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- Coyote Town Hall
- Fitness Center
- Fire Safety
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- Avoiding Senior Scams
- Fitness videos

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Golf Course Walking Hours

Monday
Entire course
Before 1 p.m.
After dusk
(Excluding holidays)

Tuesday-Friday
Entire course
Before 7 a.m.
After dusk
(Excluding holidays)

Weekends
Entire course
Before 6:30 a.m.
After dusk
(Excluding holidays)

Please Note: All other hours are busy golfing hours and unsafe for walkers.

The Great Pumpkin of Olivas



Perhaps the biggest pumpkin in these parts, this 12 by eight-foot pumpkin is attracting much attention in front of the Lance residence on Grape Wagon Circle.

Veterans Day celebration to be held in Cribari Auditorium



On Veterans Day, Thursday, November 11 at 2 p.m., the Villages Veterans Club invites all Villages veterans and residents to join them for an hour-long celebration of the day at Cribari Auditorium and to listen to and ask questions of a highly decorated combat veteran Marine Colonel.

Mark your calendar now and come early as seating will be limited. More details will be in next week's Villager. Questions can be addressed to Bob Semple, veteran, U.S. Army and club president.



Operating Financial Commentary for the Month of September 2021

Club Operating Financial Commentary

For the month of September 2021

Total revenue was \$54,000 (4.7 percent) favorable to the budget of \$1,140,000. The most significant favorable to budget revenue item was green fees with a \$20,700 (16.1 percent) favorable to budget posting (actual \$149,000 vs. budget of \$128,300). Additionally, Pro Shop merchandise sales and driving range income combined for a favorable to budget posting of \$12,600 or 69.2 percent more than the combined budget of \$18,200. With resident activities and some fitness classes resuming sooner than planned in the budget, there was a \$17,400 positive variance in those revenue lines. Directory income was also notable as favorable to budget with a \$10,300 positive variance on a budget of \$1,300 due to timing. Combined food and bar sales were 4 percent short of budget with actuals of \$206,500 compared to the budget of \$215,100.

Total expenditures were \$85,100 favorable to budget, or 7.6 percent less than the budget of \$1,125,500. The two most significant favorable to budget expense categories were employee expense and repair & maintenance expense. Employee expense was favorable to budget by \$82,200 or 11.6 percent (actual \$628,400 vs. budget of \$710,700) due to continued staffing shortages in several departments (Club Maintenance, Public Safety, Community Activities and Restaurant). Repair and maintenance expense was favorable to budget by \$17,800 or 67.7 percent (\$8,500 actual vs. budget of \$26,300). Notable unfavorable to budget expense categories were resident activities expense of \$13,300 (offset in revenue), printing expense of the annual Resource Guide publication due to timing and electricity expense that is 31.5 percent higher than budget (actual \$21,300 vs. budget of \$16,200).

The net positive operating budget variance for the month of September was \$139,100. See table below.

September 2021 Club Operating Results

	Actual	Budget	Variance
Revenue	\$1,194,000	\$1,140,000	\$ 54,000
Expenses	\$1,040,400	\$1,125,500	\$ 85,100
Net	\$ 153,600	\$ 14,500	\$139,100

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COMMUNITY NEWS

PULSE

Dear Readers:

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

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

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

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

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

1 Pulse letters received this week.
0 Pulse letters not meeting Pulse Letter Guidelines.
1 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 pandemic in digital form only. You may take a picture of your hand-written letter and e-mail it as a JPEG attachment to: shinrichs@the-villages.com.

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

I would like to thank my neighbor for initiating an investigation of the land extension to the farm property adjoining Cribari. I would also thank the Assistant General Manager and the Facilities Manager for their diligence in investigation of the problem.

Have we had a resolution of the problem with a solution? Please keep us informed!

—John A. Brueck

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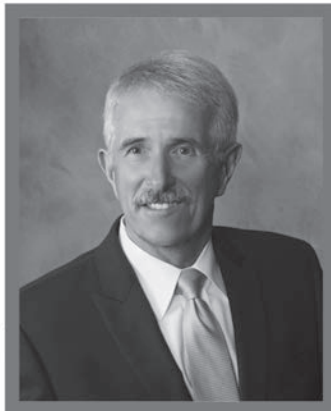
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IN MEMORIAM

Herbert George Phipps Slade
May 10, 1935—September 13, 2021

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

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

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, Thomas Moore at 408-887-5322, Patricia Reardon at 408-914-2432, and Nick Yannaccone at 408-219-9296.

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BOARDS & COMMITTEES

FROM THE CLUB BOARD

CBOD President's

Message—October 2021

The current drought has raised questions about water usage here in The Villages. For the Club, the majority of our water usage is recycled water for the golf course.

When each of us uses the kitchen sink, the shower or other water sources, the water going down the drain ends up at a treatment center in San Jose where it is cleaned and processed. The result is "recycled water," which is not "drinkable" but can be used for irrigation.

We are one of the select communities receiving recycled water mainly because of the golf course. There is a pipeline delivering the water directly to The Villages.

Regarding the golf course, both the 18 hole and the par 3 courses including the ponds use recycled water except for the greens. Additionally, in 2016 the two Verano ponds, the two Montgomery ponds and the four ponds in Hermosa were all converted to recycled water and soon, the golf course stream in front of the 9th and 18th greens will be converted. More conversions are possible. With all of The Villages' landscaping, opportunities exist.

Recycled water is plentiful. What we and the other select communities do not use, the remainder is basically "thrown away" as it is discharged into the bay.

As a select community, we have a responsibility—or perhaps even an obligation—to utilize this commodity to the best of our ability and I encourage this Board and future boards to pursue the increased use of recycled water.

In the meantime, let's look forward to an exceptional rainy season.

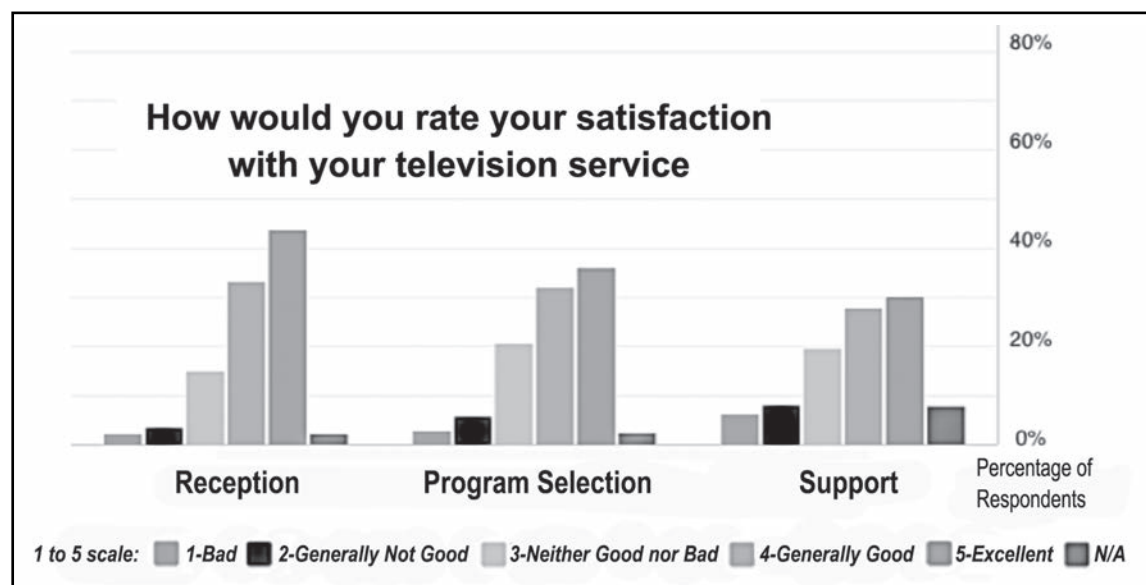
—Bob Wilk, Villages Golf & Country Club Board President

Did You Know? How Villagers Watch Television

In an on-going effort to keep Villagers well informed leading up to the expiration of the Comcast Bulk Service Agreement in July 2022, the Club Board has instituted these "Did You Know?" columns. This week, we'll look at Villager's Television usage.

Just over 97 percent of respondents indicated that they used the Comcast cable TV service provided in the bulk contract. About 60 percent had channel upgrades and viewed on-demand content, and almost 80 percent had HD and/or DVR service as well. Interestingly, 73 percent indicated they did NOT watch Villages channels 26/27 whereas 27 percent reported that they did.

The overall average of the satisfaction scoring was 4.2 for Reception, 4.1 for Selection, and 3.7 for Support.



In summary, while many residents reported some sort of technical or service problem with Comcast, Villagers, in general, are happy with the reception, channel selection, and support they currently get from Comcast.

The Club Board will continue to gather data, and combine it with expert consultation, to provide the best solution for all Village residents going forward.

—Jerry Neece, for the Club Board

GOVERNANCE MEETINGS

THE DACs

Montgomery DAC to meet November 1

There will be a Montgomery DAC meeting on Monday, November 1 at 10 a.m. on Zoom. The Zoom information is as follows: Meeting ID is 854 8618 6410 and password is 849572. To dial in by phone, call 1-669-900-6833.

Hermosa DAC to meet November 12

By Steve Gilbert

The Hermosa DAC will be meeting Friday, November 12 from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. at Foothill Center.

Del Lago DAC to meet November 11

The Village del Lago DAC will hold a teleconference meeting via Zoom on Thursday, November 11 at 9:45 a.m. Meeting ID: 823 1776 1165. Password: 382707. Nutritionist Valerie Simler will present "Eating Healthy for the Holidays."

Olivas DAC to meet November 8

The Olivas DAC meeting is scheduled for Monday, November 8 at 4 p.m. in the Vineyard Center. Happy Hour - Happy DAC! Note a change in time! Join us for a glass of wine before the meeting. Learn how to access our new Olivas website. The Goose Management Group will present information on the goose population at the Villages.

BOARD MEETINGS

Association

- The Villages Association Board of Directors Monthly Board Meeting is Tuesday, November 16 at 9:30 a.m. in Foothill Center (attend in person or by Zoom)
Meeting ID: 917 8108 3392
Passcode: 223468
Dial: 1-669-900-6833

Club

- The Villages Golf and Country Club Monthly Board Meeting is Tuesday, November 16 at 1:30 p.m. in Foothill Center (attend in person or by Zoom)
Meeting ID: 961 5036 4740
Passcode: 260616
Dial: 1-669-900-6833

Club Rules Committee to meet November 3

There will be a Club Rules Committee Meeting on Wednesday, November 3 at 10 a.m. in the Cribari Conference Room.

More BOARDS & COMMITTEES,
and COMMUNITY NOTICES
on pages 4, 5, 12, 21, 23 & 26

More BOARDS & COMMITTEES

Operating Financial Commentary...

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Year-to-date revenue is \$213,000 favorable to budget, 6.4 percent higher than the budget of \$3,329,000. Year-to-date expenditures are \$2,240,000 favorable to budget, 7.0 percent less than the budget of \$3,417,000. **The year-to-date net positive operating budget variance is \$453,000.** See table below for detail by department.

The bottom of the table below shows the financial impact of the monthly solar lease payments and contribution to the balloon payment fund (to be paid in 2023) captured on the Club's balance sheet. The year-to-date total for these two items is \$61,000.

**The Villages Golf and Country Club
FY22 Club Operating Budget Summary
For Three Months ended September 30, 2021**

Department	Revenues (\$)			Expenditures (\$)			FY '22 Net (\$)	
	Actual	Budget	Variance	Actual	Budget	Variance	Variance	
G&A	278,000	266,000	12,000	236,000	242,000	6,000	18,000	
Maintenance Admin	44,000	45,000	-1,000	35,000	39,000	4,000	3,000	
Golf Course/Pro Shop	812,000	666,000	146,000	708,000	759,000	51,000	197,000	
Community Activities	233,000	203,000	30,000	211,000	209,000	-2,000	28,000	
Community Centers	181,000	180,000	1,000	181,000	184,000	3,000	4,000	
Public Safety	327,000	330,000	-3,000	285,000	340,000	55,000	52,000	
Pools	52,000	52,000	0	49,000	48,000	-1,000	-1,000	
Clubhouse/Restaurant	936,000	906,000	30,000	827,000	905,000	78,000	108,000	
All Other	679,000	681,000	-2,000	645,000	691,000	46,000	44,000	
Totals	3,542,000	3,329,000	213,000	3,177,000	3,417,000	240,000	453,000	
Solar Lease—Bal. Sheet	-	-	-	61,000	61,000	-	-	
Net Assessment	3,542,000	3,329,000	213,000	3,238,000	3,478,000	240,000	453,000	
Variance								

Golf Course/Pro Shop has posted a \$197,000 net positive variance due to favorable green fee revenue, driving range income, golf cart rentals, golf lessons and Pro Shop merchandise sales, as well as favorable employee expense, tree trimming expense and water expense. Clubhouse/Restaurant shows a \$108,000 net positive variance mostly due to favorable food sales, cost of sales and employee expense. Public Safety has a \$52,000 net positive variance mostly from less than planned employee expense. All other shows a 44,000 positive variance due to favorable water and Comcast expenses. Community Activities shows a \$28,000 net positive variance from favorable employee expense and advertising/directory income. G&A has posted an \$18,000 net positive variance due to more than planned income from resale administration fees, other income and interest income/late fees, as well as less than planned legal fees and data processing fees.

Association Operating Financial Commentary

For the month of September 2021

Revenue was \$2,500 (0.3 percent) favorable to the budget of \$859,800, due to higher than planned laundry concession fees (\$2,200 favorable) and third party assessments (\$300 favorable). A portion of the favorable variance in laundry concession fees was due to a \$1,300 class action lawsuit settlement payment from WASH Multifamily Laundry Systems, LLC. WASH charged a Technology Service Revenue Expansion (TSRE) fee to many of its lease customers in prior years and was subsequently sued in a class action lawsuit. A second settlement payment, representing the other half (\$1,300) of the Villages Association's settlement amount, will be issued in approximately nine months.

Expenditures for the month were \$100 (0.01 percent) unfavorable to the budget of \$913,200.

Notable **favorable** to budget expense categories for the month were the following:

- Insurance, 6.3 percent less than budget (actual \$184,200 vs. budget of \$196,500) due to total annual premium renewals coming in less than budgeted
- Planting, 76.9 percent less than budget (actual \$2,800 vs. budget of \$12,100) due to timing
- Intra-Co Cost Transfers, 4.5 percent less than budget (actual \$114,000 vs. budget of \$119,400)

Significant **unfavorable** to budget expense categories for the month were as follows:

- Pest Control, 58 percent higher than budget (actual \$13,900 vs. budget of \$8,800) mostly in Cribari, Montgomery and Hermosa, due to termites
- Repair & Maintenance, 26.9 percent higher than budget (actual \$26,400 vs. budget of \$20,800) mostly due to water leak inspections/tests (Cribari/Hermosa) and sewer main hydro flushing (Verano)
- Water, 5.2 percent higher than budget (actual \$248,900 vs. budget of \$236,500) due to accruing more expense with knowledge that irrigation water usage was up in September, as well as higher recycled water usage in Association lakes (transferred from the Golf Course)

The net positive operating budget variance for the month of September was \$2,400.

Year-to-date (three months of operations), total revenue is \$2,581,900 or 0.1 percent (\$2,600) more than the budget of \$2,579,300. Year-to-date, operating expenditures are \$2,797,600 or 4.4 percent (\$128,700) less than the budget of \$2,926,300. The positive budget variance is mostly attributed to savings in water expense and insurance expense. **The year-to-date net positive operating budget variance is \$131,300.**

Association Board Voting Record for October 2021

Association Voting Record for October 2021											
	October 26, 2021 Regular Monthly Meeting	Board Members*								Comments	Costs
		DC	DH	RH	JW	GA	NL	GP			
1	FY 2022/2023 Budget Development Schedule	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	A	The Board approved the 2022/2023 budget development schedule as proposed.	\$0
2	District Advisory Committee (DAC) Appointments	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	A	The Board approved the following DAC appointments: Olivas DAC - Tracy Scott as voting member and Sonata DAC - Christa Boyce as voting member.	\$0
3	Montgomery Whaley Lake Hillside Landscape Restoration/Renovation Project FY22	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	A	The Board approved the BrightView Landscape proposal in the amount of \$27,927.04 for the Montgomery Whaley Lake Hillside Landscape Restoration/Renovation Project - FY2022; said work to be funded via the Montgomery Landscape Reserves.	\$27,927
4	Approval Consideration to Transfer Funds for Partial Payment on Outstanding Loan for 2021 Property Insurance Premium	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	A	The Board approved the transfer of \$166,000 from the Association's Operating Fund to the Reserve Fund for the partial payment on the outstanding loan of \$1,502,000 used to help pay the 2021 property insurance premium of June 2021 with balance of \$1,336,000 to be paid back by June 30, 2022.	\$166,000
5	Approval Consideration to Vote to Ratify the Monthly Review of Accounts per Civil Code §5500	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	A	The Board approved to ratify the monthly review of accounts as presented.	\$0
Total APPROVED Expenditures this meeting											\$193,927

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

* DC = David Cook | DH = Diana Hallock | RH = Richard Holmboe | JW = Julie Wash | GA = Garry Ashby | NL = Noel Lanctot | GP = George Paris

Homeowners' Operating Financial Commentary
For the month of September 2021

September 2021 Non-Estates Operating Results			
	Actual	Budget	Variance
Revenue	\$3,599	\$3,600	\$ -1
Expenses	\$3,419	\$3,634	\$215
Net	\$ 180	\$ -34	\$214

September 2021 Estates Operating Results			
	Actual	Budget	Variance
Revenue	\$13,615	\$13,616	\$ -1
Expenses	\$14,333	\$15,131	\$798
Net	\$ -718	\$ -1,515	\$797

Non-Estates revenue tracked budget at \$3,599 for the month. September expenditures were \$215 favorable to budget, 5.9 percent less than the budget of \$3,634, due to less than planned legal fees (\$84) and insurance expense (\$131). **The net positive operating budget variance for the month of September was \$214.**

Year-to-date (three months of operations), total revenue is short of budget by \$2 at \$10,798. Year-to-date, operating expenditures are \$10,257 or 5.9 percent (\$645) less than the budget of \$10,902. The positive budget variance is attributed to savings in insurance expense and legal fees. **The year-to-date net positive operating budget variance is \$643.**

Estates revenue for the month was \$1 short of budget at \$13,615. September expenditures were \$798 favorable to budget, 5.3 percent less than the budget of \$15,131, mostly due to less than planned irrigation maintenance expense and planting expense. **The net positive operating budget variance for the month of September was \$797.**

Year-to-date (three months of operations), total revenue is short of budget by \$1 at \$40,847. Year-to-date, operating expenditures are \$49,558 or 3.6 percent (\$1,851) less than the budget of \$51,409. The positive budget variance is mostly attributed to savings in irrigation maintenance expense, water expense and insurance expense. **The year-to-date net positive operating budget variance is \$1,850.**

Club Board Voting Record for October 2021

Club Board Voting Record for October 2021

	October 26, 2021 Monthly Meeting	Board Members*							Comments	Costs
	Agenda Items	BW	LL	BK	RZ	JN	JO	DY		
1	Approval Consideration of Proposed Changes to <u>Club Rule 1.01 Access to The Villages</u>	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	A	Y	The Board approved the proposed change to Club <u>Rule 1.01 Access to The Villages</u> as recommended by the Rules Committee. Purpose of the change is will give new residents 120 days, instead of 60 days to attend an orientation without their barcode being deactivated.	0.00
2	Approval Consideration of Turf Reduction and Replacement Project at The Villages Business Offices	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	A	Y	The Board approved for a BrightView turf reduction project of approximately 9,590 square feet of existing grass adjacent to The Villages Business Administration Buildings on Villages Parkway into a drip irrigation system and mulched planting landscape area for a gross amount of \$20,667.50 before rebates with the approved rebate amount of \$19,000 for a net expense for the project of \$1,667.50 to be funded from Club Reserves.	1,667.50
3	Continue Discussion of the Table Tennis Club Request to Repurpose the Cribari Sequoia Room into a Multi-Purpose Room so they can have Primary Access and Control of Montgomery Center Multi-Purpose Room	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	A	N/A	The Board continued discussion on the Table Tennis Club's request; no action was taken.	0.00
4	Approval Consideration to Accept Quarterly Review of Accounts per VGCC Bylaws 8.2.7	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	A	Y	The Board accepted the quarterly review of accounts as presented.	0.00
5	Approval Consideration of Appointments to Rules and Fitness Center Advisory Committees	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	A	Y	The Board approved the re-appointment of Kathy Schlosser as voting member to the Rules Committee to a term ending December 31, 2023, and approved the appointments of Glen Seidel, George Cagley and Martin Schlager as voting members to the Fitness Center Advisory Committee to terms ending December 31, 2023.	0.00
6	First Reading - Review Construction Management Services Bid	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	A	N/A	By consensus, the Board agreed to continue discussion and review of construction management services bid at a future meeting.	0.00
7	Approval Consideration to Accept Donation of Bench from Hiking Club	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	A	Y	The Board accepted with appreciation, the donation of up to \$1,200 from The Villages Hiking Club for the purchase of a new picnic table at the upper northeast corner of the undeveloped lands of The Villages Golf and Country Club.	0.00
8	Approval Consideration of FY 22/23 Budget Development Timeline	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	A	Y	The Board approved the Club Budget Development Timeline for Fiscal Year 2022/2023 as modified to include input from committees, clubs and organizations.	0.00
9	Approval Consideration to Publish for 30-Day Notice Proposed Changes to Club <u>Rule 1.23 Pickleball Play</u>	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	A	Y	The Board approved to publish for 30-day notice proposed changes to Club <u>Rule 1.23 Pickleball Play</u> .	0.00
Total APPROVED Expenditures this meeting										1,667.50

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* BW = Bob Wilk | LL = Leslie Lambert | BK = Bob Krattli | RZ = Richard Zahner | JN = Jerry Neece | JO = Judy Owen | DY = Del Yamaki

CALENDAR OF EVENTS



all times are a.m. and p.m.

Coyote Town Hall

Mon Wed Fri Sun
2:00 & 8:00
 Tue Thu Sat
4:30 & 10:30

Fitness Center

Tue Thu Sat
2:00 & 8:00
 Sun
1:00 & 7:00

Fire Safety at The Villages

Tue Thu Sat
3:00 & 9:00

Welcome to Our Website

Mon Wed Fri Sun
3:30 & 9:30

Avoiding Senior Scams

Mon, Wed, Fri, Sun
4:15 & 10:15

Fitness

12:00 & 6:00

Mon Wed Fri Sun
Chair Aerobics
 Tue Sat
Tai-Chi 8-Form
 Thu
Stretch Aerobics

12:25 & 6:25

Mon Fri
Bollywood
 Tue Sat
Dynamic Balance
 Wed Sun
Breathing Exercise
 Thu
Aerobic Breathing Meditation

1:00 & 7:00

Mon – Sat
15 Minute Exercise

1:15 & 7:15

Mon Wed Fri
Chair Fitness
 Tue Thu Sat
Cardio Fitness



Club Events & Notices

Network:
 Villages Public
 Password:
 villages

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

Friday, October 29

8:30 a.m.	Jazzercise	P
9 a.m.	Ceramics	CER
9 a.m.	Game Day	SEQ, RED
9:30 a.m.	Quilters	PR
9:30 a.m.	Open Studio	AR
10 a.m.	Line Dance Class	MMP
12:30 p.m.	Bridge Club	RED
1 p.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
3 p.m.	Bocce Bash	GP
3 p.m.	Handbell Rehearsal	CR
5 p.m.	Line Dance	VC
6:30 p.m.	Mex. Train Dominoes	MC

Saturday, October 30

9 a.m.	Ceramics	CER
9 a.m.	Dong I Dong Exercise	P
9 a.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
9:30 a.m.	Ukulele Singing	SEQ
2 p.m.	Hiking Club	FC

Sunday, October 31

7:15 a.m.	Catholic Choir	A
8:15 a.m.	Catholic Mass	A
9 a.m.	Chapel Choir	PR
9 a.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
10 a.m.	Comm. Chapel Service	A
11 a.m.	Chapel Fellowship	CR

Monday, November 1

8:30 a.m.	Dong I Dong Exercise	MMP
8:30 a.m.	Jazzercise	A
9 a.m.	18 Hole Women Board	RED
9 a.m.	Ceramics	CER
9 a.m.	Game Day	SEQ
9:30 a.m.	Search the Scriptures	FC
10 a.m.	Republican Club Board	PR
10 a.m.	Line Dance Class	MMP
10 a.m.	Watercolor Class	AR
10:30 p.m.	Fitness Center Comm.	A
12:30 p.m.	Arts & Crafts Assoc.	CR
1 p.m.	Stitchery	A
1:30 p.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
2 p.m.	Sr. Academy Lecture	CH
4 p.m.	Verano DAC	VC
6:30 p.m.	Duplicate Bridge	RED

Tuesday, November 2

8:30 a.m.	Men's Golf Evergreen	CR
9 a.m.	Ceramics	CER
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED, SEQ
9:30 a.m.	Acrylics, Pastel Classes	AR
10 a.m.	Walking Class	A
10 a.m.	Ukulele Advanced	PR
10 a.m.	Line Dance Class	MMP
11 a.m.	Men's Social Lunch	CH
11:30 a.m.	Total Body Fitness	MMP
11:30 a.m.	Walking Class: Indoors	A
1:30 p.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
2 p.m.	Veteran's Club	VC
2 p.m.	Piano Open Studio	A
7 p.m.	Astronomy Class	FC
7 p.m.	Catholic Council	MC

Wednesday, November 3

8:30 a.m.	Dong I Dong Exercise	MMP
8:30 a.m.	Jazzercise	A
9 a.m.	Ceramics	CER
9 a.m.	Game Day	SEQ, RED
10 a.m.	Club Rules Comm.	CR
10 a.m.	Critique, Open Studio	AR
10 a.m.	Women Bible Group	PR
11:30 a.m.	Dippy Dolphins	MC
1 p.m.	Parkinson Support	F
1 p.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
2 p.m.	PEO	PR
4:30 p.m.	Chinese Line Dance	VC
6:30 p.m.	Mex. Trains Dominoes	MC

7 p.m. Global Village Comm. CR

Thursday, November 4

8 a.m.	AC Association	FC
9 a.m.	Ceramics	CER
9 a.m.	Game Day	SEQ, RED
9:30 a.m.	Watercolor Class	AR
10 a.m.	Line Dance Class	MMP
10 a.m.	Genealogy	CR
10 a.m.	Walking Class: Indoors	A
12:30 p.m.	Ukulele Club	VC
1 p.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
1 p.m.	18 Hole Women Meet	CH
1:30 p.m.	Opera Lovers	FC
3 p.m.	AC Homeowners	MC
3 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal	CR
7 p.m.	Catholic Choir	FC
7 p.m.	Italian Club Board	PR
7 p.m.	Folksters	VC

Friday, November 5

8:30 a.m.	Dong I Dong Exercise	MMP
8:30 a.m.	Catholic Mass	CR
8:30 a.m.	Jazzercise	P
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED, SEQ
10 a.m.	Line Dance Class	MMP
10 a.m.	Quilters	PR
1 p.m.	Pinseekers	FC
1 p.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
5 p.m.	Chinese Line Dance	VC
6:30 p.m.	Mex. Trains Dominoes	MC

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN ARTS & CRAFTS?

All Villagers are invited to participate in Arts and Crafts Activities. Visit villagesartsandcrafts.org

*Registration: Barbara Gottesman at barb.gottesman@gmail.com

** Registration: Diane Finley at dianefinley1@gmail.com

*** Program Chair Marcy Boyles

Ceramics Room has open studio to approved members only please. Mon. and Tues., noon – 3 p.m. Wed. 9 – noon, Thurs. and Fri. 9 – 3 p.m. Visit villagesceramics.com

November 1: Monday. General Membership Meeting. Guest Artist Demonstration with Paul Gonzales. Pet sculpture. 1:30 p.m. Cribari Conference Room. **Please wear a mask *****

November 5 (Friday): Holiday Faire room setup by Facilities only in Cribari Center. No vendors. Packaging of baked goods accepted in the Terrace Room between 2 – 5 p.m. Bakers needed. Proceeds keep our Arts and Crafts Club, events, and classes running. Questions? Michael at twosunzeri@comcast.net

November 6 (Saturday): Holiday Faire. 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. in most rooms of Cribari Center. Vendor set up starting at 8 a.m. Volunteer now to help with this big event. Contact Michael at twosunzeris@comcast.net

November 9 – December 14: Tuesdays. Fun with Drawing Miniatures with Jeff Bramschreiber via Zoom. Noon – 2 p.m. Register by November 2nd. \$60. *

November 13: Saturday 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. Mosaics with Nancy Meyer. All materials furnished. \$50. Register by November 6. *

November 20: Card Making with Julia Fowlkes. Saturday 10 a.m, - noon. \$25. All materials furnished. *

November 29: Monday. Advisory Board Meeting. 3 p.m. Art Room.

Stitchery Group on Mondays in Patio Room 1 – 3 p.m. Call Roberta at 408 218-8372

CRAFTERS CLUB

The Villages Crafters Club hold quarterly boutique events in the Cribari Center: 20+ vendors offering unique, one of a kind handmade merchandise.

Next Event – Saturday, November 27 from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. See article in “Clubs & Events” for details.

HAPPY HALLOWEEN

EVENT LOCATIONS

A	Auditorium	(Cribari)
AR	Art Room	(Cribari)
BC	Bocce Courts	
BGA	Building A	
CER	Ceramics	(Cribari)
CCR	Cribari Club Rm.	
CH	Clubhouse	
CR	Conference Rm.	(Cribari)
CY	Corporation Yard	
F	Forum	(Cribari)
FC	Foothill Center	
FCR	Fitness Center	
FHP	Foothill Pool	
GP	Gazebo	
L	Lobby	(Cribari)
SEQ	Sequoia	(Cribari)
MC	Montgomery Center	
MMP	Montgomery MP Room	
RED	Redwood	(Cribari)
P	Patio	(Cribari)
PR	Patio Room	(Cribari)
PC	Pickleball Courts	
TR	Terrace Room	(Cribari)
VC	Vineyard Center	

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

The following events are sponsored by the Community Activities Department. Please telephone 223-4643 for additional information.

Update on copy services

Building B copy services are available between 8:30 a.m. and noon, Monday through Friday. Due to the inclement weather the pickup and drop-off boxes are no longer available outside of Building B.

2022 Master Calendar confirmations available for pickup

Committees and Board Recognized Organizations that submitted date and facility requests for 2022 may pick up their completed confirmations in Building B, Monday through Friday 8:30 a.m. – noon, or by appointment between 2 p.m. and 4 p.m.

Three pools to close at end of October

October 31 will be the last day to swim and use the spa at Cribari, Montgomery and Foothill pools. The closure is part of the annual swimming season calendar. Vineyard pool and spa will remain open through the cooler weather months. Children's hours remain active from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. daily at Vineyard pool year-round.

Get help with Comcast/Xfinity

Comcast representative Ruhullah is again offering to host Virtual Customer Events to discuss your questions regarding Xfinity products from the comfort of your home. Select the Tuesday of your choice October 12, 19, 26 or November 2, 9 and 16, then choose the time for your one-on-one appointment between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. from the scheduling page <https://calendly.com/ruhullah-payendazadah/xfinity-virtual-q-a>

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

Masks required at indoor facilities

Face coverings are required indoors at all Villages Club Facilities. The face covering is to cover both the nose and mouth. There is signage on each entry door reminding facility users that face coverings are required by the County public health mandate. The Delta COVID variant is extremely contagious and has been noted to cause breakthrough infections even in those who are fully vaccinated.

There has been and will continue to be random audits of facilities for compliance. Please keep yourself and others healthy by covering your face while using indoor facilities.

Facility reservation cancellations reminder

Many Board Recognized Organizations are delighted to be able to have in person activities once again. The mandate to wear a mask indoors may affect the group's decision to meet indoors or not to use a facility. Please let Community Activities know if you are not planning to use your reserved facility. Unless the reservation is cancelled, it is assumed it will be used. There is no need to set up a facility if it is not going to be used. Thank you so much for your help with this.



CLUB CALENDARS



HIKING CLUB SCHEDULE

Bring water, snacks, poles, and lunch, as necessary. Wear layer clothing appropriate to the current weather. In addition to scheduled hikes, the following hikes occur regularly: Every Wednesday and Saturday – Villages hill hike with Russ Glines at 8:30 a.m. from Foothill Center. Every Monday – at Clubhouse parking lot at 8:30 a.m. walk around golf course.

Wednesday, November 3: (Rambler Hike) Pam Thompson will lead a hike around the outside of Eastridge mall meet up at 10:30 a.m. by the Food Court inside and we'll get lunch afterwards! Don't forget your mask

Wednesday, November 3: (Rambler Lite Hike): Bonnie Preston (408-531-1513) will lead a 1-to-2-mile hike around Glen Arden and the Highlands. We'll meet at Foothill Center at 8:50 a.m. and leave at 9 a.m. Be sure to bring water.

Saturday, November 6: (Long/Rambler Hike) Wate and Johanna Bakker (408-223-2190) will lead a hike in the Long Ridge open space preserve along Skyline Boulevard. The hike will start at the Grizzly Flat parking lot on Skyline Boulevard. The main hike will be about 5-miles along the Long ridge and Peter Creek trails. The trail is quite shady but also has beautiful views all the way to the Ocean. Long hikers can extend their hike by continuing along Long Ridge trail south to a scenic hilltop for another 2-3 miles. The effort required for the basic 5-mile loop is about the same as walking to New Seasons for coffee, thus quite suitable for experienced ramblers. Dress seasonably, bring water and a light lunch. Afterward we can stop in Saratoga for coffee or beer, if you wish. We will gather at Cribari at 8:45 a.m. for a 9 a.m. departure.

(More Club Calendars on page 6)

RESIDENT EXCURSION PARTICIPATION GUIDELINES

The Community Activities office offers a wide variety of activities for the enjoyment of the Villages residents. As an active adult community, many meetings, events and appointments vie for your time. *Please check your personal calendars*

prior to committing to an event, class or trip. Once registered for an activity, you are responsible for the cost of the activity. All sales are final.

Management assumes residents and guests are able to participate in our sponsored

activities independently. We reserve the right to evaluate the participant's ability to participate based on each individual's physical abilities and/or demonstrated behaviors. You may always take a caregiver with you to help with your needs.

Employees are not permitted to provide physical assistance to participants. If personal assistance or a wheelchair is needed, the participant must arrange for a caregiver with paid reservation to accompany him/her.

Employees, residents and their guests represent the Villages Golf and Country Club off site. It is expected that all participants will conduct themselves in a dignified, cooperative and congenial manner.

THE CLUBHOUSE

For Information:
408-223-4687

2800 Villages Fairway Drive, San Jose CA 95135

All Clubhouse & Bistro menus can be found at thevillagesgcc.com

WHAT'S COOKING?

theclubhouse@the-villages.com

Clubhouse Restaurant open for full service along with Patio dining—Reservations suggested: Indoor dining in the Restaurant is available at 100-percent capacity. The Clubhouse suggests that you please make dining reservations. The Clubhouse still offers food to go with Curbside Grab-and-Go service.

Dining on the Patio will take place under the 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: clubhouserreservation.com

For Curbside Service: Call in your order to **408-370-8553** and call us again when you get to the Clubhouse curbside and we'll bring it out to your vehicle.

New Menus: See the new Clubhouse Restaurant and Bistro menus on pages 9 & 10. The new menus were introduced September 25.



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

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

Clubhouse is open for full service

The following details will be in effect at the Clubhouse:

Restaurant Main Dining Room: Reservations are strongly suggested by emailing, calling or making an online reservation. Email: theclubhouse@the-villages.com, Phone: 408-223-4687, Online: clubhouserreservation.com

- **Patio and Bistro Dining** will be on a first-come, first-served basis and is strictly for walk-in guests.
- **The Bistro alcove** can be reserved for parties of 8 to 10 people.
- **The kitchen will still close at 8 p.m.**, last seating at the Bistro, Patio, curbside takeout and Restaurant main dining room is 7:30 p.m.
- **Bistro Bar closes at 9 p.m. Last call is at 8:30 p.m.**
- Dress code for the main dining room will be enforced. During summer months, dress shorts and dress sandals will be allowed.
- Restrictions on number of guests per table will be lifted.
- Masks are required for all employees indoors.
- Seating capacity will be at 100 percent.
- Visitors do not have to be accompanied by Villagers to use Clubhouse.
- Credit cards and house charges will be accepted.
- Cash will not be accepted for payment but can be left as a tip.
- Villagers will not have to sign in for indoor seating.

Hours of Operation will be as follows:

Breakfast/Brunch: Saturdays 7 a.m. to 11a.m. Sundays 7a.m. to 2 p.m.

All-Day Menu: 7 Days 11a.m. to 8 p.m.

Dinner Menu: Tuesdays through Sundays 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.

How does Curbside Grab-and-Go work?

First, call in your order at **408-370-8553**. Call us again when you get to the Clubhouse curbside and we will bring it out to your vehicle. **A 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.

Indoor and Patio dining or Curbside hours of Operation

Monday	Tuesday to Friday	Saturday and Sunday
Lunch: 11 a.m.–2 p.m.	Lunch: 11 a.m.–2 p.m.	Saturday Breakfast: 7 a.m.–11 a.m.
Bistro Menu: 2 p.m.–7:30 p.m. Last Seating	Bistro Menu: 2 p.m.–7:30 p.m. Last Seating	Sunday Breakfast: 7 a.m.–2 p.m.
	Dinner Menu: 5 p.m.–7:30 p.m. Last Seating	Lunch: 11 a.m.–2 p.m.
		Bistro Menu: 2 p.m.–7:30 p.m.
		Dinner: 5 p.m.–7:30 p.m. Last Seating

Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner indoor dining now available as well as Patio Dining and Curbside Grab-and-Go pickup.



Soup of the Day

For the week of 11/1 to 11/7

Monday	November 1	Lentil
Tuesday	November 2	Cream of Broccoli
Wednesday	November 3	Chicken Fiesta
Thursday	November 4	Minestrone
Friday	November 5	Shrimp Bisque
Saturday	November 6	Chef's Choice
Sunday	November 7	Chef's Choice

Bistro Menu

2 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Starters

GF Potato Skins \$13.00
Cheddar, Tomatoes, Bacon, Scallions and Sour Cream

Wings 6Pc \$9 12Pc \$17.00
Celery and Carrots, Ranch Dressing with BBQ, Teriyaki or Buffalo Sauce

Breaded Chicken Tenders with Sauce \$9.95
Honey Mustard or Ranch

V. Caprese Salad bites on Skewers \$8.00
Balsamic Vinaigrette

Roasted Meatballs \$8.95
BBQ Sauce, Teriyaki or Buffalo Sauce

Angus Beef Sliders \$11.95
Or Pulled BBQ Pork Sliders
2 Angus Beef with Tomato Relish or BBQ Pulled Pork on soft Potato Buns

Southern Crab Cakes \$11.95
2 Panko Crusted with Cayenne Remoulade

Calamari \$11.95
Lightly Dusted Rings, and Tentacles with Parmesan Parsley

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

Main

Entrée Caesar Salad \$10.50
Romaine, Cherry Tomatoes, Parmesan, Croutons
Add Chicken \$3 Salmon \$6 Prawns \$6

Cobb Salad \$14.25
Mixed Greens, Tomato, Cucumber, Hard boil Egg, Olives, Avocado Bacon and Feta Cheese
Add chicken \$3 Prawns \$6 Salmon \$6

Shrimp Louie \$16.25
Mixed Greens, with Avocados, Tomatoes, Cucumbers, and Hard Boiled Egg with 1,000 Island

V Quesadilla \$11.95
Pico de Gallo, Sour Cream Guacamole,
Add Chicken or Beef \$3

V. Asian Stir Fry Vegetables Over Rice \$12.95
Vegetables over Jasmine Rice with Ponzu Sauce
Add Beef, Chicken or Bay Shrimp \$3

Fish and Chips \$13.95
Batter Dipped Cod, Tartar Sauce, Fries, Cole Slaw and Malted Vinegar

Street Tacos \$12.95
Cod, Beef or Chicken with Cilantros, Onions, Cabbage and Radish with Salsa on mini Corn Tortillas

Sides: \$4.95

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

Sandwiches

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

Burger with Side 2. \$12.95
Angus Beef with LTO and Side Dish
Or

V Impossible Burger with Side \$13.95
Plant Based Meat with Lettuce, Add Avocado, Bacon or Cheese add \$2

BBQ Pulled Pork Sandwich with Side \$13.95
Slow Braised Pork shoulders, Shredded Cabbage and Carrots on Egg Bun

Philly Cheese Steak or Philly Chicken Sandwich with Side \$13.95

Fisherman's Sandwich with Side \$13.50
Panko Breaded Sole. LTO Tartar Sauce on Hoagie Loaf

Breaded Chicken Sandwich with Side \$13.95
with Coleslaw on Potato Bun

Naan Flatbread Pizzas

V Cheese Pizza \$9.75 Pepperoni Pizza \$10.75

V Margarita Pizza \$10.25
Combination Pizza \$12.95
Sausage, Pepperoni, Mushrooms, Onions, & Peppers

BBQ Chicken Pizza \$12.95
Bacon, Chicken, Red Onion with Tangy BBQ Sauce

Gluten Free Crust Add \$ 1.50

Sept 2012

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.
GF Gluten Free V Vegetarian

Breakfast Menu

Saturdays 7 a.m. to 11 a.m., Sundays 7 a.m. to 2 p.m.

French Toast \$6.95
Whipped Butter, Maple Syrup, Seasonal Fruits Berries

Short Stack Pancakes \$6.95
Whipped Butter, Maple Syrup, Seasonal Fruits Berries

Belgium Waffles \$7.25
Whipped Butter, Maple Syrup, Seasonal Fruit Berries

2. Bagel BLT and Egg \$8.25
Bacon, Lettuce and Tomato with Cream Cheese

2. Breakfast Burrito \$8.25
Scrambled Egg, Potatoes, Cheese, Salsa
Choice of Bacon, or sausage

Montgomery Muffin \$8.00
Scrambled Eggs, Bacon or Sausage, Cheddar Cheese and Fruit

Lox and Bagels \$12.95
Smoke Salmon, Cream Cheese, Red Onions, Egg Whites and Capers

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

Coffee \$1.95



Starbucks Espresso \$2.50 Extra Shot \$1.50

Starbucks Americano \$2.50

Starbucks Latte/Cappuccino \$3.25

Juice, Milk, or Hot Chocolate \$2.95

2. The Villager \$8.50
2 Eggs any style with Sausage, Ham or Bacon.
With Hash Brown or Fruit, Choice of Toast

2. Three Egg Omelet \$9.75
Choice of Peppers, Mushrooms, Spinach or Tomatoes Ham, Bacon, Sausage, or Cheese, Add. \$2 each, Bay Shrimp \$3.00, Spanish Sauce Add \$.25
Served with Hash Brown or Fruit and Choice of Toast

2. Skillet Scrambler \$8.50
Choice of Peppers, Mushrooms, Spinach or Tomatoes Ham, Bacon, Sausage, or Cheese, Add. \$2 each, Bay Shrimp \$3, Spanish Sauce Add \$.25
Served with Hash Brown or Fruit and Choice of Toast

2. Huevos Rancheros \$9.75
Fried Corn Tortillas Topped with Lettuce Tomatoes, Sour Cream, Blacked Beans, Fried Egg and Salsa, Topped with Cotija Cheese

2. Eggs Benedict \$9.95
2 Poached Eggs, Canadian Bacon over English Muffins with Hollandaise Sauce
Served with Choice of Hash Browns or Fruit

2. Eggs Florentine Benedict \$9.25
2 Poached Eggs, & Spinach, Feta and Tomatoes over English Muffins with Hollandaise Sauce.
Served with Choice of Hash Browns or Fruit

2. Corned Beef Hash And Eggs \$9.75
2 Eggs any style with House Made Seasoned Hash.
Served with Hash Brown or Fruit and Choice of Toast

Sept 2021

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

Dinner Menu

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

Starters

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

V Baby Lettuce Mix Salad \$5.95

Small Caesar Salad \$6.75

Calamari \$11.95
Lightly Dusted Rings, and Tentacles with Parmesan Parsley

V Fried Breaded Green Beans \$7.50

Southern Crab Cakes \$11.95
2 Panko Crusted with Cayenne Remoulade

V Caprese Salad Bites on Skewer \$8.00
Mozzerella, Basil, Cherry Tomatoe, Balsamic Drizzle

The Lighter Side

Served à la carte

Linguini and Clams \$16.95
White Wine, Butter, Olive Oil, Lemon Juice Parsley

V Fettucine Alfredo \$14.95
Creamy Parmesan Garlic Sauce
Add Chicken Or Bay Shrimp \$3,

V Eggplant Parmesan \$15.95
Eggplant breaded in Crispy Panko Crumbs, Layered in Marinara Sauce, Parmesan and Provolone

Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays
Due to supply issues the Prime Rib has been suspended

V Vegetarian

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

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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 \$2.95 with Entrees

2. Grilled New York Steak \$29.95
Center Cut with Peppercorn Sauce

2. Grilled Filet Tip \$28.95
Topped with Mushroom Veloute Sauce

Chef Ralph's Meat Loaf \$23.95
Ketchup BBQ Glaze

2. Calf Liver and Onions \$24.95
Sautéed Onions and Crispy Bacon Bits

Braised Lamb Shank \$ 31.95
Rosemary Red Wine Jardiniere Sauce

Chicken Cordon Blue \$24.95
Breaded and Stuffed with Ham and Cheese
Topped with Dijon Cream Sauce

Country Fried Chicken \$23.95
2pc Thigh and Breast with Country Gravy

2. Grilled Bone In Pork Chops \$25.95
Honey Garlic Sauce

Filet of Sole Piccata \$26.75
Flour Dusted with Capers, White Wine, Lemon Butter Sauce

Grilled Salmon \$26.95
Lemon Dill Butter Sauce

Garlic Prawns \$26.95
Bordelaise White Wine Sauce

Weekly Specials

For the week of 11/1 to 11/7

Lunch Specials:
Monday 11/1 to Sunday 11/7

Linguini Pomodoro:
Linguini, Tomatoes, Basil and Bay Shrimp in a Garlic Cream Sauce
\$15.95

Dinner Specials:
Tuesday 11/2 to Sunday 11/7

Idaho Trout Amondine:
Sautéed Trout, Lemon, Butter and Almonds with Choice of Sides
\$26.95

Lemon Pepper Tri-Tip:
With Choice of Sides
\$29.50

Dessert Menu

\$6.25

Vanilla Crème Brulee with Berries
Creamy Custard Topped with Glazed Caramelized Sugar

Warm Chocolate Fondant Lava Cake
Melt in your mouth chocolate center

Black Forest Cake
Chocolate Sponge Cake with Cherries and Whipped Meringue
Chocolate Shavings

New Orleans Bourbon Bread Pudding
Caramel Toffee Sauce

\$4.95

Flavors of the Day

Sherbet, Ice Cream, Sorbet

Milk Shakes

Sept 21

PLEASE NOTE:
A reservation is requested for the main dining room

A reservation is requested for parties of 6 or more for the Bistro Patio

Lunch Menu

11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

GF Potato Skins \$13.00
Cheddar, Tomatoes, Bacon, Scallions and Sour Cream

Wings 6Pc \$9 12Pc \$17.00
with Carrots, Celery Ranch Dressing with BBQ, Teriyaki or Buffalo Sauce

Breaded Chicken Tenders with Sauce \$9.95
Honey Mustard or Ranch

Fried Breaded Green Beans \$7.50

V Caprese Salad bites on Skewers \$8.00
Balsamic Vinaigrette

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

V Lunch 3 Egg Omelet with Fruit \$9.75
Choice of Peppers, Mushrooms, Spinach or Tomatoes. Choice of Toast
Ham, Bacon, or Cheese Add \$2, Bay Shrimp \$3

Entrée Caesar Salad \$10.50
Romaine, Cherry Tomatoes, Parmesan and Croutons Add Chicken \$3 Salmon \$6 Prawns \$6

V Chinese Salad \$14.25
Chopped Cabbage, Carrots, Edamame, Peanuts, Fried Noodles with a Sesame Ginger Dressing
Add Chicken \$3 Add Prawns \$6

Cobb Salad \$14.25
Mixed Greens, Tomato, Cucumber, Hard boil Egg, Olives, Avocado Bacon and Feta Cheese
Add chicken \$3, Prawns \$6 or Salmon \$6

Shrimp Louie \$16.25
Mixed Greens, with Avocados, Tomatoes, Cucumbers, and Hard Boiled Egg with 1,000 Island Dressing

Roasted Meatballs \$8.95
BBQ Sauce, Teriyaki or Buffalo Sauce

Angus Beef Sliders \$11.95
Or Pulled BBQ Pork Sliders
2 Angus Beef with Tomato Relish or BBQ Pulled Pork Cole Slaw on soft Potato Buns

Southern Crab Cakes \$11.95
2 Panko Crusted with Cayenne Remoulade

Calamari \$11.95
Lightly Dusted Rings, and Tentacles with Parmesan Parsley

V Southwestern Salad \$11.25
Corn, Black Beans, Avocado, Sour Cream, Cilantro, Cheese, Tortilla Strips with Mixed Greens and Salsa Add Beef or Chicken \$3

V Quesadilla \$11.95
Pico de Gallo, Sour Cream Guacamole,
Add Chicken or Beef \$3

V Asian Stir Fry Vegetables Over Rice \$12.95
Vegetables over Rice with Ponzu Sauce, Add Chicken \$3, Salmon \$6 or Prawns \$6

V Vegetarian Tika Masala over Rice \$12.95
Add Chicken \$3

Fish and Chips \$13.95
Batter Dipped Cod, Tartar Sauce, Fries, Cole Slaw and Malted Vinegar

Street Tacos \$12.95
Cod, Beef or Chicken with Cilantros, Onions, Cabbage and Radish with Salsa on mini Corn Tortillas

Fried Chicken and Waffles \$12.95
Wing and Drumette with Maple syrup and Fruit

Sandwiches and Such

Hot Dog with Side \$8.95
Toppings: Onions, Tomatoes & Red Onion Relish.
Cheddar add \$2

Burger with Side 2 \$12.95
Angus Beef with LTO and Side Dish
Or

V Impossible Burger with Side \$13.95
Plant Based Meat with Lettuce, Add Avocado,
Bacon, or Cheese \$2

BBQ Pulled Pork Sandwich with Side \$13.95
Slow Braised Pork Shoulders, Shredded Cabbage and Carrots on Egg Bun

Philly Cheese Steak or Philly Chicken Sandwich with Side \$13.95
Hoagie Loaf with Provolone Cheese, Peppers and Onions

Reuben \$13.95
Grilled Rye, Corned Beef, Sauerkraut, Swiss Cheese, 1000 Island

Fisherman's Sandwich with Side \$13.50
Panko Breaded Sole. LTO Tartar Sauce on Hoagie Loaf

BLT Sandwich with Side \$9.25
Bacon, Lettuce and Tomato Served on Choice of Bread, Add Turkey or Avocado \$2.00

Brie Turkey Sandwich with Side \$12.95
Cranberry Compote and Arugula on Telera Roll

Breaded Chicken Sandwich with Side \$13.95
with Coleslaw on Potato Bun

Deli Sandwich with Side \$12.95
Choice of Bread, Turkey, Ham, or Tuna Salad

½ Deli and Soup or Salad \$10.95

V Grilled Portabella and Pepper Sandwich with Side \$12.95
Mozzarella, Basil on an Egg Bun

Naan Flatbread Pizzas

V Cheese Pizza \$9.75 Pepperoni Pizza \$10.75 V Margarita Pizza \$10.25

Combination Pizza \$12.95
Sausage, Pepperoni, Mushrooms, Onions, & Peppers

BBQ Chicken Pizza \$12.95
Bacon, Chicken, Red Onion with Tangy BBQ Sauce

Gluten-Free Crust Add \$ 1.50

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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Bistro Happy Hour

\$5 House Cocktails

\$5 House Wines

\$5 Draft Beers 16oz

2pm to 5pm

7 Days a week

Prices subject to service charge and tax

NO CORKAGE HUMP DAY

Bring your favorite bottle of wine and your friends any and every Wednesday at The Clubhouse. No Corkage will be charged with any dinner order. One bottle limit per two guests.

Standard size bottles only.



Free Corkage will be applied with purchase from the Lighter Side and Dinner Entrees from the Dinner Menu.

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

To order Curbside

Grab-and Go 408-370-8553

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

The Clubhouse Curbside service charge has increased to 15% from 10%. The service charge for the Indoor and Patio Dining is still 18%.

Single Diners' Night

Let's Dine Together!

Every
Wednesday
at The Clubhouse



Shared Table

Bring your favorite wine to share with no corkage!

Free Corkage will be applied with purchase from the Lighter Side and Dinner Entrees from the Dinner Menu.

Please make reservations and note: "Single Diners' Reservation"



Wednesday
at 5 p.m.

We want your opinion!

Have you seen the comment cards in the Bistro and Clubhouse? They are available in the main entrance or in your bill folder. The Food and Beverage staff use them to recognize excellence in their employees, to make adjustments to the menu, and to help patrons when things aren't perfect.

Thank you for taking the time to let us know what you think!

NOTE: Please deposit comments directly to the locked comment card box at the Clubhouse foyer.



The Villages

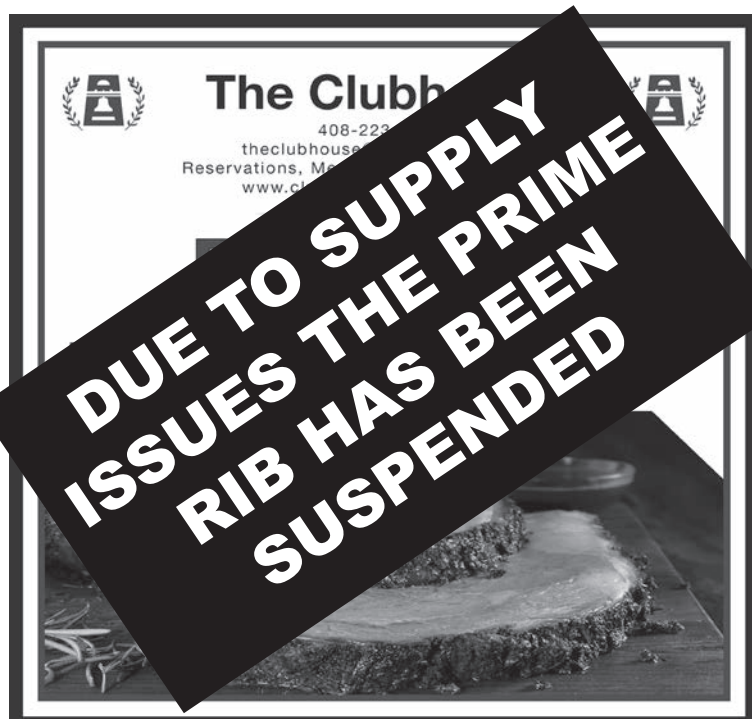
CLUBHOUSE AND BISTRO

555 HAPPY HOUR PRICING AND SPECIALS

NEW AND EXPANDED MENUS FEATURING 30 NEW ITEMS

FRIDAY, SATURDAY AND SUNDAY EVENINGS

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The VMA wants your used golf cart!

The VMA takes donations of gas and electric golf carts (working or not). These carts are sold and the proceeds are used to support the VMA's mission to assist residents and help them lead active, independent, and healthy lives.

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

The donated carts are available for Villagers to purchase. Contact the VMA office at 408-238-4230 to put your name on the waiting list. The VMA also accepts donations of cars.

Villages Post Office is open

The Villages Post Office, located in Cribari Center, has recently reopened.

Hours are 9 a.m. to noon, Monday through Friday. Please remember that face coverings are required.

A comfortable, cozy place to celebrate



Nalini and Mohan Aiyagari chose the Clubhouse Restaurant to have lunch and observe their 53rd anniversary and 23 years in The Villages, while last Sunday's storm raged outside.

“Ask the CBOD” Response – October 28, 2021

The Club Board of Directors (CBOD) appreciates the need in having your questions answered. This column in *The Villager* will present the questions and responses.

If you would like to present your question, please email it to Julia Meadows at jmeadows@the-villages.com or you can put a written question in the drop-box in the parking lot of Building A.



Dennis Balanesi writes:

It is my understanding that the \$1.6M PPP loan forgiveness monies have been reversed out of the current year's financials and reclassified to make year over year comparisons feasible. My question, for which I would like the Board to address at the next CBOD meeting this month, is what is management and the CBOD planning on doing with those funds and do the residents have any say in what these funds are used for? I'm copying Richard on this e-mail because he is the Treasurer for the CBOD and may have pertinent information.

CBOD Response:

The \$1.6 million from the forgiven PPP loan is in the Villages bank account and shown in the monthly financials as a cash asset. Management and the Club Board agreed that use or disposition of the funds would be discussed after the ongoing Reserve Study is completed in December. The Board will define a process of how to make decisions for the funds from the PPP loan forgiveness and the residuals from the end of last fiscal year during the annual budgeting process. A public Study Session, including all Villagers, will be held to discuss recommendations and options.

This is a unique opportunity and many options exist for disposition of the funds. The Board's final decisions will be based on both management's recommendations and options brought to the Board for consideration. Ideas and recommendations from all Villagers are welcome.

George Welch writes:

I understand that we are in the process of agreeing to do a new cart barn for additional 15 carts above the 30 we have agreed to.

I would like to know who has the ROI that shows we have a reasonable pay back for this investment. Just thinking about the numbers, this extension will surely cost several hundred thousand dollars. Which would lead me to believe our Return on Investment would be in the 20 to 30-year range, which no one should ever agree to.

CBOD Response:

There are always new project ideas proposed at The Villages. Some are solid and some are “trial balloons.” Not all come to fruition.

There is a formal process for submitting an idea like a new cart barn and neither the CBOD nor Villages management has received such a request, much less moved it through the community review process or resident vote, depending on the proposed price tag. There was an informal discussion regarding the golf cart barn at the September 9 VGC meeting, but nothing new has been formally proposed. So, currently, the CBOD is not “in the process of agreeing to a new cart barn.” However, the CBOD did approve the installation of 15 new golf cart charging stations near the Pro Shop at a special October 2021 meeting. These new charging stations (on order) will be used by the new 45 golf carts (on order) once they are delivered and installed. Supply chain challenges are affecting the delivery timelines for both the charging stations and golf carts.

THE VILLAGES ASSOCIATION

Association President's Report—October 26, 2021

Welcome to the October 2021 Villages Association Board Regular Monthly Meeting.

Since October represents one quarter of our way into Fiscal Year 2022, it is a good time to review progress against our Goals and Objectives for the year. Today I will look at the Fiscal Management and Community Communications. Next month I'll comment on the Water Conservation and the Safety goals.

1) FISCAL MANAGEMENT- Reserves Plan

1.1 Objective: The ABOD will evaluate and select the best methods and policies for creating the FY22/23 Association Reserves Plan including the Reserve Study, Funding Plan, and Disclosure Statement.

Responsible: ABOD

Measured by: Completion by November 1, 2021, for use in the FY22/23 Association Budget planning process

In September Board meetings the ABOD approved a new proposed Reserves Policy and resolved to select an outside Reserves Plan vendor for this year's budget cycle, thus meeting this objective. Currently, bids are being requested from multiple leading Reserves companies, but the scale of The Villages makes this a challenging process. Staff will be compiling the bids for review by the ABOD Finance and Reserves committee for presentation to the full ABOD in November.

4) COMMUNITY COMMUNICATIONS – Improve “two-way” communications with members

4.1 Objective: Create “Ask the ABOD” column in *The Villager* to answer selected member questions.

Responsible: ABOD President and designated ABOD Directors

Measured by: Monthly column in *The Villager* beginning August 2021

4.2 Objective: All-DAC Celebration, Education, Meet the ABOD. Encourage DAC members to consider becoming ABOD directors or committee members.

Responsible: ABOD

Measured by: Holding one All-DAC meeting in the mid-fall to mid-winter (pandemic permitting).

The “Ask the ABOD” column was published in August, September, and twice in October to answer questions of common interest. Guidelines are published each week in *The Villager* on how to submit questions. The columns will be ongoing through the rest of this fiscal year. Please continue to submit questions or concerns.

As for holding an in-person All-DAC meeting to celebrate and highlight ABOD and DAC discussions, the pandemic continues to put this on hold. In December the ABOD may need to re-evaluate whether to switch to a virtual meeting format.

So, while the Reserves objective was met, the Communications objective is a “whole-year” objective and is currently on track for completion as well.

The pandemic continues to put pressure on us all, making it even more important to appreciate what we have and what we can do, celebrate our successes, and recognize the contributions of the many good people in the Villages.

Best regards,

—David Cook, Villages Association President

‘Ask the ABOD!’

One of the Villages Association's goals for this year is to increase connections with our members. While our preferred path is through attendance at Association Board meetings, that's not always convenient for members. Also, members frequently have good questions on topics that don't come up at a Board meeting.

“Ask the ABOD” will allow our members to put their questions directly to the Association Board by email at: “ask-the-abod@googlegroups.com”

All questions will get answered in ten business days, per ABOD Policy APo106. In addition, up to three questions and answers with the largest impact will be published in this monthly Villager column.

Some guidelines:

- Limit your questions to Association issues—condos, District landscaping, DAC concerns.
- Be sure you are asking a question, not just stating an opinion.
- Limit your question to one topic.
- Include your name and email address in case we need to contact you to clarify your question and to get your personal answer. If your question and answer is published in *The Villager* we will NOT publish your name or contact information.
- Be aware that multiple questions on the same topic will be combined.



In Memoriam and Obituary Notices

In Memoriam notices are run free of charge.

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

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

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

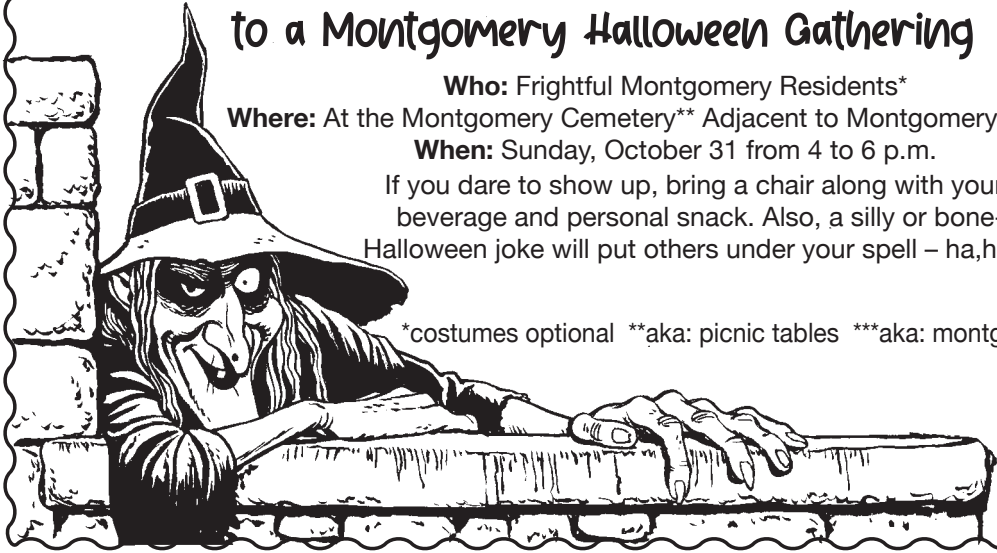
CLUBS & EVENTS

Now, this is scary! An Eleventh-Hour Invitation to a Montgomery Halloween Gathering

Who: Frightful Montgomery Residents*
Where: At the Montgomery Cemetery** Adjacent to Montgomery Swamp***
When: Sunday, October 31 from 4 to 6 p.m.

If you dare to show up, bring a chair along with your favorite beverage and personal snack. Also, a silly or bone-chilling Halloween joke will put others under your spell – ha,ha,ha,ha,ha

*costumes optional **aka: picnic tables ***aka: montgomery lake



Join Arts & Crafts demo on Monday

By Michael Sunzeri

In three days, on November 1 in the Cribari Conference room at 1:45 p.m., enjoy a Ceramics pet sculpture demonstration by Paul Gonzalez. We will also hold elections of our new Board members at this meeting.

Ed Knott will be present helping visualization of Paul's techniques sculpturing. You will enjoy Paul's Portrait results which are very lifelike. Paul's experience in art spans his scholarship to Cal Arts L.A., traveling, teaching, being a muralist, painting in Hawaii and being a lover of art inspiring music. After his lengthy and fruitful travels with a band he returned home and took up ceramics. Paul's indigenous influenced ceramic works landed him many teaching venues and workshops locally. This has all led to Paul J. Gonzalez Art Studios which he owns and operates, encompassing a variety of art. With over 200 murals to his name in private and public places he helped conceive and organize the "Bus Bench Mural Project" in San Jose. Many examples are on utility boxes painted throughout San Jose. Paul added computer programs, digital techniques and 3D modeling software, rounding out more artistic efforts than most of us.

Currently his passions are sculptural furniture, woodwork and fashion noting they connect in construction and aesthetics, both leaning toward futuristic. Your personal involvement can be fulfilled if you engage him to model one of your pets as did Villager Marcy Boyles. A Special note: Paul has not been vaccinated but do join us at our Membership Meeting and please wear a mask.



Paul Gonzalez

Astronomy Club to meet this Tuesday

All are welcome to attend the next meeting of the Astronomy Club, at 7 p.m. on November 2 at Foothill Center. The club shall resume the new series of lectures on the "Discovering the Cosmic Microwave Background and Vera Rubin: The Discovery of Dark Matter." Questions? E-mail Barry Stein at b.stein200@gmail.com

Villages P.E.O. Club to host Autumn Social

Members of the Villages P.E.O. Club and their personal guests are invited to the Villages P.E.O. Club Autumn Social at 2 p.m. on Wednesday, November 3 in the Patio Room. The program will be a demonstration by Sally Dubbin of how to make seasonal floral arrangements. Please note that attendees must wear a mask, following Santa Clara County's order. Please RSVP by November 1 to Trudy Nicholls at 408-440-0410 or trudy_nicholls@hotmail.com.

Genealogy Club: Probate Records

What is Probate? What does Intestate mean? What genealogical gems can you find in probate records? Where can you find the probate records for your ancestors?

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

Village Voices salute our veterans



Sadly, once again, the Voices are unable to perform our annual Veterans Day Concert on account of the Covid mask mandates. But we would like to acknowledge and extend our best wishes and grateful thanks to all veterans who have served.

It is our hope to resume rehearsals in January 2022 in order to present a Spring Concert.

Happy Veterans Day!

Global Village: 'Live to 100 and Thrive' with Jane Ruona

By Pradeep Sonawala

Join the Global Village Community Club meeting with Villager Jane Ruona, a retired RN and popular presenter. She will share information on "How to live to 100 and thrive." The event takes place in Cribari Conference Room from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. on Wednesday, November 3. Mask is required per county guideline.

Do you want to live to 100 and thrive? Jane will help you try to meet your goal by sharing tips, research, and 50 years of nursing experience in this interactive presentation. She will discuss new research with practical interventions that will improve quality and quantity of life. We know the fastest growing age group is people over 65. Jane will review the aging brain and heart and how best to protect them and extend those "lucky years" you have earned. The current life expectancy is 75.6 for women, 70.8 for men. Here at The Villages many of us beat the odds. We have very active purposeful lives. As important as diet and exercise are, social interaction and environment are the main reasons we live longer. What do you do that slows aging? Do you fear aging? Jane will cover Sepsis, use of vitamins and medications, and how to navigate the health care system. Jane will demonstrate how to take pulse, blood pressure, and how to look for atrial fibrillation, common in seniors.

Bill and Jane Ruona moved to The Villages 18 years ago for the peace, safety, beauty, and companionship. They found much more! She chose to retire when COVID arrived. She started her career as a Public Health Nurse, setting up "well baby" clinics for families living on these grounds and picking grapes, little did she know she would live here. She received B.S and MS and retired as R.N., Clinical Specialist and Geriatric Nurse Practitioner. She worked 30 years at Palo Alto Veteran's Administration and 18 years at Mission College. She still consults with people needing assistance. She will share her thoughts and have a lively dialog on this important topic.

The Villages

Holiday Faire

Arts & Crafts

Saturday, November 6
 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Cribari Center



This banner, located near the Villages entrance, was sponsored by the Sustainable Practices Team of the Sustainable Villages Club. The team aims to remind everyone to conserve water, especially during drought periods in California.

FROM THE VILLAGES LIBRARY

By Sherle Frost

“Northern Spy” by Flynn Berry: The acclaimed author of “Under the Harrow” and “A Double Life” returns with her most riveting novel to date: the story of two sisters who become entangled with the IRA. A producer at the BBC and mother to a new baby, Tessa is at work in Belfast one day when the news of another raid comes on the air. The IRA may have gone underground in the two decades since the Good Friday Agreement, but they never really went away, and lately bomb threats, security checkpoints, and helicopters floating ominously over the city have become features of everyday life. As the news reporter requests the public’s help in locating those responsible for the robbery, security footage reveals Tessa’s sister, Marian, pulling a black ski mask over her face. The police believe Marian has joined the IRA, but Tessa is convinced she must have been abducted or coerced; the sisters have always opposed the violence enacted in the name of uniting Ireland. And besides, Marian is vacationing on the north coast. Tessa just spoke to her yesterday. When the truth about Marian comes to light, Tessa is faced with impossible choices that will test the limits of her ideals, the bonds of her family, her notions of right and wrong, and her identity as a sister and a mother. Walking an increasingly perilous road, she wants nothing more than to protect the one person she loves more fiercely than her sister: her infant son, Finn. Fiction, 2021.

“Razorblade Tears” by S.S. Cosby: Ike Randolph has been out of jail for 15 years, with not so much as a speeding ticket in all that time. But a Black man with cops at the door knows to be afraid. The last thing he expects to hear is that his son Isiah has been murdered, along with Isiah’s white husband, Derek. Ike had never fully accepted his son but is devastated by his loss. Derek’s father, Buddy Lee, was almost as ashamed of Derek for being gay as Derek was ashamed of his father’s criminal record. Buddy Lee still has contacts in the underworld, though, and he wants to know who killed his boy. Ike and Buddy Lee, two ex-cons with little else in common other than a criminal past and a love for their dead sons, band together in their desperate desire for revenge. In their quest to do better for their sons in death than they did in life, they will confront their own prejudices about their sons and each other, as they rain down vengeance upon those who hurt their boys. Mystery, 2021.

“What’s Mine and Yours” by Naima Coster: When a county initiative in the Piedmont of North Carolina forces the students at a mostly black public school on the east side to move across town to a nearly all-white high school on the west, the community rises in outrage. For two students, quiet and aloof Gee and headstrong Noelle, these divisions will extend far beyond their schooling. As their paths collide and overlap over the course of 30 years, their two seemingly disconnected families begin to form deeply knotted, messy ties that shape the trajectory of their lives. On one side of the school integration debate is Jade, Gee’s steely, single, black mother, grieving for her murdered partner, and determined for her son to have the best chance at a better life. On the other is Noelle’s enterprising mother, Lacey May, who refuses to see her half-Latina daughters as anything but white. The choices these mothers make will resound for years to come. And 20 years later, when Lacey’s daughters return home to visit her in hospital, they’re forced to confront the ways their parents’ decisions continue to affect the life they live and the people they love. Fiction, 2021.

Cindy Chavez to speak to Villagers

By Tony Berg

Mayor Sam Liccardo’s term comes to an end in December 2022. The race for Mayor of San Jose is now underway, as the Democratic primary will be held in June 2022. One of the first to announce her candidacy is Cindy Chavez, who has accepted the Villages Democratic Club’s invitation to speak to Villagers on **Wednesday, November 3 at 2 p.m.** This event will be a Zoom Webinar and pre-registration is required. To register, email us at thevillagesdemocraticclub@gmail.com

Announcing her candidacy to more than 100 supporters she proclaimed, “Equality has been my North Star. And so many of you here have shown me the way. I want to live in a City of Equals. A city where birthplace and birthright and birth gender don’t make a difference.”

Cindy was first elected to the Santa Clara County Board of Supervisors in 2013, and won another four-year term last year. She also served as the Board President.

She has deep ties to labor in San Jose, having previously served as the head of Working Partnerships USA and the South Bay Labor Council. She served on the San Jose City Council from 1997 to 2007 and as vice mayor from 2005 to 2007. She sits as a member of the VTA Board of Directors, where she helped oversee assistance to the families of victims of the mass shooting in May.

Now, she’s in the race for mayor with a new campaign slogan—“City of Equals.” Please join us to hear what Cindy has in mind for our communities.



Cindy Chavez
Photo by Beth Willon

Opera Lovers: ‘La Boheme’ starring Luciano Pavarotti

Join Opera Lovers on Thursday, November 4 in the Foothill Center at 1:30 p.m. to see Puccini’s beloved bittersweet opera of high-spirited bohemians in Paris in the late 1800s. This beautiful well-balanced production focuses on the doomed love between Rodolfo (Pavarotti), the idealistic poet, and Mimi (Freni), the consumptive flower-maker, and the joie de vivre of youth and tragic consequence of that time. Marcello, the colorful and moody painter, whose tempestuous relationship with the flirtatious Musetta comically mirrors the more profound love of Rudolfo and Mimi.

This is a production of the San Francisco Opera and will be a two-hour performance.

The meeting is open to all, so if you enjoy great music, plan to come and bring a friend to share the joy of music. For more info, call Bonnie Preston at 408-531-1513.

Meet Karin Bogliolo at Holiday Faire

By Barbara Gottesman

At the Holiday Faire on November 6, stop by the Cribari Conference Room and meet Karin Bogliolo with her unusual paintings and the art calendar she created.

Karin began painting seven years ago when she took acrylic and watercolor classes on a cruise ship. She has been painting full time since then. She moved to The Villages three years ago, looking for a community of like-minded people. The first thing she did after the move was to join Arts & Crafts because to her, “Community is everything.” She finds that community in the Poetry in Art class and in the Mining Your Memories group.

Like Picasso in his “Blue Period,” Karin is in her “dotty” phase—she uses brilliant dots to make her acrylic paintings pop! Her paintings are seasonal and also in her “Tree of Life” genre.

Karin will also display the art calendar she created for 2022, which showcases the outstanding artwork of artists and ceramicists from among the Arts & Crafts members whose work was submitted to the online Art Challenges exhibits. All profits from the calendar go to Arts & Crafts and to our VMA.

Before Holiday Faire, you can locate the room and table number of your favorite vendor by visiting villagesartsandcrafts.org and clicking on the “Holiday Faire” page.



Sustainable Practices Holiday Tip

By the Sustainable Villages Club

Now that various Holiday gatherings are quickly approaching, we recommend **exploring bamboo plates.** These plates are made from plentiful, fast-growing, non-endangered bamboo. The best benefits are that they are fully compostable, save water, reduce adding to landfills, and are made from a renewable resource. Compare that to your usual plastic or paper plates. A pack of 25 9” plates usually costs about \$25.

Bingo to resume in February

The Afternoon Bingo event scheduled for November in the Auditorium has been cancelled. We look forward to hosting our first 2022 Bingo on the first Wednesday in February. See you then.

Piano Open Studio to host Gala Fall Concert



Celeste Di Genova



Tom Stocky

“The falling leaves drift by the window...autumn leaves of red and gold...”

Piano Open Studio performs on Sunday, November 14 at 2:30 p.m. in Cribari Auditorium. Come hear your friends and neighbors play Unchained Melodies with inspired creativity following the prolonged period of our hibernation.

Come meet the pianists, and enjoy refreshments at the Post-Concert reception in the CCR (Cribari Conference Room.)

Our pianists include Larry Broderick, Karen Carlson, Charlotte Dickson, Celeste Di Genova, Ciel Duke, Vera Johnston, Ron MacInnes, Betty Stednitz, and Tom Stocky.

VMA's Lunch Buddies is back!

Maybe you need a hand to walk securely, perhaps you have no one to drive you to lunch, or there's no one to share a joke with—then lunch buddies may be just for you! Lunch Buddies is especially for those of you who may be home bound or unable to attend Villages functions. We are excited to provide a time for you to gather together, share a meal, and make a new friend. If you fit the bill, come join us for lunch!



Our first luncheon will be held at 11:30 a.m. on Thursday, November 18 in the Clubhouse to celebrate the season. Lunch will consist of a half-sandwich, a small salad, a scoop of ice cream, and a cup of coffee, tea, iced tea, or lemonade. Lunch, at a cost of \$11, can be charged to your house account or paid for with cash. Please call the VMA office (408-238-4230) to register for this event. Registration must be received no later than Thursday, November 11. If needed, transportation will be provided by VMA volunteers. Volunteers will also join you for lunch so you'll meet many new people.

Reminder: You must wear a mask inside the Clubhouse except while you are eating or drinking. We'd appreciate it if you have been vaccinated for Covid 19.

Holiday Faire: Calling All Bakers

We need your sweet treats for The Villages Arts & Crafts Holiday Faire Bake Sale. Get your apron on and start baking your favorite sweet treat. We need cookies, brownies, breads, cakes, candy... whatever is your specialty. Bring loads of delicacies and don't worry about packaging—we'll do that. You can drop off your donation on Friday, November 5 in the Terrace Room in Cribari from 2 p.m. – 5 p.m. We'll have a team to meet you and thank you for your generosity. All these goodies will be sold at our annual Holiday Faire Bake Sale Saturday, November 6. For more information contact Michael Sunzeri at twosunzeris@comcast.net



Dog Club Picture Day

By Barbara Sunseri

Come and join “The Villages” dog club for its first annual picture day Saturday, November 6, at 10 a.m. at Gazebo. Bring your pooch and his or her favorite toy. We will be featured in the December Spotlight magazine.

Arts & Crafts Holiday Faire—help needed



By Michael Sunzeri

The Villages Arts and Crafts Association is much closer to our long-awaited Holiday Faire on Saturday, November 6, 2021. This event is open to all residents and non-residents which will be held indoors at the Cribari Center complex. Enjoy rooms full of talented artists selling their best work.

Artists have been busy since our last Holiday Faire in 2019 putting together art, holiday gifts, and decorating enjoyment for you.

This is our premier event of the year and we still need your participation if you can provide baked goods for our bake sale. The more baked goods you provide us the more you support our many Arts and Crafts events ahead of us.

We still need a few more volunteers to help with decorations, and selling at the Bake Sale. Our last request is providing music if you can, at least in the auditorium.

The VACA board will assist you with the steps needed to get any task done. Please let us know if you can help us make this a most memorable Villages event of 2021!

Arts and Crafts appreciates your help, attendance, and anticipation for this event.

Contact Michael Sunzeri if you'd like to volunteer at twosunzeris@comcast.net as soon as possible so we can get all Villagers into the holiday spirit!

SATE: Explore new world of 3D printing

3D printing has quickly moved from being an interesting novelty to being a very useful and valuable technology. At our regular monthly Zoom discussion meeting on Monday, November 8 at 1:30pm, the Senior Academy Technology Explorers (S.A.T.E.) will be exploring the new world of 3D printing. Come see how 3D printing could easily revolutionize the future, and learn about the various technologies in 3D printing and how it all works.

Believe it or not, companies are now using these technologies to print (manufacture) everything from fully functional cars to edible Michelin-star dinners. It has opened up a world of “additive manufacturing” - building up and forming objects from basic materials rather than shaping objects by removing material as in a typical machine shop. The technologies are being used to build military field bridges, low-cost housing, all sorts of manufactured goods, food items, and much more. 3D printing is being very successful in the medical fields as well, for example in making custom prosthetics and other body parts. All these applications promise new opportunities for more local, sustainable, and environment-friendly production.

Join us on Monday, November 8, at 1:30 p.m., via Zoom, to see a series of short videos explaining 3D printing technology and examples of the hundreds of creative ways it is being used, and to share your thoughts and ideas with us. To register for this event, go to the Senior Academy website at villagessa.org and choose S.A.T.E. Registration in the main menu.

Senior Academy: California History, continued

Senior Academy is hosting our often requested, enthusiastic and entertaining Santa Clara University history professor, Robert Senkewicz, to present parts 3 and 4 of his ongoing series on California History. This two-session course will be an **in-person event**. Session 1 will be at the **Clubhouse** on Monday, November 1, at 2 p.m., and session 2 will be at **Vineyard Center** on Wednesday, November 10 at 2 p.m.

Last semester, In Parts 1 & 2 of this series, we examined how some aspects of contemporary California were rooted in occurrences during the state's Spanish and Mexican eras. In Parts 3 & 4, we will examine how some current issues in our state's experience are rooted in the first decades of California as an American state. Specifically, we will examine violence against various ethnic groups, notably Native Americans, Chinese, and recent immigrants (in the 1850s, some of those recent immigrants came from Ireland!).

We will also look at concentrations of wealth, symbolized by the Big Four: Leland Stanford, Collis Huntington, Mark Hopkins, and Charles Crocker, and the enterprise they directed, the Southern Pacific Railroad. These two phenomena are obviously interconnected since the railroad was largely built by Chinese laborers. We will see other connections among events and the ways in which seemingly disparate aspects of the California experience impact one another.

To register for the course, go to the Senior Academy website at VillagesSA.org, or call one of our Ambassadors: Bonnie Preston at 408-531-1513, or Bev Murphy at 408-921-0296. If you leave a message, please be sure to leave your name and house number, and whether or not you are a member of Senior Academy. The fee for this course is \$10 for Senior Academy members, and \$20 for non-members.

As an in-person event, we will be following all Villages guidelines and requirements for indoor events, including face-mask usage.

VMA grocery/pharmacy trips are back!

If you are unable to drive yourself or find a ride to the grocery store/drug store, the VMA is now offering rides to Lucky and CVS on the corner of White and Aborn Roads. This service will be available every Wednesday on a 60-day trial basis. Riders must be ambulatory and able to handle their own shopping or bring a caregiver with them to assist with the trip. Drivers, shoppers and caregivers must be completely Covid-vaccinated and wear a mask.

To make arrangements for a ride, please call the VMA office at 408-238-4230 (open Monday to Thursday from 9:30 a.m. -2:30 p.m.) at least two days before the Wednesday you want to go shopping. If you are asked to leave a message please state and spell your name, give your address and phone number, and whether you want a morning or afternoon ride on the upcoming Wednesday. Messages are checked remotely on Friday mornings.

More CLUBS

You are invited to
**The Crafters Club
 Holiday Boutique**
 happening on "Small Business Saturday"
Saturday November 27, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.
 where you can shop locally
 at the Cribari center,
 right here in the Villages.
 This gives you the perfect opportunity to support
 30 + small vendors who depend on and enjoy your
 support all year round; and especially on
 Small Business Saturday
 What better way to kick off
 your Holiday shopping season!
 We look forward to seeing you on the
 Saturday after Thanksgiving

**In three rooms in the Cribari Center
 (Auditorium, Conference, and Sequoia rooms)**
 Our worker elves are so excited
 as they prepare for our Holiday Boutique,
 So, check off your list, and fill up your shopping
 bags with the many gift ideas you will find.
 All handmade of the highest quality; Holiday
 cards, jewelry and paintings, holiday wreaths,
 Mosaic art, ceramics, succulents, quilts and
 blankets, scarves and hats, woodwork, doll
 clothes, baby items, silk flowers, lavender items,
 biscotti, and many more wonderful Holiday gifts
 of the season.



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.vmvillages.org



Coming in November

How to Keep Your Brain in Tip-Top Shape with Judith London. Dr. Judith London is a licensed psychologist who has conducted individual and group therapy for over 30 years in the areas of memory loss and caregiver support. At this VMA presentation you will learn about how memories form and discover ways to maintain your memory. Event will take place Tuesday, November 9 at 10:30 a.m. in Foothill Center. To register please contact Bonnie at 408-238-4029 or bgrim@sequoialiving.org

Support Groups in November

Grief Support Group: Mondays, November 8 and 22 from 10:30 a.m. to noon, in the Conference Room, Cribari Center. Led by Don Mulford, Spiritual Adviser from With Grace Hospice.

Caregiver Support Group: Thursday, November 18 from 10:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. **Please note: Meetings will be held on Zoom until further notice.** Contact Judy London Ph.D. for meeting specifics at judithlondon@sbcglobal.net or call 408-784-3325.

Hearing Life: Hearing Aid Clean and Check. Tuesday, November 16 from 10 a.m. 12 p.m. at the Montgomery Center. Please call the VMA office to register at 408-238-4230.

Parkinson's Caregiver Support Group: Thursday, November 18 from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. in the Montgomery Center.

EVF extended itself to enhance the Bistro Patio

One of the most enjoyable experiences this pandemic summer has been eating outdoors on the Bistro patio, enjoying the sun and taking in the relaxing view of the golf course. Back in 2017, responding to community demand, the Evergreen Villages Foundation (EVF) contributed funding to help complete the expansion of the Bistro patio area by adding additional terrace space for increased seating. This extension allowed more diners to enjoy the beautiful, landscaped waterfall. This lovely outdoor area has come in handy this season with our limited indoor seating and has provided a relaxing and Covid-safe dining experience for all Villagers.

"I really enjoy eating on the Bistro patio near the waterfall," said Verano resident Mignon Gibson. "It's so peaceful and relaxing. Weekend mornings for breakfast on the patio have become part of my routine with one or sometimes six of my friends catching up on the Villages. Call me if you'd like to join me sometime."

Projects such as the Bistro patio extension are consistent with the Evergreen Villages Foundation's mission to enhance Village amenities for the benefit and comfort of residents. If you would like to work with the EVF and help to provide enhancements to the Villages life-style by contributing to the General Fund, go to its website, evfsj.org and become a Sustaining Member. You can do this for as little as \$5 per month. Or single one-time donations to the EVF via the website are welcome at any time.



SRS SENIOR RESOURCE SERVICES

Prop 13 and the 2-percent rule

SRS has received several questions about the recently received property tax bills. The primary question is along the lines of: "I thought property taxes could not go up by more than 2 percent. My increase is 6.73 percent. How can that be? What happened to Prop 13?" Prop 13 is still alive and well. It states that your Total Assessed Value cannot be increased by more than 2 percent unless you have done significant home improvements. This year's assessed value is then multiplied by the two tax rates detailed in the upper right corner of your bill. The percentage rates for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, are 1.30636 percent and .0051 percent; last year they were 1.2629 percent and .0041.

For example, if your assessed value was \$500,000 last year, for the larger rate of 1.2629, you paid \$6,314.50 for that segment of property tax. This year your assessed value went up by 2 percent to \$510,000. Using the larger rate for this year of 1.30636 percent plus the larger assessed value, you will pay \$6,662.44 for this part of your tax this year. An increase of \$377.94 or 5.51 percent in just this portion of your tax calculation

In addition to the taxes on your Total Assessed Value, you also pay Parcel Taxes. Those taxes are detailed in the middle of your bill. These taxes are special flat taxes on your property voted upon by county voters. They are not changed by your assessed value. Generally, all parcels pay the same amount for the year. There was a small increase in the total of the parcel taxes for this fiscal year.

While you are staring at your property tax bill, make sure you have the \$7,000 Homeowner's exemption for your personal residence. The exemption currently amounts to a savings of a little more than \$90 a year. If this is your personal residence and you don't have the exemption, you may obtain an exemption claim form by calling the Assessor's office at 408-299-6460 or asking for a form by e-mail at exemptions@asr.sccgov.org. You will need to give them your address and the assessor's parcel number.

This exemption is frequently removed when title is changed (a new Living Trust is added or at the death of a spouse). It is simple to reapply and explain that you are still alive and kicking and you are still living in the same personal residence.

Still have questions? Stop by the SRS office with your property tax bill and discuss it with a volunteer.

Note: The Senior Resource Services (SRS) office hours for drop-in assistance are Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 10 a.m. to noon. The SRS office is in the Cribari Center across from the Post Office. You may also leave a message at 408-239-5253 or e-mail SRS at villagesrs@sbcglobal.net. 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 Announcement:

Where's my check?

The \$600 CA stimulus checks are being mailed by ZIP Code. The checks for 95135 are being mailed October 18 through November 5, 2021. When you see your neighbors standing by their mailboxes and doing high fives – you know they have arrived.

RELIGION

SEARCH THE SCRIPTURES



We missed you!
Our next meeting is 10 a.m.,
November 1 at Foothill Center
Remember, we meet the first and
third Monday of each month
Any questions, contact Everett
Jacobson at 408-629-7210 or Ron Speer at 408-223-2025

COMMUNITY CHAPEL

‘So I thought...’

By Pastor Bill Hayden

In the early stages of a child’s life they can display their independence and have a strong will. A 3-year-old is instructed by his sister to sit in a certain place because their mother is talking to another person and the younger sibling says, “You are not the boss of me!” As an observer, you smile because you have seen this played out many times and not just by children.

It is within every person to exercise free will, to reject or resist anything that they don’t want to conform to, whether it is for their wellbeing or not. It is so frustrating to parents when they are trying to lead their children with wisdom to avoid unnecessary trouble in life. When trouble comes they look stunned as if to say, “This can’t be happening to me!”

Well, we may think that we don’t need anyone telling or showing us what is best, but how can we learn? Sometimes in a fit of anger, individuals have proclaimed, “I don’t need you” to a loved one or friend because they felt that their choice was in some way being infringed upon. Later, something happens and the equation changes with the absence of those loved ones or friends. Then they are left broken and bitter because they came to realize that their loved one and friends had always been there to help them in the maze of life.

In retrospect, some people will come to realize that their strong will and poor choices have derailed their lives and sent them on the path of regret and disillusionment. Mental institutions, prisons, hospitals and cemeteries are filled with people and bodies of those who refused the wisdom and advice from others who cared.

How is it, that when the one who formed us in our mother’s womb comes to us, we say to Him “We want nothing to do with you?” The pride of life has been the death of people and of great nations who fail to acknowledge God’s involvement in life. It would be unthinkable, after being nurtured, protected and sustained during your life, to one day tell your benefactor that you never needed His help.

Isaiah 45:9 NIV “Woe to those who quarrel with their Maker, those who are nothing but potsherd among the potsherd on the ground. Does the clay say to the potter, ‘What are you making?’ Does your work say, ‘The potter has no hands’?”

If you can’t trust your maker, you will always be headed for trouble.

Join us for Chapel each Sunday Morning at 10 a.m. in the Cribari Auditorium for worship, fellowship and refreshments. Also visit our Website at villagescommunitychapel.org or on YouTube for Sermon series.

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

‘If you love me, keep my Commandments’

By Irene Groot

Everything we buy these days seems to come with an owner’s manual. We weary ourselves deciphering enigmatic diagrams and oddly worded phrases to get our equipment working. Yet, despite struggling through the directions, we know the manufacturer built our equipment according to certain rules, and the better we understand them, the sooner we can use our purchase as designed.

The do’s and don’ts of an owner’s manual bear certain resemblance to the Ten Commandments, beginning with the understanding that God knows the best way to put our life together, even if it’s not always obvious or acceptable to ourselves. As our creator, he knows which actions are in and of themselves destructive, and which constructive, and he doesn’t hesitate to point them out.

God is infinitely greater than any manufacturer; he is our heavenly Father. At the heart of his rules, the Ten Commandments, is love, the love of a good father who tells his children, “In this house we have rules.” His commandments’ positive precepts (#1-3) point out what is good for us, while its negative commands (#4-10) warn against dangers. We respond to this fatherly guidance by obeying, even if at times we do not fully understand or agree. As Jesus explains, “Anyone who receives my commandments and keeps them will be the one who loves me; and anybody who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I shall love him and show myself to him.”

In Sunday’s Gospel, Jesus was asked to identify the most important commandment. His answer? “Love God with all your heart, soul and strength,” and “Love your neighbor as your self.” That sums up the Ten Commandments given directly by God to Moses, rules to teach us how to love God, our neighbor and ourselves so as to develop into the perfect image and likeness of God that He designed us to be.

Join the Catholic Community for Mass this Sunday! Bring a friend!

Masses at Cribari: Sundays at 8:15 a.m. **First three Fridays** each month: Rosary at Cribari 8:30 a.m., followed by Mass at Cribari 9 a.m. Ten more Sunday Masses at St. Francis of Assisi Church. Call 408-223-1770 or check parish website (sfoasj.com) for times. **Home Communion for the homebound:** contact Marilyn Rodman 408-274-4521. **For Mass intentions,** call Jean Gillette at 408-270-5723.

Editor’s note: The Villager included the incorrect heading for last week’s Catholic column. The correct title was “The persistent prayer of Bartimeus.”

EPISCOPAL

‘Strive for Justice’

By The Rev. Julia McCray-Goldsmith

“He has told you, O man, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?” (Micah 6:8) Although I usually resist the temptation to choose a single favorite Bible verse, this is one you’d probably hear from me if you insisted. The prophet Micah, writing in the 8th Century BCE, was lamenting the behavior of the unjust rulers of his own day, but also pointing us all towards the path of walking humbly with our God.

When we Episcopalians commit to strive for justice—in the fifth of five promises we make at every Baptism and Confirmation—we are walking the humble path of Micah, of Jesus, of St. Francis and of Martin Luther King. All of whom shared the belief that love of neighbor requires a love of justice, so that all our neighbors—worldwide—get a chance to share in the blessings of God.

It’s hard to make justice happen alone. Which is why we enshrine this commitment into law, into covenants, and into our church’s preaching and practices. We can do so much more together than alone: we can both care for the vulnerable, and also work to ensure that fewer people are forced to live in precarious vulnerability. In the end, this hope brings us back to our very first Baptismal commitment: to live together in fellowship as the Apostles did, breaking the bread that is sufficient to feed us all.

There will not be services on Sunday, October 31 at Montgomery Center. But please join us on November 7 at 9 a.m.



Happy
Halloween!



Community Chapel invites you to Christmas Dinner

The Villages Chapel cordially Invites Villagers to the 2021 Christmas Dinner on Sunday, December 12. For inquiries call Dee Willey at 1-408-532-6447 or N. Jeanette Campa at 408-661-0203.

SPORTS NEWS

SWINGERS

By Mary Wagle

On October 19, we had Captain's Trophy play. Congratulations to our winners Carleen Corsello with her net 35 on the front 9, and Barbara Miller with her net 33 on the back 9. There were no birdies or chip-ins that day.

As a reminder, Swingers will begin teeing off at 9 a.m. effective November 9. This will result in a later finish to the shotgun start, so we hope everybody will be staying for lunch afterwards, which is what many of our members have been asking for. The Walk-A-Thon on October 18 to support the Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson's Disease raised over \$5,000 for the organization. Checks are still continuing to come in! We had approximately 25 walkers that day, which were led out on the course by Bill Jackson, Cynie's husband, and Dick Frey, Judy's husband. Also, Alice Pratte, who is the founder of the Parkinson's Support Group at The Villagers, spoke to participants. The Swingers would like to thank Judy Frey for organizing such a fantastic event. We also thank the generosity of the Swingers members, and all other Villagers, for their contributions to this very vital organization.

November 9 is the Captain's Trophy Championship, so every lady who won the trophy between January and October will have a chance to win the overall trophy for the year.

In conclusion, every golfer knows what the easiest shot is in the game, right? It's your fourth putt.

SHONIS

By Fran Schumaker

Tuesday, October 19, was a busy day for the Shonis. We had day 2 of our Shoni Club Championship. We also had four birdies on the day. Johanna Bakker had a birdie on hole #5.

Meg Rogers also had a birdie on hole #5 with a 30-foot chip in. Jonna Robinson had a birdie on hole #2 and Bonnie Preston rounded out the foursome with a 40-foot chip in birdie on hole #8.

Other winners for the day included:

Flight One: Jini Kang - net 20, Marty Blinde - net 22, Delma Juarez - net 24

Flight Two: Ad Jung Sin - net 19, Bonnie Preston - net 21, Meg Rogers - net 23

Flight Three: Deborah Edwards, Juanita Baca, and Olivia Peacock - net 24, Peggy White - net 29

After we finished our morning play, we met at the Gazebo for our October General Membership Bag Lunch meeting. At this meeting we approved our new budget for 2022. We also approved a \$5 increase in our dues to bring it to \$40 a year. We elected our board for 2022, had signups for our starters and scorers and recruited committee chairs for the coming year.

We also announced the results of our Eclectic winners. Betty Hall won for low gross and Deborah Edwards and Kathy Tanaka won for low net. Deborah and Kathy will be our Eclectic chairs for 2022.

Congratulations to all the winners.

18-HOLE WOMEN

By Chris Leisy

Congratulations to Pam Schramm for her first hole in one!

Well, we have been asking for rain and now we have it. The pitter patter on the roof is certainly music to my ears. On October 21 We had a regular play day there were 60 women that came out to play. I don't think anyone really thought it would rain. But at our second hole we felt a couple of drops and suddenly it was raining. It was actually warm and lasted just a few minutes. Then the rain stopped and ended up to be another beautiful round of golf.

Birdies for the day: Monica Saneholtz #5. Pam Schramm #6.

Chip ins: Debbie Moore #1. Inge McQuiddy #12. Lyn Strong #13. Cindy Fuller #14.

Chip in Birdie on #17 for Janis LeCompte.

The Village Challenge will have the last tournament on Tuesday. It is really close. The winner will be announced next Week.

November 4 is our last Captains Trophy and General Meeting. We will be voting on next year's board of Director's members. **The nominee are:**

Captain - Diana Hallock; Co -Captain - Gloria Landry; Secretary - Helen Varenkamp; Treasurer - Cheryl Heusser; Tournaments - Patti Bell; Tournaments Co -Director - Donna Quartaro; Play Day - Chris Leisy; Play Day Co -Director - Mazie Rice; Membership - Pam Schramm; Rules - Gail Tuft; Handicap - Kathy Apgar; Mediation - Vivian Brown

November 11 is our last Guest Day. Putts, Pearls and Pink Polka Dots The game is easy. Two best putts of your foursome. We are doing something a little different this time. You can invite any villager that has an official GHIN number as well as an outsider guest. So find your guests and sign up on Chelsea.



Pam Schramm got a hole in one at Copper Valley!

PICKLEBALL

By Joyce Kludt

I would like to introduce you to our Villages Pickleball Club Vice President, Brooks Fuller. Brooks grew up in Ohio and met Cindy, his lovely wife of 47 years, at Ohio University. They have two adult daughters who, by the way, both married men named Josh.

Brooks was a Financial Services Risk Manager in Mideastern states and spent the last 23 years of his career at GE Capital. During this time, they worked with youth groups on Appalachian homes, making them warmer, safer and dryer.

Brooks retired nine years ago and they moved way out to California because of "grandchildren and weather." They chose The Villages because "it's a gated community and it has golf, pickleball, and other activities."

Brooks enjoys serving the community he lives in, which is evident in his service so far: Association Board VP and President for three years, and is now on the Homeowners and Pickleball Club Boards. His hobbies here include golf, gardening, pickleball and making VMA equipment deliveries.

Here he answers some of our questions:

Why do you like Pickleball? "I like the competitiveness and the health benefits. I compare playing it to the memories of watching my young daughters play sports. They didn't care if they won or lost; they just wanted to have fun and to get their treat at the end of the game. To me, the score in pickleball is secondary to the enjoyment of play."

What does your job of VP entail? "My job is supporting President Terry's agenda and working to balance the growing members (420 of them)'s desires and wants."

Thank you, Brooks, for your part in making our Pickleball Club so great! If you would like a Pickleball lesson, contact Mike Walias at mjlw0275@yahoo.com



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MEN'S GOLF CLUB



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

New Appointment to the Men's Golf Club Executive Committee

Congratulations and thank you for volunteering to **Tom Morse**, for being ratified by the EC after David Bacigalupi's nomination for Tom to fill the spot vacated by Mike Bailey. This will be for a three-year term on the 2022 EC. Regretfully, Mike had to resign his position for personal reasons. He will be missed and we all sincerely wish him the best.

Fall Classic results—Please see the list of winners on the Scoreboard page.

Upcoming Events

November 13 - Veterans Day Tournament; play 6 from #2 tees, 6 from #3 tees & 6 from #4 tees, by choice 2 Best Balls of 4; Flights, Shotgun 8:30 a.m.

December 4 - Holiday Tournament/Annual Meeting; Two-man teams, BB-Net Shotgun-8:30 a.m.

Hole In One: Brad Baldinger

During the Fall Classic Tournament on October 16, Brad Baldinger accurately directed his ball to find it's home at the bottom of the cup on #11 for an "Ace"! We were right behind his team on the following hole, and we heard the screams of joy from his buddies. It was exciting indeed. Good for you, Brad, and congratulations!

Sand Traps: Gentlemen, we have received a request from Bill Johnston, Chairman of the VGC to all Men's Golf Club members: "We need 18 to 36 men to take a bucket and pick the pebbles and rocks out of our traps. Call it a day at the beach. It should not take more than 30 minutes per hole. If we do it on Monday morning we will not disturb anyone's game. Once a week until New Year's. If you can volunteer, please contact Bill Johnston at (530) 368-2425 or wljandej1944@gmail.com. Let's see if it makes a difference."

Executive Committee Meeting: The Men's Golf Club Executive Committee meets the first Tuesday of the month at 8:30 a.m. in the Cribari Conference Room. Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, November 2. The meetings are open to all members. Also, remember to visit our website at villagesgolfers.com for the latest Men's Golf Club information.

*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.



Tom Morse



Brad Baldinger gets a hole in one!

TENNIS TALK

By Sherry Benz

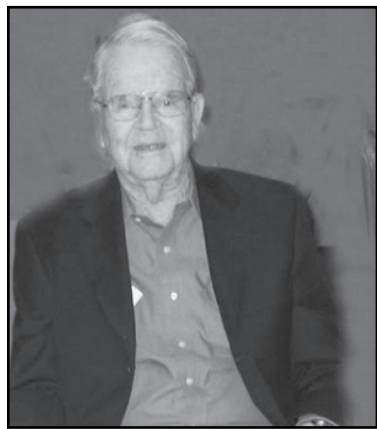
How is history lost? When we fail to pass on to the next "generation" important things that have occurred. What is the danger of lost history? We lose the appreciation for what went on before us. So ... let's never lose the history behind the Prescott Tennis Tournament or for the gift Phil Prescott gave to the Tennis Club.

In 1997, rumor has it that the men in the Villages Tennis Club were in constant competition for court time on courts 1-4. It became quite a serious source of conflict. Phil Prescott wrote a letter to then president Glenn Hamilto, and offered to match dollar for dollar up to \$30,000 to build courts 5 and 6. In just a few short weeks, the Tennis Club raised \$30,000+ in donations, Phil matched it, the funds were given over to the Villages Club and we now all benefit from his foresight, his love of tennis, love for the Villages and his incredible generosity.

The new courts were dedicated in July 1998 under President Phyllis Mueller who created the annual Phil Prescott Tournament. If you haven't noticed, check out the memorial plaque in the ground at the entry to the courts 5 and 6. The Villages Medical Association was dear to Phil's heart and our entry fee of \$15 benefits the VMA each year to help provide valuable services to our community.

Please join us for the Prescott Tournament on Saturday, November 13, at 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. The format is "Double Double Switch." Registration information has been sent via email or can be accessed through the website villagestennisclub.net. Questions? Contact Tracy Scott at tscott10k@gmail.com or 408-316-3549 or Sherry Benz at sabenz@sbcglobal.net or 408-223-6882.

Speaking of good tennis...Ken Kline's Men's 3.5 team is playing at home against Morgan Hill on Wednesday, November 3 at 10:45 a.m. Come down and cheer our men on. They have struggled a bit on the courts, but that has not diminished their drive or their fun. Congratulations to Captain Ken who is posting an 80 percent win stat!



Phil Prescott

IRONMEN

By Bill Travis

The Ironmen are currently playing every Thursday morning at 10 a.m., with a shotgun start. sweeps, birdie pool, and closest to the pin.

This Thursday, October 21, 2021, began as a rainy, wet morning. But the skies cleared, the sun came out, and it turned out to be a beautiful day, perfect for some golf. An intrepid group showed up to play but, because the weather affected our normal turnout, sweeps were not in play. However, of those that did play, two stood out above the rest:

John Eige and **Bob Lapidus** both had a net score of 25. Congratulations, guys.

There was one birdie: Bill Travis chipped in on hole 3.

Closest to the pin: Not in play today.

Deep thoughts: "On the nine-iron: A hunk of iron perfect for any number of household uses, such as poking a fire or killing a mouse, but so programmed that it will hit a golf ball only on the top half and send it chattering, in line-drive configuration, into the nearest clump of ivy." - The great Jim Murray, Sportswriter

PINSEEKERS

By Jack Bindon

Not much to write home about this week since the "elements" intervened. One time when we can take advantage of a shotgun start, it *rained*. Only one hard soul played that morning, Jim White. Since he played alone that morning I don't believe it is a postable score in The GHIN system. There goes that once in a lifetime gross par round Jim. It would have ruined your handicap anyway.

Since we have no other Pinseekers in play there are no winners to report.

In other news we will be looking at punched fairways for a couple weeks according to Scott Steel. This will mean cart path only for a while and about an inch added to your Height (mud) after each shot. When we are able to get back on the course be sure to have a tool along to clean the mud from your spikes after each shot, especially around the greens. We don't want to see a lot of mud footprints between the ball and the hole. Make sure that you observe the flag near the driving range. If it is black that means the course is closed for play. Green, as always, means Go.

Tennis Club Bylaws Announcement

The three-member nominating committee of Roy Pennington, Jay Desai and Sherry Benz have presented their proposed slate of Tennis Club officers for the 2022 year to be voted upon at our Annual Holiday Meeting/Party on December 5.

The slate of 10 proposed elective officers this year is President: Peggy Seidel, Vice-President: Jay Pinson, Secretary: Pat Hubbard, Treasurer: Tina Parsley, Hospitality: Linda Dumont, Tournament Director: Betty Olsen, Communications Director: Liz Kung, Court Manager: Bob Semple, Master Scheduler: Akiko Giordono and Membership Director: Penny Barcellos.

According to the Tennis Club Bylaws, Article VIIC any regular member may nominate any regular member as a candidate for any elective office by presenting the nomination in Writing to the 2021 President (Ken Kline) no less than 35 days prior to the Annual Meeting (October 31.) This nomination must be accompanied by the candidate's written acceptance and must be signed by 5 Tennis Club regular members declaring their support for the nomination.



FROM THE PRO



By Scott Steele, PGA Head Golf Professional

Winter Golf Hours – DST ends Sunday, November 7 – Winter Schedule Starts November 8

Winter Schedule Hours November 7 – February 2022

Pro Shop Hours – Sunrise to 4 p.m. (3 p.m. on Mondays)

Golf Course Hours – Sunrise to 3:30 p.m. – **Last available tee time is 3:30 p.m. daily - 3 p.m. later in the winter months**

Monday Golf – 12 p.m. Shotgun – Driving Range Closes at 2 p.m. for weekly maintenance

Pedestrians on Monday will be limited to before 12 p.m. during non-DST months

Golf Course Tree Removal #18 Pond: From October 25 through November 4, Brightview will be removing the two eucalyptus trees bordering the Hole #18 pond. This follows the city permit approval due to failing conditions of the trees. Access to this area will be coned off and limited due to safety protocols. Given the necessary large equipment at this site, the street along #18 green will have limited passage. The cart path will be closed and some of Hole #18 will be off limits as large tree limbs are brought down. Golf traffic will be re-routed to exit Hole #18 on the right-hand side of the green – please follow cart route exit markings. Also the #5 tees on Hole #18 will be closed during this time frame to keep golfers from hitting longer second shots that might enter this area. Please be safe and if your golf ball enters this area, you may drop free of penalty at a safe place that is completely clear of the coned off work areas. Let us know if you have any questions.

Fall Aerification-Drill Seeding Schedule

Fairways and Approaches—Friday, October 22 through Friday, November 12

Drill Seeding Fairways—Starting the week of March 25, we will start Drill Seeding the fairways with Rye Grass. This practice will require additional irrigation to help the seed germinate. We do this to help create a uniform turf condition in our fairways and to fill in continual bare spots on the fairways.

During this time we will be playing “Winter Rules” defined as pick, clean and place within 6 inches, no nearer the hole, no penalty.

Inclement Weather – Course Conditions. As inclement weather becomes a reality during the late Fall and Winter months, it’s very important to keep abreast of the daily course conditions. Call the Maintenance Hotline at: (408) 223-4663 for a daily update on course conditions. The Director of Golf, with the Golf Course Superintendent, shall be the judge of whether the golf courses are playable, whether power carts must remain on the cart paths and whether certain holes shall be closed for maintenance. The Driving Range may also close during severe inclement weather.

A colored flag will be flown at the Driving Range to advise golfers of the daily course conditions, as follows:

Green Flag - no restrictions unless an individual golf hole is marked “cart path only”

Red Flag - riding golf carts are restricted to cart paths-including those with handicap stickers

Yellow Flag - frost delay, all facilities are temporarily closed

Black Flag - all golf facilities are closed

New Merchandise and Demo Clubs—The new Tour Edge Demo Clubs have finally arrived at long last. Come in and try the newest best priced golf clubs available. Played by Senior PGA Tour starts Bernhard Langer, Scott McCarron, Tom Lehman and Duffy Waldorf. Tour Edge is a high quality golf club at a very reasonable price. You won’t be disappointed!

Coming soon – Men’s Under Armour apparel & Women’s Jamie Saddock apparel, Giants and Warriors proprietary logo outerwear and Antigua men’s and women’s outerwear

Upcoming Events

Saturday, November 13 – Men’s Club Veteran’s Tournament 8:30 a.m. Shotgun / Open Play Shotgun 1 p.m.

Thursday, November 25 – Thanksgiving Day – First Tee Time 7 a.m. – Last tee Time 1 p.m. – Last Cart rental 10 a.m.

Tips from the Pro—3 Yardages to Go

We carry 14 clubs which can make club selection confusing at times; knowing these three yardages and clubs will help a lot!

Your 150 Yard Club. In addition to being one of the most common approach shot yardages on par 4’s this can also be an extremely common yardage on many par 3 tee shots. Most golfers will find their 150 yard club in their mid-irons (6, 7, or 8) but with many of today’s new combo sets you may also find your 150 yard club to be a hybrid.

Your 100 Yard Club. This is where some serious shot making happens, and if you aren’t comfortable with a wedge or short iron that travels 100 yards your scorecard is going to suffer. If you aren’t able to find a good 100 yard club in your current set talk to your Pro Shop staff and find out if you can demo some wedges in different lofts. You’re looking for a club that will travel 100 yards on the fly with a nice easy, controlled swing.

Your 200 Yard Club. Whether it’s your driver, your 3-wood, or a trusty hybrid getting familiar with a club in your bag that can constantly travel over 200 yards is a must if you want to take your game to the next level. Just think - 3 shots with this club and you’ll be on the green in regulation on a 600 yard par 5! Let us know if these tips help. To sign up for a lesson with Scott, email him at sssteel@the-villages.com

BOCCE NEWS



By Marcy Boyles

One more time about election of officers: Please consider joining us. We are a fun group and help plan all of the Bocce activities for the year. We meet once a month and jobs are spread out so no one person has a huge amount. Contact Barbara Orlando at orlmuh2@comcast.net or Wayne Weiler at 404-431-8936. It takes a Village! The election of officers will be November 8 at Foothill. Mask required, come in, vote. No meeting.

Check out the Bistro next time you are there. A photo of the winner of the Village Challenge hangs proudly inside.

Winter Bocce: Reserved for you from November 3 to end of January from 12 to 3 p.m. on Wednesdays. Don’t get rusty. Come throw a few.

Referees needed: Please contact Michael Sunzeri at twosunzeris@comcast.net. Training is provided and it is really rewarding. Please think about it. Better yet, don’t. Just contact Michael.

Please remember: Referees are volunteers and *only* captains can challenge a call. Be kind. It always works. See you on the courts

Bocce Club elections are November 8

Mark your calendars! General membership and elections for 2022-2023 are Monday, November 8 from 3 to 5 p.m. at Foothill Center.

There are 12 existing board members, 9 have volunteered to be re-elected. So far, two members have self-appointed and will be included on the ballot. We are looking for other club members to self-appoint and be included on the ballot. Typical jobs for board members are: President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Membership, Court Manager, Tournaments, It, Publicity, Social Bash, At Large Board Member. Board members will be at the Foothill Center to answer all questions.

Please don’t hesitate to contact Wayne Weiler with your questions at 408 960-6700 or wweiler6@gmail.com

SCOREBOARD

BRIDGE

Monday, October 18: 1. Steve Bosma - Selma Chastaine
2. Stan Davies - Art Lind 3. Louann Partridge - Jonna Robinson

Wednesday, October 20: 1. Steve Bosma - Roger Lasson 2. Kausalya Iyengar - Tahera Khalil 3. Sumi Minami - Bonnie Taylor

Friday, October 22: 1. Ed Logg - Jonna Robinson 2. Steve Bosma - George Welsh 3. Cathy Struck - Ray Struck

BOCCE

Fall Round Robin - Week #6

Monday, October 18

10 a.m. Kraze For Bocce 6-6, Holy Rollers 5-7, Razzmatazz 4-8, Agitators 9-3

3 p.m. Reign Us In 9-3 Pallino Pals 3-9, Take No Prisoners 5-7, Unknown Rollers 7-5

Wednesday, October 20

10 a.m. La Bocce Vita 9-3 Hot Shots 2-10, Charlie’s Pals 7-5, Bocce Queens 6-6

3 p.m. Friskies 8-4, Eliminators 5-7, Troppo Vino 3-9, Otto Amici 8-4

Thursday, October 21

10 a.m. Ladybugs & Bullfrogs 8-4, Pallino Chasers 4-8, The Funsters 6-6, Bocce Wizards 6-6

3 p.m. Bocce Posse 5-7, Our Gang 7-5, The Dazzlers 8-4, Dynamos 3-9

More SCOREBOARD
18-HOLE WOMEN

Thursday, October 21

Flight One

Low Gross:
Monica Saneholtz 83

Low Net:
1. Betty Sharps 69
2. Janis Lecompte 70
3. Marky Olsen 72
4. Lyn Strong 73
5. Mary Ann Diridon 75

Flight Two

Low Gross:
Pam Schramm 93

Low Net:
1. Chris Leisy 70
2. Gloria Landry 74
3. Gail Tuft 75
4. Kitty Ohtaka 75
5. Vivian Brown 77

Flight Three

Low Gross:
Suzanne Fazzio 97

Low Net:
1. Mazie Rice 69
2. Kathy Apgar 72
3. Bonnie Hagen 72
4. Bette Samdahl 73
5. Inge McQuiddy 74
6. Mary Jo O'Neill 74

2 Tees

Low Gross:
Laura Swenson 92

Low Net:
1. Debbie Moore 71
2. Alice Glazer 75
3. Cathy Struck 75
4. Janis Kiernan 77

MEN'S CLUB

The Fall Classic
Saturday, October 16

Flight One:

To Par	Net	Total Net
1. Bell, Rossi, Tomei, Townsend	-29	115
2. Drabik, Mendoza, Murphy, Robinson	-27	117
3. Bettencourt, Chappell, Conway, Sullivan	-26	118

Flight Two:

1. Dolci, Rosenblum, Vitcov, Wahlgren	-31	113
2. Brigham, Burke, Fisher, Kim	-30	114
3. Holbrook, Morse, Stephens, Struck	-29	115

Flight Three:

1. Bailey, Keane, Mune, Robles	-34	110
2. Blinde, Kelley, Lingofelter, Schumaker	-31	113
3. Barnhart, Dando, Maass, Martinson	-30	114

SWINGERS

Captain's Trophy
Tuesday, October 19

Front 9-Flight 1

Corsello, Carleen	35
Gray, Kay	35
Cho, Song	36
Steinhauer, Mimi	36

Back 9-Flight 1

Miller, Barbara	33
Coleman, Sachiko	35
Curyea, Linda	36
Driskell, Sheryl	36

More COMMUNITY NOTICES

Ways to say 'Thank you!'

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

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

An individual or family of a resident can thank other individuals, groups or organizations for help rendered in a death, injury, or other emergency through a **Thank You** item. Please keep word counts between 50 and 75 words.

Individual residents can thank other individuals, groups or organizations—not businesses or for-profit service providers—with an **Above & Beyond** item. This category is to thank others for acts of kindness, generosity and for jobs well done. Keep your Above & Beyond article as short as possible—from 50 to 150 words.

These three ways to thank individuals or groups are considered articles, and therefore are free of charge. They can be submitted directly to Associate Editor Kory Tran via email at: ktran@the-villages.com or submitted through the Resident Portal on *The Villager* page. (Since *The Villager* office in Building B is currently closed to walk-in traffic you are urged to submit these articles in digital form only.)

Those wishing to thank or submit a testimonial to businesses, service providers or other for-profit entities may purchase a Classified Ad at the rate of \$1.25 per word, minimum of 10 words. To place a Classified Ad, contact Adrienne Reed at 408-223-4657 or email: areed@the-villages.com.

Let's do our part to conserve water!

Did you know that "Approximately 24 percent of Association expenses are budgeted for water?" California is in a drought and the drought situation is not going away. Per the Santa Clara Water District, Santa Clara County must reduce water usage by 15 percent from 2019. There are ways that all of us can do our part in conserving water and save money. Some suggestions:

- Put a bucket in the shower and use the water for watering plants and filling toilets.
- Wash cars at car wash facilities.
- IMMEDIATELY report any outside water leaks or water runoffs by completing a work order; if it is an extreme emergency call Public Safety.
- IMMEDIATELY take care of any indoor water leaks.



Support the advertisers who support our publications!

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



Thanksgiving Curb Side

Thursday, November 25
Pick Up Times
11am and 2pm

Delivered to the Curbside

Fresh Roasted Turkey with Sage & Thyme
Dried Cranberry, Apple, and Walnut Stuffing
Giblet Gravy
Candied Yams
Homemade Cranberry Sauce
Green Beans Amandine
Rolls and Butter
\$24.95++

Or

Smoked Ham with Mustard Sauce
Mashed Horseradish Potatoes
Green Beans Almondine
Rolls and Butter
\$21.95++

All Charges Made to Account House Number Prior to Event

Service Charge of 18% and Tax will be Added
Final Guest Changes Due by Thursday November 18

For reservations, call 408-754-1337 or e-mail theclubhouse@the-villages.com
Information Needed: Full Name, House Number, Phone Number
Number of Each Order and Time of Pick Up



Thanksgiving Buffet

Thursday, November 25
12:30 pm and 3:30 pm

Seating in Clubhouse Restaurant and Banquet Rooms

Fruit and Salad Bar Station
Mozzarella, Basil & Tomato Skewers
Apple Pecan Spinach Salad with a Maple Cider Vinaigrette
Caesar Salad with Croutons
Mixed Greens, Baby Spinach with Radishes, Cucumbers,
Cherry Tomatoes, Mushrooms with Assorted Dressings
Fruit Display

Seafood Station
Poached Peel and Eat Shrimp
Smoked Salmon Display with Condiments and Baby Bagels

Carving Station
Slow Roasted Prime Rib
Smoked Bone-In Ham

Chafers
Fresh Roasted Turkey with Sage & Thyme
Dried Cranberry, Apple, and Walnut Stuffing
Mustard Dill Salmon with Lime Butter Sauce
Horseradish Smashed Potatoes with Giblet Gravy
Candied Yams
Homemade Cranberry Sauce
Green Beans Amandine

Desserts
Pumpkin, Pecan and Apple Pies
Assorted Cakes to Include Carrot, Black Forest, Strawberry, Chocolate Cakes,
Mini Cheesecakes, Petit Fours and Assorted Dessert Bars

Beverage
Coffee, Juice, Champagne and Sparkling Cider
Full Bar Available for Additional Charge
\$49.95 Plus Service Charge & Tax
Children ages 5 to 12
\$23.95 Plus Service Charge & Tax
Children under 5-Free of Charge
All Charges Made to Account House Number Prior to Event
All Final Guest Count Changes are due by November 18

Reservations Are Now Available

Due to Covid, The Clubhouse will be Limiting Guest Count
Please Call Early As This Event Will Sell-Out Quickly Due to Limited Seating Capacity

For reservations, call 408-754-1337 or e-mail theclubhouse@the-villages.com
Information Needed: Full Name, House Number, Phone Number
and Number in Party Including Adults and Ages of Children
Please be certain of your guest count as space is limited.
All Meals Charged to Account House Number Prior to Event
RESERVATIONS REQUIRED
Seating in Restaurant and Banquet Rooms will be Utilized

LANDSCAPE & MAINTENANCE

MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE

Cribari

5320-5363, 5400-5432 and 5489-5499—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.

5500-5576—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 11/1-11/5.
5196, 5237 and 5328—Dead/dying pine and palm tree removals in planning.

Turf aeration in progress.

Dell—Jet mulching installation in progress.

West Perimeter fence line—Large oleander hedge top trimming in progress.

Heights and Corner—Dry rot repairs in progress.

Del Lago

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

3316-3366 and 3401-3431—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 11/1-11/5.

Dead/Dying tree removals at various locations in planning.

Dry rot repairs in planning.

Guest parking on Avernus Ct.—Concrete replacement in progress.

Estates

8809-8875—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 11/15-11/19.

Fairways

4001-4024—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 12/13-12/17.

Glen Arden

7698-7752 and 7753-7787 (odd—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 11/29-12/3.

Heights

8480-8505—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 11/22-11/26.

8486-8517—Pressure washing of carports in progress.

Hermosa

8005-8032, 8100-8121 and lower Chardonay Lake—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 11/22-11/26.

Dead/Dying tree removals at various locations in planning.

8118—Dry rot repairs in progress.

8396-8397—Driveway replacement scheduled for next week.

8396-8429—Walkway replacement scheduled for next week.

Highland

7500-7573—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 11/8-11/12.

Morevern—Dead/dying tree removals in planning.

Montgomery

6001-6068 and 6127-6136—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 11/15-11/19.

Dead/Dying tree removals at various locations in planning.

6223—Sewer line repairs in progress.

6060 and 6064—Patio concrete repairs in progress.

6340—Rear patio concrete replacement in progress.

Olivas

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

8646-8650 and 8665-8712—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 11/1-11/5.

8753-8768—Power wash, prep and painting in progress.

8758-8768—Dry rot repairs in progress.

Sonata

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

2000-2024 and 2032-2064—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 12/13-12/17.

Dry rot repairs in planning.

Valle Vista

9015-9033—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.

9048-9066—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 11/1-11/5.

9028-9036, 9061-9066 and 9067-9072—Jet mulching installation in progress.

Behind 9012-9021 Perimeter Fence—Fire fuel management; poison oak clearing in progress.

Verano

7314-7394—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.

7200-7251 and 7300-7313—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 11/1-11/5.

7395—Dry rot repairs scheduled for next week.

Association

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

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

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

Irrigation repairs in progress throughout the Villages.

Turf white grub spot treatment control and turf cleanups throughout the Villages, in progress.

Turf aeration and turf fertilization in progress throughout the Villages.

Seasonal flower bed installation in progress throughout the Villages.

Club Centers

Weed spraying in progress throughout the Villages.

Turf white grub spot treatment control and turf clean ups in progress throughout the Club properties.

Seasonal flower bed installation in progress throughout the Club properties.

Cribari Center; Wood shop and Art room—ADA handrail installation in progress.

Don't feed the 'critters'

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

Owners responsible for cleaning up after their pets

The Villages Rules and CC&Rs state that it is the owner's/handler's responsibility for immediately cleaning and disposing of pet excrements in a sealed container. We are finding and hearing that some owners are not immediately cleaning up after their pets and assume that it is the responsibility of the landscaping crew, which it is not.

The pet poop should be picked up immediately and placed into the dumpsters in the trash enclosure near your home or in the designated pet poop stations in the center parking lots. Please do not place any pet poop in any restrooms or other containers at any of the various centers.

Maintenance Services

Customer Service

Line:

408-223-4670

Maintenance Emergencies and/or Advice

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

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

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PUBLIC SAFETY

Pedestrian Safety Reminder:

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

Important car registration reminder

If you have purchased a new vehicle, or have yet to register your vehicle with Public Safety, please contact Public Safety Administration (Building C) at 408-239-5246, option 2, as soon as possible. You may also email us at: hbalaoro@the-villages.com or astanford@the-villages.com

As a friendly reminder, ALL Villages Residents are REQUIRED to register all vehicles with Public Safety and have a Resident Bar Code Sticker on their vehicle.

Golf cart registration reminder

If you have purchased a new golf cart, or have yet to register your golf cart with Public Safety, please contact Public Safety Administration (Building C) at 408-239-5246, option 2, as soon as possible. You may also email us at: hbalaoro@the-villages.com or astanford@the-villages.com

As a friendly reminder, ALL Villages Residents are REQUIRED to register all golf carts with Public Safety and have a Villages Golf Cart Decal affixed to their cart.

Leash rule for pets

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

An increase in coyote aggression has created problems with small dogs, especially those that are unleashed. **Please always leash your pets. And keep leashes short, the Division of Wildlife recommends a leash no longer than 6 feet.**

Furthermore, accompany your leashed pet at all times while outside. Do not let go of the leash or tie your animal to trees or other objects. An unattended leash not only attracts the attention of coyotes, but is also a tripping hazard to other walkers.



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@the-villages.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.

A little 'trash talk' — Rule reminder:

The trash enclosures are intended to serve the residents within the districts in which the facilities are located. Dumping your trash and/or recyclables in the enclosures of other districts is not allowed. To follow is an excerpt from The Villages Association Rules:

Association Rule 2.13 TRASH DISPOSAL

Common area trash facilities are located in all districts within the Condominium Development except Fairways and portions of Olivas. The facilities are reserved for the exclusive use of residents within the districts in which the disposal facilities are located. Instruction is posted in each disposal facility regarding the proper disposal of household trash, recyclable, and special items. Users are responsible for proper disposal of materials and for clean up of spilled items.

Arrangements for disposal of oversized items such as furniture, appliances, materials associated with relocation, may be made by contacting the Maintenance Department (408-223-4670). Such disposal will be subject to a special collection and disposal fee.

Violations of this rule, including posted disposal instructions, are subject to Rules Enforcement 1.03.4, and reimbursement assessment for costs incurred by the Association to correct violations. Owners are held responsible for violations by their contractors, employees, and guests.

Contacting PG&E during a power outage

You can report or get more information about power outages during a heat wave (and under regular conditions, too) through some of the following ways:

PG&E's 24-hour Customer Service number 1-800-743-5000.

To report or get more information about an outage call PG&E's 24-hour Outage Information Center at 1-800-743-5002.

You can report an outage, learn about future planned outages, get outage updates and take a look at the outage map for your locality on the PG&E website at: pge.com

For those who don't have computers, advanced phones or may be technologically challenged, PG&E customer service suggests calling the Customer Service number at 1-800-743-5000 to update your contact information so you can receive critical information when necessary. PG&E requests the following updates: Your primary home/landline number, your cell phone number, your email address and secondary contact information such as friends or family members who can receive alerts in the event contact cannot be made.

If you experience a power outage, do not be hesitant to contact PG&E and report it or to get more information about outages in your vicinity.

EPC's language assistance team seeks your support

By Vera Buescher, EPC Recruiting Team

The Emergency Preparedness Committee is an organization within The Villages whose volunteers are prepared to provide neighbor-to-neighbor assistance in case of an emergency, such as an earthquake, fire, or other emergency.

Residents of The Villages come from a variety of countries, and for some people English may be their second language. In dealing with individuals in an emergency it could be critically helpful to utilize the skills of those residents who speak other languages should interpretations/translations be necessary for clarification of information. Nothing could be more frightening than to be unable to communicate with anyone in an emergency situation.

EPC is establishing a Language Assistance Team and will appreciate your help. The goal is to compile and maintain a list of individuals who are

fluent in any other language(s) and who are willing to share their language proficiency to provide interpretation/translation assistance in an emergency as needed. These individuals would be working with other personnel (EPC, Public Safety, etc.) when interpretation/translation is needed. Language Assistance at all levels could be helpful,

whether individuals are fluent in reading, writing and/or speaking other languages.

If you are fluent in other languages, we hope you will lend your support to this new team. A sign-up form is available. Should you have questions, please contact me at 408-531-9758 or verabEPC@gmail.com

For requests to change garbage, recycle and green waste for Single Family Homes

For Single Family Homes, residents may contact the following for service changes (including cart size changes if available)

Recycling - California Waste Solutions

408-213-7800
<https://calwaste.com/>
 Once per week on Wednesday
 (gray cart with blue lid)

Garbage - Garden City Sanitation

408-988-4500
<https://www.gardencitysanitation.com/>
 Once per week on Wednesday
 (black or dark green cart)

Green Waste - Greenwaste Recovery

408-283-4800
<https://www.greenwaste.com/>
 Once per week on Wednesday
 (green cart)

Stroke is an emergency!

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

The signs of a stroke:

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

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

Eyes—Is there a sudden loss of vision in one or both eyes?

Arm—Is one arm or leg weak or numb and does it drift down? Ask the person to raise both arms.

Balance—Is there a sudden loss of balance.

Headache—Is there a sudden and pounding headache?

If something looks or seems unusual, trust your instincts. Call 911 or go to the hospital immediately if you or a loved one is showing any of these signs. Every second counts—know the signs and save a life!

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

CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING

To Place a Classified Ad

Adrienne Reed: 408-223-4657, areed@the-villages.com
Kory Tran: 408-754-1341, ktran@the-villages.com

Ad copy is due Monday at 4 p.m.

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

REAL ESTATE

California Law limits the minimum age and maximum number of occupants in a unit. Details available at the Public Safety Administration Office. 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.

Real Estate Open Houses are not permitted for the resale or rental of property.

Real Estate (continued)

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 Leave a message
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Residents, or those working on the behalf of residents, are advised to call the Public Safety Administration office at 239-5246 before planning or opening a sale at the Villages. All sales on Villages property are subject to Association Rule 2.02 Residence Use and Occupancy Restrictions.

Homeowner Rule 3.2.10, Estate and Garage Sales states:

3.2.10 Estate and garage sales are permitted subject to the following:

A. A permit for the sale shall be obtained from the Public Safety Office prior to holding the sale and placement of advertising.

Also, effective July 1, 2012, all estate and garage sales in the Association will require a permit. The owner of the property must request the permit from Public Safety Administration in Building C. The Villages Association Rule 2.02. 5., Residence Use and Occupancy Restrictions applies:

5. Estate and garage sales are permitted subject to the following:

A. Public Safety will not allow entry to anyone who is not authorized by name in advance (Club Rule 1.01, Access to the Villages).

B. All sales activity and sale items must be contained within the residence or garage.

C. Sales maybe held only between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m.

D. Sales period may not exceed two days.

E. Only one sale per resident household per year will be permitted. In the event of the death of a resident of the unit, a subsequent estate sale will be permitted. A permit is required and can be obtained from Public Safety.

F. Residents may not use public media to invite members of the general public to attend estate or garage sales at The Villages.

In this context, "public media" includes the internet, social media such as Facebook and Twitter which will be seen by non-residents, and publications which circulate outside The Villages such as the Evergreen Times and Spotlight. Residents may post activities and notices on Next Door but must use the "Choose Neighbors: The Villages [only]" option.

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



Remember someone with a memorial gift to VMA

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

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A special request for hikers and cyclists using hill lands

The Villages' 550 acres of open space, otherwise known as our hill lands, are becoming more and more popular with both Hiking Club members and Villagers in general. Because of this, the small parking lot next to the "Upper Gardens" can get quite full at any time of day.

Gardeners, many of whom are the most senior of seniors and are frequently hauling equipment and supplies, often find no place to park in the lot next to the gardens. Because of this, the Garden Club is requesting that hikers park in the circle (cul-de-sac) at the end of Village View Drive. It would add only a short distance to your hike and the gardeners would be most grateful.

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Even though I have sold homes for many years, it was when my husband Geoff and I rehabbed a very small starter home in Sunnyvale that I realized how important staging is. This was in 2011. Although the kitchen was remodeled beautifully, it was so small that most couples would come in the vacant home, take a peak at the kitchen and walk out. I told Geoff that we really need to stage this home. "It just felt small, not cozy". We needed to make it a cozy home.

This is where I came up with "strategic staging". I realized I needed to create a cozy space that a couple would **see** themselves living in. A place they **desired** to spend time in. I needed to take the attention away from the size and make it a comfortable and aesthetic space that they could picture themselves in. I knew I had a small living room and a small dining area. It became a strategic search for beautiful, but small scaled furniture.

I found furniture that was the right size and with the look that made this a sure fire hit. The home looked beautiful and super cozy. Just what you would want to come home to.

After the strategic staging, we put the "cozy home" back on the market. It was a hit! I watched as a husband talked his wife through the idea that the kitchen would work for her once he built extra cabinets into *his* space, the garage. She went for it.

After talking his wife into buying the cozy home with the small kitchen, he had to buy the furniture as well. After all, he was not at all sure he could create this cozy home on his own. I was happy to oblige. I realized that each house has its own staging needs. There is so much more to strategic staging and landscaping. I can advise you or stage your home for you using all my strategic staging techniques.

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