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Drought-resistant landscaping goes in by Villages offices



Early in the morning of Monday, November 29 BrightView workers installed a mulch coating replacing an area of turf next to The Villages administration buildings. The new landscaping is part of a turf replacement project with drip irrigation to reduce water usage at The Villages and qualifies for rebates from Valley Water.



Completed landscaping with starter plants in place.

FY22 Villages Satisfaction Survey

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Author Andrew Bernstein to speak at Clubhouse

This Tuesday, December 7, Andrew Bernstein, author of "California Slim: The Music, The Magic and The Madness" will be the presenter at the Villages Men's Club luncheon in the Villages Clubhouse. This will be an exciting presentation as he has been a personal friend/acquaintance of both Willie Nelson and Jerry Garcia through the years.

This holiday season, we want to invite wives/significant others to sign up and attend this December luncheon with our VMSC members. Please make advance reservations through the Men's Club newsletter website or call Alan Renninger. Masks should be worn in the Clubhouse in accordance with the Santa Clara and Villages guidelines.

Guests are invited to attend and should come to the Clubhouse around 12:30 p.m. The event begins at 11 a.m. for fellowship; lunch at noon with guests welcome at 12:30 p.m. The program begins at 12:45 p.m.

Bernstein, a San Mateo author, lived out his dreams in the '60s and '70s. In 1962 his musical journey began in 1962 as the 14-year-old student of an unknown banjo teacher named Jerry Garcia. Bernstein was born in San Francisco and experienced the music and cultural revolution of the Bay Area. His initial foray into the music business began in 1969 as part of Crimson Madness, a posse of wild geniuses who produced light shows at Fillmore West for legendary Bill Graham. Andrew and his fellow artists brought the walls to life, making them pulse with colors, both real and imagined, for the performances of B. B. King, Iron Butterfly, Fleetwood Mac, the Grateful Dead, and others. For more information contact Jeff Schlageter at 408-528-7493.

The Villages **Men's Social Club**



California Slim
The Music, the Magic, and the Madness
ANDREW J. BERNSTEIN

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.

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

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

Note: Pulse letters are still being accepted through the 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.

From reading the news most of us doubtlessly are aware of the growing menace of wildfires in California and here in Santa Clara County. We need information about how fires and wildfires are fought by our collective city/county/federal firefighting services as standalone organizations, as well as when they are working together.

Senator Dave Cortese recently put together a town hall meeting, which brought together the top officials from San Jose and Santa Clara County to explain their organization's function. As a Santa Clara County resident of over 45 years, I was unaware of much of the information I learned watching this 1+ hour presentation.

The Town Hall was live, but also recorded. The link below takes you to a source of the recording: <https://sd15.senate.ca.gov/video/wildfire-preparedness-town-hall>

The video is also available on YouTube.

Given that we in The Villages have been alerted to possible evacuation it would pay to increase our collective knowledge about wildfire detection and how our firefighting services will respond.

Only 60 people attended this virtual Town Hall meeting.

—Wayne Martin

For the past five years I have checked the pressure regulator valves (PRV) in Sonata because they have been failing regularly. No PRV is touched during testing. Of course I was asked to stop and was told "Many regulators have been already replaced when problems have been reported by the owner in a work order." I believe all of them (100+) in my village have been found by me. Besides, residents wouldn't necessarily know of this potential problem, whether their village typically has high water pressure, or if they have PRV. They cannot tell from inside their unit if it has high water pressure (unless perhaps their plumbing has a major break). They must use a water pressure gauge. Even if they measured their pressure, they would need to know the normal pressure. If they had high pressure, they would need to be experienced enough to know if it was caused by thermal expansion, out of adjustment, or a failed PRV. On the bright side the ABOD says "...staff is working on an inspection standard to be added to Association standard operating procedures."

—Ed Logg

In response to the Pulse Letter from November 18th and the gentleman who walked the perimeter fence! Bravo to you and what you found and reporting it. "Coyote freeway" is the perfect term. The VFS group were told all the holes in the fences were being repaired. And since when do we have to stay on paved surfaces or pathways? Utter Nonsense! Next time you want to walk the perimeter, let me know and I'll go with you and take pictures. On another note, VFS group was told coyotes are too smart and are difficult to trap: a coyote was trapped in the Montgomery area. The coyote went into a raccoon trap after food! Also, there is a Zoom meeting on December 2. Schell Labs out of UC Berkeley is presenting a proposal with a detailed plan to mitigate human / coyote conflict within The Villages and will be presented to all the Boards for approval. Lastly, I found out that there are people who are leaving food out for the coyotes! Why aren't those people being fined? Stop feeding the coyotes! It's against HOA Rules! Report sightings, or attacks.

—Cheryl Genovesi

More BOARDS & COMMITTEES, MANAGEMENT and COMMUNITY NOTICES on pages 4, 5, 11, 14, 15 & 26

IN MEMORIAM

Margaret Leveck Keller
April 10, 1933—October 23, 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. For more information, please call Kory Tran at ktran@the-villages.com or 408-754-1341 or Scott Hinrichs at shinrichs@the-villages.com or 408-223-4655.

DEADLINES

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

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

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

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POLICIES

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

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

The Villages Communications Advisory Committee "To inform and connect Villagers" develops operational plans, reviews rules and policies, and advises the General Manager and Club Board on issues pertaining to The Villager, including Pulse letters, Channel 26, Fast Lane and the web site. Residents having relevant concerns may attend meetings or call committee members by phone: Chair Barbara Clurman at 347-451-5309, Sue Callahan 408-238-2413, Jeanette Campa 408-661-0203, Debbie Champion at 408-960-6994, Thomas Moore at 408-887-5322, Patricia Reardon at 408-914-2432, and Nick Yannaccone at 408-219-9296.

HOURS

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

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

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BOARDS & COMMITTEES

Proposed Revision of Rule 1.14 Golf Course Facilities “Ask the CBOD” Response

– December 2, 2021

In May of 2021, the Board requested that Director of Golf Scott Steele, PGA, work with the Villages Golf Committee on the development of a proposed re-write for Board consideration for the purpose of simplifying the rule (11 pages at the time) and removing operational items better suited for the Director of Golf. Once drafted the Club Rules Committee was asked to review the draft and at the November 16, monthly meeting, the Board approved for 30-day notice the proposed revision/rewrite of Rule 1.14 Golf Course Facilities prior to formal approval consideration at the January 25, 2022, monthly board meeting.

Response to the proposed rule revision may be made by one or more of the following methods: 1) Participation in the discussion of the changes at the December 14, 2021, and January 25, 2022, board meetings, 2) via e-mail (jmeadows@the-villages.com) with comments sent to the General Manager's office at least seven days prior to the board meetings, or 3) via written comments to the General Manager's office (Business Administration Building A) delivered at least seven days prior to the aforementioned board meetings.

Please note that this is drafted as a new rule since the number of changes made the standard underline additions and strikethrough deletion format almost unreadable.

1. General

The Villages golf facilities are defined as the golf Pro Shop, Posting Room, the two golf courses, golf cart paths, practice putting green, driving range, and practice areas at Montgomery and Vineyard. It is the intent of these Golf Rules to ensure the maximum enjoyment and safety of all golfers at The Villages. All residents are encouraged to become familiar with these rules, and while having consideration for fellow residents, help Management in the enforcement of these rules. Cooperation, common sense, and communication among golf players, Villagers, and the professional staff are essential. Any resident of The Villages is permitted to play golf, practice golf, reserve a tee time, and sponsor guests.

2. Golf Reservations and Registration

A. All residents and guests must register in the Pro Shop prior to play on either golf course. No golfer shall play either course without having obtained a starting time and having checked in with the Pro Shop.

B. No golf play may be started before the first tee time, or started after the last posted tee time.

C. Only one starting time per day on the 18-hole course may be assigned in advance for each player. Any additional times or replay times may be obtained with the consent of the Director of Golf or Pro Shop Assistant.

D. Each golfer is responsible for their starting time. Please cancel your reservation if you cannot utilize it.

E. Tee-time reservations:

Tee time reservations may be made through the on-line reservation system or by phoning the Pro Shop.

Residents may reserve fourteen (14) days in advance.

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

Non-resident owners may reserve seven (7) days in advance.

3. Golf Play Daily Status

A. 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.

B. 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

4. Dress Code

A. This dress code applies to all residents and guests when using the golf course or practice facilities (including junior golfers 17 and under).

Any resident or guest who is out of compliance with the dress code will be asked to change their clothes immediately to meet these requirements, or will be asked to leave the premises.

B. Acceptable golf attire for MALE golfers:

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

Slacks or colored jeans (no blue jeans or sweatpants)

Collared, mock t-neck and turtleneck shirts (no tee shirts or tank tops)

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

Caps and visors with bill facing forward; knit caps

C. Acceptable golf attire for FEMALE golfers:

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

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

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

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The Club Board of Directors (CBOD) appreciates the need in having your questions answered. The CBOD has a column in *The Villager* so that all those interested can see the question and response. If you have any questions, please email them 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.



The entire Board is interested in communicating the proper information for your understanding of issues and current events.

Diane Malcolm, writes:

We have just begun a new fiscal year with several challenges of protection from COVID and staffing shortages. However, we need to continue to look for ways to hold our HOA fees stable with no increase for several years due to the past compounded increases which impacted our resident fees to an unreasonable level.

The CBOD and our management have a multitude of ideas of how to cut costs in the Villages. You can identify far more cost cutting opportunities than any single resident, but from my limited perspective, I can see a few. They include publishing *The Villager* every other week, instead of weekly. The articles and menu and advertising are repetitious. Also, we need to enter into the 21st century and deliver *The Villager* on-line. For those who do not have access to a computer, just charge them an annual fee to cover your hand delivery costs. Speaking of on-line opportunities, our monthly HOA statement should be required to be sent on-line. Again, those who need a hard copy, should pay an annual premium to cover our hand delivery costs. Finally, I continue to be amazed at the Public Safety fleet of four cars. This is extravagant. I pass through the gate several times a week and I always, always see a minimum of three vehicles.

Now is the time at the beginning of our new fiscal year to identify and implement and report to the residents cost saving actions. An increase in HOA fees is unacceptable after multiple years of increases that compounded. Most residents in The Villages are on a fixed income and need to know that their fees will not increase as we prepare for some inflationary activity by the federal government. Please tell us your plans to hold fees steady.

CBOD Response:

The budgeting process for the next fiscal year, FY23, has just begun. The Club Board will be establishing guidelines for the year and management will detail assumptions and estimates based on existing policies and needs for staffing and maintaining the quality of Villages life we all expect. Annually opportunities to cut costs are addressed and your suggestions of changing *The Villager* publication schedule and content, charging fees for hardcopy delivery and the Public Safety mobile fleet, may be included in our list of issues to be addressed. Currently *The Villager* is posted to the Resident Portal each week and the monthly billings can be sent by email if each resident selects that option. We must continue to support Villagers who choose not to use the internet.

Neither the Club Board nor management can commit to not changing assessments, although Club assessments were reduced last year. In the next weeks the Reserve Study will be completed, and management will make recommendations for staffing, maintenance, and major projects. A Club Board Ad Hoc Committee will also review our investment policy considering current inflation. With careful deliberation the Club Board will approve a FY23 budget based on the best information and plans available with consideration to the financial impact on all residents.

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MANAGEMENT

2021 Villages Age Certification Survey Results

By Julia Meadows, CCAM, CMCA, AMS, PCAM

Thank you Villagers for returning your age certification! As you know, in order to maintain our community's status as a senior community, The Villages must comply with the State and Federal laws that govern senior housing developments. To that end, Federal law requires that at least one person 55 years of age or older reside in a minimum of 80 percent of the occupied units. To validate the foregoing, Federal law requires The Villages Association and Homeowners' Corporation to conduct periodic surveys (every two years). Failure to satisfy the legal requirements could result in a determination that our community is not a lawful senior community and therefore mean that we must allow persons of all ages to live here.

This year's survey has determined that both The Villages Association and The Villages Homeowners' Corporation have satisfied the legal requirements to maintain The Villages status as a 55+ senior community.

Out of 2,309 units (condominiums) for The Villages Association, 2,267 are occupied, and 1,941, or **85.6 percent of Association** residents returned completed surveys certifying that a least one member of the household is 55 years of age or older.

The following are the results from this year's Villages Age Certification Surveys for The Villages Association:

Condominiums by Village	Number of Units	Age 55 or Over Certifications	Percentage Returned (less vacant units)	Average Age
Sonata	102	86	84.3%	77.1
del Lago	174	154	89.0%	76.8
Fairways	22	21	95.5%	76.3
Cribari	576	461	82.0%	73.6
Montgomery	351	286	82.9%	75.0
Verano	207	175	85.8%	76.2
Highland	210	173	84.8%	76.8
Glen Arden	120	99	83.9%	74.9
Hermosa	196	165	85.5%	74.8
Heights	72	60	88.2%	75.3
Olivas	207	193	94.1%	77.6
Valle Vista	72	68	95.8%	79.2
Total Condominiums	2,309	1,941	85.6%	76.1

Out of 227 single-family homes for The Villages Homeowners' Corporation, 226 are occupied, and 197, or **86.8 percent of the Homeowners'** Corporation residents returned completed surveys certifying that a least one member of the household is 55 years of age or older.

The following are the results from this year's Villages Age Certification Surveys for The Villages Homeowners' Corporation:

Single Family Homes	Number of Homes	Age 55 or Over Certifications	Percentage Returned	Average Age
Highland	49	43	87.8%	76.7
Hermosa	74	60	81.1%	76.7
Verano	28	23	82.1%	72.5
Mansion	1	0	0.0%	
Estates	75	71	94.7%	78.9
Total Single Family Homes	227	197	86.8%	76.2

ABOVE & BEYOND

Thank you for the delicious Thanksgiving buffet. The decorations were beautiful. Our table arrived a little before 12:30 p.m. and we were escorted to our table.

We enjoyed the Champagne and the tasty appetizers and salads. The prime rib was outstanding, as was the turkey with dressing and mashed and sweet potatoes. We all enjoyed the green beans. The dessert table was constantly being refreshed with new delicious pies, cakes and small cheese cakes. Yum!

Our server was very attentive. All in all, we enjoyed the buffet.

—Jan Flynn

PUBLIC SAFETY

Guest Bar Code renewal for 2022

It is that time of year again to renew all guest bar codes. Your current guest bar codes will be automatically renewed, at a cost of \$6 each, in January 2022. No forms required. You will see the billing on your January 2022 statement. If you do not want a guest bar code renewed, please contact Public Safety Administration at 408-239-5246, option 2 by December 15, 2021.

As always, your resident bar code does not need to be renewed.

Villager holiday deadlines

In December, *The Villager* will not publish the week of Christmas. The Christmas edition of *The Villager* will be published Thursday, December 16. Any articles to be published before Christmas must be turned in Thursday, December 9 by 4:30 p.m. Classified ads are due Monday, December 13.

The Villager will publish the last edition of 2021 on Thursday, December 30. Editorial submissions for that edition will be Monday, December 20. The regular deadline schedule will resume in January 2022.

The Communications and Villager staff wish you happy holidays.

Missed your Villager?

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

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

Our 43rd Concert Season
Sharing the Joy of Choral Music Since 1979



BAY CHORAL GUILD

Holiday Traditions

After staying home last December we asked, "What traditional activities did we miss?" Our December concert examines three areas of holiday merriment: singing Christmas carols, attending a choral concert, and going to the ballet to see *The Nutcracker*. You'll hear modern settings of carols from Britain as well as Central and South America. We'll introduce several new-to-us Christmas pieces, including the premiere of Sanford Dole's recent composition, *Peace on Earth*. Finally, you'll dance your way home after hearing Harry Simeone's inimitable choral arrangement of the *Nutcracker Suite*, which adds charming texts to Tchaikovsky's familiar score.

December 3, 4, 5, 2021
CAMPBELL • Friday, December 3, 8:00pm
Campbell United Methodist Church, 1675 Winchester Blvd.
PALO ALTO • Saturday, December 4, 8:00pm
First United Methodist Church, 625 Hamilton Ave.
SAN FRANCISCO • Sunday, December 5, 4:30pm
St. Mark's Lutheran Church, 1111 O'Farrell St.

Tickets at the door or online, www.baychoralguild.org

There will be a pre-concert lecture by Sanford Dole, 30 minutes before each performance.



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GOVERNANCE MEETINGS

THE DACs

Fairways DAC to meet December 14

The Villages Fairway DAC will hold a regular meeting on Tuesday, December 14 from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. in the Cribari Conference Room. Doors will open starting at 4 p.m. so please arrive earlier than 5 p.m. to make sure you get situated, as we will have a full agenda.

AC NOTICE

Association applications for Owner Alteration Requests for the month of January are due to the Architectural Committee on or before December 21, 2021. Call Elissa at the Corporation Yard office to obtain an application. Meeting date is scheduled for **January 6, 2022 at 9 a.m. at the Foothill Center.**

Association AC Landscape meeting deadline date is **December 21, 2021.**

More COMMUNITY NOTICES

(SRS) SENIOR RESOURCE SERVICES

Medicare B Premium has largest dollar increase ever

In 2022, Medicare recipients will have an increase of \$21.60 in the basic Medicare B premium. The new basic monthly premium will be \$170.10.

While most Medicare beneficiaries will pay or have deducted from their Social Security benefit \$170.10 per month, high income seniors will pay a higher Medicare B premium. It is called an "Income-Related Monthly Adjustment Amount." Most people just call it a surcharge. High income is defined as adjusted gross income (plus tax-exempt interest income if any) of more than \$91,000 if single and \$182,000 if married filing jointly.

Medicare B premiums for 2022

Single Tax Return Income	Joint Tax Return Income	Medicare B Premium
Up to \$91,000	Up to \$182,000	\$170.10
\$ 91,001—\$114,000	\$182,001—\$228,000	\$238.10
\$114,001—\$142,000	\$228,001—\$284,000	\$340.20
\$142,001—\$170,000	\$284,001—\$340,000	\$442.30
\$170,001—\$499,999	\$340,001—\$749,999	\$544.30
\$500,000 or more	\$750,000 or more	\$578.30

This means a single individual with \$91,000 or less of income will pay or have deducted \$2,041.20 for the year 2022 for Medicare B. If that individual earned \$170,001, he or she will pay a total \$6,531.60 for the year 2022. Income of \$500,000 will be a total of \$6,939.60 – or one might as well say \$7,000.00.

Remember that Medicare premiums are for each individual on Medicare. Consequently, a married couple with income of \$182,000 or less will each pay Medicare B premiums of \$2,074.10 for the year 2022. If that same couple earns \$750,000, they will each pay annual Medicare B premium of \$6,939.60 – or \$14,000 for the couple.

The high-income surcharge is an annual calculation based on your gross income from two years previously. Therefore, your surcharge for 2022 is based on your 2020 income tax return. If you had unusually high income in 2020 because of, for example, stock gains, you will now be paying higher Medicare premiums in 2022. If in 2021 your income then decreased from 2020, your Medicare premium will decrease in 2023.

You can appeal the surcharge if your income has substantially decreased since 2020 because of certain life changing events. Examples include the following: getting married or divorced or becoming widowed; you or your spouse retire or reduce your work hours; you lose your pension income; or you lose income-producing property due to a disaster.

A spouse dying and his or her pension being terminated would be a life changing event. However, having a large capital gain in 2020 from the sale of your personal residence or the sale of stock is not considered a qualifying life changing event. Remember that the surcharge is calculated every year, so without another large capital gain, you will not have the extra charge in future years.

You may also appeal the surcharge if you filed an amended tax return for 2020 which reduced your taxable income.

To appeal, you must request a reconsideration of the initial determination from the Social Security Administration (SSA). A request can be done orally by calling SSA at 800-772-1213. You may also request reconsideration by completing form SSA-44 (12-2020) and mailing it to SSA. Older SSA-44 forms cannot be used. The SSA-44 form details the documentation required for the reconsideration.

BOARD MEETINGS

Association

• The Villages Association Board of Directors Monthly Board Meeting is Tuesday, December 14 at 9:30 a.m. at Foothill Center via hybrid Zoom Meeting
Meeting ID: 917 8108 3392
Password: 223468
Dial: 669-900-6833

Club

• The Villages Golf and Country Club Monthly Board Meeting is Tuesday, December 14 at 1:30 p.m. at Foothill Center via hybrid Zoom Meeting
Meeting ID: 961 5036 4740
Password: 260616
Dial: 669-900-6833

Homeowners

• The Homeowner's Corporation Quarterly Meeting is Thursday, December 9 at 9 a.m. via Zoom Meeting.
Meeting ID: 975 5873 6401
Passcode: 591400
Dial: 1-669-900-6833

SRS Reminder:

Property tax due December 10

Friday, December 10 is the last date for paying your first installment of your Santa Clara County real estate tax for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022.

You may pay online at payments.sccgov.org/propertytax. There is no fee for paying electronically. Just have your check book in front of you so you can record the bank routing number and your account number. If you pay with a credit or debit card, there is a 2.25 percent fee. If you pay with a paper check, your payment envelope needs to be postmarked by December 10. Paying online eliminates the worry as to whether or not the post office processes your mail by the due date, or the county loses your envelope.

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 advisor about your individual situation.

More BOARDS & COMMITTEES,
and COMMUNITY NOTICES
on pages 11, 14, 15 & 26

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Friday, December 3

8:30 a.m. Dong I Dong Exercises MMP
 8:30 a.m. Catholic Mass CR
 8:30 a.m. Jazzercise P
 9 a.m. Ceramics CER
 9 a.m. Game Day RED, SEQ
 9:30 a.m. Open Studio AR
 10 a.m. Line Dance Class MMP
 12:30 p.m. Duplicate Bridge RED
 1 p.m. Pinseekers FC
 1 p.m. Table Tennis MMP
 3 p.m. Handbells CR
 5 p.m. Chinese Line Dance VC
 6:30 p.m. Mex. Train Dominoes MC

Saturday, December 4

9 a.m. Ceramics CER
 9 a.m. Table Tennis MMP
 9:30 a.m. Ukulele Singing SEQ
 1 p.m. Men's Golf Lunch CH
 4 p.m. Martin L. King Potluck VC

Sunday, December 5

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

Monday, December 6

8:30 a.m. Dong I Dong Exercise MMP
 8:30 a.m. Jazzercise P
 9 a.m. 18 Hole Women Board CR
 9 a.m. Swingers Board VC
 9 a.m. Ceramics CER
 9 a.m. Game Day SEQ
 9:30 a.m. Search the Scriptures FC
 10 a.m. Line Dance Class MMP
 10 a.m. Watercolor Class AR
 10:30 a.m. Fitness Center Comm. F
 10:30 a.m. Grief Support Group PR
 11:30 a.m. Quilters Lunch CH
 12 p.m. Game Day RED
 1 p.m. Stitchery PR

Tuesday, December 7

1:30 p.m. Table Tennis MMP
 5 p.m. Bocce Board Apprec. MC
 6:30 p.m. Duplicate Bridge RED
 8:30 a.m. Men's Golf Club CR
 9 a.m. Ceramics CER
 9 a.m. Game Day RED, SEQ
 9:30 a.m. Acrylics & Pastel AR
 10 a.m. Ukulele Advanced PR
 10 a.m. Line Dance Class MMP
 10:30 a.m. Chapel Lay Board VC
 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 FC
 2:30 P.M. Chapel Choir MC
 4 p.m. Voices Board Meeting PR
 7 p.m. Astronomy Club FC
 7 p.m. Catholic Council MC

Wednesday, December 8

8:30 a.m. Dong I Dong Exercise MMP
 8:30 a.m. Jazzercise P
 9 a.m. VMA Board CR
 9 a.m. Ceramics CER
 9 a.m. Game Day RED, SEQ
 10 a.m. Critique & Open Studio AR
 10 a.m. Ladies Bible Group PR
 11:30 a.m. Income Tax Volunteers MC
 1 p.m. Table Tennis MMP
 2 p.m. Sr. Academy Program A
 3:30 p.m. Evgrn. Villages Found. PR
 4:30 p.m. Chinese Line Dance P

4:30 p.m. Martin L. King Society VC
 5 p.m. Glen Arden Party FC
 6:30 p.m. Mex. Trains Dominoes MC
 7 p.m. Global Village Comm. CR

Thursday, December 9

9 a.m. Ceramics CER
 9 a.m. Commun. Committee F
 9 a.m. Game Day SEQ, RED
 9:30 a.m. Watercolor Class AR
 10 a.m. Line Dance Class MMP
 10 a.m. Walking Class Indoor A
 1 p.m. Martin L. King Reading F
 1 p.m. Table Tennis MMP
 1 p.m. Women's 18 Hole Meet CH
 2:30 p.m. Ukulele Club Potluck FC
 3 p.m. Villages Golf Comm. VC
 4 p.m. Italian Club MC
 4 p.m. Pickleball Board F
 5:30 p.m. Hiking Club Party A

Friday, December 10

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 8:30 a.m. Catholic Mass CR
 8:30 a.m. Jazzercise A
 9 a.m. Ceramics CER
 9 a.m. Game Day SEQ, RED
 9:30 a.m. Open Studio AR
 10 a.m. Quilters PR
 10 a.m. Line Dance Class MMP
 12:30 p.m. Bridge Club RED
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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

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

CLUB CALENDARS

What's Happening in ARTS & CRAFTS?

All Villagers are invited to participate in Arts and Crafts Activities. Visit villagesartsandcrafts.org
 *Registration: Barbara Gottesman. barb.gottesman@gmail.com
 ** Registration: Diane Finley dianefinley1@gmail.com
 *** Program Chair: Marcy Boyles
 Ceramics Room has open studio to approved members only please. Monday and Tuesday, noon – 3 p.m. Wednesday 9 – noon, Thursday and Friday 10 – 4:30 p.m. Visit villagesceramics.com
December 7 and 14: The Dawn of Modern Art in America. 2 p.m. via Zoom Sponsored by Senior Academy. Register on VillagesSA.org
December 11: Basic Calligraphy with Francesca Pulis. Saturday 10 a.m. – 1 p.m. in the Art Room. All materials furnished. *
December: No General Membership Meeting, Art Film, or Advisory Board meeting.
Stitchery Group on Mondays in Patio Room 1 – 3 p.m. Call Roberta at 408 218-8372
Currently in Session:
Tuesdays: 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.: Poetry in Art in the Art Room. All are welcome to bring a poem and create art.
Wednesdays: 1:30 – 3 p.m. Mining Your Memories.
Fridays: Open Studio with Jane Hink. 10 a.m. – 12 noon. Bring your art materials and work on your own creations.
 (More CLUB CALENDARS on page 7)

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.

Total Body Conditioning

Day/Time: Tuesdays, 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. 1/11 – 2/15 (6 classes)

Location: Montgomery Multi-Purpose Room

Instructor: Shu-Mei Cheng

Price: \$69.00 (equipment purchased independently as needed, see below)

Registration: Building B, M-F 8:30 a.m. – noon, or by appointment – deadline Tuesday, December 28.

This class focuses on various components of fitness – muscular strength, flexibility and balance. After a light cardiovascular warm-up, the class will use light weights and bands to achieve total body conditioning. The class requires a resistance band (light or medium strength) and a set of weights (3lbs and 5lbs or 5lbs and 8lbs set), to be purchased independently, as needed.

Shu-Mei is an ACE certified group exercise instructor and personal trainer with more than 10 years of experience teaching group exercise. She loves teaching classes to help people get stronger. She holds various certifications from kick boxing, strength and core training, cycling to yoga and uses this knowledge to add diversity to her classes. In addition to fitness, Shu-Mei is an animal lover and environmentalist.

Masks are required indoors, including while exercising.

Walking for Wellness Tuesdays

Day/Time: Tuesdays, 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. 1/11 – 2/15 (6 classes)

Location: Cribari Auditorium

Instructor: Mwezo Kudumu

Price: \$55/person

Registration: Building B, M-F 8:30 a.m. - noon or by appointment – deadline, Tuesday, December 28.

This indoor walking class is designed to reduce health risks and help participants improve their body and mind and be able to better move safely and independently. A variety of exercise formats are integrated to improve health, wellness, and fitness including posture, gait, standing, walking and fall prevention. This is great starting point for those with limited mobility. Chairs are available to use for the exercises or to sit in to rest if you tire while walking.

Mwezo has had great success with working with Villagers over the years. He is a certified and licensed Master Tai Chi Instructor and has over 40 years of experience in the healing arts. He is also a Senior Fitness Specialist, licensed Fall Prevention instructor, physical therapy technician, massage therapist and personal trainer.

Mwezo has a passion for a healthy lifestyle personally and when engaged in helping others.

This class can be taken in conjunction with Walking for Wellness' Thursday class. Mask are required indoors, including while exercising.

Walking for Wellness Thursday

Day/Time: Thursdays, 10 a.m. – 11 a.m. 1/13 – 2/17 (6 classes)

Location: Cribari Auditorium

Instructor: Mwezo Kudumu

Price: \$55/person

Registration: Building B, M-F 8:30 a.m. - noon or by appointment – deadline, Tuesday, December 28.

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Yoga on Wednesday!

The Community Activities office is negotiating with a yoga instructor and hopes to offer yoga classes on Wednesdays in Cribari Auditorium from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Classes would begin in mid-January for a six-week session. Please watch for more specifics.

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 8:45 a.m. from Foothill Center. Every Monday – at Clubhouse parking lot at 8:30 a.m. walk around golf course with Terri Vivoli and/or Cheryl Allman.

Saturday December 4: (Long Hike) Dan Kato will lead a long hike at Santa Teresa County Park. We will start at the Bernal Gulnac Joice Ranch. From there we will hike to Coyote Peak, an up and down climb of about 1000 ft., where we will have lunch. There are rocks and benches at the peak to sit on and a nice view. We will take a different set of trails to return for a total hike length of 7 miles. Bring water and snacks/lunch. Poles are recommended. We will meet at Cribari at 8:30 for an 8:45 a.m. departure. Total driving distance to the park and back is 16 miles.

Wednesday, December 8: (Rambler Hike): Sandy and John Petrin (530-927-7024) will lead a hike from Oak Meadow Park, 233 Blossom Hill Rd east along Los Gatos Creek past the dam to a small shopping plaza on Winchester Blvd. We will plan on an early lunch there about 11 a.m. at Garrett Station for those that are interested. The round-trip hike will be about 4 miles with some shade along the way. R/T mileage from the Villages is about 36 miles. Bring water, a hat, sunscreen, and a snack. We will meet at Cribari Center at 9 a.m. for a 9:15 a.m. departure because of anticipated heavy traffic.

Wednesday, December 8: (Rambler Lite Hike): Bonnie Preston (408-531-1513) will lead a hike to Valle Vista and the Lower Joe Marsh Trail. To park, drive up hill to Valle Vista and turn right on the first street Village View Loop where we'll park. Be there at 9:20 a.m. and leave at 9:30 a.m. We'll walk around the Loop and up to the end of the circle to our hills and onto the shorter lower Joe Marsh Trail. The trail has a gradual hill which some of us may walk a bit slower than others and we end up at the garden then back to our cars. Be sure to bring water.

Saturday, December 11 (Long Hike/Rambler Hike): Wate and Johanna Bakker will lead long and rambler hikes along the Crest of Pleasanton Ridge. The rambler hike will be about 5 miles, the long hike about 2 miles longer, but can be extended. Total elevation gain is about 1000 ft., mostly during the first mile of the hike. The hike will be mostly sunny, but there is shade on the way up. There are extensive views across the bay and mature olive groves. Bring water and a light lunch. Dress seasonably. After the hike we may stop in Sunol for a libation or snack. We will gather at Cribari at 8:45 a.m. for a 9 a.m. departure.

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 12/6 to 12/12

Monday	December 6	Black Bean
Tuesday	December 7	Chicken Tortellini
Wednesday	December 8	Cream of Mushroom
Thursday	December 9	Vegetable Beef
Friday	December 10	Manhattan Clam Chowder
Saturday	December 11	Chef's Choice
Sunday	December 12	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

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

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 2021

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

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Sept 2021

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

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

2. **Slow Roasted Prime Rib** \$34.95
Aged to Perfection with Choice of Sides

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.

Sept 2021

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
12/6 to 12/12

Lunch Specials:
Monday 12/6 to Sunday 12/12

French Burger:
Grilled Onions, Mushrooms
and Swiss Cheese with
Choice of Sides
\$14.95

Dinner Specials:
Tuesday 12/7 to Sunday 12/12

Beef Ravioli:
Garlic Cream Sauce, Sun
Dried Tomato and Pesto
Drizzle
\$18.50

Surf & Turf:
Grilled Sirloin and Prawns in
a Garlic Butter Sauce with
Choice of Sides
\$32.00

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 wit 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

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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

Sept 202

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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%.



**OPEN
MIC
NIGHT**

Monday, December 20th
Clubhouse Ballroom
5 to 6:30 Dinner
 Oven Roast Turkey, Stuffing, Mash Potatoes, Vegetables Medley
 Rolls and Butter
 Dessert "Christmas Yule Log" Coffee or Tea

6 to 9 Open Mic
\$24.95 Plus Service and Tax
RESERVATIONS REQUIRED
 call 408-754-1337 or
 e-mail: theclubhouse@the-villages.com
Limited Seating Available.

**Host and DJ
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Masks Are Required For Entry

**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"

Every Wednesday at 5 p.m.



MERRY CHRISTMAS

Christmas Eve Curbside Pick Up

Friday December 24th, 2021
12pm, 1pm and 2pm

Christmas Baked Ham
Brown Sugar Mustard Glaze and Gravy
Mashed Potatoes, French Cut Beans and Red Peppers
Or
Sliced Sirloin of Beef
Mushroom Sauce
Mash Potatoes, French Cut Beans and Red Peppers
Both choices served with
Rolls and Butter
And
Dessert Christmas Yule Log Cake

\$28.95 Plus 18% Service Charge and Tax Per Meal
 All Charges Made to Account House Number Prior to Event

For Reservations:
 Call 408 754 1337 or email theclubhouse@the-villages.com
 Please Provide Time of Pick Up, House Number,
 Full Name, Phone Number and Number of Each Meal

More BOARDS & COMMITTEES
'Ask the CBOD'...
(Continued from page 3)

Anahid Avakian Gregg, writes:
 I wanted to express my feelings on the Villages not mandating proof of vaccination. With so many restaurants and businesses mandating proof of vaccination, I am very disappointed The Villages is not following suit.
 As you may know, I handle event registration for several clubs. Each organization has had many people asking if proof of vaccination will be required. And each event we've had has lost attendance because they know of unvaccinated people attending. Not only do they attend, but frequently are not wearing masks.
 Villages recognized clubs should have the right to ask attendees if they are vaccinated, and exclude them. I've had to show proof of vaccination at the Mountain Winery, restaurants and work (where employment will be terminated as of 1/5/22 for employees not fully vaccinated). The most recent event I registered people for had a record number of cancellations—half due to positive test cases or concerns about COVID. At least let each club make its own choice on vaccination status if you won't enforce it Villages wide.
 It's infuriating how many people go to the gym without masks. One of my closest friends is a recent cancer survivor, and due to this poor behavior, cannot use an amenity she visited three to four times a week previously.

CBOD Response:
 Thank you for sharing your concern regarding unvaccinated residents. As we advance in age, we all realize how important our health is and how protective we need to be. Your suggestion to have mandated vaccination for our residents and guests before they can enter the Restaurant/Bistro and other amenities is a reasonable suggestion. When we begin to look at this more closely, there are many details that need to be considered before implementation. Here are some examples:
 a) The vaccines appear to have a limited life and boosters are now being needed. Should we accept older vaccinations? What date is acceptable? Should we require boosters?
 b) Individuals who have contracted COVID-19 and have survived have built up a natural immunity. Would they be allowed?
 c) Our residents pay for the amenities here in The Villages. Even the Restaurant/Bistro receives a significant subsidy from our assessments. These are not public facilities. Can we deny access to an amenity financially supported by the resident because of their vaccination status? Could there be a legal challenge?
 d) Not allowing residents access to certain or all amenities may be divisive. Should we purposefully develop a conflict situation?
 f) There would be additional expenses having to monitor all customers for their vaccination status.
 These are only some examples of the issues The Villages would face. Considering these and other issues you may have thought of our current course of action of following Santa Clara County and state government guidance provided by professionals appears to be the right course to take.
 Thank you again for your email and your concern is truly appreciated.

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CLUBS & EVENTS

Verano needs volunteers

The Annual Verano Tree light wrapping will begin on December 4 with the lights taken down on January 16. All volunteers are asked to meet at 9 a.m. by the Verano Monument across from the Bocce Court. Please contact Kerry Besmehn at 408-499-1773 if you have any questions.



Astronomy Club to meet

All are welcome to attend the next meeting of the Astronomy Club, at 7 p.m. on December 7 at Foothill Center. The club shall present a new series of lectures addressing the beginning and end of the Cosmos and how Astronomy shaped the world as we know it. Questions? E-mail Barry Stein at b.stein200@gmail.com

New Basic Calligraphy class

Have you always wanted to learn calligraphy in order to write your own special invitations or to sign your holiday cards? Francesca Pulis, a Villager who knows how, will offer an introductory workshop in basic calligraphy on Saturday, December 11, in the Cribari Center Art Room. The times are 10 a.m. until 1 p.m. and the fee to Francesca is \$35. She will furnish all materials necessary, including paper, ink and pens.



Francesca Pulis

She will teach a basic alphabet which contains only majuscules. This basic workshop will spark an interest, she hopes, in students learning more about this fascinating art form. At the end of the workshop, each person should be able to write his or her own name, a holiday greeting and a thank you note.

Register for this workshop with Arts & Crafts Class Scheduler Barbara Gottesman by emailing barb.gottesman@gmail.com. A \$35 check made out to Francesca and placed in an envelope in the Arts & Crafts mailbox by December 4 will reserve your place in this workshop. A maximum of 8 students will be accepted.

Senior Academy: 'Dawn of Modern Art in America'

By Rita Karlsten

When the works of Picasso, Van Gogh, Gauguin, Cezanne, Matisse, and Duchamps were introduced to the art community in the United States, they were welcomed with mixed reviews, some even hostile. On February 17, 1913 an art exhibition opened at the Armory in New York City that shocked the country and changed our perception of beauty in art. Even though two-thirds of the artists on display were American, it was the Europeans who caused a sensation.

At 2 p.m. on Tuesday, December 7 and 14, via Zoom, this two-part course will explore the radical changes that occurred in American Art as American artists, accustomed to realistic art, were introduced to the experimental styles of Fauvism, Cubism, Futurism and Precisionism. It was the first time the phrase "avant-garde" was used to describe painting and sculpture.

Diane Levinson is an artist, art instructor and arts advocate. She received her B.A. in Sculpture from the State University of New York and her MFA from San Jose State University. She has taught art and art history at several educational institutions in the area including Santa Clara University, De Anza College and San Jose City College. Recently, she moved to Oregon; hence, the reason to offer this course via Zoom.

Preregistration for the course is required and can be done at VillagesSA.org or by calling Susan Dooley at 408-528-8881. The fee is \$10 for members and \$20 for nonmembers.

Senior Academy to host members' holiday party

On Wednesday, December 8, at 2 p.m. Senior Academy members and guests will gather in the Cribari auditorium for a celebration of the upcoming holidays and to wrap up Senior Academy's 19th year of providing Villagers with interesting and valuable learning experiences!

We will be providing refreshments and snacks, and opportunities to meet your Senior Academy friends and acquaintances. After some celebratory remarks from current and past officers of the club, we will have some fun viewing the movie "Robot & Frank." This film, offered by our Senior Academy Technology Explorers, works as both a quirky indie drama and as a smart, thoughtful meditation on aging. Released in 2012 and set in the near future, it focuses on Frank Weld, an aging jewel thief whose son buys him a domestic robot. Resistant at first, Frank warms up to the robot when he realizes he can use it to restart his career as a cat burglar. The film might offer us some idea about our possible robot-assisted lives in the not-too-distant future.



Senior Academy members and guests are invited to meet on Wednesday, December 8 at 2 p.m. for some munchies, good times, and an entertaining and thought-provoking film.

Democratic Club to hold meeting and officer election

By Tony Berg

The Villages Democratic Club will hold its Annual General Meeting & Election of Officers for 2022 on Thursday, December 9 at 3 p.m. by Zoom. Register with an email to TheVillagesDemocraticClub@gmail.com. The Club's by-laws require that we hold an Annual General Meeting and Election of Officers for the coming year. Current Board positions are: President, Vice President, Secretary-Treasurer. For the year 2022, the Board has decided to separate the Secretary-Treasurer function into two positions. Nominations are invited from Democratic Club members for the 2022 Board positions: President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. Please submit names by December 3 to TheVillagesDemocraticClub@gmail.com or have them available at the meeting on December 9 at 3 p.m.

Join Global Village Group Meditation

Global Village Club's mission is to promote Spirituality, Wellness and Cultural diversity amongst our residents. Every Wednesday other than the first Wednesday of the month, we have Group Meditation from 7 to 8 p.m. in the Cribari Conference Room. Meditation may significantly reduce stress and anxiety and bring peace of mind. Please join us at our next session on Wednesday, December 8. Novice or experts can benefit from this practice and there is no joining fee. Call 650-336-3310 or 408-268-8337 for more information.

New support group for pet grief

By Stacie Wallace

A peer support group for those experiencing bereavement after the loss of a pet is forming here in The Villages. Slated to begin January 12, 2022, the meetings are for anyone who would like to share, listen to others' ways of coping with this special kind of grief, and safely express emotions that sometimes are not fully understood by others. If you are interested in this monthly meeting, or would just like to come to the first gathering to find out more, contact me at petgriefmeetings@gmail.com or 408-761-3962. Time and location TBA.



Sonata/del Lago Ladies Luncheon - Save the Date!

The 2022 Sonata/del Lago Ladies Luncheon will be held on Saturday, March 26. Please mark the date on your calendar!

MONTGOMERY
HOLIDAY
Party

FRIDAY, DEC. 17, 5-9 PM
CLUBHOUSE BANQUET ROOM
\$50 PER PERSON

TURKEY DINNER WITH ALL THE TRIMMINGS,
SALAD, DESSERT, COFFEE, TEA
VEGETARIAN ENTREE AVAILABLE
NO HOST BAR

MUSIC BY DJ ED KNOTT - DANCING (WITH MASK)
DOOR PRIZES THROUGHOUT THE NIGHT
PHOTO BOOTH - BRING YOUR CAMERA

RSVP BY DEC. 13 TO CELIA SCHIFFNER
celia.schiffner@gmail.com - 631-678-7109
INCLUDE NAMES OF ALL ATTENDEES,
HOUSE NO. (FOR PAYMENT) & PHONE NO.
No refunds after Dec. 13

FY22 Villages Satisfaction Survey

Your Club Board of Directors is always striving to respond to Villagers and work towards improving the life experience in our community.

To help us understand and best support you, we want to hear from you!

The following short survey is your chance to have your thoughts included in any major changes that we might consider in the future.

We want to hear from as many Villagers as possible, as soon as possible.

Please take a few minutes to complete and return the survey (one per household please) by 5 p.m., December 10, 2021. **Please drop off your completed survey to the official Villages white drop box in the parking lot near Bldg. A.**

1. Please provide your 4-digit house number (ex. 1234): _____

2. Ages of the occupants of your residence (# of people in each relevant age range):

Below age 55 _____ **Ages 75-84** _____
Ages 55-64 _____ **Ages 85 & above** _____
Ages 65-74 _____

3. How many years have you lived in The Villages?

5 years or less _____ **15-20 years** _____
6-10 years _____ **Over 20 years** _____
11-15 years _____

4. Given the circumstances of the worldwide pandemic and how we've all been impacted here at The Villages, please share which of these amenities you use and how frequently you use them.

	Multiple times per year	Multiple times per week	Once per week	Once per month	Occasionally	Not now, did in the past	N/A – Do not use
Golf Course	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Tennis Courts	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Pickleball Courts	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Bocce Courts	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Swimming Pools	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Hiking Trails	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Fitness Center	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Craft Rooms	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Card Rooms	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Multi-Purpose Rooms	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Community Centers	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Library	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Community Activities	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
RV Lot	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Community Gardens	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Other (Please specify and provide frequency of use)	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

5. Please share your satisfaction level with these current amenities.

	Highest satisfaction	.	.	.	Lowest satisfaction	N/A – Do not use
Golf Course	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Tennis Courts	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Pickleball Courts	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Bocce Courts	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Swimming Pools	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Hiking Trails	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Fitness Center	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Craft Rooms	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Card Rooms	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Multi-Purpose Rooms	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Community Centers	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Library	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Community Activities	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
RV Lot	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Community Gardens	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Other (please specify and rate satisfaction level)	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

6. If The Villages were able to add new amenities, please share your level of support for the creation of these potential new amenities?

	Highest support	.	.	.	Lowest support
Table Tennis Facility	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
New Multi-Purpose Room	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Sidewalks	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Gymnasium for basketball, volleyball, badminton, etc.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Expand number of Pickleball Courts	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Expand number of Bocce Courts	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Other (please specify and rate level of support)	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

7. Today, monthly Club assessments include charges for basic cable TV services provided by Comcast. As plans for the next cable TV contract are being formed, one option is to add internet services to the cable TV contract at a combined reduced cost for Villagers.

Please choose one of the following, which best describes the services you'd prefer.

- No change from today: Retain The Villages negotiated cable TV services at the reduced rate, I'll get my internet service on my own and pay for it myself. Current monthly cost is \$41.17.**
- Yes, please add reduced cost internet services to the cable TV package: I'll pay for reduced rate cable TV and internet services via my monthly Club assessment bill. Current monthly cost of \$41.17 plus \$18 - \$22 per month to add internet services.**
- Please cancel cable TV services, I only want reduced cost internet services negotiated by The Villages: I'll pay for internet services via my monthly Club assessment bill. Monthly cost not known at this time.**
- Please cancel all cable TV services at The Villages: I do not want to pay for cable TV or internet services via my monthly Club assessment bill. We cannot promise this will be an option for Villagers.**

8. Are you supportive of the creation of a Dog Park at The Villages?

- Yes**
- No**

9. If you are supportive of the creation of a Dog Park at The Villages, please rank the order of these possible locations—with 1 being your most desired location, and 5 being your least desired location, or 6 as your least desired location if you choose to rank "Other location."

	1	2	3	4	5	6
Near the Horse Stables	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
In Verano, behind the 6th Green of the Golf Course	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
In Cribari Village	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Near the Corporation Yard	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Below the Pickleball Courts	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Other location	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

10. Please share your satisfaction level with the Clubhouse.

	Highest satisfaction	.	.	.	Lowest satisfaction	N/A – Do not use
Food quality	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Menu—variety	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Prices	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Service	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Ambience	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Hours	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Ballrooms/meeting rooms	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Catering services	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Other (please specify and rate level of satisfaction)	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

11. How frequently do you use the Bistro, Restaurant Dining Room, or Take-Out per week?

	Multiple times per week	Once per week	Once per month	Occasionally	Not now, did in the past	N/A – Do not use
Bistro	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Restaurant	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Take-out	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

12. Please rank the order of your preferences for how The Villages should manage the landscaping—with 1 being your most desired preference and 5 being your least desired preference.

	1	2	3	4	5
Maintain current landscaping while saving water through irrigation management	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Make changes through targeted turf reduction, while not changing basic look	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Convert landscaping to drought-resistant plantings	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Utilize more recycled water	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Remove water features	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

13. Please share your satisfaction level with the communications of the Club Board.

	Highest satisfaction	.	.	.	Lowest satisfaction
Monthly Club Board Meetings	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Study Sessions	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
"Ask the CBOD" columns in <i>The Villager</i> newspaper	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Transparency of decision making	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Maintaining commitments	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Channels 26 & 27	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

14. Please share your satisfaction level with Public Safety.

	Highest satisfaction	.	.	.	Lowest satisfaction
Responsiveness to questions/requests	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Front Gate operations	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Maintaining safety with The Villages	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

15. Please share how frequently you access Villages financial information online via the Resident Portal.

- Multiple times per week**
- Once per week**
- Once per month**
- Once per year**
- Not now, did in the past**
- N/A – Do not use**

16. Please share your thoughts about what you think is working well at The Villages.

17. Please share what Management or the Club Board could **start** doing at The Villages that would improve your experience of living in this community.

18. Please share what Management or the Club Board could **stop** doing at The Villages that would improve your experience of living in this community.

Join in the fun and friendship with Red Hats

Are you interested in joining a fun group of women that meets once a month? The Crimson Charmers *Red Hat* club has some openings. The Red Hat Society is a playgroup for women over 50 created to connect like-minded women, make new friends and enrich lives through the power of fun and friendship.

Our meetings have included fun outings to new restaurants for lunch, live theater in San Jose, picnics at the Gazebo, afternoon tea, wine tasting at a Morgan Hill winery and a Christmas donation meeting for the Marines Toys for Tots. If interested, call Betty Olsen at 801-361-5591 or email betty_olsen@yahoo.com

Mah Jongg cards are back—order yours

By Barbara Smith

Mah Jongg groups in The Villages put their weekly games on hold for about 18 months during the COVID Pandemic. After vaccines became available, games slowly started to resume outside on patios, in garages, and driveways. I was fortunate that my husband learned to play Mah Jongg a few years ago. We played several games almost every day and he became a decent player. A couple weeks ago Meril amazingly had eight jokers in his hand and still lost. Needless to say, he is still in disbelief.

Now is the time to order your 2022 Mah Jongg card! More people in the Villages are playing Mah Jongg every year...even men! The window for ordering next year's card is from now through January 15, 2022. The price of cards remains the same. Small print cards are \$9. Large print cards are \$10.

I will be coordinating the sale of Mah Jongg cards again this year. Checks are made out to Barbara Smith. At the end of the sale, one large check is written and all the individual checks are deposited. Please include the number and size of the cards you are ordering in the "memo" place on your check.

Checks can be mailed to: Barbara Smith, 2067 Folle Blanche Dr, San Jose, CA 95135 or dropped off. In late March, your Mah Jongg card(s) will be sent directly to your home from the National Mah Jongg League in New York. Thank you for your continued abundance of caution during the COVID pandemic. Happy Playing!

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Support Groups in December

Grief Support Group: *Please note changes!* Mondays, December 6 and 20 from 10:30 a.m. to noon, in the Cribari Patio Room. Led by Don Mulford, Spiritual Adviser from With Grace Hospice.

Caregiver Support Group: Thursday, December 16 from 10:30 a.m. to noon, in person in the **Cribari Center Patio Room and on Zoom.** Please contact Judy London Ph.D. for meeting specifics at judithlondon@sbcglobal.net or call 408-784-3325.

Parkinson's Caregive Support Group: Thursday, December 16 from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. in Montgomery Center.

Upcoming in 2022

Please note some upcoming presentations for 2022 – High Blood Pressure Lifestyle Modifications and Med Management; Living a Fulfilling Life; Rehab for Joint Replacements; Pelvic Floor Dysfunction; and The Importance of Advanced Health Care Directives.

RSVP for Hiking Club Holiday Party

The Hiking Club Annual Holiday Party will be held Thursday, December 9 in the Cribari Auditorium. We will start at 5:30 p.m. with a light antipasto and socializing. Our buffet dinner will start around 6 p.m. and will feature tossed salad, lasagna, garlic bread, vegetables, and coffee. We will provide plates, napkins and flatware. Bring a beverage of your choice to enjoy with your meal. Please bring a plate of holiday cookies to share at the event. The cost is \$25 for Hiking Club members and their guests. It will be billed to your house number.

The deadline for reservations is December 6. Please RSVP to vgcc.hiking.club.social@gmail.com or call Michelle at (408) 221-4851. No cancellations will be accepted after December 7.



VMA: A message to those walking or biking on our roads

Many residents are out walking, running and biking on our roads. With shorter days it is important that these people are seen by drivers. Diminished light makes it very hard for drivers to see people. Remember to walk and run against the traffic so you can see what is coming toward you. Wear light colored clothing and, above all, **wear a reflective vest or suspenders.** The VMA is now offering **free** reflective suspenders as well as vests. The suspenders are less cumbersome than the vests. They go over your shoulders and around your waist and can be adjusted to any size. If you are a walker, runner, or biker please stop by the VMA office (Monday to Thursday, 9:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.) to pick up a pair of suspenders or a vest. Stay safe on our roads!

Men's Fun Club to host Holiday Dinner Party

On the evening of December 15, the Villages Men's Fun Club will have a holiday dinner party in the Foothill Center for the club members and their significant others starting at 5:30 p.m.

Following dinner, John Lehman will conduct his "Who Sang It" program during which the tables of 8 to 10 persons will compete for prizes by guessing the title, performer, film source and/or other trivial detail from holiday song snippets played by John from his library and each person at the winning table will receive a prize.

John Lehman is a pioneer and serial entrepreneur in search software and technology. He began his musicology hobby-career in 1960 when his sister gave him a 1951 jukebox for his birthday. The jukebox came with 100 records. Since 1960 he has turned that hobby into a collection of 600,000 records (78s, 45s, 33s), and four million digital songs, one of the world's largest private collections, covering 1890 to the present.

After researching the reasons, he seemed to remember the songs and lyrics from his teen years, in December 2004, John played Christmas songs for a group of people in their 80s and 90s to see if they could remember who sang/played Christmas songs from the 1930s and 1940s. They knew every answer. That day began John's career as an entertainer/vintage music therapist, which has been provided to over 150 organizations in the Bay Area, some as frequently as twice a week pre-pandemic.

VMFC members who have not yet signed up for this event should contact Gary Hill via phone 408-274-8086 or email carngar@gmail.com



John Lehman

Martin Luther King, Jr. Day of Service Luncheon

By Bill English

Mark your calendars! The Villages' MLK Society is hosting a Martin Luther King, Jr. Day of Service Luncheon on Monday, January 17, 2022. The luncheon will honor two Villages organizations for exemplary service. Special guests will be in attendance. Tickets are available now at \$35/person from Fred Stern at 408-238-4890. Masks will be required. For more info, contact Marion Brown at 408-234-4972 or mlkconversations@gmail.com

Villages Woodshop meeting this Monday

By Gordon B. Jalkemo, Woodshop Chairman

The Woodshop will hold its last monthly meeting for 2021 on December 6 from 8:30 a.m. to 10 a.m. During that time the woodshop is closed to all other shop activities.

Current restrictions are still in place with access limited to existing keyholders only. In addition there is now a signup sheet.

Standing restriction is that when using the woodshop, a face mask that covers mouth and nose must be worn. **No Exception.**

For any questions or comments regarding the woodshop please contact either Gordon Jalkemo at 408-823-7969 or Walter Hlavacek at 408-673-3025. See you all there for a update.

Democratic Club to host Ruth Ben-Ghiat

By Tony Berg

The Villages Democratic Club is hosting NYU history Professor Ruth Ben-Ghiat in a Zoom webinar on December 16 at 2 p.m. Professor Ben-Ghiat, a contributor to The Atlantic, The Washington Post and CNN among others, has created a sweeping overview of how the colonial empires of the 19th century laid the groundwork for the tumultuous rise of the strongmen autocrats that blighted the 20th century.

A combination of political intrigue and old-fashioned coups left us to recover from two world wars and enter the 21st century with the same playbook set to run yet again. In her popular book, "Strongmen: Mussolini to the Present," Professor Ben-Ghiat illuminates how the strongmen of history have been able to seduce their countrymen into blind allegiance, akin to the story of the Pied Piper. The strongman plays on deep rooted fears and offers simple and appealing solutions that become the focus of his ever-growing support and the following pattern usually appears:

- Starting with a few simple propaganda slogans they are able to draw in a following that grows ever more fervent in their belief in the leader.
- Politically savvy aspirants see the opportunity for power and are happy to follow along to feather their own nests.
- Truth becomes a flexible concept to bring the followers into line.
- Policy becomes ever more separated from the norms and laws of the times.

Our speaker, Ruth Ben-Ghiat has studied these regimes in many countries and in different eras and will share with us what she sees as common threads. She will compare the current political climate in the USA with these historical precedents and offer us some hope that the inevitability of a catastrophic conclusion can be averted. Speakers of this caliber are one of the many reasons you should consider joining the Democratic Club.

To register for the December 16 webinar, contact TheVillagesDemocraticClub@gmail.com



Ruth Ben-Ghiat

FROM THE VILLAGES LIBRARY

By Linda Schlageter

"Apples Never Fall" by Liane Moriarty: If your mother was missing would you tell the police? Even if the most obvious suspect was your father? This is the dilemma facing the four grown Delaney siblings. The Delaneys are fixtures in their community. The parents, Stan and Joy, are the envy of all of their friends. They're killers on the tennis court, and off it their chemistry is palpable. But after 50 years of marriage, they've finally sold their famed tennis academy and are ready to start what should be the golden years of their lives. So why are Stan and Joy so miserable? The four Delaney children—Amy, Logan, Troy and Brooke—were tennis stars in their own right, yet as their father will tell you, none of them had what it took to go all the way. But that's ok now that they are all successful grown-ups and there is the wonderful possibility of grandchildren on the horizon. One night a stranger named Savannah knocks on Stan and Joy's door, bleeding after a fight with her boyfriend. The Delaneys are more than happy to give the small kindness she sorely needs. If only that was all she wanted. Later when Joy goes missing, and Savannah is nowhere to be found, the police question the one person who remains: Stan. But for someone who claims to be innocent, he like many spouses, seems to have a lot to hide. Two of the children think their father is innocent, two are not so sure. As the two sides square off against each other in perhaps their biggest match ever, all of the Delaneys will start to reexamine their shared family history in a very new light. FIC 2021

"Not a Happy Family" by Shari Lapena: Brecken Hill in upstate New York is an expensive place to live. You have to be rich to have a house there, and Fred and Sheila Merton certainly are rich. But even all their money can't protect them when a killer comes to call. The Mertons are brutally murdered the night after an Easter dinner with their three adult children, who of course are devastated. Or are they? They each stand to inherit millions. They were never a happy family, thanks to their vindictive father and neglectful mother. But perhaps one of the siblings is more disturbed than anyone knew. Did one of them snap after that dreadful evening, or did another person appear later that night with the worst of intentions? That must be what happened. After all, if one of your family were capable of something as gruesome as this, you'd know. Wouldn't you? In this family everyone is keeping secrets—even the dead. MYS 2021

"The Paris Librarian" by Janet Skeslien Charles: Paris 1939. Young and ambitious Odile Soucher has it all—her handsome police officer beau and a dream job at the American Library in Paris. But when the Nazis march in to occupy the city Odile stands to lose everything she holds dear, including her beloved Library. Together with her fellow librarians, Odile joins the Resistance with the best weapons he has—books. When the war finally ends, instead of savoring freedom, Odile tastes the bitter sting of unspeakable betrayal. Montana 1983. Lily is a lonely teenager looking for adventure in small town Montana, and the air of mystery about her solitary, elderly neighbor from Paris piques her interest. As Lily uncovers hints about her past, she finds that they share a love of language, the same longings and the same intense jealousy, never suspecting that a dark secret connects them. A powerful novel that explores the consequences of our choices and the relationships that make us who we are—family, friends, and favorite authors—The Paris Librarian illuminates a little-known corner of history where a passion for literature inspired extraordinary acts of courage and love. Sometimes heroes can be found in the quietest places. FIC 2021

Never too late to start Jazzercise

Working out, no matter what your age, can bring many benefits. Regular exercise builds strong bones, provides protection against Osteoporosis. It keeps our bodies fit, lowers our blood pressure, blood sugar, and weight. Jazzercise classes are held on the Cribari Patio from 8:30 - 9:30 a.m., every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. The cost for a full month of classes is \$45, charged to your house account. If you have questions or simply want to apply to join us, contact Kathy at km_Schlosser@yahoo.com

Reminder to Arts and Crafts members

By the Arts and Crafts Board

Good day, Arts and Crafts Membership. The year 2022 is quickly approaching. We are reminding you that on your January or February HOA 2022 billing you will see a charge for \$10 per member person for your yearly club dues. These dues help further our ability to provide you with classes, events, demonstrations, equipment upgrades, art supplies and a host of other needs. Thank you for continuing your membership for another year. 2021 was good year for us after all.

If you plan to forego your membership in our club, please contact either Barbara Gottesman, barb.gottesman@gmail.com or Michael Sunzeri, twosunzeris@comcast.net and we will remove your name from our roster. You can find information on villagesartsandcrafts.org. Best of the New Year to all of our membership.

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NOVEMBER SALES REPORT FOR ALL HOMES IN THE VILLAGES

Status	Street Address	Total Sq.Ft.	Beds	Bths	List Price	DOM	Sale \$	\$/Per. SqFt	Close Date
Active	8626 American Oak Drive	1,415	2	2 0	\$875,000	11		\$618.37	
Active	7011 Via Valverde	1,588	2	2 0	\$752,000	10		\$473.55	
Active	6243 Gertds Drive	1,374	2	2 0	\$750,500	30		\$546.22	
Active	6248 Blauer Lane	1,470	2	2 0	\$750,000	32		\$510.20	
Active	5415 Cribari Court	1,223	2	2 0	\$498,000	66		\$407.20	
Active	5392 Cribari Crest	1,223	2	2 0	\$478,000	7		\$390.84	
Active	5338 Cribari Glen	947	2	1 0	\$459,000	5		\$484.69	
Contingent	7855 Prestwick Circle	1,804	2	2 0	\$829,000	31		\$459.53	
Contingent	7014 Via Valverde	1,837	3	2 0	\$655,000	9		\$356.56	12/3/2021
Contingent	6088 Montgomery Court	724	1	1 0	\$419,000	36		\$578.73	12/8/2021
Pending	7902 Caledonia Drive	2,034	3	2 0	\$1,199,000	20		\$589.48	12/13/2021
Pending	7661 Helmsdale Drive	1,751	2	2 1	\$900,000	3		\$529.41	12/1/2021
Pending	3207 Bracciano Court	1,679	2	2 0	\$850,000	5		\$506.25	12/17/2021
Pending	2033 Folle Blanche Drive	1,629	2	2 0	\$821,000	12		\$503.99	12/30/2021
Pending	8601 Vineyard Creek Court	1,582	2	2 0	\$794,000	0		\$501.90	12/1/2021
Pending	5492 Cribari Bend	1,223	2	2 0	\$539,000	169		\$440.72	12/8/2021
Pending	5179 Cribari Knolls	1,223	2	2 0	\$439,000	5		\$358.95	12/9/2021
Sold	8013 Pinot Noir Court	811	2	1 0	\$439,000	84	\$439,000	\$541.31	11/17/2021
Sold	5437 Cribari Green	1,240	2	2 0	\$475,000	13	\$480,000	\$387.10	11/19/2021
Sold	5484 Cribari Green	1,223	2	2 0	\$479,000	2	\$500,000	\$408.83	11/15/2021
Sold	5022 Cribari Vale	1,240	2	2 0	\$545,000	52	\$527,500	\$425.40	11/9/2021
Sold	8114 Cabernet Court	1,138	2	2 0	\$539,000	35	\$539,000	\$473.64	11/17/2021
Sold	7393 Via Cantares	1,442	2	2 0	\$649,000	14	\$649,000	\$450.07	11/18/2021
Sold	8453 Traminer Court	1,571	2	2 0	\$629,000	0	\$650,000	\$413.75	11/23/2021
Sold	7340 Via Laguna	1,781	2	2 0	\$665,000	11	\$665,000	\$373.39	11/30/2021
Sold	7748 Kilmarnok Drive	1,490	2	2 0	\$690,000	14	\$690,000	\$463.09	11/19/2021
Sold	7602 Halladale Court	1,307	2	2 0	\$645,000	4	\$750,000	\$573.83	11/17/2021
Sold	6235 Gertds Drive	1,460	2	2 0	\$799,000	58	\$760,000	\$520.55	11/23/2021
Sold	3133 Lake Garda Drive	1,776	2	2 1	\$849,000	22	\$849,000	\$478.04	11/29/2021
Sold	8030 Pinot Noir Court	1,571	2	2 0	\$798,000	1	\$850,000	\$541.06	11/17/2021
Sold	3429 Lake Albano Circle	1,679	2	2 0	\$838,000	2	\$920,000	\$547.95	11/22/2021
Sold	8240 Claret Court	2,193	3	2 1	\$1,178,000	21	\$1,178,000	\$537.16	11/30/2021

		TOTAL SQ. FT.	LIST PRICE	DOM	SALE \$	\$/PER SQ.FT.
	NUMBER OF SALES		AVERAGES			
Active	7	1320	\$651,786	23		\$490.15
Cont/Pend	10	1549	\$744,500	29		\$482.55
Sold	15	1461	\$681,133	22	\$696,433	\$475.68

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RELIGION

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

‘Second Sunday in Advent’

By Rev. Matthew D. Stanley, Pastor

“A herald’s voice in the desert, crying, make ready the way of the Lord.” Lk 3:4

I have a list that I make up for myself every week. On this list are such tasks as: prepare for this meeting; prepare these homilies; prepare this class; prepare this liturgy; prepare for this practice.

Some of these “preparations” I am able to accomplish, and some go un-prepared. I notice when I am able to prepare well for those things that I must do, I feel confident, satisfied, and grateful. I also notice that when I am unable to prepare, I feel frustrated, angry, and disappointed.

In the beginning of his Gospel, Luke makes a very real and somewhat exaggerated effort to prepare for his story about the coming Messiah in very concrete and historical terms.

Luke begins by setting the emergence of John the Baptist against a world background of the Roman Empire. His reasoning in explaining all of this historical information is for the purpose of preparing his readers for Jesus’ mission. Jesus is the Messiah for everyone. The entire world is included in God’s plan of salvation.

It is the “word of God” proclaimed by a “herald’s voice” crying out in the wilderness that announces a time of preparation for what is about to unfold. God is preparing to “intervene” in a definitive way into human history in the person of Jesus Christ, the Son of God.

Preview and Prepare Sunday’s Readings: Bar 5:1-9, Ps. 126:1-6, Phil 1:4-11, Lk 3: 1-6

Join us at Mass! Bring a friend!

Masses at Cribari: Sundays - 8:15 a.m. **First three Fridays** each month: Rosary at Cribari 8:30 a.m., Mass at Cribari 9 a.m. Sunday Masses at St. Francis of Assisi Church: 1-408-223-1770 or parish website (sfoasj.com) for times. **Communion for the homebound:** Marilyn Rodman 408-274-4521. **Mass intentions:** Jean Gillette 408-270-5723.

Religious art: For Catholics, religious art is not decor, but an integral expression of the faith. In our paintings and statues, “We do not worship matter, but the creator of matter who took on matter and worked out our salvation through matter.” (St. John Damascene). Advent and Christmas are ideal times to display and share religious art. It affirms our belief in the Incarnation. Check parish gift store for examples.

EPISCOPAL

‘Anticipating Hope’

The Rev. Julia McCray-Goldsmith

Advent—the season of the year when we look forward to Christmas and the annual reminder of God with us—reminds us to take hope seriously. Our Scripture and traditions are shot through with hope, especially in the message of the prophets, who insisted on the steadfastness of God’s love, even in times of loss and lament. The first Sunday of Advent particularly highlights the prophet’s countercultural insistence on living in hope, even when the evidence might suggest otherwise. Things don’t look hopeful right now? Then look ahead: “The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah.” (Jeremiah 33:14)

None of us, individually, will live to see the whole fulfillment of the Christian hope that we proclaim. The hope, that is, for a realized kingdom of peace and justice, and joy in God’s immanence. That’s why we can honestly say that Advent is always an anticipation of things yet unseen. Even when it also calls upon each of us to proclaim where and how we have already seen evidence of God in our midst. The prophets’ message is hope when God seems far from us, and our message to our children and grandchildren is likewise the reminder that God has been with us and will be with them. Between us all—between prophetic messages of hope heard from others and told by ourselves—we are a whole body painting a hopeful landscape of faith.

SEARCH THE SCRIPTURES

Our next meeting is 10 a.m., December 6 at Montgomery 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

‘Broken But Repairable’

By Pastor Bill Hayden

Just the other day my wife broke an incense holder and asked me, “Can you repair this with glue?” I told her that I had plenty of glue but that doesn’t guarantee that I can repair it. In life there are things that are beyond repairing, especially if it is shattered in a thousand pieces.

I like the definition in Webster’s Dictionary of the word Restoration. It is a return of something to a former, original, normal or unimpaired condition. There may be lots of things that you can think of such as a house, a car, a piece of furniture and the list can go on.

I’ve seen houses that appear to be unrepairable and should be considered for demolition. There were broken windows, doors off hinges, electrical wiring stripped from the walls, holes in the roof and floors while the structure remained intact. On back roads, I also have observed old rusty abandoned cars that were very elegant in their day. Nor is it unusual to see discarded furniture on the curb with a sign that says, “FREE.”

A person who has creative vision and the resources can bring back the features to their original state or better. A house can be restored with new windows, doors, wiring, new paint, roof and all the trimmings. The old rusted and deserted car can be restored with a new paint job which looks nearly priceless. Needless to say, that abandoned furniture can be sanded, re-glued, refinished to resemble a piece of new furniture from the factory.

When it comes to broken relationships, they are much harder to repair than houses, cars and furniture because there are so many other human factors to consider such as honesty, reliability, trust, love, forgiveness and a person’s emotional state. Relationships can also be further complicated because it involves imperfect people who were created for relationships with God.

All human beings were created in God’s image and likeness for an open, honest and healthy relationships with Him. Adam and Eve’s relationship lasted until they decided to disobey God which resulted in feelings of guilt, shame and abandonment.

The month of December is a reminder of how much God the Father desires to restore our broken relationships with Him and others by sending His Son. If you are open to be restored, let this month be a turning point in your life.

Jeremiah 29:13 ESV “You will seek me and find me, when you seek me with all your heart.”

Join us for Chapel each Sunday Morning at 10 a.m. in the Cribari Auditorium for worship, renewal, fellowship and refreshments. Also visit our website for past sermons at villagescommunitychapel.org

JEWISH GROUP

By Arnold Pinck

I’m writing this article before our first in person Chanukah party, since the pandemic. So, I won’t comment on it. Today is the fifth day of Chanukah.

While looking on the internet, for Chanukah, I came across this one from Wikipedia. How do you explain Hanukkah to a child? I thought it would be worth sharing, since most of us have grandchildren.

How do you explain Hanukkah to a child? Hanukkah (also Chanukah) is the Jewish Festival of Lights. The word Hanukkah means rededication. Every year, the celebration honors the hard-fought victory of those trying to keep their faith despite a powerful enemy. It is an eight-day holiday that will be celebrated this year starting at sundown on December 2.

What is story of Hanukkah? Hanukkah commemorates a historical event that took place in Jerusalem in the 2nd century BCE, when the Seleucid Greek empire was the ruling power. In 168 BCE, the king Antiochus IV Epiphanes outlawed Jewish practice and defiled the Jewish Temple in the city by installing an altar to Zeus Olympios and sacrificing pigs.

Should I say Happy Hanukkah? What is the proper greeting for Hanukkah? To wish someone a Happy Hanukkah, say “Hanukkah Sameach!” (Happy Hanukkah) or simply “Chag Sameach!” (Happy Holiday). Or if you want to show off your Hebrew skills, say “Chag Urim Sameach!” (urim means “lights”).

What is the proper greeting for Hanukkah? Hanukkah Sameach

What do you do during Hanukkah? Each night, one additional candle is lit by the shamash until all eight candles are lit together on the final night of the festival. Other Hanukkah festivities include singing Hanukkah songs, playing the game of dreidel and eating oil-based foods, such as latkes and sufganiyot, and dairy foods.

What do you do on the first day of Hanukkah? The first night of Hanukkah, Jews recite three blessings and two on the remaining days. After lighting the menorah, Jews will sing Hanerot Halalu,

(Continued on page 25)

SPORTS NEWS

SWINGERS

By Mary Wagle

On November 23, we had 52 Swingers signed up to play golf, there were no birdies or chip-ins. Before heading out for golf, we had the Pro Shop announce the Holiday Party on December 14, as sign-ups have been slow. To sign up for the luncheon please email Victoria Nourian (nourianv@prodigy.net) or Valerie Dimmick (valerie.dimmick@gmail.com) with your choice of chicken piccata or vegetarian lunch, along with your house number.

We are pleased to announce that Gwen Bindon will be Play Day Co-Chair with Victoria Nourian on the 2022 Swingers Board of Directors. Gwen is among many dual members holding positions on the Swingers Board, but the only difference is that Gwen's home club is the 18-Hole Ladies. There will likely be one more 18-Hole Lady join the Board, but that announcement will be at a later date. We still have a very important vacancy on the 2022 Board, which is the Away Games/Home Exchange. Anka Hoek has chaired this position for a number of years, and she will be a good mentor to anybody who takes the job. Please consider volunteering for this important and fun job by contacting Mary Wagle at marylwagle@gmail.com

A committee of three 18-Hole Ladies and three Swingers met on November 8 for the purpose of merging the two clubs strictly for the purpose of only paying one NCGA handicap fee per year. This is a money saving effort for dual members. Wendy Ledamun has taken the lead to complete the NCGA forms, and all Villages women golfers will be under the classification Villages (The) Women. Club designees for this purpose will be Diana Hallock as President, Kathy Apgar as Handicap Chair, Wendy Ledamun as Billing Contact, Mary Wagle as Tournament Chair, and Vicki Krattli as Club Ambassador.

Wendy Ledamun, Mary Wagle and Jeannie Omel will represent The Villages Swingers at the WNHGA Winter Meeting on December 3 at Spring Creek Golf and Country Club in Ripon, CA.

PICKLEBALL

By Joyce Kludt

Happy Belated Thanksgiving to all Villagers!

We know that a few of the blessings many Pickleballers are thankful for is that we can play (unlike last year) the wonderful game of Pickleball, we have new courts, we have the health to play as seniors, and that we can continue to enjoy meeting people and feel joy on the courts while getting good exercise!

Strategy: Communicate with Your Partner. It is important to talk to your partner during play. In any doubles racket sport, communication is one of the most important yet under-practiced skills.

- Call your shot: Get used to calling out "Mine" or "Yours." Too many midcourt shots are missed because players get caught in limbo, unsure if their partner is going for the shot. The shot is either completely missed or rushed at the end.

- Help with Line Calls: It's hard to keep one eye on the court lines and set up your next move. Take some pressure off your partner by making the hard in/out calls for them. Keep your eye on the ball and court lines, and as soon as it's clearly going to be in or out, call it out loudly so your partner can just concentrate on the shot. When it's your shot, they do the same for you. This tip can win games.

Happy Pickleballing, friends! See you on the courts!

More SPORTS on pages 21 & 22

SHONIS

By Fran Schumaker

It was a wonderful day for birdies last Tuesday. Pauline Robertson and Ad Jung Sin each had a birdie on hole #2. Sally Nichols had a birdie on hole #8. Congratulations, ladies and well done.

We take a hiatus from formal play after our Holiday Luncheon on December 14. We resume play on January 4, 2022.

Since December play ends on the 14th, we have decided to change things up a bit for our Birthday Game. For the month of December, we have eight birthday ladies. Since we wanted each of them to have their sweet treat rewards, we have given them three different days to play. Each birthday lady gets to play her game on one of the three dates. She declares herself at check-in and proceeds to play. Our Birthday Star Game allows the birthday lady to star out her worst hole and net out her other 8 for her score. On November 23, two birthday ladies played. They were Deborah Edwards and Teddy Morse. The game did as usual, not disappoint. Our other six ladies can play on either November 30 or December 14. (Captain's Trophy is on December 7).

Our results for the day were:

Flight #1-Teddy Morse - net 19, Pauline Robertson - net 22, Jan Ehrhardt - net 28

Flight #2 - Nanci Newell - net 22, Ad Jung Sin - net 24, Sally Nichols - net 25

Flight #3 -Deborah Edwards - net 20, Peggy White - net 20, Fran Schumaker - net 21

TABLE TENNIS

Open Party brought back fun and games

By Albert Chan

Villagers are learning more about the benefits of table tennis, aka "ping pong." They are joining the Table Tennis Club ("TTC") in droves. Since reopening in July, TTC's membership increased by 65. With over 200 members, the Club has been seeking new ways to entertain in addition to just playing table tennis on the only 2 tables and limited hours available. So, we created the Monthly Social Events. On November 21, we had our fourth but most expansive monthly event ever. It has three consecutive parts merged into one long event:

1. The first part is a five-hour playing time at the Montgomery Multi-purpose Room ("MMR"). The long time stretch was necessary so everyone attending had a chance to play. John Chang, our training coach, was there to assist newcomers, and to offer orientations of our facility. He did a fantastic job - he recruited six members on the spot.

2. The second part started at 6 p.m. in the Montgomery Social Hall. It was a sit-down dinner with wonderful food for attendees to enjoy, while socializing with friends of new and old. The best part about this dinner - It was free for everyone! We could do this because of our many loyal members. Fred Alkagos gracefully offered the delicious sandwiches from Beach Hut Deli. Michelle Prest's Team: Ling Yamaki, Grace Wong, Shirley Deng, and many others, spent days preparing all the other tasty items: coconut shrimps, egg rolls, pretzels, pumpkin pie, cask cake, etc., at very low costs to TTC. After not having any meaningful gathering for a long, long time, we welcome events like this to come back after the pandemic.

3. The third part was a "Challenge the Master" game. Attendees were invited to challenge our table tennis Master, Jianxin Zhang, in a 2-out-or-3 match. If s/he wins, the reward is a dinner for two at The Villages Clubhouse. Thirteen attendees attempted but none succeeded. Jianxin was simply too good. One did come very close - that was Paul Spisar, whose amazing shots were able to score many points initially. Unfortunately for Paul, Jianxin gradually got back into form and Paul made a few mistakes which cost him the match. The event officially ended at 8 p.m. But several members were so into playing that they stayed to around 9:30 p.m.

If you are interested in learning more about the benefits of playing table tennis, or joining TTC, please email us at: ttcvillages@gmail.com or visit our Website at sites.google.com/view/ttcvillages



MEN'S GOLF CLUB



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

This Saturday is the **Holiday Tournament/Annual Meeting**. Two Man teams, Better Ball-Net. There will be an 8:30 a.m. shotgun start. The Pro shop will post your scores. Following the tournament, there will be an open bar from 12:30 to 1:30; free lunch follows. *Masks *must* be worn when not actively eating or drinking.

The Posting Room—In this day and age when we do everything on our mobile phones from ordering food to rides to the airport to posting golf scores, we can lose track of a real gem. The Posting Room. This has been carefully maintained and thoughtfully updated by members of the Men's Club, displaying plaques of Eagle Shooters, Putting Contest winners, Course and Slope ratings, upcoming tournaments, Men's Club Financials, the Executive Board Members, Operations Reports from Scott Steele, Membership and Handicap Reports, Hole In One Shooters, Age Shooters, Players of the Year, Club Champions, Ryder Cup Champions, The Iron Men, a picture the previous Player of the Year Noel Lanctot, and our newest Club Champion, Ted Escobar, and all of the past MGC Chairmen that have served their club proudly and honorably. Please make an effort to drop by and have a look. You won't regret it.

Age Shooter: Let's all congratulate **Jim Valenti** for shooting his age for the **250th time** on November 27, 2021. Also, he does this from the #4 tees. He is simply amazing! Keep it up Jim!

Golf Thoughts: Now three pearls of wisdom from Mike Bailey's book, "I wish I Could Play my Normal Game – Just Once":

- One birdie is a hot streak.
- No golfer ever swung too slowly or played too fast.
- There are two kinds of bounces: unfair bounces and bounces that are just the way you meant to play them.

Men's Club Website: How long has it been since you have visited the Men's Club website? There's a lot of great information to be found there. Visit villagesgolfers.com

Emails: Are you receiving the emails from the Men's Golf Club? If not please drop me a note at douglas.moore865@gmail.com and we can get you back on track.

TENNIS TALK

By Sherry Benz

There is too much fun, optimism and perseverance in our tennis members to just cancel our holiday celebration. So...we have planned an outdoor event at our beloved viewing stands for Sunday, December 5 from 3 to 4:30 p.m. The long-range weather forecast says it will be about 61 degrees, perfect for enjoying tennis club camaraderie, adult and not-so adult beverages, scrumptious appetizers, music and fun. We will also have an opportunity to vote for some very special and qualified folks for our 2022 Tennis Club Board. Reservations closed on November 29, but check to see if there is room on the waiting list. Contact Joy Rem at jkr17872@gmail.com

We have just celebrated Thanksgiving. In my family we operate under the belief that there is always something to be thankful for. As we go through this holiday season, I am thankful that these old bones can still get up in the morning and get out to the tennis court. I am definitely slower, but not less enthusiastic about the game and the wonderful friends I have made through the Tennis Club, not to mention our 1st class facility! Hope you feel the same way.

Reminder: Tennis Club dues are due January 1, 2022, and our membership charges are sent to accounting December 15. We no longer charge \$10/year for the ball machine, but membership will be \$25/year. Social membership stays the same at \$10.

PINSEEKERS

By Jack Bindon

The weather was fine but The Thanksgiving holiday got in the way of many of our players. Two previous Fridays we fielded 20 players, this last Friday we had only 10. Since our tee times will be reverting to the Winter schedule in December let's get going again, guys. Of the 10 players we had a total of nine winners...much too easy! Those winners were: First place tie between Ron Speer and Tak Okabe, both with net 37. That provided both with \$4 and 4 points. Second place we had another tie between Patrick McMordie and Richard Petroski. Both had net 39, good for \$3 and 3 points. Third place we had another tie between Mike Falarski and Doug Canepa, both with a net 40 which gave them \$2 and 2 points. Fourth place we had a group of three players all with net 41. They were Jim White, Jack Bindon and Chuck Benjamin. All "winning" \$1 and 1 point. The prize for the lowest putts went to Jack Bindon with par... 18 putts, (2) three putts and (2) one putt greens. Since we had only two rounds with recorded putts the bottle of wine goes to Frank Garcia for his 15-putt effort. December will start a new competition so remember count your putts. If we have good turnouts where we have three or four rounds I will take the **fewest total** number of putts for the wine.

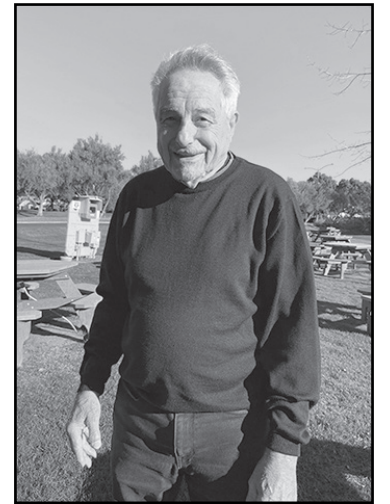
The following players are in their relative position in sweeps competition through November 26, 2021. In first place we have Richard Petroski with a total of \$57 and 57 points. In second place we have Don Lee with \$41 and 41 points. In third place is John Mueller with \$39 and 39 points. In fourth place Tak Okabe with \$37 and 37 points. In fifth place Frank Garcia with a total \$34 and 34 points. These are the total points since we closed out the 2020/2021 season June 1. If anyone else would like to know what their total \$/points is, give me a call and I'll check it for you.

BOCCE NEWS



By Marcy Boyles

Hi all, I want to highlight a new board member each week (we have three). Our first was a delight to get to know: Robert Bianchi, our new Social Director. Robert has been widowed twice, moved here on December 1, 2018 from Carlsbad, CA, where he had lived for 18 years. And no, he wasn't a Bocce player before he came here. Robert decided the best way to meet people is to get out and join. He saw Bocce and the rest is history. He might even be a captain next year, he said. Robert has four children and two grands and the reason he moved here? You guessed it. See previous sentence. He is a first generation Italian so Bocce must be in his blood, right? The reason he ran for the Bocce Board is that he wants to contribute, not just participate.



Robert Bianchi

We look forward to him as the Social Director (please offer to help him as it is a big job) and on the courts.

In the coming weeks, I will introduce you to Bill Masching, our new Bash Director, Jana King, IT director, and a new position, Fund Raising Director, filled by Judy Leonard. See you on the courts.

Bocce Club notice of automatic dues renewal

Attention Bocce Club members: Your 2022 dues of \$15 per member, will be billed on your January 2022 Villages statement. Your yearly dues enable our Board of Directors, the ability to provide quality events through-out 2022.

If you do not want to renew, please contact Jeanne Anne Whitacre at jawhitacre@live.com or 650-493-3638 before December 4, 2021.

Winter Golf Course Walking Hours Now through February 2022

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Tuesday — Before 9 a.m. and after sunset

Wednesday — Before 7 a.m. and after sunset

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Monday, November 15: 1. Steve Bosma - Selma Chastaine
2. Art Lind - Stan Davies 3. Sumi Minami - Maureen Waltho

Monday, November 22: 1. Maureen Waltho - Alan Waltho 2. Margaret McNelly – Sylvia Rozewicz 3. Mary LeGrand – Lorrie Scott

MEXICAN TRAIN DOMINOES

Wednesday, November 24	Friday, November 26
Maribeth Berlie 226	Joanne Cooke 158
Shirley Bellavance 242	Shirley Bellavance 209
Beverly Wharton 261	Earl Magoun 244
Remy Pessah 325	Sylvia Rozewicz 266

SWINGERS

Tuesday, Nov. 23			
Front 9 - Flight 1:		Back 9 - Flight 1:	
Macon, Mitzi 33		Cho, Song 34	
Sunzeri, Susan 33		Mukuno, Joyce 34	
Ohtaka, Kitty 34		Rem, Roy. 35	
Pritchard, Marge 35		MacFarlane, Shirley 35	
Front 9 - Flight 2:		Back 9 - Flight 2:	
Holland, Jan 32		Garcia, Betty 34	
Nourian, Victoria 33		Curyea, Linda 36	
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FROM THE PRO



By Scott Steele, PGA Head Golf Professional

Saturday, December 4 – Men's Club Holiday Tournament 8:30 a.m. Shotgun. 1 p.m. Open Play Shotgun

Friday, December 24 – Christmas Eve – Open tee times 7 a.m.-1 p.m. Last tee time 1 p.m. Pro Shop Closed at 1 p.m.

Saturday, December 25 – Christmas Day – All golf facilities, golf courses, driving range, Pro Shop Closed all day

Golfers' Green Fee Billing—Please keep in mind that we bill daily golf fees based on what we see on the Chelsea Tee Sheet. If you are on Chelsea, you will be billed accordingly. So we need your help and cooperation with a few things: 1. If you are on Chelsea and you plan on not playing, please phone the Pro Shop and let us know you are cancelling; otherwise you will be billed for a Green Fee. 2. When booking on Chelsea please indicate 9-holes or 18-holes done simply by checking the 9 or 18 hole circle adjacent to your name. 3. If you book for 18-holes but plan on playing 9-holes, you must check in to the Pro Shop and let us know, otherwise you will be billed for 18-holes. 4. If you are undecided as to whether you will be playing 9-holes or 18-holes, we will bill you for 18-holes and the onus is on you to come back to the Pro Shop or call us and let us know if you decided to play only 9-holes. If we are closed after 4 p.m., you may still call the Pro Shop and leave us a voicemail. Please communicate with us on the same day of play. We thank you for your cooperation and remember that your clear communication to us is essential to facilitate correct green fee billing on a daily basis.

Montgomery Practice Green Sand Bunkers—For those of you that are relatively new to The Villages, here is a bit of history. The sand bunkers on our golf course are very old. They do not have the current technological infrastructure that most modern golf course sand bunkers have. They have no modern drainage system nor do they have liners between the sand layer and the underlying soil. Therefore our bunkers fill with water after a significant rain event and are often laden with rock contamination. About four years ago, we installed two test bunkers at the Montgomery practice greens behind hole #18 green. They both have a modern drainage system and have a capillary liner between the sand and soil. Also, each bunker has a different type of sand...the bunker behind 18 green has our current sand mix and the other bunker has Pebble Beach white sand. These were meant to be test bunkers with residents giving us their feedback on playability, consistency of conditions and which type of sand is preferred. So if you practice from these bunkers please give us your feedback, it is much welcome!

Pro Shop Holiday Shopping— December 6 to 12, Monday through Sunday. One week only!

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Tips from the Pro—Keep Your Eyes on the Prize. How important are your eyes in the game of golf? The answer is that they are imperative! The ability of our eyes to gauge distance, see obstacles and recognize changes in the terrain makes them one of the most important tools in our game. But as we know, at address, our eyes are on the ball...so the timing of when to use our eyes to your advantage is the key! Here's what I mean:

1. On the tee use your eyes to see the hole in its entirety. Stand on the tee box and look at any trees, hazards, and where fairway and rough merge
2. Use your eyes to choose a specific and small target to aim at from tee to green; such as a rooftop, a mountain, a patch of grass, or a tree in the distance
3. Use your eyes when chipping and pitching to determine the proper trajectory for the shot and more importantly the landing spot for the shot. Focus on the landing spot during your rehearsal swings.
4. Use your eyes when putting during your pre-shot routine. Look at the hole during your practice strokes and your eyes will tell your arms how hard or soft to swing the putter. Use your eyes to see the top line of the break of the putt and be sure to putt toward that spot.

In all cases your eyes are best employed from *behind* the ball, using your eyes as a set of two, in line, using your binocular vision...it is *not* best to wait until you have addressed the ball to finally tilt your head and use your one-eyed peripheral vision. Again, the timing of when you use your eyes is the key. To sign up for a lesson with Scott, email him at sssteel@the-villages.com

LANDSCAPE & MAINTENANCE

MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE

Cribari
5364-5383 and 5433-5488—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.
5090-5153 and 5210-5233—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 12/6-12/10.
5101, 5338 and 5371—Roof repairs in progress.
Glen and Heights—Dry rot repairs in progress.
5004—Re-plumb in progress.

Del Lago
3301-3315—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 12/20-12/24.
Del Lago Entrance—Turf conversion project in planning.
Dry rot repairs in progress.
Guest parking lot on Bracciano Ct.—Concrete replacement scheduled for next week.

Estates
8809-8875—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 1/10-1/14.

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 in progress.
7754-7786 (even) and 7791-7867—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 12/6-12/10.

Heights
8464-8479 and 8506-8509—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.
8448-8463 and 8510-8519—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 12/6-12/10.

Hermosa
8065-8088, 8096-8099, 8122-8125, 8334-8349, 8388-8399 and around Chardonay Lake—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.
8350-8387 and 8400-8446—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 12/6-12/10.
Gutter cleaning scheduled for 12/3-12/17.

Highland
7500-7573—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 1/3-1/7.

Montgomery
6246-6336—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.
6184-6245, 6337-6361 and Montgomery Center—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 12/6-12/10.
Whaley lake hillside—Landscape renovation project in progress.
6024—Concrete repairs in progress.
6293—Re-plumb scheduled for next week.

Olivas
8740-8752, 8769-8807 and Foothill Center—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 12/13-12/17.
8769-8779—Painting in progress.
8786-8807—Dry rot repairs in progress.
8782—Concrete repairs in planning.

Sonata
2000-2024 and 2032-2064—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 12/13-12/17.
Dry rot repairs in planning.
Gutter cleaning scheduled for 11/25-12/2.

Valle Vista
9001-9014 and 9034-9036—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 12/13-12/17.
Rear deck repairs throughout the district in progress.

Verano
7001-7060 and 7395-7404—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 12/13-12/17.

Association
Buildings A, B, C, D—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.
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 throughout the Villages in progress.
Turf white grub spot treatment control and turf clean ups in progress throughout the Villages.
Turf aeration throughout the Villages in progress.
Turf mowing schedule is twice a month and edging schedule is once a month.

Club Centers
Clubhouse, Tennis Courts and Driving Range—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 12/6-12/10.
Weed spraying in progress throughout the Villages.
Turf white grub spot treatment control and turf clean ups in progress throughout the Club properties.
Upper garden—Herbicide weed spraying in progress for poison hemlock, star thistles, etc.
Cribari, Montgomery and Foothill Pool and Spa—Closed for winter.
Cribari Center—Sections of walk path behind Cribari Center scheduled to be replaced next week.

Get in the Fast Lane!

Fast Lane is the Villages e-mail information blast. To sign up or get more information, contact Communications Coordinator Ken Patterson at 408-223-4681; kpatterson@the-villages.com, or make an appointment to go to Building B to sign up in person.

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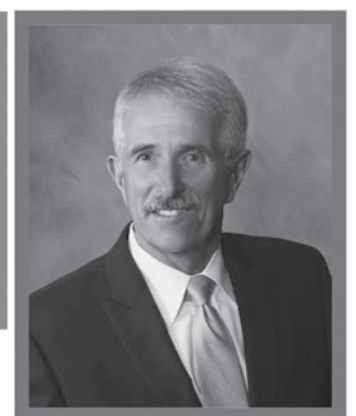
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On 11/2/21 a jewelry box was inadvertently left

on the ground in the parking area on Halladale Court, Village Highland. If anyone had found or seen this item please call 408-580-4165.

A generous reward is offered for its recovery.

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Jewish Group...

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a hymn with many variations across cultures. But the main theme consists of addressing the reasons for lighting the menorah and giving thanks and praise to God.

Do you get gifts on Hanukkah? For Jewish people around the world, Hanukkah is marked by lighting candles on the menorah for eight nights, eating latkes and spinning the dreidel. In that, gift-giving on Hanukkah is not unlike gift-giving on Christmas — it has little, if anything, to do with the religious requirements of the celebration. Azar 29, 1398 AP

What do you drink for Hanukkah? 8 Cocktails to Drink for Every Night of Hanukkah:

- Day 1: The Chocolate Gelt Cocktail.
- Day 2: The Sufganiyot Cocktail.
- Day 3: The Hanukkah Gift Cocktail.
- Day 4: Bourbon & Blood Orange Martini.
- Day 5: The Flaming Jew.
- Day 6: Chocolate Egg Cream Shot.
- Day 7: Holiday at the Hive.
- Day 8: Manischewitz.

What do I bring to a Hanukkah dinner? Traditional foods include potato latkes, applesauce, and brisket. Spinning the dreidel (a four-sided top) for “Hanukkah gelt” (gold-wrapped chocolate coins) is another part of the celebration. Your host might appreciate gifts of chocolate, gourmet applesauce, candles, books or board games. Dey 3, 1384 AP

What is gelt used for? How Is It Used Today? Since it can't be used as real money (because it's chocolate), gelt is meant to teach kids about the importance of charity and giving to others. Parents will encourage their children to share with friends and as a lesson in the importance of helping others.

What is another name for Hanukkah? Feast of Dedication **Is Chanukah and Hanukkah the same thing?** The answer is that both are considered correct, though Hanukkah is the most widely used spelling, while Chanukah is more traditional. In addition, more than 20 other variations are recorded. So, when the Hebrew word was transliterated in the 17th century, the het became ch (Chanukah).

Why are there 2 ways to spell Hanukkah? The answer lies in Classical Hebrew, which used the dagesh to indicate the intensification (doubling) of a consonant. So, the ך in Classical Hebrew really did sound like two k's pronounced in quick succession, hence the kk in some English spellings.

What are the 16 ways to spell Hanukkah? Hanukkah: 8,470,000 hits. Chanukah: 3,390,000 hits. Hanukah: 862,000 hits. Hannukah: 677,000 hits. Azar 30, 1384 AP

I hope you enjoyed this and will share it with your grandchildren. We will have our next, in person, Shabbat on December 17. If you would like more information about The Villages Jewish Group, please contact our membership chair, Joyce Mendel at (408) 238-7316 or emendel2@gmail.com.

Proposed Revision of Rule 1.14...

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

Caps and visors with bill facing forward; knit caps

5. Guest Play

A. A Villages resident, the Director of Golf, or the General Manager must sponsor each guest. Members of private country clubs with a reciprocal agreement and prior approval may play without a resident sponsor.

B. Guests must abide by all Rules, including the dress code, when on the golf course or when using the Golf Practice Facilities. The sponsoring resident is responsible for the conduct of their guest(s) while at The Villages.

C. All guest groups must include at least one player who is 21 years of age or older. An exception would be a High School golf team practice or match.

D. Guest fees will apply for all categories of guests.

E. Accompanied Guest

A one-day guest accompanied by a resident. Any resident may sponsor a maximum of three guests at any one time unless prior permission has been granted by the Director of Golf. Regular guest rates will apply.

Guest(s) accompanied by a resident are allowed use of all Golf Practice Facilities.

F. Unaccompanied Guest

A one-day golfing guest who is sponsored by a resident but is not accompanied by a resident. Only a resident may sponsor unaccompanied guests for play. The resident must arrange for the tee time reservation—guests are not permitted to reserve a tee time on their own.

Unaccompanied guests are limited to a maximum of four; any more must be approved by the Director of Golf.

Unaccompanied Guests with a reserved tee time may use the Golf Practice Facilities on the day of play only.

Unaccompanied guests are not permitted prior to 10:00 a.m.

G. Non-Resident Owner

A non-resident owner may use the golf facilities upon presentation of a valid non-resident identification card (NR) and payment of a regular guest green fee.

H. Guest Day

Each of the Board-recognized golf organizations may hold one formal Guest Day per month, provided that none shall conflict with any regularly scheduled Villages golf event.

I. Resident Guest Tournaments

The Director of Golf must approve scheduling of all resident guest tournament groups.

J. Outside Tournament Scheduling The Director of Golf will maintain a list of the play times when each Villages golf club has priority. The Director of Golf may accept outside group reservations on any day of the week at any time at the sole discretion of the Director of Golf.

K. In the event of under-utilization of the golf course by a Villages golf club or organization, the Director of Golf may assign non-members of that club or organization for play.

6. Golf Course Rules and Etiquette

A. Golfers may not bring their pets with them during play, except for service animals. See section 10 for provisions on pedestrians and pets on the golf courses.

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

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

D. Fivesomes are not permitted unless approved by the Director of Golf or Pro Shop Staff.

E. Golf etiquette must always be observed. Golfers must leave the course in the condition they found it—filling divots, raking the bunkers, replacing the rakes, fixing their ball marks on the greens, and obeying all cart directional signs and roping.

F. The Director of Golf and Golf Professional Staff have the authority and responsibility to decide all disputes that interfere with the orderly progress of the scheduled activities on the golf course.

G. Practice is prohibited on the golf course.

H. Throwing clubs, hitting when unsafe, vulgar language, aggressive acts and any other unbecoming behavior is prohibited on the golf course and practice areas.

I. The Pace of Play guideline at The Villages is 4-hours for 18-Holes and 2-hours for 9-Holes. Golfers are asked to play Ready Golf at all times. Golfers are asked to use individual carts to assist in maintaining pace.

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

K. A single player has no standing and should give way to a match of any kind.

L. When appropriate, slower golfers are asked to move aside and allow faster golfers to play through in a safe manner.

7. Driving Range

A. Driving range ball baskets and driving range practice balls may not be taken home or removed from the driving range area for any reason.

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

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

D. The Driving Range is open from dawn until dusk daily except on Monday the Driving Range closes at 3:00 p.m. for weekly maintenance.

8. Golf Carts

A. It is recommended, to maximize pace of play, and to maximize the enjoyment of all golfers, that residents play with one rider per cart whenever possible. Residents are permitted to ride together in one cart if they so choose, but must maintain the daily pace of play.

B. These cart rules and regulations apply to all Villages resident and guest golfers.

C. These cart rules and regulations apply on both golf courses (18-Hole and Par-3).

D. No unlicensed person shall operate a golf cart/LSV, and must have in possession a valid Driver's License, in accordance with Villages policy.

E. Resident owned golf carts must be registered for golf by Public Safety in accordance with Rule 1.05, Golf Cart/LSV Vehicle Registration, and must pass all golf course access requirements. Once registered for golf, the cart will be issued a black house number.

F. During non-golf play hours, all golf carts are permitted on the golf course paths but may not leave the paths.

G. When the green flag is posted, golf carts are encouraged to use the 90-degree rule whenever possible. Golfers are encouraged to use the most direct route, make every effort to reduce golf cart traffic on the roughs, and to use cart paths whenever possible.

H. Carts should not be driven parallel to fairways in the rough.

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

J. Carts are to be kept on the cart path around all green complexes and teeing grounds. Carts must be kept a minimum of 30-feet from the green apron, and are not permitted within the perimeter of greenside bunkers.

K. Carts are not permitted on defined ground under repair marked by paint, stakes, rope or a sign.

L. Golf carts shall not be driven on the Par-3 Course unless approved by the Director of Golf or Pro Shop Staff.

M. Walking Carts – Pull, push and powered walking carts are not permitted on the putting greens; walking carts should never be pushed or pulled through sand bunkers.

9. Golf Instruction

Only members of the Pro Shop Golf Professional Staff may give lessons for compensation on Villages Club property, unless pre-approved by the Director of Golf.

10. Pedestrians on Golf Course

A. Pedestrians are not permitted when the golf course is open for golf play. Pedestrians are permitted on the cart paths immediately adjacent to the golf course restrooms, and the cart path between Fairway Drive and the Clubhouse.

B. The golf course is open to walkers on Mondays before 1 p.m. during Daylight Savings Time (early March to early November), and before 12 p.m. during Standard Time.

The Monday morning golf walking hours are not available on legal holidays, or when there is a golf tournament.

C. If golfers with an assigned tee time are playing during pedestrian hours, pedestrians must defer to golfers.

D. Dog Walking

Dogs may only be walked on the golf course during the above listed times and must always be kept on a leash and must stay on the cart paths at all times. Control of pets and other animals is governed by Rule 1.51, Animals and Pets.

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

11. Rules Enforcement

A. The Club Board has authorized the General Manager and his or her designees, including the Director of Golf and the golf staff, to address residents for alleged violations of this Rule. Some Rule violations may be corrected immediately by the Director of Golf or golf staff. Golf staff, at their discretion, may deal with a violation by speaking with the golfer to resolve the issue, or by initiating the formal Rule violation procedure.

B. The formal Rule violation procedure is covered by Rule 1.71. The process starts when the Director of Golf refers an incident to Management, and the Club Board holds a disciplinary hearing. The matter is confidential. The Villages Golf Committee is not part of the disciplinary process, and is not informed when a citation is issued, or informed of the Board's decision.

C. Possible consequences include fines, and/or suspension of the rights and privileges of the resident and his or her household, including not being able to play golf during the suspension.

12. Donations from Contractors and Vendors

No resident, nor golf club or golf organization, may solicit, or accept, any contribution from any current or potential Villages contractor or vendor, for their golf club, or for any golf club event or tournament.

13. Encroachment

No resident may encroach on the golf course, as defined in this Rule, by steppingstones or by any other means, or disturb golf course landscaping, without the consent of the Villages Golf and Country Club Board.



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