gillette



Quilts were draped on trees, hung from ladders, and even ingeniously displayed on steel garage doors using magnets! Quilter: Sandy Juracich



A masterpiece of quilting, titled "Irises." Quilter: Gwen Bindon



This quilt is titled "Your husband called and said to tell you to buy whatever you want." Quilter: Marilee Kline



People came on foot, in golf carts and by car to admire their fellow Villagers' handiwork and craftsmanship.



"#1 REAL ESTATE TEAM IN VILLAGES SALES"



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Sold	3358 Bolsena Court	1,184	2	2 0	\$620,000	3	\$620,000	\$523.65	4/19/2021
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Religion

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'A Whole Lotta Love'

By The Rev. Julia McCray-Goldsmith

My son Aaron, who is serving as Trinity Cathedral's Youth & Family Minister until he starts graduate school in July, was wondering with me this week. "How do I keep teaching the kids when the assigned Bible readings are about love, week after week?" Yep, that's what happens when our lectionary assigns a lot of readings from John. "Maybe," I reflected back to him, "we just need to be reminded to love each other frequently."

Love, in the Judeo-Christian tradition, is not so much a feeling as it is a commitment. It's a choice we have the privilege of making, every day. And sometimes even more frequently, if we need it! I'm an East-Bay-to-South-Bay commuter, which gives me plenty of opportunity to choose love over annoyance while driving on the freeway. But here's the thing: the heart is also a muscle, which means it gets stronger with use. When I ask God to give me the grace of love—most especially when I don't feel like it—it gets a little easier each time. Maybe hearing Jesus to remind us to love, frequently, is something like a workout for our hearts.

And at the end of all of our heart muscle exercising is the promise of joy. "As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete." (John 15:9-11)

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

"Feast of the Ascension of the Lord, Reflection" by Msgr. Stephen F. Perata:

Today we are invited to a very special event. Through St. Luke's account of Jesus ascending to the Father, we are given a chance to witness that event as seen through the eyes of the Apostles. Jesus had been with them for forty days after His resurrection. Here is their story. "We listened to him talk about many things, but we didn't always understand. When He told us to stay in Jerusalem, we thought He wanted us to band together with others to defeat the Romans. So, we asked him when this was going to take place. Then Jesus told us, 'It's not for you to know the times or seasons that the Father has set down. You'll know when to start and what needs to be done when His Spirit comes upon you. Then you will be my witnesses not only in Jerusalem but right to the ends of the earth'. Then He was gone.

A cloud enveloped Him, and, as He was ascending, we were standing there awe-struck, gazing into the sky after him. We lost track of time. Suddenly, two men dressed in white got our attention, 'Men of Galilee, why are you standing there looking up at the sky?' It wasn't so much a question as it was a challenge and reminder to us and to anyone who wishes to be His disciple "Start where you are...Give who you are...God's love is present in you but grows only when shared."

Saturday Vigil and Sunday Masses: Reservations required. Masses will be on Saturday at 4 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. (Vietnamese). Sunday Masses are at 8 a.m., 9 a.m., 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 12 p.m., 2 p.m. (Spanish), and 4 p.m. (Vietnamese). Check the parish website, sfoasj.com, or daily emails, for locations, which may change with short notice.

Reservations for Masses: Reservations may be made through the link on the parish website at sfoasj.com or by calling the parish office at 408-223-1562.

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 408-274-4521. 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.

Newcomers to the Villages: If you are a newcomer, and Catholic, please register at the St. Francis of Assisi office, or online at sfoasj.com

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

COMMUNITY CHAPEL

'Light it up'

By Pastor Bill Hayden

The other day, I was shopping for gifts for my granddaughter's new home. I also selected a few items that I needed for my new project. After checking out and on my way to leave the store, I noticed this very tall athletic-looking young lady. She was standing behind the Return Counter greeting people with a very dry and unwelcoming voice as they entered the store. I turned and looked at her and said, "Wow that was a tired greeting!" She looked at me smiling. I said, "It looks like you need a Starbucks!" Laughing, she replied, "Yes, I need a Starbucks...I haven't had one!" We both laughed and I went to the car to load my items and leave.

As I got into the car to leave with my tired feet, I thought, "Starbucks is not far from here." So, I turned the car toward Starbucks to purchase my favorite Caramel Frappuccino and then returned to the store. The store clerk was talking to a co-worker and saw me entering with a coffee in hand, her voice elevated with a high pitch, "You bought me a Starbucks?" With social distancing, I lowered my mask to tell her that in June of 2019 that I almost died at 71 years of age and it was a miracle that I received a new heart. She was smiling and in shock at the same time, as I explained my ordeal. While wearing my "I love Jesus" cap, I told her that I wanted her to enjoy this coffee and be blessed for the rest of her life. She thanked me and I said a silent prayer for her as I left for home.

After sharing my story with my wife, I realized that I had read a devotional earlier that morning about a clerk, who had recently lost her husband and a frequent customer was kind in acknowledging a need to encourage her. You never know how much you can enrich a person's life by an act of grace, if you're willing to extend a little compassion. It only cost me tired feet and 5 dollars.

Matthew 5:16 NIV "In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven."

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

JEWISH GROUP

Friday night Shabbat Services will be held at 7:15 p.m. on **May 21, 2021** as a Zoom meeting (Meeting ID: 985 6418 8088, Passcode: vZjQ3e). Rabbi Jaymee Alpert from Congregation Beth David will lead our services, followed a discussion that she is planning to speak about. unique gifts, which is related to the week's Torah portion, Naso. All Villagers are welcome. If you are interested in membership in the Villages Jewish Group, please contact Joyce Mendel at 408-238-7316.

By Rabbi Laurie Matzkin

Hooray – we reach yet another Jewish holiday! This coming Sunday through Tuesday is the festival of Shavuot, which comes from two Hebrew words "Shavua" (week) and "Sheva" (seven). Shavuot, the holiday of the Seven Weeks, arrives on the eve of the 50th day since the Passover Seder. As usual, there are several filters to understand this holiday. From a biblical or historical Lens, we are counting time from the Exodus from Egypt to the receiving of the Torah at Mount Sinai. The first night of Passover marked the Israelite slaves fleeing from Pharoah; and then the seventh day as the crossing the Sea of Reeds. After crossing the sea, the Israelites needed to make a mindset shift, climb out of generations of oppression, and rise to a level of acknowledging God's authority instead of bowing to Pharoah. These 49 days between running away from Pharoah and accepting the Torah's wisdom at Sinai are understood to be a purification process that we mirror to this day by exploring ethical characteristics each day. Finally, from the agricultural lens of Jews living in Ancient Israel during Temple Times, Shavuot marks the shift from the barley harvest to the new wheat harvest. This physical change manifests in the difference between the rough, flat matzah, made of old grains, to a fluffy, puffy challah bread, a remnant of the Show Bread baked for the Pilgrimage to the ancient Temple.

Shavuot is an interesting example of the divergence between Israeli and American holiday traditions. Israelis think of Shavuot as a springtime festival with a focus on the Seven Species of the Land of Israel, greenery and flower crowns everywhere, and cheesecake in every home. For observant American Jews, the focus is on recreating the mystical experience of receiving the Torah at Mount Sinai. But as early as the 1500s, a Jewish legal code mentions that bringing plants to synagogues and houses serves "as a memory for the happiness of receiving the Torah." This tradition feels like an integration of nature and spirituality, honoring the "green" around us as a way to lift up our emotions and connect us to something greater. Perhaps you can explore whether you are more drawn to the natural world or the intellectual world, and find an integration between these two ways of being, as a way to draw deeper wisdom into your own heart.

Help Us Keep Your

Vote a Secret

Association Board Candidates

Julie Wash

9059 Village View Loop

My husband, Roy and I moved to the Villages 6 years ago in 2015 after living in Silver Creek Valley Country Club for 21 years. We have one son, two daughters. two grandsons, and three greatgrandchildren.

In 2012 I served as a Director for the Silver Creek Valley Country

Club Homeowners Association. I was a member of the Architectural Committee.

When we moved to The Villages, I joined the Valle Vista DAC as Landscape Chair. I served as the Valle Vista DAC Chair in 2016-2017.

I practiced as a Physician Assistant for 30 years after graduating for Stanford University Physician Assistant Program in 1990. As a practicing clinician, I divided my time between Internal Medicine, Pain Management and Orthopedic Surgery. Additionally, I had the opportunity to write a medical policy manual and as team member in opening a patient-centered medical library.

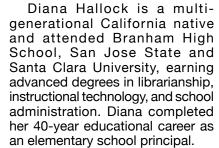
My social activities include the Camera Club, Hiking Club, Bocce Club and the Italian Club.

As an ABOD Director, I have served as Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer as well as on the Policy committee, and Ad-Hoc Reserves Accumulation committee.

In running for a new term as an Association Board member, my focus will be on fiscally managing budgets in operations and reserves in order to maintain our community with high standards for today as well as in the future. I see this as being transparent and fiscally responsible. Maintaining our shared assets benefits all Villagers.

Diana Omo Hallock

7352 Via Laguna



Since moving to The Villages in 2011 with her husband, Hal, Diana has served in many capacities including: 2020 ABOD Vice President, 2018-19 ABOD Treasurer, Chairman of the Verano DAC, Evergreen /illages Foundation Vice President, and the 18 Hole Women's Golf 2020-21 Co-Captain. Her service to the Villages and her commitment to volunteerism led Diana to seek a second term on the Association Board.

As the ABOD Vice President, Diana has consistently voted for initiatives that reduce current costs while maintaining our safe, beautiful community. Diana has also voted for preventative measures to save money in the future like aggressively repairing dry rot, caulking gaps more frequently, and sealing our flat roofs.

Diana currently serves on the President's Council which ensures Villages Boards work together in an informed, cooperative way. Diana has also communicated ABOD information to residents through concise, clear presentations including "Villages Roads" and the "Role of DACs.'

Diana's priorities will be to balance a fiscally conservative budget with the desires of residents, to ensure the safety of our homes, and to address the concerns of individual residents while serving the collective needs of our entire community. Diana's continued approach will be to collect accurate data, consider multiple points of view, and support transparency in all decision making.

George Paris

8759 McCarty Ranch Drive

My wife and I have been residents of Olivas since 2015 and we're hoping this is our forever home. We love the amenities and have become avid golfers and bocce ball players. I'm on the Board of Directors and Tournament Director for bocce ball. Before moving to the Villages, I was a director for our

previous homeowners' association in Fremont and served as an elder in our church.

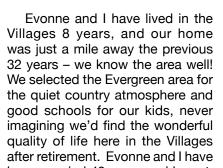
I grew up in San Francisco and graduated from S.F. State University with a degree in Marketing, then served 2 years in the Philippines in the Peace Corps. My assignment was to utilize my business and communications skills to create business case studies for emerging companies in that country.

When I returned home I began a 25-year career in sales management in high-tech where I honed my problem-solving and listening skills. Wanting to try something more entrepreneurial, I opened a successful specialty foot care center that required innovative solutions and unwavering customer service and support.

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Julie Wash

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Maintenance and repairs are costly. This year the (Continued on page 22)

Diana Omo Hallock

As an Association Director, my top four priorities drought. Add to that our water district is planning on will be personal safety, a conservative budget, resident significant rate increases now, and for the next ten years involvement, and enhancement of Villages life. First, I am or so. It is imperative we manage our landscaping and committed to the safety of our residents and guests. Our water usage, both inside and outside our homes. I, homes and neighborhoods need to be well maintained along with other Directors voted to activate the Water with all buildings and grounds meeting or exceeding Conservation Committee, and recommended the DAC current safety standards. This includes the new California law, SB 326, which requires all balconies and decks to be Members can check for leaks by checking toilets destructively inspected for structural integrity and safety. and dripping faucets. Reduce using dishwashers from Second, the current 30-year budget plan is excellent daily to several times a week as examples. Outside, but budget fluctuations are difficult for those of us on plant drought resistant plants and make sure you are a fixed income. Having personally managed a thirteennot overwatering. BrightView now limits new planting to million-dollar school language grant over a ten-year the winter months. This saves water and gives the plant period, I am well prepared to take a long-term approach to all budgets, making sure we limit assessments to DACs may want to look at turf reduction. This may only what is actually required to preserve our homes be something they would want to consider for a future and environment. Third, I have already proposed that reserve item, remembering that the cost to replace the the ABOD have a Communication Director to provide timely, salient articles on current issues effecting Villages California fires, affect our Insurance premiums, as life and budgets. Residents want and deserve to know well other major disaster throughout the US. California's what is happening, why, and how they can have a voice. continued fire season, now nearly 10 months long has Lastly, I believe the Villages must continuously improve been, is a major factor. The ABOD is meeting in May the grounds, the homes, and our Villages amenities so with the other two boards to discuss other ways to we can remain a senior community of choice in the Bay

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The Association Board needs to stay on top of the control of reserves. It was stated at the last ABOD meeting that the reserves in 2051 will be at \$63 million. It was also expressed that this was a great move, because originally it was projected to be over \$200 million. How did it ever get that high? It was said this is just a number and it will be worked on to be lower in the next five years. Why not now? If it is wrong, fix it now. This should be a priority. Expenses for salaries is another issue that needs

to be handled. The two Boards need to get together to examine the amount of money being spent on employee salary packages. This is a big chunk of the budget. The employees are constantly getting a 3-4% annual raise, plus bonuses. Most companies within the Valley are making significant cuts, freezing salaries, imposing a hiring freeze and are working feverishly at keeping expenses down.

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Del Yamaki

3235 Lake Albano Circle

I am running for Director, Club Board because I see great opportunity to improve cost management and communications with residents. Like many of my neighbors, I am concerned about significant HOA increases without communicating potential options for cost reductions.



I pledge to diligently work towards reducing HOA fees by scrutinizing unnecessary expenditures while keeping the quality of our amenities and lifestyle.

My wife and I moved here because we wanted to spend our retirement years in a great community with many amenities and friendly neighbors; we found the Villages and hope to be here a long time.

My career in information technology management for major financial institutions, like Visa International and Citibank, and my experience co-founding two successful startup companies, has given me the experience and perspective I think is necessary to be a board director.

I am an Associate member of the Del Lago DAC and a member of its Budget Subcommittee. As a member of the Ad Hoc Committee on Reserve Accumulation I have valuable knowledge about establishing and maintaining reserves for HOA communities. I am a VP of the Chinese Club, a member of the Table Tennis Club and a core member of Villagers for Change.

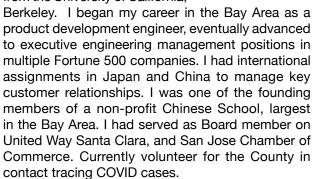
My recent deep dives into Village's water usage/ costs, past and present, club reserves, the Village's HOA fee history, street assessment issues and the bid documents disclosure process, has prepared me to start working for you immediately.

Edward (Ed) Ng

7654 Falkirk Drive

I currently serve as Director on the Club Board. The insight and experience I gained from working with Board members, the GM and residents inspired me to run for another term.

I hold a M.S. in Electrical Engineering/Computer Science from the University of California,



My wife and I moved into the Villages in 2015. We were attracted by the Villages' serene beauty and its kindred spirit of community. I am member of Men's and Table Tennis Clubs. I had served as president of The Villages Chinese Club.

My top priority is to run our country club "more" like a business. I see immense opportunity for the Villages to innovate and modernize quality of life while achieving fiscally responsible management. I am not a rubber-stamper. I will improve our amenities and streamline Villages Management for operational efficiency. To earn the trust of residents, I will listen for inputs and respond in my continue work to increase customer satisfaction. A successful Board member truly represents the voice of Villagers.

Manji Patel

5464 Cribari Green

I have lived in the Villages for over 9 years. I was born in Kenya, earned a bachelor's in computer science while working fulltime in the United Kingdom. In 1987, I moved to the United States to pursue business opportunities as business and technical advisor in various companies, including



GE and Oracle, with project budgets of \$5M-\$10M. These opportunities have provided me with sound experience in accounting, supply management solutions including complex contract negotiations and the ability to assess risk management, cost containment and efficiency. After early retirement, I advised small hospitality businesses for improvements in marketing and customer satisfaction.

While my primary reason for moving here was its nearby location to family, I enjoy the natural beauty and scenic surroundings. I love my home and lifestyle here. I would like this to continue and help others here to do the same. I feel the Club Board would benefit from my experience, enthusiasm, energy, and commitment to solving the problems facing our community. Expense management needs a full review. I am a great listener and capable of handling diverse sets of views in a fair and respectful manner.

Villages life for me is playing casual golf, an occasional game of tennis, long walks, various book group discussions and practicing sustainable living as a member of the Sustainable Villages Club. I enjoy family and friend's events at the Gazebo and other facilities and hope life will return to normalcy soon.

Question 2: What are the most important issues for the Club Board to consider and how are you prepared to handle them?

Del Yamaki

Having had a Silicon Valley career I understand the challenge to control costs. The issue is not to ignore this challenge, but to step up as leaders of our community. We can cut costs in ways that don't impact the beauty of the Villages and do not reduce our amenities. Being in Silicon Valley means that we are close to innovation, which we can leverage to reduce our expenses. How about using office automation software to improve staff productivity? Or getting government grants to develop solar plants on existing buildings to accommodate electric vehicle charging stations? A Club Board member should be a thinker, a researcher and supporter of all innovative ideas to achieve good results with minimum expenditures.

Before making important financial decision, I would like to first communicate the issue to the residents and get their input. Through transparent communication the Club Board should rely upon the wisdom of the community to govern more effectively.

Ed Ng

Inflation and costs outside of our control is a fact of life and can't be avoided. The important issue is how we manage through this year over year. We not only have to keep up the amenities and services, but we need to continue to update and improve our facilities and amenities at the Country Club.

I do not think passing on the dollar for dollar, or percentage for percentage increases we face to our residents is the answer to the cost increases we face. I hope my fellow Board members and I will join hands to look for creative solutions to reduce the impact of the external cost increases. I would like to find a lot of hidden subject matter experts from the residents to join different sub-committees to seek out solutions of the future.

Modernization is an topic that requires the Board's attention. This starts from our TV and internet contract with Comcast, to various ways we deliver our services to our residents, and the existing amenities.

Every organization has plenty of opportunities for improvements. I believe that with the help of our experience and dedicated staff we can identify those opportunities to meet our stake holders' objectives.

Manji Patel

I am listing just a **few of the many things** the Club Board will have to decide:

COST CONTAINMENT: For better fiscal accountability and transparency, a review of key finance processes is needed. I would advocate reinstating the Finance Committee, with additional **oversight**, to identify areas where improvements can be made and getting resident input via surveys. One of the key decision will be \$1.6M PPP loan status and, if approved, its best use. Water Conservation is also key.

SAFETY:

-Coyotes are problem! Mitigation efforts by a group has helped but more needs to be done in collaboration with local/state officials.

-Plan for fires and power outages: Activate Emergency Preparedness Committee and ensure it has resources it needs. We learned valuable lessons last summer and are fortunate to have a fire station and an airport nearby that aids in fighting fires.

OPENING OF AMENITIES:

-Balancing the needs of residents: recommend use of volunteers working under the rules set by

COMCAST CONTRACT RENEWAL: I support activities conducted by the Network Services group. While recognizing Comcast owns the infrastructure, we need a service that supports current needs and future expansion.

Jerry Neece

7755 Beltane Drive

Amidst these challenging times, now, more than ever it is extremely important to elect qualified CBOD directors who will work to maintain and improve our home values through managing and enhancing our beautiful and unique Villages amenities in a fiscally prudent manner. I have a



proven track record in understanding and governing the Villages complex operation.

I moved to Glen Arden 10 years ago and since then I have been actively involved in many Villages activities and affairs including serving on the Club Board from 2014-2016 where I both built revenue and reduced expenses. I am on the board of the Evergreen Villages Foundation, have served on the Glen Arden DAC, and have formed, or been a member of, almost two dozen board committees and clubs.

Experienced in governance, over the years I have served on 18 for-profit and non-profit boards. I work collaboratively with residents, other board members, management and staff. A California-born veteran and a second-generation Villager, my 40-year career in high tech and business academia are important, especially in the upcoming Comcast negotiations.

The Villages is a wonderfully active, amenity-rich community. Let's keep it that way.

Richard Zahner

7140 Via Solana

I welcome the opportunity to serve our community on the Club Board of Directors. My goal will be to foster Good Governance practices that support the Club Board's mission of a safe attractive community and enriching lifestyle for us all.



Barbara and I raised our family in nearby Almaden Valley. Almost three years ago we moved to Verano. We enjoy life here and hope to contribute to the community by maintaining and enhancing the quality of life at The Villages and to maintain the value our investment in our home. I am a member of the Men's Golf Club, Veteran's Club and Hiking Club.

I currently serve on the City of San Jose's Clean Energy Advisory Commission, and the St. Francis of Assisi's Finance Committee and Mental Health Ministry. In recent years I served on Presentation High School's Board of Directors, Santa Clara Valley Water District's Resources and Environment Commission and on the Santa Clara County Civil Grand Jury.

Professionally, I spent over 40 years in the electric power business with the Bechtel Company and Calpine Corporation, developing, building and operating nuclear, gas-fired and solar power plants. Subsequently I consulted to power and industrial clients on energy efficiency projects and renewable power development. I also served as President of Gilroy's Economic Development Corporation and 24 years on active and reserve duty with the Navy—Captain USNR-R.

Robert Krattli

3206 Lake Garda Drive

My fellow residents of this wonderful community—The Villages Golf and Country Club, I am submitting my name for consideration as a replacement member of the Club Board of Directors. I provide the following broad information supporting my qualifications:



Moved into The Villages Golf and Country Club in September 2015

 Bachelor of Arts in Business Operations Management

Master's Degree in Financial Analysis

 20 year Naval Office career retiring as a Commander. My last four years as the Comptroller and Executive officer at Naval Air Station Moffett Field managing a \$20 Million budget.

• 26 years at high tech companies in Silicon Valley as a Cost Accounting and FP&A manager. My last 5 years were at a multi-billion dollar fiber optic manufacturer as Business Manager for the Facilities, Health, and Security Division.

• My family and I were some of the first 50 residents at Silver Creek Valley Country Club. In support of my community, I was a member of the HOA Board and was HOA Board President helping to manage the transition from Developer Management to resident control for the 1,650 home complex.

- Participated in numerous Club Board Committees including the Green's Committee responsible for the analysis and coordination for golf course maintenance and operations.
- Joined the Club Board of Directors as the Board Treasurer for 3 years.

My focus will be to provide our residents with efficient, safe, and effective services responsive to the needs and desires of our bosses – the residents of our wonderful community. I promise to be open, welcoming, patient, diligent and responsible. I will be a good steward of the trust placed upon the Board. I want this community to be just as desirable in 20 years as the community was when my wife and I moved here

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Jerry Neece

I think the biggest issue The Villages faces now and in the future is how to deal with steadily-increasing costs of water and power, insurance, and labor. These uncontrollable charges put pressure on our budget and the ability of some of our residents to pay their assessments. It's the root cause of many of the other issues we currently face at The Villages.

The answer is to take proactive steps to reduce the impact of these rising costs. In my previous three-year term on the board we implemented the solar project at the RV lot which beginning in 2023 will significantly reduce our exposure to PGE rate increases. We also replaced an aging and leaking golf course irrigation system three years ahead of time to cut costs.

I support management's efforts to reduce insurance costs by trimming trees and fixing the sewer system, to reduce water costs by fixing lake leakage and securing rebates by further turf reduction, and labor costs by retaining key employees and treating our loyal employee family fairly.

As your director, I will continue to tackle this problem with intelligent expense reduction and innovative revenue generation. Now, more than ever, experience counts.

Richard Zahner

The Villages is a unique and successful Golf and Country Club. The new Board of Directors will be dealing with maintaining and improving the amenities that we have and adding facilities and services that we, the owners, desire, approve and are willing to support. The Good Governance Group Platform (website - villagers-ggg.org) which I support, includes the following key issues:

- Reopening post-pandemic
- Appropriate relationship between Board and Management
- Maintain the quality of life at The Villages at reasonable cost.
- Updating communication to inform and engage every resident
- Transparency in decision making
- Effective management of expenses

My background includes assignments both as a Manager reporting to a Board of Directors and as a member of several Boards of Directors. I have empathy for all concerned.

I managed operations and budgets as an executive with Bechtel and Calpine (power industry) and as President of the City of Gilroy's Economic Development. In each I applied proven practices of sound governance, successful Board-to-Manager relationships and fiscal control.

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How can we respond to ever increasing costs from outside our direct control: 1 Minimum Wage Doubling from 2010 to 2021, 2 Water rates increasing while we reduce consumption, ever increasing insurance costs driven by massive wild fire damages throughout the state.

We control what we can immediately: Invest in water conservation by targeting leaky ponds and landscape irrigation where we can reduce turf while maintaining the overall park like environment. Other golf communities have taken grass out of irrigation but ended up with an environment that look like a cow pasture. We must make smart reductions and not destroy the wonderful look and feel of our jewel.

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Leslie Lambert

7592 Tayside Court

I moved to The Villages nearly 7 years ago and have thoroughly enjoyed my time living here, meeting new friends and enjoying the beauty that surrounds us. With more time on my hands as a recently retired CEO for Lambert Advanced Security and Privacy, LLC, a womanowned small business focused



on delivering consulting services for information security, privacy, audit and risk management, I am interested in becoming even more actively involved in our Community.

I'm currently a Board Member of the Highland DAC and a Board Member for the Fitness Center Advisory Committee, and also a member of the Network Services Committee. I'm a member of The Villages Hiking Club. I have enjoyed contributing my energies and skills to work with management and relish the wonderful outdoor areas we are privileged to have.

I have spent the last few years attending nearly all of the meetings of the Club and Association Boards which has helped me appreciate and understand the scope and depth of the various board's responsibilities as well as the critical issues before The Villages at this current time. This is a time to heal open wounds and I'm ready to help lead that healing process.

I have more than 40 years-experience in high technology businesses, with deep knowledge of IT and financial operations. Industry roles have included executive positions as Chief Information Officer for iPlanet, Chief Information Security Officer for both Juniper Networks and Sun Microsystems and Chief Security and Strategy Officer for GuruCul Solutions.

I hold an MBA in Finance and Marketing from Santa Clara University, and an MA and BA in Experimental Psychology, plus industry certifications in security, privacy, audit and risk management.

Judy Owen

8445 Chenin Blanc Lane

Our Villages is a unique community of beautiful surroundings and caring, active neighbors who truly care for their environment and each other. Moving here from San Jose's Rose Garden, May 2018, it is the place I have chosen to call home. The decision to move



here was reaffirmed during Covid era when I observed efforts of residents and staff alike to remain safe yet active and engaged.

Born and raised in Oregon, I earned my MBA from Oregon State then moved to San Jose. Over my 35 year career I worked for five companies, last 25 for HP and Agilent Technologies as Federal Contracts Manager. Demonstrated ability to work across organizations to successfully implement changes. Negotiated complex contracts with Aerospace and Defense companies and government agencies.

Golf drew me here and the Women's 18 Hole Club welcomed me. I have been the Rules Director since 2019, formerly serving on boards of two other golf clubs. I currently am the secretary and on "Tech Team" of Senior Academy Board, volunteer as a VMA driver and Hermosa EPC, and am a member of the Bocce and Pickleball club.

It became apparent to me that The Board faces many challenges balancing increasing costs and the need to maintain the overall environment to keep The Villages a special place. I believe it is important to maintain the level of amenities to attract future residents while satisfying current residents. In making decisions all voices should be heard and the process must be transparent and inclusive.

Mikki Fillhouer

7359 Via Laguna

I was born in Brooklyn and moved to Silicon Valley in 1972 when I was a single woman with three children to support. I started my career in high tech with a job in electronics on the assembly line and worked my way up the ladder to management positions. I went



back to school and graduated from Gavilan College with a Business Management degree. My last job in high tech was Logistics Manager at JDS Uniphase.

After JDSU moved to China I went back to school to study Accounting, and I married Bob Fillhouer. I wanted to help him sell insurance so I got my insurance license and sold enough to qualify the agency for travel awards five years in a row. It was then I learned to love travel so I took classes and got my CTA license.

I am now an independent travel advisor. I also do free Notary work for residents.

Coming from a poor family I learned that if you want something, you have to go out and earn it on your own. I have been guided by that philosophy throughout my life. I have a deep respect for money and what it can do and I am distressed at some of the things I see in the Villages. I want to bring my business and accounting expertise—and my common sense—to the CBOD, to work with other directors to find sensible reductions in costs that will take pressure off of raising HOA fees.

Question 2: What are the most important issues for the Club Board to consider and how are you prepared to handle them?

Leslie Lambert

The most important issues for the Club Board in the immediate future are water management, Comcast contract, continued investments in preventative maintenance of aging key infrastructure, and broadening planning activities to address challenges faced by fixed-income residents.

As a CBOD Director, I will partner closely with Maria Hernandez as The Villages "Water Czar" to assess, plan and tackle the myriad of water challenges across The Villages property -- including golf course watering, ponds and lakes and household usage. Water is a precious resource that must be conserved, preserved and managed in a detailed fashion.

The Comcast contract situation requires a strong CBOD presence to define precise needs of Villagers, identify credible providers, perform tough contract negotiations, and place strong service level performance metrics on whichever provider is chosen.

Already, the CBOD and Management have made targeted strategic investments in carefully planned and thoughtful preventative maintenance activities for our aging infrastructure – this must continue and be managed in a cost-efficient manner, with cost protections for commodity materials where market prices have recently been volatile.

Fixed-income residents are a valuable constituency of The Villages resident population. The CBOD must include address and facilitate creative solutions for fixed-income residents to enable their continued enjoyment of The Villages for as long as possible.

I sincerely appreciate your VOTE of support to serve as a Club Board Director. villagers-ggg.org

Judy Owen

The CBOD needs to improve communications between CBOD, management, and the Villages' residents. Many residents feel the Board does not listen to them. One of the easiest steps to take would be to move the Member's forum from the end of the board meeting to the beginning. Currently the forum is at the end of a long meeting, and it is understandable that it often feels rushed. Implement a bi-weekly column in The Villager and Fast Lane composed of questions and requests received by CBOD with responses. Review the current communication platforms, The Villager and Fast Lane, to make suggestions on improving effectiveness. These are simple actions that will improve communications between CBOD and residents.

The plan, and execution, for what replaces the current Comcast contract which expires at the end of FY 22 will be a top priority of CBOD. This year a survey of residents was completed at direction of CBOD. Developing the statement of work based on the needs of the Villagers will be the key to contracting and implementing what is needed. Since the decision on the new program will touch each Villager in some way, it is important that the decision making process and evaluation be as transparent as possible.

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Mikki Fillhouer

The number 1 issue is to keep HOA costs down so all residents can enjoy the Villages and no one should be pushed out due to pricing.

This is not impossible, but it does take the will to delve into where the money goes and find ways to reduce the costs.

Let's take a look at the three big money pits. Water, insurance and utilities. I would assign three committees of village residents to research ways to reduce the costs in each area and come back to the board with suggestions. The board will review those suggestions and take action as needed. Let's harness all the talent we already have living here.

The second issue is to reduce unnecessary spending. I am talking about building a bathroom on the golf course without really knowing what the costs will be and what the benefits are. Spending money to change out flowers when the ones in the ground still look good, etc.

And lastly let's take a look at the Bistro and Restaurant. This amenity should be self-sustaining and break even or close to even as possible. Let's look for ways to make the residents want to come and spend money there.

Joe Civello

8737 McCarty Ranch Drive

Maria and I moved to the Villages in November of 2006 and have enjoyed almost every minute in this beautiful, friendly and supportive community. We have been blessed with a daughter, two sons and doubly blessed with eight grandchildren, who visit



I hold a BS in Mathematics from the University of New York City, Hunter College and an MBA from Pepperdine University.

I spent most of my business career in Software Development Management and Product Marketing and Planning with large corporations and have held positions of Vice President of both Engineering and Marketing. With up to \$16 million budgets and personnel of more than 100, I have successfully delivered products to market; that were needed, and that exceeded sales goals. As an executive I served on Boards of Directors for both public and private companies.

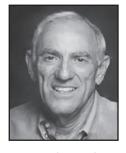
At the Villages, I have served on the boards of the: Villages Club; VMA: Italian Club and Bocce Club. I also worked on: Olivas DAC; ABOD Nominating: CBOD Rules; CBOD Policy and CBOD Finance Committees. I volunteer at the VMA and serve as a Villages Ambassador. I am member of: SIR 114; the Men's Club; Pinseekers; Ironmen; Bocce Club; the OWLs and the Italian Club. I enjoy golf, bocce, poker, all red wines and someone else's expensive white wines.

I am a financially conservative, problem solver and planner, who listens, asks questions and manages people and assets to accomplish the appropriate goals an projects. I will use these skills to work for all Villagers by satisfying their needs, controlling costs, and increasing the value of the Club's assets. Your vote for me, will add new discipline, leadership and responsiveness to the Board.

Howie Blumstein

9045 Village View Loop

This year's Club Board election is one of the most important since you have been living in The Villages Golf and Country Club. We are a residential community with numerous amenities (golf courses, restaurant/bistro, pools, etc.). The continuation of the life experiences you have enjoyed are at stake. Maintaining amenities,



their availability and providing services as we know them are dependent on the directors elected.

Villagers for Change (VFC) assembled a slate of six candidates whose positions are aligned with VFC's. The following restaurant/bistro recommendations presented at their March 2021 meeting illustrates VFC's philosophies.

- No food service on Mondays. Offer packaged bar snacks only
- Limit Clubhouse dining to dinner Friday/Saturday evenings, and Sunday brunch
- Look into alternative restaurant models that exclude traditional table service

These recommendations and conceivably others such as eliminate the par 3 golf course, close one or two pools, permit the public to play golf, eat at the restaurant/bistro to increase revenues will diminish your experiences and The Villages culture.

Understand all our positions on making decisions. Watch the Zoom Candidate's Night and read the responses to four questions published in The Villager. Particularly the fourth question: ".... Given that there probably will be increases in insurance, water and other costs in the coming years, how do you recommend keeping our assessments as low as possible? Do you propose to cut services and/or amenities?'

Platform

- Board transparency
- Town Hall meetings
- Reestablish the finance committee
- and residents This year it is especially important to vote for six candidates.

Wayne Weiler

8241 Claret Court

Barb and I have lived in The Villages for 19 years. I retired from Lockheed (30 years) and built homes in Santa Clara County (12 years). I enjoy playing tennis, golf, and bocce. In joining the Marketing Committee my mission was to encourage more people



to move here. This Marketing Committee was my first experience becoming involved with the Club Board of Directors. In 2009 we purchased a single family home in Hermosa and made some major modifications. After becoming a single family homeowner, I was elected to the Villages Homeowners Board of Directors (for a 3 year term) where I learned how The Villages is governed. Subsequently, I was elected to the Club Board of Directors and continued there for a total of 6 years (2 terms). I want to be elected again because I am concernd about the following:

- HOA fee increases have been excessive for the past 3 years.
- More attention needs to be paid to cost control.
- More attention needs to be paid to revenue

While I was on the Club Board, we contracted for the solar system located in the RV lot (zero cost to Villagers). This is beneficial for the environment as well as helping lower our PG&E costs. I believe my 6 years as an active member of the Club Board of Directors has enhanced my working knowledge of The Villages and the ability to see all sides of

My Education: BS Engineering UCLA, MBA Santa - Promote the welfare and interests of all Members Clara University, California Contractors License

Question 2: What are the most important issues for the Club Board to consider and how are you prepared to handle them?

Joe Civello

The Communication problem is growing into mistrust in the Board and management because of decisions and actions made and not made, and some without notifying the members.

Examples:

- Changes in Management Agreement
- Not providing all actual costs of projects, Bathroom at 17, Voyager.
- Not providing results of cost reduction projects.
- Terminating the Finance Committee and the Villages Golf Committee
- Shutting down the Emergency Preparedness Committee during the COVID emergency.
- Responding to concerns and requests, recommendations made by members at Board meetings with "thank you for your input"
- Charging for or eliminating services previously provided.
- ∟ıımınatıon of members' communication with staff I will work to establish member access to the Board to get answers, to get matters on the agenda, to get their requests considered, to get their recommendations considered.

I will work to establish policies that will eliminate the information shortfalls that exist.

Howie Blumstein

Drought: We currently are in a drought and should be prepared for recurring droughts. Planning and implementing measures to offset the droughts effects will financially benefit our community.

Numerous lakes/water features are leaking. Repairing these leaks is one project that should be implemented using funds from the club's reserve account. One lake is leaking at a rate costing our community \$50,000 a year to replenish water. The payback for this repair is about three years and cost savings will continue beyond the payback period.

Turf reduction on the golf courses and elsewhere is another project that will result in cost savings. The Villages should participate in the water district's turf reduction rebate program. Up to \$50,000 is available to reimburse costs for this project.

Comcast: The cable television contract with Comcast expires about a year from now. The Network Services Committee was formed to provide recommendations to the Club Board after the contract expires. The committee has researched available providers and internet technologies, determined what other communities are doing, understand the infrastructure in our community, etc. Additionally, a resident survey was recently conducted to determine Villagers needs/

I will review the committee's recommendations, evaluate options and with other directors arrive at a cost-efficient solution for Villagers.

I appreciate your VOTE of support to serve another term as a Club Board Director. villagers-ggg.org

Wayne Weiler

COMCAST

Recovering from the pandemic will be issue #1, and this will require a lot of the Club Boards attention while providing guidance to our General Manager and his staff. Direction from the County will no doubt require adjustments to indoor dinning, Fitness Center operation, athletic clubs and pool use rules, to name just a few. Issue #2 will be the potential increases in water, electricity, insurance, and labor costs. The reduction of water use can be addressed by: a further reduction of grass and a reducition of replacement water at our pools (this requires an evaluation of pool covers to reduce evaporation). The Villages is fortunate to have a few insurance experts (Villagers) and I propose that the Club Board of Directors consult these experts.

GENERAL COST REDUCTION

Our solar system located in the RV lot, had a cost & lease amount of \$1,657,054 and will be paid off in September 2023. Once fully owned by The Villages, we will be saving approximately \$280,000 per year. The system was designed to replace 92% of our electricity needs for Club operations, which in the past was \$334,973 per year. Other cost reduction possibilities are: reducing natural gas requirements for heating pools and hot water tanks.

Our Comcast contract is 1-1/2 years from renewal and now is time to evaluate some options. I would like to see a majority of Villagers participate in deciding which option is most popular.

Club Board Candidates

Frank A. Houghton

7733 Kilmarnok Drive

I, Frank Houghton am well known around the Villages for my sense of humor, my energy and my keen observations of what is happening around us. After much thought, I decided I wanted to bring these attributes, and so much more, to the Club Board.



Retired for 11 years, I can be seen on the golf course, the pickleball court, in the ping pong and billiards rooms, playing in the Ukulele Club and riding my new electric bike around the Villages. I am making the most of my retirement.

I believe strongly that residents should also help the Villages as well as enjoy its amenities. From a Club Board position, I feel I could bring all my experience and talents to bear on the challenges our community faces to keep costs in check, to get the highest quality of work from vendors, and to keep residents informed and part of the process.

I was born and raised in Detroit where I received an MSME, MBA and a PhD in Mechanical Engineering from the University of Detroit. Work eventually brought my wife, Joyce, and our four daughters to San Jose where I worked as a senior mechanical engineer for noted companies like Western Digital Corporation, ASML, Nvidia and Quantum Corporation. My career gave me the ability to manage complex projects from primary design through manufacturing and to market. In short, I know how to get things done.

Rex Hinkle

8343 Riesling Way

Kathy and I fell in love with the Villages on our very first visit and made an offer for our home in Hermosa on the second visit. We moved here 3 ½ years ago after having spent almost 50 years in Mountain View and Hollister. We have three children, nine grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.



I grew up in Illinois and graduated with an Electrical Engineering degree from the University of Illinois. During college I discovered my interests tended toward business rather than engineering. After starting my career with Philco Ford in Palo Alto (later acquired by Lockheed Martin), I attended Golden Gate University part time and obtained my MBA.

My career in planning and project management included budget, implementation and cost control responsibilities.

Kathy and I volunteered for over 15 years with the Mountain View School District. Due to my business experience, participation on facilities advisory group, and having attended most Board meetings for several years, the Board unanimously appointed me to serve the remaining year and a half of the term of a Board member who resigned. My Board experience taught me how to objectively listen to competing views from administration, staff, parents and taxpayers. That, plus my experience in the workplace and managing residential and commercial properties, provide a good background for the challenges facing the Villages. I bring a fresh perspective—I ask for your vote and support to help find realistic solutions.

Question 2: What are the most important issues for the Club Board to consider and how are you prepared to handle them?

Frank A. Houghton

There are three issues that need to be addressed and they all involve a lot of money that can affect our HOAs:

- Replacing the liners in our 20 or so pond: cost in the millions
- Replacing the greens on our golf course: estimated \$10 million cost
- Finding ways to make our restaurant and golf operations break even so that Villagers will no longer have to subsidize them.

Our ponds cost a lot of money even when the liners are ok. They evaporate a lot of water and water is very expensive and getting worse. We need to make them smaller or replace some with other decorative features. Investing millions in features that are already too expensive is foolish.

Our golf greens are just fine for amateur golfers. Some may need repair but they do not need total replacement. Many millions of dollars to replace them is just excessive.

Both the restaurant and golf course lose money and need to be subsidized from our HOA fees. This is just wrong. The restaurant and golf course should at least break even so that the other Villagers do not need to help pay for my meal or golf game.

Rex Hinkle

Communication: When we moved here, we were told that the General Manager had an open door policy. Now, we hear complaints that too much of his and staff's time is being taken up by residents. In the meantime, many residents have expressed frustration that they feel their concerns are not being heard. A high priority of the new Board should be to establish clear channels of communication for residents to communicate with both the Board and the GM. What ever policies and processes are agreed upon should be re-examined periodically to verify they are working. We can not have just top down communication and expect residents to be satisfied.

Costs / amenities: There is no magic wand that will instantly lower our costs. However, we owe it to our long time residents, many of whom spent many hours helping make The Villages the enjoyable place it is today, to slow down the run away train of ever increasing assessments. It will take a lot of hard work and help of residents to examine each cost area and find opportunities to both cut costs and improve services. My career and our personal investments have given me experience in controlling costs.

Voting Tips:

Want Your Vote To Count?

Use both envelopes and keep the barcode intact!

Why Use Two Envelopes to Vote?

The inner one keeps your vote a secret! The outer one registers you as a member in good standing who is eligible to vote!

Is My Ballot Secret?

Yes, if you seal both matching colored envelopes!

Why Are Ballots in Different Colors?

- Blue is for the Association election.
- · Tan is for the Club election.
- Green is for the Homeowners' election. Don't get them mixed up!

Don't Mix Up Ballot and Envelope Colors

The colors have to match for your vote to be valid!

Julie Wash answer to Question #2

(Continued from page 16)

ABOD implemented a Caulking policy that will reduce the frequency of painting projects, and a Preventative Maintenance Program for flat roofs.

I, as a Director, I'm concerned about the Association Reserves levels. Are we saving too much or not enough? The ABOD is bringing in an outside Reserve planning firm to review and complete and independent reserve plan to compare with our current plan. This will allow us to make any changes if need be, and/or confirm we are implementing best practices. This will be taking place in May 2021.

Living in a community where we all share all of expenses affects each of us through our assessments. Since becoming a DAC member and now a Director, I continue to look for ways to manage assessments for each of us. Many costs, like labor and cost of goods are not in our control. Other costs like water and insurance are large expenses that we continue to review in order to make improvements to bend the curve to more stable assessments.

I, Julie Wash, ask that you vote for me as ABOD Director.

For more information: Please go to: villagers-ggg.org

Candidates' Night is posted online & aired on Channel 27

Because of the current COVID-19 live gathering limitations, the 2021 Candidates Night is a recorded Zoom event. It will follow the same format as last year. The Candidates Night recording is posted to the Resident Portal and aired on Channel 27. All Villagers have the opportunity to watch the recorded event at their leisure.

Homeowners' Board Candidates

Teddy Morse

8063 Chardonay Court

My husband Tom and I moved to The Villages in August 2013. Since then I've had the opportunity to serve in rewarding volunteer positions including: serving on the boards of The Villages Medical Auxiliary (VMA), the Shonis Women's Par 3 Golf Club, and the Homeowners'



Corporation. In 2017 I chaired the search committee to recruit The Villages' general manager. In 2020 I led the effort to create a Presidents' Council to facilitate communication between the governing boards. Currently, I am an at-large member of the Homeowners' Architectural Control Committee.

I served on the Homeowners' Corporation Board from 2014 to 2019. In my first year, I worked with the board to establish yearly goals and objectives, thus providing board accountability. We completed an update of the governing documents, which wrapped up while I was president of the board. This involved board work study sessions and community meetings to better align the documents with the Association's and Club's documents for more efficient management

I spent 25 years with the Santa Clara Valley Water District. As the water district's public information officer (communications manager) my duties included: water district spokesperson with the news media and the community, production of community publications, and organization of community meetings.

I've taken a few months off from volunteering to rest and focus on improving my golf game. However, I'm ready to contribute again to the community by using my experience from past service to support the current Homeowners' Corporation directors.

Jeannie Omel

7946 Caledonia Drive

I thoroughly enjoy being part of this wonderful community. I have been involved as a committee member and a board member over the past six years within The Villages management structure and actively participate with the 9-Hole and 18-Hole ladies golf leagues. I am also a member of The Evergreen Villages Foundation.



year and, no doubt, there will be more to come. As single-family homeowners, we have a unique position in The Villages. I want be part of the Homeowners' Corporation Board to help assure that those unique rights are always considered and protected.

For 10 years, I was the General Manager of Gilroy

There have been many changes over the past

For 10 years, I was the General Manager of Gilroy Premium Outlets, a 55-acre retail property with the responsibility for fiscal management, maintenance, landscape, construction, security and marketing.

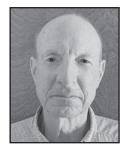
Previous positions held include Business Manager of the Bakersfield Symphony, Communications Director of the Idaho State Bar and Director of the Boise City Arts Commission. My professional positions have required a myriad of skills including budget management, union negotiations and media relations. These positions have afforded me the opportunity to work successfully with diverse groups within government, the legal community, healthcare and the arts community.

With my professional experience and degree in Communication from Boise State University, I feel that I can represent the single-family homeowners while helping to maintain The Villages as a beautiful and very special place to live.

Brooks Fuller

8061 Chardonay Court

Upon retirement, Cindy and I moved to The Villages 9 years ago to be near our grandchildren after living on the East Coast. We were attracted to the Villages for its beauty and amenities. Initially, we settled in Sonata and within the past 2 years we moved to a single family home in Hermosa.



After graduating from Ohio

University, my career has been in the financial services sector with the last 23 years working for GE Capital as a Senior Risk Manager.

Since moving to The Villages, I have served as DAC chair of Sonata, the chair of the Club Finance Committee and the president of the Association Board. During this time, I worked closely with management to develop annual budgets, outsource our golf course maintenance, investigate outside management companies, and renew our landscaping contract.

We are committed to the excellence of the Villages and both Cindy and I have been active in various Villages activities. We have served in volunteer positions with the 18 hole golf groups, the Villages Chapel, and the VMA.

Last year I was appointed to the Homeowner's Board to fill a vacancy and was elected Secretary. Now, I am running for the Homeowner's Board to continue the good work of past Directors and to ensure that the Homeowner's governance remains relevant and continues to respond to both the ever changing environment and the needs of the members.

Question 2: What are the most important issues for the HBOD to consider and how are you prepared to handle them?

Teddy Morse

We live in a golf and country club adult community where we share in the cost of providing amenities for all the diverse interests of the residents. By sharing the cost amongst everyone, amenities are more affordable.

What I believe the Homeowners' Corporation Board needs to watch is any shifting of costs from the Association to the Club, thus committing single-family homeowners to additional expense. As single-family homeowners we have full responsibility for all costs related to the maintenance and improvements of our house and our lot, just like a neighborhood outside The Villages. One of the attractions of living in a condo is that many of the costs we pay for individually as single-family homeowners are spread out amongst several condo owners and paid for in Association assessments.

The challenge for the Homeowners' Corporation Board is to monitor any future shifts in expenses from the Association to the Club and work with these two boards to make sure that we are assessed fairly for the services we receive.

Jeannie Omel

Most single-family homeowners move into The Villages because they are seeking life in an adult, tranquil, safe community in which they can still own and care for a home.

One of the most important issues for home owners is the ability to maintain their home in the fashion that most appeals to them personally. As a board member, I want to protect the rights of homeowners to landscape their yard as they see fit and paint their house the color they choose as long as these choices do not negate the rules or interfere with the integrity of the neighborhood. This does not mean exclusively holding steadfast to the status quo but also includes being open to new exterior remodeling plans and ideas as long as the new concepts benefit the overall community.

Another concern of homeowners is that the common area be groomed and maintained at an optimal level to assure that property values are protected.

As the commercial property manager of Gilroy Premium Outlets for 10 years, I have a strong general knowledge and realistic expectations of the operation of common area maintenance and landscaping. With this experience, I plan to keep a close eye on these areas to protect our interests.

Brooks Fuller

The most important issue for the Homeowners' Board to consider is timely responses to owner's requests. These include landscaping, architectural, and green or energy efficiency upgrades such as Solar and Backup Generator requests. The challenge is to maintain the integrity of the individual residences while retaining a consistent appearance of the individual neighborhoods. At the same time, we must keep up with increasing and changing types of requests. I would advocate for continued periodic reminders of ACC Requirements regarding items such as Roofs, Landscaping, and exterior painting. This can continue to be accomplished by working closely with the Architectural committee.

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SPORTS NEWS

18-HOLE WOMEN

By Vivian Brown

Sixty-four (64) ladies stepped out on a glorious morning to play in our May Captain's Trophy Day. Thirty-seven (37) of the ladies were also qualifying for the Handicap Tournament that will continue on through the month of May. Thanks to Judy Owen for chairing this event.

Captain's Trophy winner is a tie between Angie Um and Carol Zaccheo. Congrats.

Also, congratulations to these ladies for Chipping in: Miyo Shigemoto #1, Camille Giuliodibari #3,

Auralie Citringno #3, Kerry Besmehn #4, Debbie Moore #5, Bonnie Hagen #10, Mary Ann Diridon #11, Wan Cha #12, Annie Bassford #12

Lyn Strong and Janis LeCompte are gathering signatures for the M&M



Angie Um



Carol Zaccheo

Tournament, June 17 and 24. The clipboard for sign-up will be at the table each Thursday morning.

SHONIS

By Fran Schumaker

Tuesday, May 4, 2021 was Captain's Trophy play for low net and low gross. Our low gross winner, Lil Yamada came in with a 37. Our low net winners came in at a 22 with a three-way tie. Congratulations to Carol Littleton, Lil Yamada and Tahera Khalil. Well done, ladies.

Last week I wrote that our annual Par 3 Clyne Soley Tournament was cancelled this year. Let me take this opportunity to share with you what Dr. Russell "Clyne" Soley has meant to the game of golf. Dr. Soley, who worked for IBM and United Technology was a scientist and engineer. Besides being an avid golfer here at The Villages and around the world, Clyne Soley also enjoyed statistics and mathematics. He analyzed and charted everything. His love of golf and his love of numbers led him to the development of a handicap system to equalize the chances of success for all players, beginners and experts, men and women, on all kinds of courses and types of competition.

The USGA had worked on various approaches for years. In 1979, they created the Handicap Research Team (HRT) including Clyne Soley as a charter member. The team independently researched thousands of scorecards and player's experiences to understand what aspects of a golf course most directly influenced a player's score. Dr. Soley was the first expert to suggest that a course rating should include additional factors to course length to compute the course's difficulty. The 10 factors are combined into a "slope" rating. It is the slope rating that allows players who are non-scratch golfers to develop their "handicap index."

As you can see, Clyne Soley"s influence was major for the game of golf.

I want to thank David Cook for all the research and articles he has written over the years about Clyne Soley. I confess that I have lifted almost 100% of his writings for this section of the article. The articles were that good and very complete. Thank you, David. Next week I will write about Clyne Soley and his relationship to golf here at the Villages.

For more information about the Shonis please contact membership chairperson Bonnie Evans at 408-504-7958 or Fran Schumaker at 408-355-3270.

SWINGERS

'Get rid of the sandbags'

By Jeannie Omel

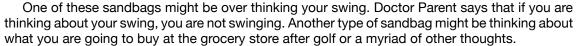
Match up a warm, sunny day with a group of fun, fantastic women and you have Tuesday morning golf. Sixty-three Swingers gathered for the friendly competition of the Captain's Trophy as the temperature reached into the 80s. Congratulations to Karen Honaker who won the trophy with a net score of 29.

As the weather is warming up, so is the golf. Recent birdies were reported for Kathleen Pennington on #2 and Valerie Dimmick on #8. Golfers are also crashing the 50-shot ceiling for the first time on nine holes: Marcy Boyles with a 48 and Joy Rem with a 49.

Looking to play another course? Swingers have an invitation from the Stonebrae Niners Club to participate in their Open Day on Wednesday, June 9 at a cost of \$48. Deadline for signup is May 25; other details can be found on the Swingers' website.

We've all heard that golf is a mental game. You need to stay in the moment and play one shot at a time. PGA Tour Instructor and author of Zen Golf, Dr. Joseph Parent claims that "mental game obstacles are like sandbags tied to your body." Obviously,

if you have sandbags tied to your arms and legs, you can't play golf very well. Hence, you need to get rid of the sandbags.



To play your best, Doctor Parent suggests that you need to feel confident, calm and be focused in the moment. This doesn't assure that you are going to hit a perfect shot every time, but it may be enough to help you ride the ups and downs of the game...perhaps with a little humor.



Karen Honaker, May Captain's Trophy winner (photographed in 2019).

PICKLEBALL

More Pickleball Strategies

By Joyce Kludt

"Now that I know the basic skills of Pickleball, how can I improve my game?" the Novice asked her Intermediate level friend.

"Well, you are ready to practice Pickleball Strategies, just a few at a time. Here are some to get you started."

1. Think of all the things that can go right when you keep the ball low. Think of all the things

1. Think of all the things that can go right when you keep the ball low. Think of all the things that can go wrong when you keep the ball too high.

2. You have to think feet first and ball second when standing at the Kitchen Line.

3. You eliminate *all* sideline unforced errors by hitting your shots up the middle.

4. The recipe for success on the court is often found in your opponent's kitchen

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5. If you can't outplay your opponents—outsmart them.

6. Serve *deep* to keep your opponent away from the kitchen longer and to make the return shot harder since it's further away.

7. Don't scoot up when you serve or before you return the serve. Remember the double bounce rule. Stay back and be patient!

8. Instead of using only one or two shots, try using varying shots: backhand, forehand, volleys, and dinks.

9. Just get it over the net! Instead of doing something fancy and risky, just dink it over.

10. Control your smashes. The harder you smash, the less control you have over the shot. Try to dial down the power in favor of more control. Even if it's not your "super smash," it's probably good enough to win the point.

"Enjoy your games, my friend. Remember to *smile* and have fun!"

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Spring Open Men's Golf Club Tournament Saturday, May 22

Format/Scoring: Four-man teams; Net Stroke Play -3 BB on first hole; 2 BB on second hole, 1 BB on third hole; repeat sequence.

Cost: \$15 plus Green Fees

Handicaps: 100% of May 20th Handicap

Signups: May 8 through 19. Sign up as a foursome, or as an individual—the Pro Shop will pair you with other players to form teams.

Flights-TBD/Tees: Two flights from the #4/3 combo tees, two flights from the #3 tees.

Schedule: No scoreboard - electronic scoring - results emailed.

MEN'S GOLF CLUB



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

Upcoming Events: The Spring Open is going to take place on Saturday, May 22. Four man teams; net stroke play; 3 Best Balls on 1st hole; 2 BB on 2nd hole; 1BB on third hole; then repeat sequence. Signups has commenced. Get your team together and please contact the Pro Shop to ensure that you are registered. You're not going to want to miss out on this.

Hole In Ones: Once again let's congratulate Larry Angel and Jim Brigham for their HIOs last month. We couldn't be happier for you two. Hope you get many more!

Eagles and Age Shooters: Let's start with the Eagles for April (there were a ton of them):

Tomas Mendoza marked his scorecard with an Eagle on 4/5 on hole #12.

Brian Sullivan got his eagle 4/10 on hole #2. Sweet!

Tai Kim registered a 2 on 4/16 on hole #10.

Tomas Mendoza, did it once again on 4/17 on hole #1.

Larry Soto recorded his

eagle on 4/19 on hole #18. **Bob Hoffman** made his 3

on 4/24 on hole #9. **Ted Escobar** got his ball to drop for an eagle on 4/30 on hole #2.

Congratulations to all of you guys!

Age Shooters: It seems like all of the kool kids were shooting their ages or better in April.

John Pabst on 4/2 had a 79 at 80 years young.

Gary Sharps shot his age with an 81 on 4/3. He does this a lot.

Pres Miranda did the same on 4/5 with an 81.

Tom Nedney does this every month, and multiple times per month. He had a 73 on 4/5.

David Korb scored a 77 at 77 on 4/7.

Tom Nedney on 4/16 shot a 74.

Leo Ruth signed his card with a 77 on 4/19. Nice job, sir.

Mr. Nedney was at it once again with 75 on 4/19. So cool!

George Southland had an 88 at 88 years of age on 4/24. Congratulations!

Bill Ruona at 84, can brag about his 80 that he shot on 4/26.

And last but not least, congrats to **Jim Valenti**, who

did this many, many times over. All of you gentlemen are amazing! **New Members:**

Please welcome the following new members to the Men's Golf Club,

Dave Manson 6149 Montgomery Pl.

Chuck Park 6356 Whaley Dr. Taegyu Kim 8020 Pinot Noir Ct. Rick Kuhle 7355 Via Laguna

Chuck Flanigan 8693 Lomas Azules Ct. Rusty Weekes 3301 Lake Lesina

Be sure to introduce yourself, and ask them to join you on the golf course when you can.

If you're not a Men's Club Member, why not? You should be. Don't miss out on any of the upcoming tournaments and all of the fun. Please contact Jim Seymour, Handicap, Membership, NCGA and Rules Chairman, with any questions about joining.

Member/ Member Tournament

Position	Team	Total to Par	Total
Flight One:			
1	Townsend + Tomei	-4	212
T2	Breton + Welch	-1	215
T2	Virgilio + Escobar	-1	215
Flight Two:			
1	Robinson + Mendoza	5	211
2	Miranda + Gallegos	-1	215
3	Altman + Gruendler	+3	219
Flight Three:			
1	Bindon + Krattli	-6	210
2	Loebig + Cancilla	-1	215
3	Champion + Carradero	+6	222
Flight Four:			
1	Dando + Barnhart	-7	209
2	Lewis + Martinson	+2	218
3	Lanctot + Singleton	+6	222

IRONMEN

By Bill Travis

The Ironmen are currently playing every Thursday and, pursuant to its schedule, have reverted to Spring morning tee times beginning at 10 a.m. or thereabouts 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, May 6, 2021, was another great day for golf; sunny and mild. We had a great turnout and the results are as follows:

First place was a four-way tie between Al Bruno, Patrick McMordie, Mario Silva, and Bill Travis with net scores of 27.

Second place went to Rob Boyles with a net 28.

Third place went to David Cook with a net 29.

There were 0 birdies today: Pretty Unusual

Deep thoughts: "I don't want to play golf. When I hit a ball, I want someone else to go chase it." - Rogers Hornsby, Hall of Fame baseball player

"You know, the Oscar I was awarded for 'The Untouchables' is a wonderful thing, but I can honestly say that I'd rather have won the U.S. Open Golf Tournament." - Sean Connery, Actor

TENNIS TALK

By Ken Kline

Ladies—let your granddaughters grow up to be tennis players! Last year the 10 richest female athletes in the world were tennis stars. What is amazing is that prior to 1970 there was not women's professional tennis. Led by Californian Billy Jean King and eight other women, they



Tennis court 5 now open!

founded the Virginia Slims professional Tennis Circuit—their signing bonus was \$1 apiece! The first tournament in 1970 was won by Bay Area native Rosie Casals. She won \$1600. The following year King won over \$100,000 in prize money.

What really brought women's professional tennis into the limelight was King's demolition of Bobby Riggs in the famous "Battle of the Sexes" in the Houston Astrodome in what was one of the most watched sporting events ever. It took quite a while, but now men's and women's Grand Slam Tournament prize money is equal.

Last year the \$4 million won by Naomi Osaka at the U.S. Open was more than the total career earnings of the nine original women's professional tennis players. On many occasions, tennis great John McEnroe has said that a share of every woman's prize money should go to Billy Jean King.

And now to change the subject to our courts, take a look as our courts 5 & 6 are now available for reservations!

PINSEEKERS

By Jack Bindon

The D word seems to be in the news, as in Drought. It's fine for golf but the course will begin to dry run out as we begin conserving water. Our play will change a bit as we hit from firm fairways. Take that in account as you plan your shots. Now to our winners:

First place, was captured by Richard Petroski with a net 33. Second place, produced a tie between Mario Silva and Martin "Mr. Consistency" Hoek, both with net 36.

Third place, produced another tie between Ron Speer and Jack Bindon, both with net 37.

If I were allowed to give advice I might add a note to Tak Okabe to get in a little practice... Richard is breathing down your neck in the Championship race (now within 2 points of your lead).

BOCCE NEWS



By Marcy Boyles

Well, Bocce Tournament fans, we will be in full swing with our Breakout Tournament starting May 27. Four-person teams (the names are pretty funny, like The Untouchaballs). Ends June 24 with playoffs to follow. Will give updates as we go along. Just a reminder, no spectators until further notice. Thanks to George and Helen Paris, Jeanne Whitacre, Tony Orlando and Paul Anderson. Huge undertaking and much appreciated.

We have four new referrees: Janie Meacham, Helen Paris, Herb Rogers, Marty Schlager. Thanks for volunteering and thanks to Mike Sunzeri for the training.

Big shout out to Reta Boyles. Her 93rd birthday is May 21. Still playing Bocce and going strong. I want to be Reta when I grow up.

New Golf Course Walking Hours

Monday – Before Noon and after Dusk *only*Tuesday-Sunday and Holidays – Before 7 a.m. and after
Dusk *only*

All other hours are busy golfing hours and unsafe for walkers.

Thank you for your cooperation!





*Free Staging

And I am always available for Free advice!

DRE #01194339







FROM THE PRO



By Scott Steele, PGA Head Golf Professional

Callaway Demo Day—Friday, May 14, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Try the new and *hot* Callaway Epic Speed. Free round of golf with any purchase!

Villages Family & Friends Program—We are happy to announce that we are permitting family and friends to play golf at The Villages!

Program Parameters through June 30, 2021

- -All current Covid-19 golf protocols are to be followed by any Resident Guest. It is the Resident's responsibility to ensure guest compliance to all Villages Rules
 - -No Unaccompanied Guests permitted, and One Guest per Residence maximum
 - -No Outside Tournaments permitted
 - -Resident Guests only permitted after 12 p.m. daily
 - -All Guest charges will be billed to the resident house number
 - -Guests may use the Driving Range and Practice Greens on the day of play only
 - -Guests may take a golf lesson only when accompanied by a resident
 - * All Rental Carts must be reserved 1 day in advance
 - * Rental Cart availability is limited
 - *A Guest may ride with a Resident if the cart has a partition between riders Golf Course Walk Hours:

Monday - Before Noon and after Dusk only

Tuesday-Sunday and Holidays – Before 7 a.m. and after Dusk only

All other hours are busy golfing hours and unsafe for walkers. Thank you for your cooperation!

New Driving Range Mats – Old Range Mats for Sale—On behalf of the Pro Shop Staff and all Villages golfers, we would like to thank the Evergreen Villages Foundation – EVF – for donating half of the cost of the fifteen new Driving Range mats. They have a very nice grass-like feel to them, and they are easier on the body's joints. The feedback from all of the golfers is that they really enjoy and appreciate the new Driving Range mats. The generosity of the EVF has enhanced the golfer experience at The Villages!

For anyone interested, we are selling the old driving range mats. Their dimensions are 5'x5'. If interested, please contact the Pro Shop at (408) 274-3220, extension #1 for details. We will help you load up your range mat upon purchase.

Summer Rules—Until further notice, we are now playing Summer Rules, please play the ball as it lies.

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 408-274-3220.

2-Household Special—two for the price of one 45-minute lesson with Tim or Scott for \$50! Join a friend and sign up now!

Golf Carts—If you are in need of a golf cart, please call the Pro Shop at (408) 274-3220 extension #1 to reserve a cart 1 day in advance. We have a limited supply of golf carts, we apologize in advance for any inconvenience. Thank you for your understanding!

We now have plastic dividers for our golf carts. So if two guests or a resident and a guest want to ride together in a rental cart, they can. The cost to rent a divider is \$5. Please let us know at the time of reservation if you would like a plastic cart divider.

Tips from the Pro - Short Game Keys - Ball Position

One of the keys to being a good chipper, pitcher and bunker player is to understand how ball position affects results. We all swing with a particular swing radius that is unique to our swing, so ball position may vary from person to person. But these short game ball position principles have been found to be the most successful.

Chip and Run—The ball position must be back in the stance played even with the right toe (left toe for lefties). This will in effect set the hands ahead of the club-head, therefore delofting or closing the club-face. If you are doing it right, the ball will be behind the handle and the shaft will lean toward the target (forward shaft lean). This will encourage a slit downward strike and the ball should come off low and rolling like a putt. The key to the shot is to maintain the forward shaft lean and not flip the shaft back at impact.

High Pitch—The ball position must be in the middle or slightly forward in your stance. This will keep the hands even with the club-head and the shaft straight and neutral. This neutral shaft orientation will help keep the clubface open so the shot will come off high and soft. Golfers that press their hands forward too much on a pitch have trouble getting the ball high enough, so they try to lift the ball which creates lots of problems. So if you start with the hands, shaft, and ball all in a straight line than hitting it high should not be a problem.

Greenside Bunker Shot—The ball position must be forward in the stance even with the left instep (right instep for lefties). This will keep the hands slightly behind the club-head and will help keep the clubface open and allow the bounce on the sole of the club to slide through the sand. If you press your hands too far forward, the leading edge will dig and you will not get out of the bunker because your divot will be too deep. Keeping the ball forward and the hands behind the club-head will allow the sole to strike the sand first therefore controlling the depth of sand taken producing a more efficient blast out.

To sign up for a lesson with PGA Head Professional Scott Steele, call the Pro Shop at 408-274-3220 or email him at ssteele@the-villages.com. See you at the course!

Landscape & Maintenance

MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE

5320-5363, 6400-5432 and 5489-5499 — Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.

5500-5576—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 5/17-5/21. Turf white grub merit preventative treatment in progress throughout the district.

Roof inspections and repairs on composition roofs in progress throughout the district.

5212-Re-plumb scheduled to start 5/17.

Light post and fixtures cleaning in progress throughout the district. **Del Lago**

3301-3315-Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.

3316-3366 and 3401-3431 — Landscape maintenance and weed control, 5/17-5/21.

Estates

8809-8875—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 5/31-6/4. **Fairways**

4001-4024—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 6/28-7/2. Glen Arden

7698-7752 and 7753-7787 (odd) - Landscape maintenance and weed control, 6/14-6/18.

7724—Interior repairs in progress.

Heights

8480-8505—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 6/7-6/11.

8005-8032, 8100-8121 and lower Chardonay Lake area-Landscape maintenance and weed control, 6/7-6/11.

Highland

7500-7573 — Landscape maintenance and weed control, 5/24-5/28. Dead/missing plant replacement at various locations, in progress. Helmsdale Ct. and Tayside Ct. — Jet mulch installation in progress.

Montgomery 6001-6068 and 6127-6136—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 5/31-6/4.

8713-8738 and 8753-8768—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.

8646-8650 and 8665-8712—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 5/17-5/21.

Dead/missing plant replacement in progress at various locations. Lomas Azules – Jet mulch installation in progress.

8617—Sewer line replacement in progress.

2025-2031 and 2065-2101 - Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.

2000-2024 and 2032-2064 - Landscape maintenance and weed control, 6/28-7/2.

Valle Vista

9015-9033 — Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress. 9048-9066 — Landscape maintenance and weed control, 5/17-5/21. 9023-9029—Sewer line repairs in planning.

Bridge next to 9069—Repairs in planning.

7314-7394—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress. 7200-7251 and 7300-7313 - Landscape maintenance and weed control, 5/17-5/21.

Dead/missing plant replacement in progress at various locations. Sur Verano—Jet mulch installation, in progress.

7300-7351 - Flat roof preventative maintenance scheduled for

7352-7404-Flat roof preventative maintenance scheduled for 5/31-6/4.

Association

Common Areas-Treatment for voles, moles, gophers and squirrels, ongoing.

FROM BRIGHTVIEW

Yearly white grub preventative application happening soon at The Villages

As many of you have seen in the past, we have had several critters terrorizing many of our lawns around the property. This is caused by a white grub infestation in many districts throughout The Villages. Turkeys, crows, raccoons and skunks love tearing up the lawns looking to get at these grubs. Here is a quick breakdown of what we are dealing with and how we plan to attack the problem.



Description of the Pests: Masked chafers are large C-shaped beetle larvae that feed on roots of turf grass and plants. These grubs are white, up to 1 inch in length, with dark translucent dorsal stripes, brown head capsules and legs, and a characteristic patter of bristles on the underside of the posterior end of the abdomen. These grubs are common throughout California and the west coast.

Damage: Masked chafer grubs feed on roots, resulting in irregular

dead patches. Symptoms resemble drought stress on lawns and persist even where there is sufficient irrigation. Grub activity can cause the ground to feel spongy; extensive root feeding sometimes allows the turf to be rolled back like a carpet. Most damage usually takes place in late summer or early fall. Digging by predators such as turkeys, crows, raccoons, skunks, and coyotes, is a common indication of high grub populations.



Grub damage to a lawn

Action Plan: We will regularly apply insecticide property-wide in May and June this year to help prevent the spread of these grubs. This application will start soon and you will see signs and flags posted in areas that have been treated. The insecticide we use comes in a liquid form and takes approx. 10mins to dry once applied. Once the insecticide has dried, it will be watered in at night during normal irrigation for the lawns. As the chemical makes its way into the soil, it is absorbed by the root system. Once it has been absorbed by the root system, any grub feeding on these roots will ingest the insecticide and die in 2-10 days. We recommend that residents and pets stay off turf areas that have been treated for at least an hour after application. While the insecticide poses no threat to residents or pets, contact with a still wet application can lead to skin irritation. If this happens, a simple wash with soap will remove any of the insecticide.

Signs and flags will be posted on all treated turf areas. Thank You,

Ryan Bolich, Associate Branch Manager BrightView Landscape Services

BrightView

Weed spraying at turf and shrub bed areas in progress throughout

Spring turf aeration program throughout the districts in progress. Turf white grub merit preventative treatment control in progress throughout the districts.

Fire fuel management weed/brush clearing and tree work in progress in selected areas around the property.

Irrigation controllers communication upgrade in—Radio Survey. in progress.

Turf fertilization throughout the districts in progress.

Club Centers

Weed spraying in progress throughout the Villages. Turf fertilization in progress throughout the Club Properties. Irrigation controllers communication upgrade—Radio Survey in progress.

Turf white grub merit preventative treatment control in progress throughout the districts.

Fire fuel management weed/brush clearing and tree work in progress in selected areas around the property.

Vineyard, Cribari and Montgomery pool and spa—Closed. Vineyard Center—Flat roof preventative maintenance scheduled for 5/17-5/21.

Business Offices — Flat roof preventative maintenance in progress. Hill Lands—Clearing of vegetation in progress.

Maintenance **Emergencies** and/or Advice

The Maintenance Services Department's general work hours are M - F, 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 has list of contractors that familiar with The Villages and may be helpful for the repair.

If a maintenance emergency occurs outside work hours or during a holiday, call Public Safety-408-223-4665. Public Safety will contact the Maintenance Area Supervisor and/or a contractor. Together, they will resolve the issue.

Proposed Changes to Rule 1.14...

(Continued from page 10)

3) Guests under the age of 13 using the golf facilities are encouraged required to follow the above rules. They may wear T shirts with non-offensive logos and jeans or pants as approved by the golf professional staff.

D. Pro Shop

1) Hours of Operation

Monday 10 a.m. – 54 p.m.
Tuesday & Thursday 7 a.m. – 56 p.m.
Wed., Fri., Sat. & Sun. 6:30 a.m. – 56 p.m.

The Pro Shop may open later and close earlier during winter months.

2) The Pro Shop and practice center are closed on Christmas Day and at 2 p.m. on Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Eve.

3) In the absence of the General Manager, Assistant General Manager and the Director of Golf, the Pro Shop Assistant will act as the M.O.D. (manager on duty) and may autonomously make decisions pertinent to the overall golf operations.

E. Golf Reservations and Registration

1) Golfers may reserve tee times by using the on-line reservation system or by phoning the Pro

Shop during its hours of operation.

2) All residents and guests must register in the Pro Shop prior to play on either golf course.

No golfer shall play either course without having obtained a starting time and having checked in with the Pro Shop.

3) No golf play is permitted prior to the first posted tee time (6:28 a.m. during Daylight Savings/7:00 – 7:28 a.m. during winter months).

4) After 5:30 p.m. golfers are asked to register for golf by signing in on the play sheet taped to the Pro Shop door via the "honor system." No guest play may initiate after 5:00 p.m. No rental carts will be issued after 5:00 p.m. The last tee time is 6:00 p.m. Tuesday-Sunday. No play will start after 6:00 p.m. No carts

will be issued after 6:00 p.m.

5) Separate daily fees will be charged for the 18-hole and Par 3 Course, subject to availability.

6) A separate daily fee will be charged for playing only nine holes of the 18-hole course.

7) Only one starting time per day on the 18-hole course may be assigned in advance for each player. Any additional times may be obtained with the consent of the Director of Golf.

8) Each golfer is responsible for their starting time. Please cancel your reservation by calling the Pro Shop if you cannot utilize the tee time. Failure to cancel an unused tee time may result in applicable charges.

9) Tee-time reservations for days the course is open for regular play are subject to the following order of priority:

a. Residents may reserve fourteen (14) days in advance.

b. Residents sponsoring unaccompanied guests may reserve seven (7) days in advance.

c. Non-resident owners and Registered Guests may call the Pro Shop for may reserve a tee-time seven (7) days in advance.

10) Resident Events

Villages golf and other clubs and resident groups are encouraged to contact the Pro Shop to set up tournaments with a set-aside block of tee times. Approval of tournaments is at the discretion of the Director of Golf.

1) Employee Play

Villages Employees have golf privileges with the following restrictions:

a. Employees shall be permitted play and practice without charges.

b. Play shall be on a space-available basis.

c. No advance tee times shall be given.

d. All golf rules and dress codes shall be enforced.

e. Resident and guest privileges shall not be preempted.

f. Employees are permitted to register up to three (3) guests for play subject to guests being accompanied by sponsoring employee at all times during play. Regular guest rates shall apply. Employee guests are not permitted after 5:00 p.m.

F. Starting Tee

Unless approved by the Pro Shop Staff, players may not start from other than the first tee except during shotgun events.

G. Fivesomes must be approved by the Director of Golf.

H. Driving Range Balls/Baskets

 Golfers using the driving range must not hit or retrieve balls from in front of the teeing mats; please be safe.

 Driving range ball baskets and driving range practice balls may not be taken home or removed from the driving range area for any reason.
 Driving range balls may be used at any self facility practice area, but must

3) Driving range balls may be used at any golf facility practice area, but must be returned to the driving range on the same day purchased.

. Speed of Play

1) The pace goal at The Villages is 4 hours for 18-holes and 2 hours for 9-holes. The maximum acceptable pace is 4 and one-half hours for 18 holes and 2 hours and 15 minutes for 9 holes.

Slower golf groups must move aside and allow a closely-following faster playing group to play through when practical and safe.

3) For pace purposes, unless playing in a major formal golf competition, golfers are asked to: abandon the honor system and play ready golf, limit ball searches to three minutes, putt continuously until holed, after teeing off separate and move to your own ball independently and swiftly, allow for a maximum of five minutes at the turn. <u>Use four carts per group</u>.

4. Golf Carts

A. Passenger Golf Carts

1) Carts must stay on cart paths at all times when the red flag is posted, and when any individual hole is deemed "Cart Path Only" due to conditions or maintenance.

2) When the green flag is posted, golf carts may be driven off the cart path at a right angle, directly to the ball, and parked either in the rough or on the fairway. As soon as the ball is played, the cart should exit the fairway or rough and proceed to the cart path or to the next ball position, whichever is closer. Golfers are encouraged to use the most direct route, make every effort to reduce golf cart traffic on the fairways and roughs, and to use cart paths whenever possible.

2)3) Individual golf carts are suggested and recommended for maximum pace purposes.

Golfers may share a cart at their own discretion.

3)4) Drivers must follow the following rules:

a. No unlicensed person under 16 shall operate a golf cart/LSV, in accordance with Villages policy.

b. Do not drive parallel to fairways in the rough.

c. Obey all instructional signs. The cart signs on either side of the fairways indicate cart EXIT areas. After hitting your approach shots, golf carts should proceed directly to the cart exit signs and exit directly to the cart path. It is OK to drive beyond the cart exit sign to hit a shot, as long as the cart returns to the exit sign and exits from there.

d. Carts are to be kept on the cart path around all green complexes and

teeing grounds.

e. Carts are not permitted on defined ground under repair

f. Carts are not permitted within the perimeter of greenside bunkers <u>and</u> <u>within 30 feet of the green apron.</u>

4)5) Golfers with blue handicap flags, issued by the Pro Shop, may have more access to green surrounds as directed by the Director of Golf.

5)6) Carts must be registered in accordance with Rule 1.05, Golf Cart/LSV Vehicle Registration, and must pass all golf course access requirements. Once registered for golf, the cart will be issued a black house number. During non-golf play hours, all golf carts are permitted on the golf course paths but may not leave the paths.

6)7) Passenger golf carts shall not be driven on the Par-3 Course unless approved by the Director of Golf.

7)8) Carts must be used in turf mode. Quick starts are prohibited. B. Walking Carts – Pull and Powered

Push and pull carts are not permitted on the teeing grounds and putting greens; please keep in greenside and tee surround rough. Walking carts should never be pushed or pulled through sand bunkers.

5. Golf Course Schedule

A. 18-Hole Long Course

1) Monday

Long Course closed for maintenance until 1:00 p.m. (12:00 p.m. during the winter months).

Open Play Shotgun at 1:00 p.m. (12:00 p.m. during the winter months).

2) Tuesday

The Villages Women's 9-Hole Swingers and Men's 9 Hole Pinseekers Clubs have priority to host a morning shotgun at 8:30 a.m. during DST and at 9:00 a.m. during winter months. for use of the long course prior to 12:00 p.m. Open Play Tee Times. Open Play Shotgun at 12:00 p.m. or starting times.

3) Wednesday

a. Men's Golf Club members have priority for use of the long course until 12:00 p.m. Open Play after 12:00 p.m.b. The Director of Golf may allow open play prior to noon if there are

starting times available.

4) Thursday

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Open Play Shotgun at 1:10 p.m. Tee Times.

5) Friday

The course is open for regular play.

6) Saturday

The golf course is open for regular play, subject to the following exception: The Men's Golf Club may schedule tournament play a maximum of eleven (11) dates in a calendar year, and may reserve a block of tee times with the Director of Golf. Unreserved tee times may be assigned to non-tournament players at the discretion of the Pro Shop Staff.

7) Sunday

a. The course is open for regular play

b. The first Sunday of each month is Men's monthly guest day. Guests may play at a reduced rate.

8) Holidays

On state and federal holidays, the course is open for regular play.

9) In the event of under-utilization of the golf course by an organization having a tournament, the Director of Golf may assign non-members of that organization for play.

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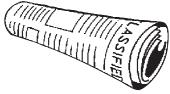
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Changes to Rule 1.14...

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- 10) The Director of Golf may extend times or close the golf course for special events such as outside tournaments, invitationals, and guest days.
- B. Par 3 Course
- 1) Monday
- Course is open at 12 noon on Monday for regular play.
- 2) Tuesday

Women's Shonis has priority for use of the course from 9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. on Tuesday.

3) Thursday

The Men's Ironmen have the following schedule play times: 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. April through November 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. December through March

6. Guest Play

- A. General Rules
- 1) Guest fees will apply for all categories of guests.
- 2) A resident, the Director of Golf, or the General Manager must sponsor each guest. Members of private country clubs with a reciprocal agreement may play without a resident sponsor.
- 3) All decisions regarding guest play not covered by the rules will be made by the Director of Golf.

B. Scheduled Guest Days

- 1) Each of the Board-recognized golf organizations may hold one guest day per month, provided that none shall conflict with any regularly scheduled Villages golf event.
- 2) On any formal Guest Day a resident may invite up to three guests maximum; any more than three guests must be approved by the Director of Golf.
- 2)3) Guest Day rates will apply.
- C. Resident Guest Tournaments
- The Director of Golf must approve scheduling of all resident guest tournament groups.

D. Outside Groups

- 1) The Director of Golf may accept outside group reservations in accordance with the guidelines and rules approved by the Board.
- 2) Outside group tournaments may be scheduled on any day of the week at any time at the sole discretion of the Director of Golf, except on days/times reserved for one of the six golf clubs, or by mutual agreement.
- E. Golf Practice Facilities and Guests:
- 1) Golf Practice Facilities are defined as the Driving Range, Chipping Greens and Putting Greens adjacent to the Pro Shop and next to the Vineyard Center.
- 2) Guest(s) accompanied by a resident are allowed use of all Golf Practice Facilities.
- 3) Unaccompanied Guests with a reserved tee time may use the Golf Practice Facilities only on the day of play.
- 4) Registered Guests may use any and all practice facilities only on the day of play, with a reserved tee time.
- 5)4) The golf Dress Code applies to all golf practice areas.

7. Instruction

Only members of the Golf Professional's staff may give lessons for compensation on Club property, unless pre-approved by the Director of Golf.

BRIDGE HAND

By J.M.K.

Dealer: South

Vulnerability: Both Sides

Bidding: South West North East 2 Clubs* Pass 2 Diamonds^ Pass 2 NoTrump^^ Pass 3 NoTrump All Pass

Contract: 3 NoTrump by South Opening lead: 3 of hearts

Dealer has 2 winners in Spades, 1 in Hearts, 1 winner in Diamonds, and at least 3 Club winners.

Strategy: Declarer needs 5 winners in Clubs. This will be easy if the suit is divided 3-2, but not if it is 4-1. Depending what honor is missing will influence how the suit is played. With the Jack missing it is better to play a high honor from the long hand, then play the honor in the short hand and be in the correct position to finesse to the long hand.

West leads the 3 of Hearts, East, 10, South, the Ace, switches to the Ace of

NORTH J654 J 4 2 987 **EAST WEST** K 5 4 Q98 10732 K 106 Q873 K 10 6 ♦ Q432 SOUTH J973 8 ΑK A 9 5 AJ5 AQ1062

Clubs, then a low Club to the King on the board, continues with the last Club on the board and finesses the 10. He follows with the Queen capturing the Jack, and finally leads the last Club. Then he plays the Ace of Spades, next the King, switches to the Ace of Diamonds, then a Heart, West, the 8, and East takes the trick with the King. He next leads the good Queen of Spades, then a Diamond, and West takes the trick with the Queen. Great! The contract is exactly. When a player is on lead in a NoTrump contract, it is often good idea to lead from a major since the opponents have gone to game without inquiring about the majors.

* South's opening bid of 2 Clubs is an artificial bid showing a hand with 22 or more HCP and requires a response regardless of the quality of the partner's hand.

^ 2 Diamonds is also an artificial bid showing less than 8 HCP and is waiting to hear South's suit. ^^ 2 NoTrump shows a flat hand with 22-24 HCP. When a responder has a flat hand (4-3-3-3) with a 4 card major, with a Jack high or less, responder does better to raise NoTrump rather than asking his partner if he has a 4-card major.

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She said: Come

5 dinner dinner dinner 6

He said: better better I'm better better

worse worse in worse worse

She said:

Think you are a translator? Email me, Mike Bailey at michsp@aol.com with your take. Remember to give me your name and include "puzzle" in the subject line.

Last week all of the crazy words had three letters of the

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