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New Comcast contract has more for residents at lower cost

The Club Board has completed negotiations with Comcast and is finalizing contract terms. The new contract provides more services for Villagers at a lower cost.

The monthly bulk cable TV cost component of the Club assessment will go down almost \$6 and the new contract is for five years, until 2027. Being sensitive to the pressure of upcoming assessment increases, the Club Board decided not to add bulk internet at this time to give residents flexibility in their options, such as the newly advertised T-Mobile 5G Home Internet. This also allows future boards the flexibility to add internet services if new technologies become available or market conditions change. The new monthly charges will maintain The Villages' substantial discount from Comcast's Everyday Pricing offerings.

One additional positive change is that High Definition (HD), which currently costs residents \$10 a month, will be included for free in the new bulk agreement. The new contract also allows for three cable boxes per household, versus the current one cable box, a benefit for those with more than one television set in their home and are currently paying for the additional

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Message from the Club Board

Tim Sutherland, our General Manager, informed the Club Board on Tuesday, March 29, that he was resigning, effective April 29, 2022. Until his final date, Tim will continue to perform his role as General Manager and will focus on documenting his roles and responsibilities, plus identifying whom from his current staff will temporarily take on additional responsibilities.

Tim plans to try out retirement for a while and then make decisions about where he'll next apply his seemingly unlimited energy. We can't imagine him being retired for long.

We are grateful to Tim Sutherland for his nearly five years as the General Manager for The Villages. Tim's invaluable knowledge and expertise in the HOA industry has had a dramatically positive impact on The Villages. The Villages is better for his efforts in providing expert guidance, instilling best practices and repeatable procedures, which have contributed to maintaining the value of our homes and beauty of the property.

A meeting of the Presidents and Vice Presidents of the three corporations was held on March 29, and all respective Board Directors were notified that same evening. The group of Presidents and Vice Presidents discussed the steps to be taken, including continuing vital operations and the process for replacing the General Manager.

The Villages process to replace the General Manager role is well documented and a team to activate and work that process is being formed now. The Villages went through this same process and transition nearly five years ago. During that former search process, The Villages continued to run smoothly due in large part to our dedicated and experienced staff. The Villages staff is some of the best in the business! The Club Board is confident of the same effective transition this time.

The Club Board will provide updates as our plans develop.

—The Club Board of Directors

Operating Financial Commentary for the Month of February 2022

Club Operating Statement Review

For the month of February 2022

Total revenue was \$35,200 (3.3 percent) favorable to the budget of \$1,056,800. Another dry weather month produced favorable budget variances in every revenue category for the golf program (i.e. green fees, merchandise sales, driving range income, golf cart rentals and golf lessons). The combined positive budget variance in all golf revenue lines totaled \$29,800, 25.4 percent higher than the budget of \$117,400. Combined food and bar sales were favorable to the budget of \$157,600 by \$11,900 (7.6 percent). Notable unfavorable to budget revenues were resident activities (actual \$0 vs. budget of \$4,500) and guest room rentals (actual \$0 vs. budget of \$3,700). The budget assumed guest room rentals would have resumed operations by this time.

Total expenditures were \$42,500 favorable to budget, or 4.2 percent less than the budget of \$1,015,500. The most significant favorable to budget expense category was employee expense with a positive variance of \$76,400 or 11.1 percent (actual \$614,600 vs. budget of \$691,000) with continued employee vacancies in the Restaurant and Community Activities Department. The only other notable favorable to budget category for the month was tree trimming (\$4,400 spent on budget of \$10,200) due to timing of work on the golf course. Notable unfavorable to budget expense categories were the following: 1) water expense due to unseasonably dry weather, 2) electricity expense (mostly at Golf Course, Cribari Center and Clubhouse) 3) gas expense (community centers, pools and Clubhouse) and 4) pest control due to timing of geese control on the golf course.

The net positive operating budget variance for the month of February was \$77,700. See table below.

February 2022 Club Operating Results

	Actual	Budget	Variance
Revenue	\$1,092,000	\$1,056,800	\$35,200
Expenses	\$ 973,000	\$1,015,500	\$42,500
Net	\$ 119,000	\$ 41,300	\$77,700

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COMMUNITY NEWS

PULSE

Dear Readers:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

When BrightView did turf reduction at the entrance of Del Lago I wish they had used best/green practices. Sheet mulching (not to be confused with mulch) is the recommended method. This method lays down sheets of cardboard on top of the grass and covers this with dirt. This way no herbicides are needed to kill the existing grass and it keeps all the existing top soil with its active biology in place. In 2016 California passed Senate Bill 1383 to reduce the disposal of organic waste in landfills. If the turf is hauled away to a landfill this results in the release of methane gas, a terrible greenhouse gas. The turf can be recycled if the dirt is removed. I wonder if BrightView does that? In addition, when BrightView laid down bark mulch in this area to reduce evaporation, in my opinion they smothered the plants and laid it up to the base of trees. This makes it easier for fungal infections to kill the plants. Even the redwood trees across the street have mulch all the way up to their base. General practice is to leave mulch at least 4"-12" away from trees and less for shrubs.

—Ed Logg

BOUQUETS

A special thank you to John Yu, Albert Salcedo, and the Clubhouse staff for their part in making the 2022 Sonata/del Lago Ladies Luncheon a success! The annual social event, held in the beautiful Fairway Room of the Clubhouse included a wonderful lunch on elegant table settings.

—Sonata/del Lago Ladies

Thanks from the Crafters Club

Thank you for shopping at the Crafters Boutique. Despite the rain, you came. The Crafters Club membership would like to thank everyone for coming to the first Boutique event of the year recently. Even though it was a chilly day, with showers on and off, you still came to support us, and we so appreciate you all. We know you have so many choices of where you shop, and time after time you prove your loyalty to us, which is so much appreciated.

We have three more sales this year—the next one is June 18, followed by our fall sale on September 17, and our Holiday event will be on December 10, 2022.

“When you buy a piece of art, you are buying the hours it took to make it: a piece of the artist's heart and soul; a private moment of the artist's journey” - Rebekah Joy Plett

—Dianne Goodrich, Crafters Club Secretary

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IN MEMORIAM

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.

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BOARDS & COMMITTEES

THE ASSOCIATION BOARD

Association President's Report—March 29, 2022

Welcome to the March 2022 Villages Association Board Regular Monthly Meeting.

We live in “interesting times!” The driest months in history and severe drought, world-wide virus pandemic, a war in Eastern Europe, and the highest inflation in a generation are just the headlines. As nice as our Villages community can be, we are not immune from the pressures of the outside world. Just one example—the minimum wage in San Jose has risen from \$8/hour in 2012, to \$16.20/hour in 2022—more than double in the last ten years. With so many of our expenses being dependent upon labor cost, you can easily imagine the impact on our budgets. For all the Villages’ top three expenses—labor, water, and insurance—prices continue to increase at a breathtaking rate this year. Roof replacement costs alone have increased about 30 percent due to increased costs in material and labor. That’s not good news for villages that have roof replacements needed in the next 10 to 20 years, with only a short time to increase saving for them.

What is the Association Board doing about these increased costs? We are looking hard at how we can lower usage of water and minimize discretionary expenses. We are making more investments in turf reduction and drip irrigation conversion, and few, if any, optional enhancements like additional electrical outlets for outdoor decorations. This year we will be focusing on the “Protect and Maintain” but mostly deferring the “Enhance” portion of the Association’s mission. In addition, we have taken several hard looks at our thirty-year Reserves Planning process. We have updated the Association Reserves Policy and brought in two outside Reserves companies to develop independent Reserves Plans. We are focused on minimizing our long-term costs by saving for everything we need to repair or replace over time, but not saving more than we need. We are making sure that estimated replacement costs are up to date and based on actual project experiences, and we are continuing to invest in preventative maintenance to extend the lifetime of major components like roofs and paint. Having two outside views has been worth the cost to confirm and augment the work of our experienced staff.

The good news is that both outside Reserves companies have looked deeply at the Villages Association and have given us high marks! They observed that our plans are comprehensive, include all our assets, and use realistic cost and lifetime estimates. While we plan thoroughly, we also inspect to verify when roofing and paint are actually needed, and don’t just blindly follow a schedule. Both have told us that we are in the top tier of all the best HOAs they have seen. As a business, the Association has gotten a lot smarter and more rigorous over the years as our processes are continually improved. The bad news is that costs have increased in areas that we can’t control—meaning once again increased assessments to catch up. Every HOA in the country is facing the same challenges.

One frequent misconception about the Reserves Plan is that we are saving for expenses that are thirty years away, when many of us won’t still be here. In fact, what we are paying for is the wear and tear of each year that we are putting on our homes while we are here. We set our assessments each year to pay the next year’s share of those costs. We must all pay our fair share each year, and not defer costs onto the next generation of owners. Not only is deferring work not fair to future owners, but it is also counter-productive since everything costs more in the future.

You will all be hearing and seeing more about budgets and assessments over the next few weeks as the plans are finalized, and next years’ budget is approved next month.

This is the peak activity for our staff with multiple maintenance activities going on, budget development, and special projects like the Valle Vista Rosemary Replacement project, and drafting Association Bylaws and CC&R updates. Please give them our encouragement and try to minimize adding to their workload. I hope everyone understands how hard they work for us behind the scenes to keep things running smoothly.

Best regards,

—David Cook, Villages Association President

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and COMMUNITY NOTICES
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‘Ask the CBOD’ Response – March 31, 2022

Lynn Peters, writes:

With so much TV entertainment provided today via streaming using high speed internet, why not negotiate for only Internet services (an ISP) rather than TV services? Then, those that wish to maintain Comcast TV can contract separately? It is just the reverse of today where TV services are provided from Comcast through our HOAs and we contract separately for Internet services. Time to join the 21st Century.

CBOD Response:

Thank you for your question concerning the decisions on the upcoming Comcast contract. Several individuals have raised this same question concerning moving to streaming for video content. “Cutting the cord” is a popular trend. Going the streaming route is for the more technology savvy amongst us. Overall, in the U.S., streaming is not broadly used to access video content.

As stewards of The Villages community, the Club Board must consider the total population when decisions are made that impact everyone. Last year, the Network Services Committee surveyed The Villages’ residents concerning television and internet needs. It is known that we have older residents who do not have an email address and may not own a computer. Many comments were received asking we consider these individuals who can’t or aren’t able to keep up with increasing technology changes. For many of these Villagers, television is in an important part of their daily lives. They want to be able to turn on the television and simply watch their favorite programs. Requiring those individuals to navigate the world of streaming without constant technical support is not realistic. The Club Board must consider everyone in The Villages when we make these types of decisions.

Over the next five years, the Club Board will be evaluating the technology landscape to determine what direction to take for the future video and internet needs of The Villages. Over that time, streaming technologies may become easier to use and more widely accepted than they are today and could be a viable option for the entire Villages community. Currently there are many options to consider for accessing the internet via broadband, and Villagers may subscribe to these additional services—their choice. These include wireless providers, such as Verizon 5G or T-Mobile 5G, and wireline services, such as Comcast. In addition, there are other new wireless providers such as Astound and Sail that are promoting broadband solutions. No matter the brand name, speeds and costs will vary. With this ever-changing technology landscape, the Club Board elected to not contract for bulk internet services with Comcast currently to allow Villagers to explore these options. Another factor in the decision was the recent upgrade to the T-Mobile cell tower near the driving range which included adding 5G Wi-Fi capabilities. This new option may make moving to 5G home internet a reasonable option for individual Villagers soon.

THE CLUB BOARD

CBOD President's Message—March 2022

Last Friday, I had the pleasure of golfing with Tim Flanagan, our Teaching Professional when he joined our threesome. It is always enjoyable to play with someone who can really play the game well and just watching Tim with his shot selection, his set-up, his swing tempo and his follow-through was a lesson all by itself. Thank you, Tim.

During the round, I learned that Tim has been here for 28 years. And, as he said, during that time, the course has changed. He has great respect for Robert Graves, our golf course designer as “each tree was strategically placed.” This made the course more challenging for the longer hitters, and, as Tim said, “On some holes you needed to shape your drives,” which means you had to curve the ball to the right or left to stay on the fairway.

Many of the trees have died mainly because of old age or because they couldn’t tolerate the salt in the reclaimed water we use. Each year, trees are being removed and there are more to be removed this year. Some were the large redwoods.

Sadly, the trees are not being replaced. The course has become more barren. The brilliance of the Robert Graves design is gone.

The golf course is a vital element of The Villages and we need to take care of it. We can restore some of the original design and to do this we need to plant trees. Trees take a long, long time to mature and more trees will be removed during this time. We should not wait. Let’s plant trees.

—Bob Wilk, Villages Golf & Country Club Board President

Homeowners' Corporation Directors Election 2022

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

The Villages Homeowners' Corporation Board of Directors' mission statement reads "The Homeowners' Board of Directors manages and regulates the use and enjoyment of the Homeowner Development in accordance with the governing documents and the law, and in a manner that preserves, protects, and enhances homeowner property." The bylaws of the Homeowners' Corporation provide that there will be five directors serving on the board. There will be two vacancies on the Board for 2022 with Teddy Morse's and Martin Hoek's terms expiring.

If you would like to find out more about serving on the Homeowners' Corporation Board of Directors, please contact any current board member, President Rob Kirschbaum, (201) 960-4820; Vice President Teddy Morse, (408) 394-5229; Secretary Brooks Fuller, (630) 740-5542; CFO (Treasurer) Martin Hoek (408) 274-7957; and Jeannie Omel Director (408) 677-6530.

You can make a difference — become a VMA volunteer!

You can make a difference! Find out how you can do that with Villages Medical Auxiliary (VMA). You, all of you, have special talents and a lot of knowledge about life; you may have the desire to help others and the need to do something to make life better, for you and for others; and possibly, you might have the desire to be active and involved. VMA can provide volunteer opportunities for each of you to meet your needs.

Did you know there are actually documented benefits to volunteering? Volunteering provides essential help to folks in need, for good causes (like VMA), and for the community in which you live (The Villages); but the benefits to you, the volunteer, have also been determined to make life fuller and richer.

By volunteering, "you'll feel healthier and happier because:

1. Volunteering connects you to others.
2. Volunteering is good for your mind and body.
3. Volunteering can advance your career if you're still working.
4. Volunteering brings fun and fulfillment to your life."*

Join us at **Foothill Center on Monday, April 11**, at 2 p.m. for light refreshments, and to find out how you can make a difference by volunteering with the Villages Medical Auxiliary. There are opportunities, big and small that can fulfill your needs and the needs of those around you. . Please **RSVP** to the VMA at **408 238-4230**. See you at Foothill Center at 2 p.m. on Monday, April 11. *From HelpGuide, a small independent nonprofit.

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Notice of Proposed Changes to Association AC Rule D-23 Garage Doors – Normal Replacement

At the December 14, 2021, Association Board of Directors monthly meeting, proposed changes to The Villages Association Architectural Rule D-23 Garage Doors – Normal Replacement were approved for publication and member comments for the required notice and member comment period prior to formal approval consideration at the February 22, 2022, monthly board meeting. As a result, the proposed changes were published in the December 30, 2021 and January 6, 2022 editions of The Villager newspaper. At the February 22, 2022, monthly meeting, the Board approved for re-publication proposed changes to Rule D-23 as modified prior to formal approval consideration.

The purpose of the change is to update the rule with approved style and color that is in harmony with the village surrounding area and the venting that is required.

The Board will consider approval of the changes at the April 26, 2022, monthly meeting. Response to the proposed rule changes may be made by one or more of the following methods: 1) Participation in the discussion of the proposed changes at the Association Board of Directors April 26, 2022, monthly board meeting, or 2) via written comments delivered to the Board through Maria Hernandez in the General Manager's office at mehernandez@the-villages.com.

Deletions are noted in ~~strikethrough font~~; additions are underlined.

AC Rule D-23 Garage Doors – Normal Replacement

Replacement of garage doors may be permitted upon the applicant complying with the following conditions:

a.) An OWNER ALTERATION REQUEST, signed by the Owner, including complete plans and specifications, must be submitted to the Committee for approval. The application shall include written comments by Owners of adjoining Villas (above, below, and on either side, as applicable, and as designated by the Committee). Comments from these adjoining Villa Owners will be given full and careful consideration by the Committee, but any unreasonable suggestion or objection may be disregarded.

b.) The external physical appearance and color shall be in harmony (both the panel style and any glass) with the installed doors in the surrounding area. The color shall match the color of the existing Village painted doors in the surrounding area. (If your Village paint cycle is due to start within 6 months of the door installation, painting can be postponed with the approval of the AC.) The paint sheen shall match the doors in the surrounding area

c.) The following options are not approvable by the AC. (1) Powder coated door panels. (2) Bevel, stained or similar glass options.

d.) Garage door vents: (A) Existing garage doors with ventilation vents must be replaced with doors containing ventilation vents. (B) Existing garage doors without ventilation vents can be replaced with doors with or without ventilation vents at the owner's option.

e.) Ventilation vents, when required, shall consist of 2 metal louvered vents (6"x16" nominal) located on the outside portions of the lowest door panel.

f.) No alteration shall be undertaken until after the applicant has received final approval of the Committee. All work shall be done by an insured licensed contractor.

g.) Periodic repainting of the alteration shall be done by the Association or its agent at the same time the building is repainted. If the alteration is an addition, or requires special maintenance, the repainting shall be done at the owner's expense.

h.) By signing the OWNER ALTERATION REQUEST to which this rule is attached, the applicant agrees that if the building, including the alteration is damaged by fire or other casualty, and the Association rebuilds the damaged portions of the building, the rebuilding must be done in accordance with the provisions of the Governing Documents and Policies of the Board and insurance currently in place. If the alteration is rebuilt for any other reason, it must be done at the Owner's expense.

EPC SEZ.

EPC can provide you with critical information on how to survive a wide-spread disaster; but ultimately you are responsible for your own survival. If you need tips on survival, please contact updates@thevillagesepc.org

—The Villages Emergency Preparedness Committee

Club Nominating Committee seeks director candidates

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

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

If you are interested in being a candidate, and/or need additional information please contact any of the Club Nominating Committee Members: Bob Dando at 408-997-2975, John Laws at 408-532-7954, Andrew Altman at 207-210-8201, and Carleen Corsello at 408-238-4383.

GOVERNANCE MEETINGS

THE DACs

Estates DAC meeting cancelled

The Estates District Advisory Committee (DAC) meeting scheduled for Tuesday, April 5 at 4 p.m. in the Foothill Center has been cancelled.

Club Rules Committee to meet April 12

There will be a Club Rules Committee Meeting on Tuesday, April 12 at 10 a.m. in the Cribari Patio Room. This meeting will be in-person only.

Geese abatement program—article 3

In this article we will address expectations. Given the start-up of egg addling, The Villages now has a two-prong approach to maintain the geese population levels. (1) Hazing has the objective of chasing the geese somewhere else. (2) Addling has the objective of controlling growth of the population. The problem with hazing only is that Canada geese are often “philopatric.” When sexually mature (four years old), they often return to nest where they were hatched. With a 20-year lifespan and four to eight eggs per pair there is no shortage of young returning to our attractive site.

The Villages strategy this past two years has been to haze aggressively just prior to nesting encouraging the geese to locate their nests elsewhere. In the long term then, they would return to that location. There are a couple of problems with that. For six months of the year Canada Geese do “pond hopping and foraging.” Those youngsters may pond hop right back to The Villages, like it, and stay. Additionally, since we only haze off the golf course, “nesting elsewhere” for some of the geese means just moving into the residential areas. We would expect to continue the hazing during the fall/winter “pond-hopping” period (September – January). Normal would be two days/week with January aggressive at four days per week. February, which has also been at four times per week, should probably be dropped. The hazing activity is performed by a third-party contractor managed by the Director of Golf. The literature suggests that if an addling program is in place, it is best not to haze. It is better to allow them to nest where the eggs can be located.

Addling complements the hazing effort by focusing on managing the population growth. Although The Villages has addled eggs in the distant past, the current effort should be considered new to us. We will be learning and probably tweaking the program as we go. The new program is being performed by a third-party contractor managed by the Director of Facilities.

Nesting activity should be in process now—you can see many of them are paired up and they are in numerous locations throughout The Villages. Very soon now, if not already started, the hen will begin laying eggs. It takes a day to lay one egg. So a clutch of four to eight eggs will take four to eight days. When she is done, she will start sitting on the nest to incubate the eggs. She and the nest will probably be well hidden, but the gander assumes his sentinel job. He will not be near the nest to avoid calling attention to it, but a nest will be within 50 yards of him. There is a 24 to 27-day incubation period with the first 14 days the ideal addling period.

The above is provided to help you understand what you are seeing. DO NOT try to get close to the nest area itself even if it is in a very public access area. This is for your own safety. Please use The Villages work order system workorder@the-villages.com or if you prefer, call Customer Service 408-223-4670. Let the professionals find the nest and deal with the geese, and please stay clear while they are doing their job.

This is our final article. The Geese Committee would like to thank the residents and maintenance people who are helping The Villages manage the population of Canada Geese within our community.

—The Villages Geese Committee.

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Saturday, April 23

9 a.m. to 11:15 a.m.

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BOARD MEETINGS

Association

- The Villages Association Board of Directors Special Open Meeting Re: Proposed FY22/23 Operating Budgets and Replacement Reserve Plans Presentation; Formal Approval Consideration of Association Rules 2.10 and Rule 2.21: is Tuesday, April 12 at 9:30 a.m. via Zoom Teleconference
Meeting ID: 917 8108 3392; Passcode: 223468; Dial: 1-669-900-6833
- The Villages Association Board of Directors Monthly Board Meeting is Tuesday, April 26 at 9:30 a.m. via Zoom Meeting
Meeting ID: 917 8108 3392; Passcode: 223468; Dial: 669-900-6833

Club

- The Villages Golf & Country Club Board of Directors Reserves Study Session is Tuesday, April 5 at 1 p.m. via Zoom Meeting
Meeting ID: 837 6588 2669; Passcode: 581255; Dial: 1-669-900-6833
- The Villages Golf & Country Club Board of Directors Special Open Meeting Re: FY22/23 Proposed Budget Presentation is Tuesday, April 12 at 1:30 p.m. via Zoom Meeting
Meeting ID: 961 5036 4740; Passcode: 260616; 1-669-900-6833
- The Villages Golf & Country Club Board of Directors Monthly Board Meeting is Tuesday, April 26 at 1:30 p.m. via Zoom Meeting
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New Comcast contract...

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cable boxes. Many residents will receive free hardware upgrades to enable newer technologies, like HD. Channels 26 and 27 will still be available. As well, Comcast’s dedicated services model will remain in place, including access to the bulk cable support desk and the Virtual Customer Events hosted by Ruhullah, our dedicated Comcast representative.

The process to reach this new contract was not without its pitfalls. Early on, the Club Board issued two separate RFPs for consultants to assist in the vendor identification and negotiation process, as was suggested by the Network Services Committee. Based on the responses to these RFPs, the consultant model was deemed inappropriate for The Villages based on pricing and timing perspectives and we elected to move on without a consulting firm.

Thus, Club Board member Judy Owen, backed by fellow Directors Leslie Lambert and Jerry Neece, joined General Manager Tim Sutherland as The Villages negotiating team. Fortunately, the Club Board was able to retain our previous consultant, Steve Blum, an individual very familiar with The Villages. Steve was involved in the initial negotiations 15 years ago and we still had already-paid-for consulting hours available with him. His current work with the Club Board proved invaluable as we kicked off the RFP and negotiating process. Steve has reviewed the currently proposed contract and has deemed it “a good deal” for Villagers.

The Club Board would like to extend our thanks to the Network Services Committee for their detailed evaluations of various technologies and their survey of other 55+ communities across the United States. The outcomes from their detailed Villages survey from March 2021 which received 751 responses, provided key guidance for Club Board decision-making on several items, including Villager’s high level of satisfaction with Comcast. The recent FY22 Villages Satisfaction Survey also confirmed that most Villagers are satisfied with Comcast as a cable TV provider.

—Jerry Neece

The CAC wants your candidate questions

Each year the Communications Advisory Committee (CAC) collects questions from Villagers to be answered by candidates for the Club and the Association Board vacancies. Some of these questions may be used during Candidates’ Night. This year’s Candidates’ Night will be Friday, May 6. Please submit your candidate questions to Barbara Clurman via email BJBCAC2021@gmail.com or call her at 347-451-5309.

Operating Financial Commentary...

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Year-to-date revenue is \$268,000 favorable to budget, 3 percent higher than the budget of \$8,873,000. Year-to-date expenditures are \$654,000 favorable to budget, 7.5 percent less than the budget of \$8,771,000. **The year-to-date net positive operating budget variance is \$922,000.** See table below for detail by department.

The bottom of the table below shows the financial impact of the monthly solar lease payments and contribution to the balloon payment fund (to be paid in 2023) captured on the Club's balance sheet. The year-to-date total for these two items is \$164,000.

The Villages Golf and Country Club FY22 Club Operating Budget Summary For Eight Months ended February 28, 2022

Department	Revenues (\$)			Expenditures (\$)			FY '22 Net (\$)
	Actual	Budget	Variance	Actual	Budget	Variance	Variance
G&A	706,000	681,000	25,000	639,000	661,000	22,000	47,000
Maintenance Admin	116,000	119,000	-3,000	108,000	116,000	8,000	5,000
Golf Course/Pro Shop	1,957,000	1,724,000	233,000	1,557,000	1,701,000	144,000	377,000
Community Activities	634,000	589,000	45,000	591,000	598,000	7,000	52,000
Community Centers	487,000	484,000	3,000	477,000	487,000	10,000	13,000
Public Safety	882,000	892,000	-10,000	753,000	881,000	128,000	118,000
Pools	138,000	138,000	0	141,000	130,000	-11,000	-11,000
Clubhouse/Restaurant	2,400,000	2,430,000	-30,000	2,270,000	2,511,000	241,000	211,000
All Other	1,821,000	1,816,000	5,000	1,581,000	1,686,000	105,000	110,000
Totals	9,141,000	8,873,000	268,000	8,117,000	8,771,000	654,000	922,000
Solar Lease—Bal. Sheet	-	-	-	164,000	164,000	-	-
Net Assessment	9,141,000	8,873,000	268,000	8,281,000	8,935,000	654,000	922,000
Variance							

Golf Course/Pro Shop has posted a \$377,000 net positive variance due to favorable green fee revenue, driving range income, golf cart rentals, golf lessons and Pro Shop merchandise sales, as well as favorable employee expense, tree trimming expense and water expense. Clubhouse/Restaurant shows a \$211,000 net positive variance due to favorable employee expense. Public Safety has a \$118,000 net positive variance mostly from less than planned employee expense. All Other shows a net positive variance of \$110,000 due to favorable water expense, Comcast and planting expenses. Community Activities shows a \$52,000 net positive variance from favorable employee expense, advertising/

directory income and resident activities income. G&A has posted a \$47,000 net positive variance due to more than planned income from resale administration fees, other income and interest income/late fees, as well as less than planned legal fees and data processing fees. Community Centers show a \$13,000 net positive variance from less than planned repair and maintenance, water, professional fees and operating supplies expense, offset by more than planned electricity and gas expenses. Pools have an \$11,000 net negative variance due to higher than planned natural gas and repair/maintenance expense, offset by favorable water expense.

Association Operating Statement Review

For the month of February 2022

Revenue was \$100 (0.02 percent) favorable to the budget of \$859,000 due to higher than planned third party assessments.

Expenditures for the month were \$36,200 (4.7 percent) unfavorable to the budget of \$778,400.

Notable unfavorable to budget expense categories for the month were the following:

- BrightView Landscape Contract including tree maintenance, 18.8 percent more than budget (actual \$270,200 vs. budget of \$227,400) –Contract price increase due to rising labor, fuel and materials costs effective January 1, 2022
- Water Expense, 13.1 percent more than budget (actual \$127,200 vs. budget of \$112,500) –Results from two-month water bill for January/February –Negative impact on irrigation usage due to lack of rainfall
- Electricity Expense, 27.4 percent more than budget (actual \$14,400 vs. budget of \$11,300) due to rates higher than planned

Significant favorable to budget expense categories for the month were the following:

- Insurance, 6.3 percent less than budget (actual \$184,200 vs. budget of \$196,500) due to total annual premium renewals coming in less than budgeted
- Planting Expense, 36.6 percent less than budget (actual \$9,700 vs. budget of \$15,300) due to timing

The net negative operating budget variance for the month of February was \$36,100.

Year-to-date (eight months of operations), total revenue is \$6,880,500 or 0.04 percent (\$3,100) more than the budget of \$6,877,400. Year-to-date, operating expenditures are \$6,695,100 or 4.4 percent (\$309,800) less than the budget of \$7,004,900. The positive budget variance is mostly attributed to savings in water expense, insurance expense and planting expense, offset by an increase in the BrightView landscape contract beginning January 1, 2022. **The year-to-date net positive operating budget variance is \$312,900.**

Association Board Voting Record for March 29, 2022

March 29, 2022 Regular Monthly Meeting		Board Members*								Comments	Costs
		DC	DH	RH	JW	GA	NL	GP			
1	Member Comment for Consideration of Proposed Revision to Association <u>Rule 2.10 Harassment, Sound, Visual, and Odor Restrictions</u>	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		Time was set aside at this meeting and time will also be set aside at the April 12, 2022, special meeting (budget presentation, rules changes consideration) for comments prior to formal approval consideration of the changes at the April 12, 2022, special meeting (budget presentation, rules changes consideration). The purpose of the rule change request is due to interference with contractors or staff performing their jobs and this has increased to a level that requires this be addressed with more clarity in this Association Rule. The Association Board wants those working on their behalf to be able to conduct their jobs with efficiency and without unneeded distractions, and with their normal attention to detail and support for all residents.	\$0
2	Member Comment for Consideration of Proposed Revision to Association <u>Rule 2.21 Association Common Areas</u>	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		Time was set aside at this meeting and time will also be set aside at the April 12, 2022, special meeting (budget presentation, rules changes consideration) for comments prior to formal approval consideration of the changes at the April 12, 2022, special meeting (budget presentation, rules changes consideration). The purpose of the proposed changes request is to update and add specific language from the Association CC&Rs for clarity: Common Areas cannot be altered or adjusted without the prior approval of the Architectural Committee (AC) and Association Board. This change will help prevent urgent safety and liability issues from arising again in the future.	\$0
3	Vote to Approve the Valle Vista Special Assessment Vote Package	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y		The Board approved the Valle Vista Special Assessment Vote package with minor modified text. At the February 22, 2022, monthly meeting the Board approved the removal of the Valle Vista Rosemary groundcover and the replanting of the removal area with fire resistant ground cover including conversion to drip irrigation, as specified in the BrightView bid dated 1/28/22 (for items 1, 2, and 3, and including options 1, 2, 3, and 4) for the total amount with contingency not-to-exceed \$410,122.18. Acceptance of this bid is dependent on the approval of a Special Assessment by Valle Vista owners to fund the project. Valle Vista owners were provided with a background information sheet on February 22 and a Townhall meeting was held via Zoom on March 1, 2022 at 4:00 p.m. to facilitate questions and answers. If the owner vote for a Special Assessment does not pass, the project will proceed in annual sections as increased Valle Vista Reserve Plan funding allows (likely over five or more years).	\$0
4	Resolution Honoring Villages' Volunteers	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y		The Board approved the resolution commending Villages' volunteers.	\$0
5	Approval Consideration of Revised Association Board and Association Committee Meetings via Teleconference	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	N		The Board approved the Association Board and all Association Committees (except District Advisory Committees (DAC)), will continue to meet only via teleconference until masks are no longer strongly recommended for indoor activities by any official health organization of the Federal, State of California, or local County and City governments. DACs may choose for themselves whether to meet via teleconference, in person, or hybrid meetings but must follow all facility requirements (e.g. Club meeting rooms) with regard to masking. DACs are encouraged to provide a teleconferencing option for all meetings to allow members to attend remotely.	\$0
6	Approval Consideration of Proposed Changes to Association <u>Rule 2.24 Outside Holiday Decorations</u>	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	N	N		The Board approved proposed changes to Association <u>Rule 2.24 Outside Holiday Decorations</u> , and to publish same in <i>The Villager</i> newspaper for the required 30-day member comment period.	\$0
7	Conditional Approval Consideration for Exclusionary Encroachment Request - 8736 McCarty Ranch Drive	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y		The Board approved the exclusionary encroachment request submitted by the owner of 8736 McCarty Ranch Drive to extend the rear patio into the common area 2' with a gate and install a walkway from the entry to rear patio. Said approval is contingent upon the owner achieving a 75 percent affirmative vote via written ballot from the 18 owners/units comprising Project G-9.	\$0
8	Review to Approve - AC Solar Conditionally Approved Applications: 7616 Stoneshire Court 8383 Riesling Way 8468 Traminer Court 8799 Grape Wagon Circle	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y		The Board conditionally approved the installation of solar system on common area sloped roof located at 7616 Stoneshire Court, 8383 Riesling Way, 8468 Traminer Court, and 8799 Grape Wagon Circle pending alternative proof of receipt of revocable easement recordation, including a copy of the signed and notarized document and each owner submitting required insurance and city permit paperwork including comments to AC prior to starting construction.	\$0
9	Approval Consideration of Glen Arden Roof Replacement - Consulting Services	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y		The Board accepted and approved C.L. Sigler Associates, Inc. proposal for a total appropriation of \$98,800 which includes pre-planning and design services in the fixed price of \$18,800 and for construction administration and quality assurance services in the fixed price of \$80,000; this project to be funded from Glen Arden Reserve Fund.	\$98,800
10	District Advisory Committee (DAC) Appointment	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y		The Board approved the appointment of Garry Gray as Glen Arden DAC Chair.	\$0
11	Approval Consideration to Transfer Funds for Partial Payment on Outstanding Loan for 2021 Property Insurance Premium	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y		The Board approved the transfer of \$166,000 from the Association's Operating Fund to the Reserve Fund for the partial payment on the outstanding loan of \$672,000 used to help pay the 2021 property insurance premium of June 2021 with balance of \$506,000 to be paid back by June 30, 2022.	\$166,000
12	Approval Consideration to Vote to Ratify the Monthly Review of Accounts per Civil Code §5500	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y		The Board approved to ratify the monthly review of accounts as presented.	\$0
Total APPROVED Expenditures this meeting										\$264,800	

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

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

Homeowners' Operating Statement Review

For the month of February 2022

February 2022 Non-Estates Operating Results

	Actual	Budget	Variance
Revenue	\$3,599	\$3,600	\$ -1
Expenses	\$3,419	\$3,634	\$215
Net	\$ 180	\$ -34	\$214

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

Year-to-date (eight months of operations), total revenue is short of budget by \$5 (rounding) at \$28,795. Year-to-date, operating expenditures are \$27,352 or 5.9 percent (\$1,720) less than the budget of \$29,072. The positive budget variance is attributed to savings in insurance expense and legal fees. **The year-to-date net positive operating budget variance is \$1,715.**

February 2022 Estates Operating Results

	Actual	Budget	Variance
Revenue	\$13,616	\$13,616	\$ 0
Expenses	\$10,343	\$11,461	\$1,118
Net	\$ 3,273	\$ 2,155	\$1,118

Estates revenue for the month tracked budget at \$13,616. February expenditures were \$1,118 favorable to budget, 9.7 percent less than the budget of \$11,461, mostly due to less than planned planting expense, offset by an increase in the BrightView landscape contract. **The net positive operating budget variance for the month of February was \$1,118.**

Year-to-date (eight months of operations), total revenue is short of budget by \$4 (rounding) at \$108,924. Year-to-date, operating expenditures are \$101,702 or 8.8 percent (\$9,836) less than the budget of \$111,538. The positive budget variance is mostly attributed to savings in planting and water expenses. **The year-to-date net positive operating budget variance is \$9,832.**

Club Board Voting Record for March 29, 2022

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	Agenda Items	BW	LL	BK	RZ	JN	JO	DY	Comments	Costs
1	Approval Consideration of Proposed Changes to <u>Rule 1.14 Golf Facilities</u>	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	A	The Board approved proposed changes to <u>Rule 1.14 Golf Facilities</u> with minor modifications agreed to at the meeting. The purpose of the rule change is to shorten the existing rule and to clarify issues which have come up.	\$0
2	Approval Consideration of Proposed Changes to <u>Rule 1.20 Woodshop</u>	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	A	The Board approved proposed changes to <u>Rule 1.20 Woodshop</u> . Proposed changes were proposed as a new rule as there were so many changes and included recommendations from the Woodshop Club, Director of Community Activities and risk assessment consultants.	\$0
3	Approval Consideration of Proposed Changes to <u>Rule 1.10 Clubhouse</u>	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	A	The Board approved proposed changes to <u>Rule 1.10 Clubhouse</u> . Changes retain concepts in trial rule in effect last summer (dress code and Curbside Program) but in clearer and more enforceable language and allows the Director of Food and Beverage to suspend the Restaurant dress code and apply the Bistro dress code in the Restaurant also in circumstances such as a pandemic.	\$0
4	Approval Consideration of Proposed Changes to <u>Rule 1.16 Tennis Courts</u>	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	A	The Board approved proposed changes to <u>Rule 1.16 Tennis Courts</u> . Changes include: changes to an on-line reservation system, changes to the drop-in format and schedule, and requirement the Tennis Club to provide evidence of any paid instructor's professional liability insurance.	\$0
5	Projects	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	A	The Board reviewed and discussed list of project requests submitted; see following actions.	\$0
6	Project: Refrigerator at Tennis Courts	N	N	Y	Y	N	N	A	The Board did not approve project to install refrigerator at Tennis Reviewing Stand.	\$0
7	Project: Lower Perimeter Fence at Lake Albano Circle	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	A	The Board unanimously approved <u>not to approve</u> to lower perimeter fence at Lake Albano Circle.	\$0
8	Project: Planter Upgrade for Clubhouse	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	A	The Board unanimously approved, and approved funding for, the planter upgrade at Clubhouse.	\$TBD
9	Project: Grazing Plan for Hill Lands	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	A	It was reported that this request was withdrawn.	\$0
10	Project: Walking Pavers through Landscape at Pickleball Courts	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	A	The Board unanimously approved not to install pavers through the landscape at the Pickleball Courts.	\$0
11	Project: Auditorium Improvements	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	A	The Board approved a work order to address squeaky floor; all other requests must fill out project requirements forms; all requests for except for audio repairs to the Club Architectural Committee for definitions. Treasurer Richard Zahner assigned as project liaison.	\$0
12	Approval Consideration for Funding to Identify Beta Site within Golf Course for Turf Reduction	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	A	The Board approved the expenditure of \$2,500 to identify beta site for golf course turf reduction; expenditure to be funded from golf course reserves.	\$2,500
13	Approval Consideration to Accept Comcast's Bulk Cable TV Proposal	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	A	The Board approved to accept the Comcast Bulk Cable TV business proposal as presented for a five (5) year term to commence no later than July 10, 2022 and also approved to accept the terms of the Berding & Weil legal fee agreements dated March 23, 2022.	\$0
14	Approval Consideration of Cribari Center Flat Roofs Replacement (Reserves Plan Expenditure)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	A	The Board accepted the Apex Roofing proposal in the amount of \$31,020, design work in the amount of \$2,700, a permit allowance of \$5,000, a quality assurance allowance of \$5,190, and a 15% contingency allowance of \$6,587 for a total appropriation of \$50,497; this project will be funded from the Reserve Fund.	\$50,497

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS



Friday, April 1

8:30 a.m.	Catholic Mass	CR
8:30 a.m.	Jazzercise	P
9 a.m.	Ceramics Op. Studio	CER
9 a.m.	Game Day	SEQ, RED
9:30 a.m.	Open Studio	AR
10 a.m.	Line Dance	MMP
10 a.m.	Quilters	PR
10:30 a.m.	Chinese Exercise	P
1 p.m.	Bridge Club	RED
1 p.m.	Pinseekers Social	VC
1 p.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
2:30 p.m.	Handbells	CR
3 p.m.	Bocce Bash	GP
5 p.m.	Chinese Club Dance	FC
6:30 p.m.	Mexican Train	MC
7 p.m.	VAT Rehearsal	A

Saturday, April 2

9 a.m.	Ukulele Singing	SEQ
9 a.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
10 a.m.	Theater Tickets	RED, TR
2 p.m.	Ceramics Op. Studio	CER

Sunday, April 3

7:15 a.m.	Catholic Choir	CR
8:15 a.m.	Catholic Mass	A
9 a.m.	Ceramics	CER
9 a.m.	Episcopal Services	MC
9 a.m.	Chapel Choir	SEQ
9 a.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
10 a.m.	Community Chapel	A
11 a.m.	Chapel Fellowship	CR
5 p.m.	Fairweather Potluck	VC
7 p.m.	VAT Rehearsal	A

Monday, April 4

8:30 a.m.	Jazzercise	P
9 a.m.	18 Hole Women Board	PR
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED, SEQ
9 a.m.	SRS Tax Service	CH
9 a.m.	9 Hole Women Board	VC
9:30 a.m.	EPC Directors	FC
10 a.m.	Republican Club	V
10 a.m.	Line Dance	MMP
10 a.m.	Watercolor Class	AR
10:30 a.m.	Chinese Exercise	P

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	

10:30 a.m.	Total Body Fitness	A
10:30 a.m.	Grief Support Group	CR
12 p.m.	Ceramics Op. Studio	CER
1 p.m.	Stitchery	PR
1:30 p.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
2 p.m.	Arts & Crafts Demo	CR
2 p.m.	VAT Rehearsal	A
5:30 p.m.	Music Society Dance	FC
6:30 p.m.	Duplicate Bridge	RED

Tuesday, April 5

8:30 a.m.	Men's Golf Executive	MC
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED, SEQ
9:30 a.m.	Poetry in Art & Pastel	AR
10 a.m.	Ukulele Advanced	PR
10 a.m.	Line Dance Class	MMP
10 a.m.	Men's Social Club	CH
11:30 a.m.	Walking Class	A
12 p.m.	Ceramics Op. Studio	CER
1:30 p.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
2 p.m.	Veteran's Club	FC
2 p.m.	Piano Open Studio	A
2:30 p.m.	Chapel Choir	CR
3 p.m.	Italian Club Training	PR
3:30 p.m.	Estates DAC	VC
7 p.m.	Astronomy Club	FC
7 p.m.	Catholic Council	MC

Wednesday, April 6

8:30 a.m.	Jazzercise	P
9 a.m.	Ceramics Op. Studio	CER
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED, SEQ
10 a.m.	Critique & Open Studio	AR
10 a.m.	Ladies Bible Study	PR
10:30 a.m.	Chinese Exercise	P
10:30 a.m.	Yoga Class	A
11:30 a.m.	Dippy Dolphins	
MC 1 p.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
3:30 p.m.	Bingo	A
5 p.m.	Winemaker Dinner	CH
6:30 p.m.	Duplicate Bridge	RED

6:30 p.m.	Mexican Train	MC
7 p.m.	Mandarin 101	PR
7 p.m.	Global Village	CR
7 p.m.	Village Voices	FC

Thursday, April 7

8 a.m.	Association AC	FC
9 a.m.	Ceramics Op. Studio	CER
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED, SEQ
9:30 a.m.	Drawing/Assemblage	AR
10 a.m.	Line Dance Class	MMP
10 a.m.	Walking Class	A
12:30 p.m.	18 Hole Women Lunch	CH
12:30 p.m.	Ukulele Club	VC
1 p.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
1:30 p.m.	Opera Lovers	VC
3 p.m.	Homeowners AC	CR
6 p.m.	Camera Club Program	FC
7 p.m.	Catholic Choir	VC
7 p.m.	Italian Club Board	PR
7 p.m.	VAT Rehearsal	A

Friday, April 8

8:30 a.m.	Catholic Mass	CR
8:30 a.m.	Jazzercise	P
9 a.m.	Ceramics Op. Studio	CER
9 a.m.	Game Day	SEQ, RED
9:30 a.m.	Open Studio	AR
9:30 a.m.	Chapel Music Comm.	F
10 a.m.	Line Dance	MMP
10 a.m.	Quilters	PR
10:30 a.m.	Chinese Exercise	P
1 p.m.	Bridge Club	RED
1 p.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
2 p.m.	Senior Academy	FC
2:30 p.m.	Handbells	CR
3 p.m.	Bocce Bash	GP
6 p.m.	Chinese Club Dance	FC
6:30 p.m.	Mexican Train	MC
7 p.m.	VAT Rehearsal	A

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 marcyboyles@hotmail.com
All classes and demos require a mask and proof of Vaccination.
Ceramics Room has open studio for approved members only. See hours on Lab door or at villagesceramics.com**

April 4: Monthly Membership/Demonstration Meeting with guest Artist. Decorative Wreath making using brooches and jewelry with Linora Casarez. Cribari Conference Room 1:45 p.m. **

April 7 - 21: Beginning Drawing with Ciel Duke. Four Thursdays at 10 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Checks due by March 31. *

April 12: Art Film. May be canceled. We are looking for a new person to select DVDs and host Art Films or present from our collection of famous artists and historic movements. Interested? Contact twosunzeris@comcast.net

April 23: Art in the Park, Gazebo Park. 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. See Villager and our website for information. Diane Finley chairing. **

April 25: Advisory Board Meeting. 3 p.m. Art Room
Stitchery Group on Mondays in Patio Room 1 - 3 p.m. Call Roberta 408-218-8372.
Classes and Open Studio require proof of vaccinations.

Open Studio: Fridays 10 a.m. - noon with Jane Hink
 Monday - Friday 2 - 5 p.m. with Pat Andrade. Closed first Mondays each month for Scheduled meetings.

HIKING CLUB SCHEDULE

Please look for this week's Hiking Club Schedule on Community Activities page 14.

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

CHANNEL 26
Club Events & Notices

Complimentary WiFi
 Network: Villages Public
 Password: villages

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

Report Coyote Activity

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

- Director of Public Safety Steve Norden at snorden@the-villages.com and include in email the location day and time of the sighting.

- Contact for Vector Control is Vector.sccgov.org/home Residents can use this to report coyote / wildlife incidents directly to the county.

The Villages Association 2022 Annual Meeting
Board of Directors Election
IRS Resolution Vote
Vote on Amendments to Association Bylaws and CC&Rs

Thursday, June 9, 2022
at 4 p.m.
Teleconference Meeting
 (California Civil Code Section 5115 (b))

Candidate Registration List: As of the duly noticed Deadline of Nominations, March 29, 2022, at 5 p.m., no qualified candidate nominations have been received by The Villages Association.

Notice of Election Information: The Villages Association will hold a vote this May and June to vote on The Villages Association Resolution, Excess of Membership Income Over Membership Expenses Refunded to Members and Amendments to The Villages Association CC&Rs and Bylaws.

The Villages Association maintains a Voter List. Members are permitted to verify the accuracy of their individual information on the Voter List (California Civil Code Section 5105(a)(7)). The Voter List is available for review in Business Administration Building A upon request. Please contact the General Manager's office at 408-223-4634.

Ballots will be sent to all Members indicated on the Voter List on May 7, 2022. Ballots may be mailed or delivered to the following address so long as the ballot is received no later than Tuesday, June 7, at 8 a.m.

The Villages Association, Bldg. A
 5000 Cribari Lane
 San Jose, CA 95135

The ballots are scheduled to be opened and tabulated at an open Association Teleconference Meeting on Wednesday, June 8, 2022 at 9:30 a.m. at The Villages Main Clubhouse, 2800 Villages Fairway Drive, San Jose, CA 95135.

The Villages
Candidate Statement Guidelines
for the Club, and Homeowners'
Corporation Candidates

As Part of the Election Package

Candidate resumes/biographies will be included as part of the election package. Candidate resumes/biographies are limited to 250 words.

As we must print candidate biographies as submitted please proofread carefully and use the following format:

Paper – 8 ½ x 11” and white in color
Font – Ariel; size 14 with corporation and candidate name in ALL CAPS and corporation and candidate name and address in bold type
Margins – 1” for top, bottom, and side margins
Alignment – Justify
Heading – State corporation on first line followed by Nominee for Director, then candidate name and address
Spacing – Single spacing for text with double spacing between heading and paragraphs

Please contact Julia Meadows at 408-223-4634 if you have any questions or concerns.

(continued) Club Board Voting Record for March 29, 2022									(continued from page 7)	
15	Approval Consideration of Resolution Honoring Villages' Volunteers	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	A	The Board approved the resolution commending Villages' volunteers.	\$0
16	Approval Consideration of Swimming Pools Advisory Committee Appointment	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	A	The Board approved the appointment of Andrea Concilla as voting member to the Swimming Pools Advisory Committee to a term ending December 31, 2023.	\$0
17	Approval Consideration of Board Policy Committee	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	A	The Board approved the establishment of Policy Committee per VGCC Policy CPo 206 and the appointment of Judy Owen, Richard Zahner, and Jerry Neece to serve as the committee through the end of this Board's term.	\$0
18	Approval Consideration of Management Agreement between Club and Homeowners' Corporation	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	A	The Board approved the revised Management Agreement between The Villages Golf and Country Club and The Villages Homeowners' Corporations.	\$0
19	Solar Loan	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	A	The Board approved that all future solar lease payments will be made from the FY22 existing surplus; The VGCC will continue making payment until the lease ends in October 2023 with a final payment of \$478,625. The \$8.38 per month reduction is for the solar lease payment and contribution for balloon payment.	\$0
20	Preliminary Club Budget Development (Operating) Update	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	A	General Manager Tim Sutherland provided a comprehensive preliminary Club budget development (operating) update.	\$0
Total APPROVED Expenditures this meeting										\$52,997
A = Absent AB = Abstained N = No Vote (does not vote in favor) Y = Yes Vote (votes in favor) N/A = Not Applicable C = Consensus R = Recused										
* BW = Bob Wilk LL = Leslie Lambert BK = Bob Krattli RZ = Richard Zahner JN = Jerry Neece JO = Judy Owen DY = Del Yamaki										

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

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%.

Mask use is encouraged indoors at the Clubhouse Restaurant and Bistro Bar and Grille

Patrons are no longer required to wear masks indoors, but are still encouraged to do so by the County Health Officer.

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

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.



Soup of the Day

For the week of 4/4 to 4/10

Monday	April 4	Chicken Quinoa
Tuesday	April 5	Cream of Tomato
Wednesday	April 6	Chicken Tortellini
Thursday	April 7	Minestrone
Friday	April 8	Shrimp Bisque
Saturday	April 9	Chef's Choice
Sunday	April 10	Chef's Choice

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.

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 \$12 12Pc \$20.00
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
Mozzarella, Basil, Cherry Tomatoes, Balsamic Drizzle

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

Angus Beef Sliders \$12.95
Or Pulled BBQ Pork Sliders
2 Angus Beef with Tomato Relish or BBQ Pulled Pork on soft Potato Buns

Southern Crab Cakes \$12.95
2 Panko Crusted with Cayenne Remoulade

Calamari \$12.95
Lightly Dusted Rings, and Tentacles with Parmesan Parsley

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

Main

Entrée Caesar Salad \$10.95
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 \$12.95
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 \$9.95
Toppings: Onions, Tomatoes & Red Onion Relish.
Cheddar add \$1.50

Burger with Side 2. \$13.95
Angus Beef with LTO and Side Dish
Or

V Impossible Burger with Side \$14.95
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 \$13.95
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 \$10.95 Pepperoni Pizza \$11.95
V Margarita Pizza \$11.25
Combination Pizza \$13.95
Sausage, Pepperoni, Mushrooms, Onions, & Peppers
BBQ Chicken Pizza \$13.95
Bacon, Chicken, Red Onion with Tangy BBQ Sauce
Gluten Free Crust Add \$ 2.00

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 \$7.50
Whipped Butter, Maple Syrup, Seasonal Fruit Berries

2. Bagel BLT and Egg \$8.75
Bacon, Lettuce and Tomato with Cream Cheese

2. Breakfast Burrito \$8.95
Scrambled Egg, Potatoes, Cheese, Salsa
Choice of Bacon, or sausage

Montgomery Muffin \$8.25
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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2. The Villager \$8.75
2 Eggs any style with Sausage, Ham or Bacon.
With Hash Brown or Fruit, Choice of Toast

2. Three Egg Omelet \$9.95
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 \$8.75
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 \$9.95
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 \$9.75
Two 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 \$9.95
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 \$12.95
Lightly Dusted Rings and Tentacles with
Parmesan Parsley

V Fried Breaded Green Beans \$7.50

Southern Crab Cakes \$12.95
2 Panko Crusted with Cayenne Remoulade

V Caprese Salad Bites on Skewer \$8.00
Mozzarella, Basil, Cherry Tomatoes, 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 \$38.95
Aged to Perfection with Choice of Sides

V Vegetarian

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Dinner Entrées

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

Soup or Salad \$2.95 with Entrees

2. Grilled New York Steak \$31.95
Center Cut with Peppercorn Sauce

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

Chef Ralph's Meat Loaf \$24.95
Ketchup BBQ Glaze

2. Calf Liver and Onions \$25.95
Sautéed Onions and Crispy Bacon Bits

Braised Lamb Shank \$ 31.95
Rosemary Red Wine Jardinière Sauce

Chicken Cordon Blue \$25.95
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 Chop \$25.95
One(1) Grilled 10oz w/Honey Garlic Sauce

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

Grilled Salmon \$27.95
Lemon Dill Butter Sauce

Garlic Prawns \$27.95
Bordelaise White Wine Sauce

Weekly Specials

For the week of
4/4 to 4/10

Lunch Specials:

Monday 4/4 to Sunday 4/10

Pastrami Sandwich: Pastrami, Grilled Onions and Provolone Cheese with Choice of Sides **\$14.95**

Teriyaki Salmon Salad: Marinated Salmon, Water Chestnuts, Snow Peas, Cucumbers and Carrots over Greens with Sesame Ginger Dressing **\$17.50**

Dinner Specials:

Tuesday 4/5 to Sunday 4/10

11 a.m. to 8 p.m.

22-oz. Porterhouse Steak: Cabernet Reduction Sauce with Maytag Blue Cheese with Choice of Sides **Market Price**

Half Stuffed Avocado with Shrimp Salad: Tomato, Egg & Cucumbers over Greens **\$18.95**

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

Lunch Menu

11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

GF Potato Skins \$13.00

Cheddar, Tomatoes, Bacon, Scallions and Sour Cream

Wings , 6Pc \$12 12Pc \$20.00

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 \$9.95

Choice of Peppers, Mushrooms, Spinach or Tomatoes. Choice of Toast
Ham, Bacon, or Cheese Add \$2, Bay Shrimp \$3

Entrée Caesar Salad \$10.95

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

Sandwiches and Such

Hot Dog with Side \$9.95

Toppings: Onions, Tomatoes & Red Onion Relish. Cheddar add \$2

Burger with Side 2. \$13.95

Angus Beef with LTO and Side Dish Or

V Impossible Burger with Side \$14.95

Plant Based Meat with Lettuce, Add Avocado, Bacon, or Cheese \$2

BBQ Pulled Pork Sandwich with Side \$13.95

Slow Braised Pork Shoulders, Shredded Cabbage and Carrots on Egg Bun

Philly Cheese Steak or

Philly Chicken Sandwich with Side \$13.95

Hoagie Loaf with Provolone Cheese, Peppers and Onions

Reuben \$13.95

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

Roasted Meatballs \$8.95

BBQ Sauce, Teriyaki or Buffalo Sauce

Angus Beef Sliders \$12.95

Or Pulled BBQ Pork Sliders

2 Angus Beef with Tomato Relish or BBQ Pulled Pork Cole Slaw on soft Potato Buns

Southern Crab Cakes \$12.95

2 Panko Crusted with Cayenne Remoulade

Calamari \$12.95

Lightly Dusted Rings, and Tentacles with Parmesan Parsley

V Southwestern Salad \$12.95

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

V Quesadilla \$12.95

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

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.

No Corkage

Wednesday

Dinner service

Main Dining Room Only

Bring your favorite bottle of wine* and your friends any and every Wednesday at The Clubhouse. One-bottle limit per two guests.

*No Corkage will be charged with purchase from Dinner Menu, Lighter Side, and Entrée items. One-bottle limit per two guests. Standard size bottles only.

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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

Naan Flatbread Pizzas

V Cheese Pizza \$10.95 Pepperoni Pizza \$11.95 V Margarita Pizza \$11.25

Combination Pizza \$13.95

Sausage, Pepperoni, Mushrooms, Onions, & Peppers

BBQ Chicken Pizza \$13.95

Bacon, Chicken, Red Onion with Tangy BBQ Sauce

Gluten Free Crust Add \$ 2.00

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EASTER BRUNCH

Clubhouse – Sunday, April 17, 2022
Two Seating's – 10:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.

MENU

Breakfast Pastries Station

Croissants, Danish, Fruit & Nut Loaves
Mini Muffins

Display Stations

Fruit Kabobs
Fresh Fruit Display
Domestic and Imported Cheese Display
Easter Eggs

Salad Stations

-Baby Spring Mix, Baby Arugula, Romaine Leaves and Baby Spinach
-Assorted Cherry Tomatoes, Assorted Radishes, Cucumbers, Sprouts
Beets, Red Onions, Herbed Croutons,
Feta Goat Cheese, Shaved Romano Cheese and Tri Color Peppers,

Seafood Display

-Smoked Salmon with Capers, Cream Cheese, Bermuda Onions,
Egg Whites and Mini Bagels.
Bay Shrimp Gazpacho Shooters, Peel and Eat Prawns

Carving Stations Featuring

Bone-In Virginia Ham and Prime Rib

Under the Chafers

Scrambled Eggs
Country Fried Potatoes
Pork Links, and Hickory Smoked Bacon
Eggs Benedict and Belgium Fruit Crepes
Garlic Butter Salmon
Rosemary and Thyme Braised Leg of Lamb
Wild and Herb Rice Pilaf
Vegetable Medley

Desserts Display

Assorted Cakes, Pies, Fruit Tarts, Mini Macaroons, Mini Beignets
Petite Cheesecakes and Petit Fours

Beverages

Orange, Cranberry and Apple Juice, Lemonade, Coffee and Tea
Includes One Glass of Champagne or Mimosa

\$59.95 plus service charge and tax per person
Children 5-12 - \$21.95 plus service charge and tax per person
Children 4 and under free

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EPC Sector Chiefs respond

By Arlene Versaw

EPC's Sector Chiefs are lynchpins in a well-organized, dedicated response organization. To highlight this important position and to recognize this group of volunteers, we reached out to Sector Chiefs for their perspectives. Meet Brodie (Bud) Burkett—Sector Chief for Olivas 1 North and Richard (Dean) Fisher—Sector Chief for Highland East. Burkett has been a Sector Chief for 10 years, Fisher for a matter of months although he'd been an Area Rep for 10 years.

Why are you willing to take on the Sector Chief role?

Fisher: Because it is very likely that EPC will be the ONLY structured emergency response for Villages residents in the chaotic early hours and days of a true major emergency. Highland East with 12 Areas and 125 residences urgently needed a Sector Chief, so I stepped up.

Burkett: When I moved into The Villages, I was aware that this is "earthquake country!" I was contacted by the then Sector Chief Andrew O'Connor. He explained the need to have a sufficient number of volunteers ready for an emergency WHEN it occurs.

What is your biggest challenge as a Sector Chief?

Burkett: Recruitment of *new* volunteers for Area Reps and Sector Chiefs. I strongly believe that being fully staffed to easily and quickly cover our 39 condos is the most important, yet challenging, task that I have.

Fisher: Clearly recruiting new Area Reps. This is why I believe the publicity campaign needs to emphasize the "response" and "support" capabilities of the EPC and the very important role that the "EPC structure" provides in a major emergency through the Area Reps, Sector Chiefs and particularly, Support groups.

What is the one thing you want to say to the residents in your sector about the importance of EPC?

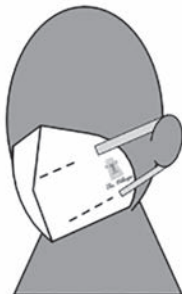
Fisher: The EPC and its volunteers have your back in the early hours and days of a major emergency. The EPC provides a structured and effective response – with volunteers checking on the status of neighbors, then working with the Sector Chiefs to get help from the appropriate Support Groups to provide temporary medical,

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COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

The following events are sponsored by the Community Activities Department. Please telephone 408-223-4643 for additional information.

Billiard Room—overlooked gem, but not hidden

By Peter Ashurst

Many Villagers are unaware of the Billiard Room in Cribari Center, next to the Patio Room and adjacent to the Redwood Room. Players like Paul Belknap and I have been assisting the Community Activities department with feedback and suggestions for room improvements for a number of years. I have volunteered for 20 years and Paul Belknap for two.

There are four tables, one each for snooker and Carom Billiards and two for pool. The one pool table has just been refurbished by Len's Billiards and the other tables are scheduled when there are funds available.

A key may be purchased from Building B for entry (dependent on Covid Restrictions) and all equipment is freely available for use. There is a Copy of the Rules on the far wall from the door. Cues appropriate to the nearby table in Racks and Chalks in trays. Snooker cues have a red band and longer, with billiards heavier. Extension bridges are on racks on table sides.

We ask that you take care with shots so as not to damage the cloths—low ball draw shots and downward stabs are particularly prone. Use plenty of chalk and please brush tables after use. Please enjoy the room.

Pools and spas to open April 1

April 1, 2022 is opening day for Cribari, Foothill and Montgomery pools and spas. The pools and spas are open from 5 a.m. to 10 p.m. daily. Children's hours are as follows: Cribari pool 10 a.m. to noon, Montgomery pool noon to 2 p.m. and Vineyard pool 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Foothill pool remains available for adults only. Spas are available for use to those 18 years or older. All guests are to be accompanied at the pool by their resident sponsor. For additional rules please refer to Club Rule 1.17 and the rules posted at each pool.

SF Giants baseball games

By popular demand, baseball is back for Villagers. Join your friends and neighbors at Oracle Park for an afternoon of great baseball with the San Francisco Giants. Trip fee includes entry ticket and round-trip transportation. The following games are available to sign up starting Monday, March 21:

SF Giants vs. Nationals

Day: Sunday, May 1, 2022
Seating Location at Oracle Park:
 Uppers – VR310, Rows 3, 4, 5, 6
Cost: \$67.50/person

SF Giants vs. Padres

Day: Sunday, May 22, 2022
Seating Location at Oracle Park:
 Uppers – VR313, Rows 4, 5, 6, 7
Cost: \$77.50/person

Departure Time: 9 a.m. from Cribari Center's East Parking Lot (behind hobby rooms)

Register in Building B, Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to noon, or in the afternoon by appointment. Registration ends Thursday, April 7 for the Nationals game and Monday, April 18 for the Padres game.

Masks are required on the bus. Please dress in layers as the ballpark can be breezy and cool. All ballpark entrants will be required to go through a metal detector.

Outside food and beverage is permitted except in Luxury Suites. No alcohol, glass, aluminum or hard sided coolers. Beverages must be in sealed containers. All bags will be thoroughly inspected before they are permitted into the ballpark.

Upcoming Events

Date	Event	In Villager	Registration
4/28	The Presidio with Craig Smith	Now	Sold Out
5/1	Giants vs Washington Nationals	Now	3/21 to 4/7
5/22	Giants vs San Diego Padres	Now	3/21 to 4/18
6/2	Treasure Island with Craig Smith	TBD	TBD
6/12	Giants vs LA Dodgers	TBD	TBD
6/16	New Public Places in SF	TBD	TBD

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.

Long Hike, April 2: Akiko Giordono (408-238-5437) will lead long hikers on 7–8-mile hike in Stevens Creek County Park. We'll hike on Stevens Creek/Tony Look Trail to Madrone picnic area (restrooms), then up on Lookout Trail into Fremont Older Open Space to Nob Hill, where we take a lunch break and enjoy a panoramic view of Silicon Valley. After lunch we hike on Coyote Ridge Trail back to the parking area. Bring water, snack, lunch and poles. Please meet at the Cribari Center at 8:30 a.m. for 8:45 a.m. departure. Direction to the park: 85N to Stevens Creek Blvd exit; Left on Stevens Creek Blvd (1.1 miles); then Left on S Foothill Blvd. Travel 1.3 miles to the northern park entrance (Foothill Blvd changes into Stevens Canyon Road as it crosses McClellan Rd). Parking permit is \$6 - get it at Chestnut parking area (must use debit/credit card). A round trip to the park is about 50 miles.

Rambler Hike, April 6: Johanna and Wate Bakker (408-223-2190) will lead their annual flower hike along Russian Ridge, near Skyline drive in search of elusive wildflowers. Hopefully it will still rain a little to increase our chances. The hike will be 4-6 miles but if desired, a longer and a shorter hike can be arranged. Round trip travel distance is about 50 miles with modest ups and downs. Bring water and lunch. Dress seasonably. We will assemble at 9 a.m. at Cribari for a 9:15 a.m. departure.

Rambler Lite Hike April 6: Please note change of time. Bonnie Preston (408-531-1513) will lead a hike around Village Cribari. Park at the Restaurant at 8:50 a.m. and begin our hike at 9 a.m. We'll walk along the west walkway and up thru the parkway back to our cars.

Rambler Hike, April 13: Pam Thompson (408-531-9521) would like to meet up at the old Bank of America parking lot at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, April 13 then hike to Linear park off Yerba Buena then to Le Boulanger for lunch then back to Bank of America (4 miles round trip). Bring water, hat, mask and wear sunscreen! If it rains, event will be canceled.

Rambler Hike, April 20: Gary Lohr (408-912-5124) will lead a hike to Evergreen College and Montgomery Hill Park. We'll meet at Cribari at 8:50 a.m. and depart at 9 a.m. We'll walk to the campus and then up Yerba Buena to Falls Creek Dr, back to the campus and on to the shopping center for coffee. There is a moderate elevation gain going up Yerba Buena.

Rambler Lite Hike, April 20: Please note change in time. Bonnie Preston will lead a hike to Hermosa. Park at Montgomery Center at 8:50 a.m. and begin our hike at 9 a.m. and we'll walk up to Chenin Blanc Lane along the southern border and to the Winery Ct water way and back to our cars. Info 408-531-1513.

Rambler Hike, April 27: Santa Teresa County Park Rich (408-499-1789) and Wendy will lead a hike on the Hidden Springs and Mine Trails, a 3.8 loop trail with moderate elevation. The hike will begin from the Pueblo Day Use Area and follow the Hidden Springs and Mine Trails. A credit card is required to secure a parking permit (\$6). Elevation gain: 600 feet. Round trip driving distance ~16 miles. We will meet at 8:45 a.m. at Cribari 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. Please check your personal calendars prior to committing to an event, class or trip. Once registered for an activity, you are respon-

sible for the cost of the activity. **All sales are final.**

Registration is limited to residents only for the first two weeks.

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.

CLUBS & EVENTS

VMSC: Learn rich history of Guglielmo Winery

At the Villages Men's Social Club luncheon on April 5 in the Clubhouse, the speaker will be Gene Guglielmo, of Guglielmo Winery. In 1925 the Guglielmo family bought property in Morgan Hill and started Guglielmo Winery. Gene will share the history of the winery as well as some great wine with the Villages Men's club.

Guglielmo Winery, located in Morgan Hill and established in 1925, produces over 40,000 cases annually. The family continues a winemaking craft that has been passed down for generations from Italy. Come learn more about the rich history of this Northern California wine pioneer.

Interested Villagers are welcome to come at 12:30 p.m. to listen to George speak.



Asst. Police Chief to speak on Veterans Affairs

By Tom Stoiber

The Villages Veterans Club will be conducting a high-profile meeting on Tuesday, April 5 at 2 p.m. at the Foothill Center. Our speaker will be San Jose's Assistant Chief of Police, Paul Joseph. This meeting is open to all Villages veterans (whether or not you are a member of the Veterans Club) and non-veterans interested in veterans affairs.

This is your opportunity to be with a senior officer of the San Jose Police department who will update us on the challenges facing the department, its current outreach programs and how veterans may contribute to these programs. There will be a question-and-answer session after the presentation. There will be ample time for discussion among the attendees.

All attendees will receive information on the advantages associated with membership in the Villages Veterans Club. Light refreshments will be served. Masks are recommended but not required.



Good news for Jazzercisers

Beginning on Wednesday, April 6, Jazzercise classes are relocating to the Cribari Auditorium. It's been a long time coming and committed Jazzercisers have made the best of exercising out in the open on the Cribari Patio. However with hot weather on its way, we are happy to return to the air-conditioned environment of the Auditorium. Masks are suggested but not required. We hope to welcome back those of you who for one reason or another, have not been attending classes. Hours of class remain the same 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. Cost of the class remains a bargain at \$45 per month. If you are returning to Jazzercise after a long absence, we recommend that you contact Kathy Schlosser at Km_Schlosser@yahoo.com or Betty Lanctot, NoelBetty@comcast.net prior to April 6.

Global Village: 'Art of Living' Workshop Part 2—Beyond Meditation

By Pradeep Sonawala

"Adding Years to life, Life to years"—The second presentation by experts from "Art of Living Foundation" (AoL) will be held Wednesday, April 6 in the Cribari Conference Room from 7 to 8:30 p.m. The title of this workshop is "Beyond Meditation."

There is no fee to attend. This is not a hybrid meeting. As per VGCC & SCC guidelines, wearing masks is encouraged.

In this second workshop, AoL expert will explore "Beyond Meditation." We were born with the inherent qualities of good health, high energy, enthusiasm and youthful mind. However, with the progression of life and stresses, these qualities may have diminished. So, how do we reinvigorate and enhance our life again? There are many natural ways to tap into our inner power and well-being. In the upcoming interactive sessions, we will explore ways for a more harmonious, joyful and healthy living with meditation. Today many school children, business employees, and patients are advised by their doctors to meditate. But they are not exactly sure how to do it or what is it? Is it mindfulness, concentration, guided instructions? Join us to find out what is Meditation and how is it done.

In the first workshop we learnt about breathing process and how it is affected by the state of our mind. Anger, anxiety, fear etc. affect blood circulation and by proper breathing our brain gets the message to relax and we actually experienced it.

Some of the attendees of the first session had this to say about the presentation. Quote include "I felt very relaxed after her guided meditation," "I learnt that listening to TV to fall asleep is not meditation," and "Discoveries in Vedic scripture are like a hidden treasure for healthy living."

About the Speakers and the Foundation: Ashwani Dhall has been part of the faculty of the Art

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Meet Lucy and Linus Van Pelt from VAT's upcoming musical



By Madeline Yannaccone

Queen Lucy here to proclaim that you must come see "You're a Good Man Charlie Brown." It's very entertaining and fun – especially with me in it! (Naturally, my beauty and stunning personality adds much to the production). Whether it's hanging out with my heartthrob Schroeder, working on my stupid book report, giving advice to Charlie Brown, or conducting a survey, I give it my all! Now, you will probably hear that I am a crabby person...but hey, I was born with those genes! Please don't forget to buy your tickets (or I might just have to shout at you!).

Boy, being Linus, the little brother of Lucy's can be truly challenging. I must watch what I say around her or else—wham! Still, being in our production of "You're a Good Man Charlie Brown" gives me the opportunity to display my intellectual and philosophical side especially when writing my book report. I also demonstrate the joy of having a security blanket to treasure along with a thumb to suck, performing my steps with flair (and a little fast action!).

Hope you will come see the show – it's a great way to achieve happiness in your life!

Performances are Friday, April 22 at 7:30 p.m., Saturday and Sunday, April 23 and 24 at 2:30 p.m. Tickets go on sale in the Terrace/Redwood rooms at Cribari Center between 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. on Saturdays, April 2 and April 9. Tickets are only \$15 and come with a 10 percent discount on your dinner entrée at the Clubhouse. **Proof of vaccination will be required for all attendees (including children).**

Hiking Club to host Chico outing

The Villages Hiking Club is planning a Spring Outing to Chico on May 4–6, 2022. Long, Rambler and Rambler-Lite hikes are planned at Bidwell Park which encompasses 3,670 acres and is nearly 11 miles in length. After hiking on Thursday, May 5, we will celebrate Cinco de Mayo at Tres Hombres in the Blue Agave private dining room.

Two-night discounted lodging has been arranged at Oxford Suites which includes a Manager's Reception and hot meal breakfasts. Reservations must be made by April 4. People are encouraged to carpool.

More details can be found on the Hiking Club website at villageshikingclub.vgcc.club. Once on the site, click on Calendar, click to May 2022, click on Chico Spring Outing, and then click on More Details. Or you can contact Bob Bogdanoff, Hiking Club President at bogdanoff@sbcglobal.net or 408-834-9657.

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More CLUBS

Opera Lovers: 'Turandot' with Placido Domingo and Eva Marton

This Thursday, April 7 at 1:30 p.m. in Vineyard Center, Opera Lovers will be showing Puccini's final masterpiece, "Turandot," an epic tale set in a mythical ancient China.

This production of the Metropolitan Opera's orchestra, chorus and ballet was produced by Franco Zeffirelli. It is the story about Princess Turandot, called the ice princess, who has agreed to marry the suitor who can solve three specific riddles, however, anyone who fails will be beheaded. Spellbound by her beauty, prince Calif is determined to win her.

This performance runs about 2 hours and 15 minutes and is free and open to all Villagers. If you have questions call Bonnie Preston (408-531-1513) or Mary Stradner (408-887-3293).



Genealogy Club: 'Cousins on the Continent: Researching Ancestors Beyond the British Isles'

What if our forebears didn't come over on the Mayflower, but immigrated much more recently on passenger ships from European ports? Or perhaps a DNA test suggests that part of our roots lie in Europe? Where do we begin? Finding our ancestors from "the Continent" presents unique challenges. Please join us as Kat Contento "travels abroad" and shares strategies for European genealogical research.

The Genealogy Club's next monthly meeting will be on Thursday, April 7, at 10 a.m. on Zoom to learn these strategies. If you are not already a member, please contact Linda McMullen at lindavillage8392@gmail.com and she will send you a link to the meeting.

Senior Academy to present 'Purr-fect Cats'

Senior Academy is hosting one of our favorite speakers, wildlife photographer Joan Sparks, for an in-person presentation on Friday, April 9, at 2 p.m. at Foothill Center, speaking about "Purr-fect Cats."

Come along as Joan takes us on her adventures capturing some of the Top Ten Big Cats that live around the world. With beautiful photographs, this program will explore the unique habitats, mating rituals, diet, endangered species status, and more, of lions, servals, tigers and fluffy snow leopards to name just a few. We'll get to see and learn about some of the largest cats walking the planet today!

This event is open to all Villagers. Pre-registration is required and can be done at the Senior Academy website at VillagesSA.org, or register by phone by calling Diane Taylor at 408-912-5594, Susan Dooley at 408-528-8881 or Karen Kosmala at 408-223-2620. The event is free to Senior Academy members and a \$5 fee for non-members.

Joan Sparks is a retired national gymnast, international gymnastic judge and college professor. Her photography interests include landscape, portraiture, flowers and wildlife. She has been published in Birds and Bloom Magazine and several local newspapers and was past president of several of the local photo clubs and served on the Silicon Valley Open Studios Board of Directors for several years. Joan's photos have been exhibited at The Jennings Pavilion in Atherton, Filoli Gardens in Woodside, Triton Museum in Santa Clara, the Main Street Cafe in Los Altos and the Seymour Marine Discovery Center in Santa Cruz.



Reminder: Articles are due by 4:30 p.m. Thursday, one week before publication



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Technology Explorers: The Future of Transportation

By Barry Sardis

Is an autonomous driving future at our doorstep? How do you feel about the concept?

Autonomous vehicles keep getting closer to reality, and 5G cellular communications along with Federal participation may one day bring us the vision of smart, safe, transportation with no traffic jams, no collisions, and no driver fatigue.

Join us to hear about this, and much more, from the U.S. Secretary of Transportation, Pete Buttigieg, and the CEO of 5G leader Qualcomm in the Senior Academy Technology Explorers' Zoom meeting on Monday, April 4 at 1:30 p.m. We will view a CES 2022 55-minute video titled "The Future of Transportation."

Pre-registration with Zoom is required and can be done at VillagesSA.org. Click "SATE Registration" in the menu.



Republican Club to host Candidates' Forum

By Cathy Pope

The Republican Club at the Villages will be hosting a candidates' forum on April 18 at Foothill Center from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.

The June 7, 2022 Primary Election is little more than two months away. It is important that we make informed decisions. Following are the candidates who will be speaking and the offices they are running for: Dev Davis, Mayor of San Jose; Peter Hernandez, Congress, 19th Congressional District; Johnny Khamis, Board of Supervisors, District 1; Denelle Fedor, Board of Supervisors, District 1; Peter Verbica, California State Board of Equalization, District 2.

Come listen to these candidates explain their policies and plans for a better city, county, and state. We hope to see you there. Cookies, coffee, and water will be provided.



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Save the Date

Hermosa Spring Fling Potluck
April 30, Foothill Center at 5:30 p.m.



Beginning Drawing with Ciel Duke

Have you always wanted to be able to draw? Are you thinking that you don't have the talent? Well, The Villages is the perfect place to dispel that notion and take up art as a new hobby! Popular art teacher Ciel Duke is offering a Beginning Drawing class starting Thursday, April 7.

Ciel refutes the claim that art ability is a talent. "It is a skill...one that requires hours of practice, like all other acquired skills. The trick is to start at the very beginning, honing your natural ability to see, along with experimenting with a variety of subject matter and mediums."

"All art is based on the ability to draw. This four-week class will cover the basics, preparing you to continue in Art with a good foundation," said Ciel. "As you advance to watercolor painting, ceramics, collage, oils or acrylics, a solid drawing foundation is a must."

This class will cover Contour Drawing, Pencil Techniques, Line and Negative Space, Creating Realism, Composition, and Basic Portraiture. All necessary supplies are included in the price. (Sketch book, Pencil, Eraser, Sharpener, Tortillons, plus various papers and materials used during class).

Classes will be on Thursdays, 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., April 7, 14, 21, 28. All materials included. Arts & Crafts members have a fee of \$85; non-members' fee is \$95. Register by emailing barb.gottesman@gmail.com. Checks are due by April 1. Ciel's classes are popular and fun...and they fill up quickly, so register soon!



Linora Casarez to demo wreath making at Art meeting

By Michael Sunzeri

Don't forget to come and enjoy another fun demonstration at our Membership Meeting on April 4 in the Cribari Conference Room. Marcy Boyles is introducing Linora Casarez, a local San Jose native and a recently retired employee of the Santa Clara County.

Linora will show us her special wreath making talent. At a young age she was already creating, from painting and sewing to refurbishing furnishings and accessories or even reinventing them all together.

She is a design school graduate. Her career then took this different turn. She can usually be found decorating her home for an upcoming holiday, perusing design stores, antique shops and secondhand stores or yard sales. She has that talent for finding overlooked or unwanted treasures. This gives her artistic license.

She is a mother to three grown children, two of whom are artists themselves, and a grandmother of one, who she inspires and encourages her to express herself through creativity.

Linora will show you how easy it is to make her vintage jewelry wreaths and share examples of other wreath ideas that you can make yourself. We will see you promptly at 1:45 p.m. for our business portion of the meeting and then the fun begins near 2 p.m.



Art in the Park Featured Artist: Ed Knott

The Arts and Crafts Association is pleased to announce our resident artist Ed Knott will be selling his handmade pieces at Art in the Park. Working with beautiful bottles, wine corks and lights, Ed creates amazing pieces—and they are priced to sell! From bottle lamps to bottle caddies, you'll be sure to find a treasure for yourself or as a gift.

Ed retired as a project manager from AT&T and has lived in The Villages since 2004. Many of you know Ed as a DJ as he sets up his sound system at many events here in The Villages. But that doesn't interfere with his time cutting glass bottles and designing cork trivets. Ed has been working on his art for over 10 years with his collection of wine corks.

All Villagers and their guests are welcome to join this **free** event—Art in the Park on Saturday, April 23, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Gazebo Park. In keeping with The Villages policy, no pets are allowed at this event. See you there!

Don't forget about the Bake Sale...homemade cookies!

Ladies Luncheon a success!

Once again the Village Sonata/del Lago Ladies Luncheon was a wonderful event. The sold-out social gathering included lunch, a game, a flower sale, and a gift for each of the 75 residents who attended. Special thanks go to Irene Estelle for organizing the event and to her crew: Kathleen Benz, Liz Dietz, Melinda Dobbs, Dianne Guisinger, Joan Lohr, Anita Miller and Alice Reiley.



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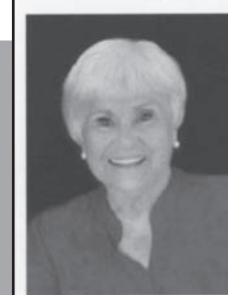
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The Villages Library is open Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., and Saturday 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

By Linda Schlageter

Facing the Mountain by Daniel James Brown: From the author of *The Boys in the Boat* comes a gripping World War II saga of patriotism and courage—the story of the special Japanese American army unit that overcame brutal odds in Europe while their families were incarcerated back home, and of a young man who refused to surrender his constitutional rights, even if it meant imprisonment. Some came from farms and small towns and big cities across the mainland of the United States, and others came from Hawaii. Their parents taught them to embrace both their Japanese heritage and the ways of their American homeland. They faced bigotry, but within days of the attack on Pearl Harbor many of these young men and their families would be living behind barbed wire in internment camps. *Facing the Mountain* is a chronicle of wartime America and the battlefields of Europe. The book portrays the journey of four Japanese American families and their second-generation young men—the Nisei—who volunteered for the 442 Regimental Combat Team and were deployed to France, Germany, and Italy. There they were asked to do the near impossible in often suicidal missions. Whether fighting on battlefields or in courtrooms, they were Americans under unprecedented strain, doing what Americans do best—striving, resisting, pushing back, rising up, standing on principle, laying down their lives, and enduring. 940.54 World War II 1939-1946 2021

Harlem Shuffles by Colson Whitehead: To his customers and neighbors on 125th Street, Ray Carney is an upstanding salesman of reasonably priced furniture, making a decent living for himself and his family. He and his wife Elizabeth are expecting their second child. Few people know he descends from a line of uptown hoods and crooks. His façade of normalcy has more than a few cracks in it. Cash is tight, so if his cousin Freddie occasionally drops off the odd ring or necklace, he doesn't ask where it comes from. He knows a discreet jeweler downtown who doesn't ask questions. When Freddie volunteers Ray's services to fence the take from a robbery of the Hotel Theresa, the Waldorf of Harlem, things don't go as planned. Now Ray has a clientele of local gangsters, shady cops, and other Harlem lowlifes. Thus begins the internal tussle between Ray the striver and Ray the crook. Can he avoid getting killed, save his cousin, and grab his share of the big score, all while maintaining his reputation. *Harlem Shuffles* plays out in a beautifully recreated New York City of the early 1960s. It's a family saga, a crime novel, a hilarious morality play, a social novel about race and power, and ultimately, a love letter to Harlem. But most of all it's a joy to read. Fiction 2021

Falling by T.J. Newman: You just boarded a flight to New York. There are one hundred and forty-three other passengers onboard. What you don't know is that thirty minutes before the flight your pilot's family was kidnapped. For his family to live, everyone on your plane must die. The only way the family will survive is if the pilot follows his orders and crashes the plane. But the pilot says, "I'm not going to crash this plane and you're not going to kill my family." Enjoy the flight. *Mystery Large Print* 2021

The Sentence by Louise Erdrich: Louise Erdrich's latest novel asks what we owe to the living, to the dead, to the reader, and to the book. A small independent bookstore in Minneapolis is haunted from November 2019 to November 2020 by the store's most annoying customer. Flora dies on All Soul's Day. But she simply won't leave the store. Tookie who has landed a job selling books, after years of incarceration that she survived by reading "with murderous attention," must solve the mystery of this haunting while at the same time trying to understand all that occurs in Minneapolis during a year of grief, astonishment, isolation and furious reckoning. *The Sentence* begins on All Soul's Day 2019 and ends on All Soul's Day 2020. Its mystery and proliferating ghost stories during this one year propel a narrative as rich, emotional, and profound as anything Louise Erdrich has written. In this stunning and timely new novel, Erdrich creates a wickedly funny ghost story: a tale of passion, of a complex marriage, and of a woman's relentless errors. Fiction 2021

It's easy to choose 100 percent Clean Energy!

By the Sustainable Villages Club

PG&E and San Jose Clean Energy make it fast and easy to convert your home's power usage from fossil fuels to renewable, clean energy sources like Solar. The cost to do this translates to about \$5 per month upcharge for 100 percent Solar or carbon-free wind. Here are the steps to convert your usage:

Go to the San Jose Clean Energy website at sanjosecleanenergy.org. Under **Your Choices** select **Total Green**. There is information on the Clear Energy program and an online form to apply for 100 percent Clean Energy. Fill in your PG&E account number, your name and zip code. Select Next and complete the selection boxes and you are done. You will receive an email confirming your transaction and that is it.

If you are also interested in rooftop solar, install before the end of 2022 for a federal 26 percent tax credit or by 2023 for a 22 percent tax credit. For assistance in how you may proceed and general information, contact the Solar Energy Team, with the Sustainable Villages Club at drmaxa@comcast.net or margaretsatafore@yahoo.com



VMA offers selection of equipment on loan

The VMA has a wonderful selection of medical equipment that any Villages resident can borrow if they need it. Sometimes the VMA gets donations of large equipment such as hospital beds, electric wheelchairs, lifts and other items. The VMA has no place to store or no way to move any of these items. What they have been doing is letting the prospective donor know that they will try to find someone in the Villages that can use it.

Bonnie Grim sometimes knows someone who could use a larger piece of equipment. If so, she will put the two parties in contact letting them know that they are responsible for getting the equipment. The VMA gives the donor a donation slip when the item is taken. When the VMA gets an offer of a large item it is put on the VMA Volunteer Website so that Bonnie Grim and other volunteers may know what is available. If you are in need of a large item, please check with Bonnie Grim (408-238-4029) to see if one might be available right here in the Villages.

Record turnout for Republican Club general meeting

By Cathy Pope

Seventy-seven Republican Club members and Villages Resident Friends of The Club attended the March 12 General Meeting at Foothill Center.

The evening started with President Burt Lancaster leading us with the Invocation, Pledge of Allegiance, and singing "God Bless America." He welcomed the following candidates in the upcoming June 7 Primary Election: Dev Davis, candidate for Mayor of San Jose; Johnny Khamis, candidate for Santa Clara County Board of Supervisors, District 1; Denelle Fedor, candidate for Santa Clara County Board of Supervisors, District 1.

Jan Soule, President of the Silicon Valley Association of Republican Women, addressed the crucial issue of recruiting and electing strong School Board members who are watching out for students' and families' best interests as opposed to political agendas. The teachings of comprehensive sexuality education and critical race theory were highlighted. Lynley Kerr Hogan, representing School Choice, spoke of her family's personal experience with the public school system. She currently homeschools her children. And Larry Pegram representing Informed Parents of Silicon Valley, shared how their organization is a voice for parental rights in the choice of school curriculum.

The meeting ended with an announcement of the April 18 Candidates' Forum at Foothill Center at 3 p.m.



Larry Pegram, Lynley Kerr Hogan, Jan Soule, Republican Club President Burt Lancaster, Dev Davis, Johnny Khamis, Denelle Fedor

Blossom into Spring at the Montgomery Ladies Luncheon

Saturday, April 9, 2022

11:30 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Clubhouse Fairway Room

\$30 per person

One guest welcome per Montgomery resident

Choice of

Vegetable Quiche and Fruit Cup, or
Chicken Crepes, Rice Pilaf, and Seasonal Vegetables.

Mixed Green Salad, Rolls, Carrot Cake

Coffee, Tea

Complimentary Mimosa

Flower Arranging Demonstration: Presented by Melinda Dobbs and Penny Barcellos.

Napkin Folding Demonstration: Learn to fold a napkin into a flower for your spring table.

RSVP with entree choice by April 4 to Celia Schiffner: celia.schiffner@gmail.com or 631-678-7109.

Please include names of all attendees, house number (for payment), and phone number.

No refunds after April 1.

Event sponsored by the Montgomery Social Committee.

RELIGION

Muslims living in The Villages celebrate Ramadan

By Hasan Z. Rahim

The Islamic holy month of Ramadan—the month when Muslims fast from dawn to dusk (no food or drink, not even water) to learn patience, humility, self-control, compassion, and gratitude for God’s blessings—begins April 2 this year and ends May 1. The Evergreen Islamic Center (EIC), about a mile from The Villages, is the mosque that Muslims in the Evergreen Area attend to pray and reflect on their lives to serve God and their fellow-Americans. Every Saturday during Ramadan, EIC hosts the Iftar—breaking of the fast at sunset—for the local community of all faiths. Anyone from The Villages who wants to experience the Iftar (dinner is also provided) may contact Hasan Z. Rahim at 408-613-5978 or email Hasan at hasanzr@msn.com

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

Good Friday Catholic Mass
Cribari, Friday, April 15 from 2 to 3 p.m.
Come and remember the Lord’s Passion with us!

‘A New Kind of Freedom’

By Barbara F. Zahner, BCC (ret.)

A mob enraged by religiosity, pursues Jesus to trap Him and to stone a defenseless woman. Julia Stankova, a modern-day, Bulgarian iconographer, captures the grim scene in “Woman Caught in Adultery.” Nearly faceless, muscle-bound men clad in dull, prison-grey robes clutch rocks. The leader points an accusing finger at the cowering woman. Her hands and arms protect her head. No veil covers her face or hides her tortured eyes. To the left of this evil, bends Jesus, eyes closed, hand extended on the ground. Praying? Drawing? Writing? Gospel writer John omits that detail. (John 8:1-11). Observing Jesus’ inner peace and deliberate gesture, did the murderous crowd recall Jesus recent warning: “If I drive out demons by Beelzebub, by whom do your followers drive them out? So then, they will be your judges. But if I drive our demons by the finger of God, then the Kingdom of God has come upon you.” (Luke 11:19-20.) The Finger of God image harkens back to Exodus when the magicians in Pharaoh’s court were defeated by the ‘finger of God’ (Ex. 8:19.) Shamed—the murderous mob dropped their rocks and slunk away. Commentator Edward P. Hahnenberg PhD, notes: “In pointing out injustice, ... Jesus didn’t...round up all the guilty parties. He didn’t demand the man be punished by equal force. That’s *our* notion of justice. Instead, Jesus lets everyone go, and so offered a new kind of freedom. What Jesus said to the woman, Jesus says to us—faithful disciples, Pharisees, and scribes that we are— “Go...and sin no more.”

Masses at Cribari: Sundays - 8:15 a.m. **First three Fridays** each month; Rosary 8:30 a.m., Mass 9 a.m. **St. Francis of Assisi Masses:** 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.

Stations of the Cross, 14 images following Jesus’ Passion and death, are found on the walls of every Catholic Church in the world. They constitute a virtual pilgrimage intended to substitute for the millennium-long Christian custom of physically walking the “Way of the Cross” in Jerusalem. Eleventh century invaders conquered the Holy Land, and cut off access to the pilgrimage sites. Catholics therefore replaced the pilgrimage with a virtual “Way of the Cross” walking from image to image, meditating on the stages of Jesus’ passion, and reciting certain prayers. Join us at St. Francis of Assisi **every Friday** for the Stations of the Cross at 7 p.m. (Chapel). Outdoor stations on Tuesday, April 12, 7 p.m.

COMMUNITY CHAPEL

‘Give Me A Break’

By Pastor Bill Hayden

Just the other week my wife and I went to lunch with a couple of friends to have a little clam chowder in Half Moon Bay. We needed a break from our daily routine, and it gave us a chance to appreciate the long-term relationship that we share.

It was a beautiful afternoon overlooking the ocean as we shared what God has been doing in our lives. My friend Ray, with whom I used to meet up with each week for breakfast many years ago, is a veteran of Viet Nam and he informed us of an upcoming knee surgery at the Veterans Hospital, so I volunteered to take him.

He has battled with PTSD since returning from the war. Fortunately, he has made wonderful progress with his wife Marie by his side, as they prayed together and attended weekly worship services.

We talked about our health issues, world events, children and grandchildren. Ray mentioned that his daughter was working part-time for a well-known company in the area for several years. Her hope was to work full-time. She was also instrumental in the company hiring her son over the Summer prior to him going to college. She is very dependable and has worked hard in her pursuit of someday acquiring a full-time position.

One night, Ray and Marie overheard their daughter crying and praying in the guest bedroom to God that He would answer her plea concerning her life and career. She had completely reached her end and surrendered everything to God’s will. Soon, she began to fully trust God while re-establishing her relationship with Christ. She soon received that full-time position.

There are people who believe that they need certain things... from people, spouses, professions, possessions, political circles to money to feel validated as a person. To those individuals, if they don’t receive these needs, they are usually left unfulfilled and can become bitter in life.

Sometimes you may desire things before you are mature enough to handle the full responsibility of owing/obtaining them. The scripture tells us to seek first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all things will be added unto us. God knows each of His children and therefore knows the appropriate time, place and perfect conditions to meet every need.

1 Peter 5:6-7 NKJV Therefore humble yourselves under the mighty hand of God, that He may exalt you in due time, casting all your care upon Him, for He cares for you.

Ray and Marie’s daughter received her break and breakthrough when the condition of her heart opened the door to her blessing.

Join us in the Cribari Auditorium at 10 a.m. this Sunday Morning for great a message and fellowship afterwards with some coffee, cookies with friends.

Please visit our Villages Community Website at Villagescommunitychapel.org for more information.

Community Chapel Holy Week Events

The Villages Community Chapel invites you to participate in 3 special events:

1. Hymn Sing on Palm Sunday, April 10 at 7 p.m. at the Foothill Center. Pastor Peter Unruh will lead the singing and you are encouraged to select your favorite hymns for the group to sing. Hymnals will be provided. Plan to stay for pie, coffee and fellowship following the singing.

2. Maundy Thursday service on Thursday, April 14 at 7 p.m. in Cribari Auditorium. We will share together in the remembrance of The Last Supper and the Crucifixion. Special Holy Week music performed by the Chapel Choir will highlight the service.

3. Easter Service on Sunday morning, April 17 at 10 a.m. in Cribari Auditorium. We will gather to celebrate Christ’s Resurrection from the dead. Enjoy our beautiful flower-decorated cross and inspirational Easter music.

EPISCOPAL

‘Death, Be Not Proud’

By The Rev. Julia McCray-Goldsmith

“Death, be not proud,” wrote metaphysical poet John Donne in the 17th century, “though some have called thee. Mighty and dreadful, for thou art not so. For those whom thou think thou dost overthrow. Die not, poor Death, nor yet canst thou kill me.” The Episcopal Church celebrated his day on our calendar of holy people this week, and I am grateful for a slight break from the commemorative parade of martyr saints whose days tend to populate our Lenten calendar. John Donne, an Anglican cleric, died of natural causes. But he lived his short life with an extraordinary consciousness of its finitude.

Death was always near to John Donne (except in his youth when he was thinking about wine and women), but his poetry and sermons reveal his deep faith in God’s sovereignty over death. From the same sonnet quoted above, he wrote “One short sleep past, we wake eternally. And death shall be no more; Death, thou shalt die.”

This is why Donne remains one of my favorite poets, especially (but not only) during Lent. His own rather dissolute younger life—which left him in poverty—taught him of God’s relentless love even in the midst of his own failings. The sum of Lent’s lessons can be found in Donne’s writings: our human pride need not be diminished by death, because it is always hidden in the eternal life of God.

SPORTS NEWS

PICKLEBALL

By Joyce Kludt

I would like to introduce you to our Pickleball Club's Tournament Director Sheryl Ruth. She was born and raised in Willow Glen. She's been married to Leo for 22 years and between them, they have five children and seven grandchildren. Sheryl's careers included working for local TV and radio stations selling airtime, and being a realtor, which she still is.

Leo and Sheryl moved to the Villages six years ago when Leo retired and they live in her parents' Highlands home.

When asked what she enjoys most about The Villages, Sheryl answered, "Meeting so many people and being involved in groups." She belongs to the Italian Club as a board member, and enjoys hiking, Canasta and Mexican Train groups, Bocce Club, the Owls....and, of course, *pickleball!*

She played tennis for many years but started playing pickleball a year after she moved here. "I'm obsessed with pickleball. It's social and so much fun. It's a game that most anybody can play. Also, it's challenging and good exercise." She has been quite busy while on our board as Tournament Director planning tournaments and Dink 'N Drinks. She does an excellent job in this role!

Thank you so much, Sheryl, for all that you contribute to our Pickleball Club!

Pickleball members, please check our website for information on upcoming Dink 'N Drinks, tournaments, and Friday Drop-in Plays. Have a wonderful week filled with lots of smiles, Villagers!



Sheryl Ruth

18-HOLE WOMEN

By Loanne Rube

What a perfect day for golf! A cloudless blue sky, no wind, bright sunshine on a warm and inviting day at 84 degrees. Sunscreen please! The 18 hole women were challenged mightily today. It was all about team match play on very sandy and recently plugged greens. Chris Leisy and Mazie Rice organized us by handicap, and experienced match play mentors brought home the method and strategy of a match play game. Lots of learning, and just in time for our Handicap tournament and the beginning of league golf play. These are both match play events.

Congratulations to those who avoided putting on the sandy greens altogether and chipped in, including Annie Bassford #13, Nancy Miller #13, and very savvy Debbie Moore on #7 and #12. Despite the pock marked greens, we had a barrage of birdies from Annie Bassford #13, Helen Varenkamp, twice as sweet on #7 and #18, Bonnie Hagen #15, Marky Olsen #15, Sheryl Driskill #8, Sachiko Coleman #18, Joyce Mukuno #6, Joyce Shimada #15, and Dianne Doughty #15. Awesome ladies! Sanded bumpy greens are no match for you!

Special mention for these "sistas" on the course: Bev Poellot had an 89, Bette Samdahl 86, and MJ O'Neill 89. Gosh, they almost shot the weather! Incredible kudos to our teammate Asako Nakamura who astounds the club by shooting a 91. Did you know Asako is 95 years old? We all want to be Asako when we grow up. Nicely filleted Asako, well done!

"On Deck"—March 31 is guest day. Bring a friend (Villager or non-Villager) and her GHIN. Hop on out to the #2 tees for the 8:30 a.m. shotgun followed by a delightful lunch. The Handicap Tournament is right around the bend. Don't miss out! Judy Owen and Vicki Krattli are putting the finishing touches on this Match play individual tournament, Qualifying is April 7 with three weeks of match play following on May 12, 19 and 26. Yikes, the last signups for the Handicap tournament are today, March 31. Expect an email Handicap Tournament Blast shortly to confirm your participation.

"In the Hole"—The 2022 Invitational is coming on June 23 and 24. The theme is **Golfing Away Again in Margaritaville**. Get your teams together and invite your guests. An email blast was sent out with application forms that need to be turned in by early April. Complete your registration form and deliver to Kathy Apgar's shoe box. Gloria Landry's 15-person committee is tuning up their guitars and comparing margarita recipes. Woo Hoo!

"Success in Golf depends less on strength body more on strength of mind and character"—Arnold Palmer



SWINGERS

By Valerie Dimmick

Things got moved around the week of March 21, with play occurring on Monday instead of our usual Tuesday due to aeration of the greens. Nice spring weather and no Sweeps made for a relaxed, fun day. Delma Juarez who recently joined the Swingers from the Shonis made a chip-in par on hole 4!

The Swingers' Spring General Meeting was held on March 22. With 43 of us in attendance, Captain Mary Wagle, reviewed our club's year-to-date accomplishments and plans for the future. Diane Nelson gave a presentation covering the ins and outs of the informative Swingers' website, swingers9.org, and how the website is being used for the Mulligan's Island Invitational registration and also registering for the various WNHGA exchanges.

Did you know that you should not make adjustments to your scores during Tuesday Sweeps tournaments? Rather, mark your gross score for each hole, yes, even those 11s and 12s. The Pro Shop will take care of any necessary adjustments when they post scores. You do, of course, make your own posting adjustments when you're not playing sweeps with the Swingers. For casual play, to calculate the adjusted maximum strokes to enter per hole, use the following formula: par of the hole + 2 strokes (double bogey) + any handicap strokes you are entitled to receive on that hole based on your Course Handicap. Handicap strokes are those "pops" you see during special tournament play. When you post your own score, you are benefitted by posting hole-by-hole as the adjustments are made automatically, eliminating the need for you to calculate maximum strokes per hole.

BOCCE NEWS

By Barbara Orlando



Vickie Cook and Helga Spickhoff enjoying time at the bocce courts.

Friday Bash had another successful turnout. A big thank you to Bash Director, Bill Masching and Bash Volunteer, Karen Carlson for all their hard work. You needn't be a member to attend. Our courts are ADA compliant and bathrooms are located adjacent to the bocce courts.

The Spring Round Robin Tournament is in the process of being organized, contact Tournament Coordinator, Tony Orlando with questions, at 409-799-9668 or email at tonyorlando49@yahoo.com. Captains meeting is on Friday, April 22, at Montgomery Center at 1 p.m. The tournament starts on Monday, May 9.

Please check out our club's website at villagesbocceclub.com for more information.



TENNIS TALK

By Adrien Fournier

Why, oh why, did the Tennis Club name the ball machine, "The Gordon"? Well, to know why would require you to have known our dearly departed tennis guru, Gordon Knapp. As he let everyone know, he was a scientist, and he applied that science to tennis. How to position oneself, especially for the overhead smash, focusing on mechanics, even the contraptions he used that allowed him to play through injury, Gordon was always engrossed in analysis and problem solving. Whenever there was a tournament, while most of the folks in the stands were stuffing their faces, Gordon could be found at one end or the other of the viewing stands or even in the adjacent parking lot, racket in hand, in some sort of tennis pose, enthusiastically and patiently explaining to the accosted student how the shot needed to be dealt with. When it came to the ball machine, he put in considerable time in acquiring our current ball machine, methodically researching what was the best product to suit our needs. It was another tool in his bag to help players improve their game. In recognition and consideration of this inspiring great man, I ask, how could we not call the ball machine, "The Gordon"?



"The Gordon" with Janet Knapp and children, Kyle and Laura.

Hats off to Ken Kline's 65M 7.0 USTA team. They lost 1-2 in their playoff game against Sunnyvale, but each match went to a third set tiebreaker. It couldn't have been closer! Every player had at least two wins during the season and special kudos to Steve Olsen who had an impressive 7/1 record.

The final tally is in and our Prescott tournament raised \$1,700 for the VMA! Thank you for your kind generosity. Phil would have been very pleased. Good job, Mary and Gerhart Ringel along with your very capable assistants.

If you missed signing up for Jump Start at the Open House, it isn't too late. We will be hosting "coaching" sessions on Tuesdays 5 to 6 p.m. Join us and recharge your game. Racquets are available. No charge to participants. Contact Sherry Benz at sabenz@sbcglobal.net

MEN'S GOLF CLUB

By Doug Moore, douglas.moore865@gmail.com, villagesgolfers.com

Men's Club Member-Member— Back by popular demand after a two-year hiatus! Mark the dates – Friday, Saturday and Sunday; May 13-14-15. Match Play Format, two-man teams, six-teams per flight. You play each of the other five teams in your flight in a 9-Hole Match for points. The winning teams in each flight play in the Championship Horseshoe on Sunday to determine the Overall Champions. One of the most fun formats you will ever play!

The 52nd Evergreen Invitational— Time to pick your partner! The 52nd Evergreen Invitational Tournament will be returning this summer with three days of food, fun and a ton of golf. So put a big circle on your calendar for July 14-16. Signups will be taking place in May, and remember, this is always a sell-out so keep checking here for details.

April Fools "Do's and Don'ts"

Don't: Step on or roll over a golf ball. It's mean, can damage a ball and, perhaps most importantly, not funny. Fact: 86 percent of this act's perpetrators are the same people that misquote movie lines and own a Jagermeister machine.

Do: Play music in someone's backswing. You can talk trash in basketball and football, and a heater to the dome can psyche out a hitter in baseball. If golf is a game of mental fortitude, what's the harm in dropping some beats in someone else's backswing?

Do: Whip the flag in a backstroke. If executed properly, you can mimic the sound of a helicopter. Childish, yes, but, for such a simple premise, extremely enjoyable. Instead of doing it mid-putt for a partner, do this whip during their practice attempts. When they're lining up over their actual stroke, they'll be waiting for a crack that will never come. If I get my wish, this will one day happen in a Ryder Cup.

Don't: Unstrap a bag from cart. This has become a common "joke," although there's nothing funny about broken clubs on the pavement. If you decide to do this, be prepared to pay for replacements.

Do: Fake borrow-n-break. Put a used wood, the type you see hanging around driving range barrels, in your bag. When your friend is across the fairway, switch the club for one of their fairway woods, and ask if you can borrow one of their sticks for a shot. Mess up the swing, and angrily throw or break the impersonating club and watch the reaction.

Golf Thoughts: Fun "Masters Facts" provided by Mike Bailey

- 11. At age 46 in 1986 Jack Nicklaus won his 5th green jacket. **True or False**
- 12. Traditionally the champion takes his jacket home with him, and wears it only at Augusta National when he returns. **True or False**
- 13. A multiple winner will have multiple jackets. **True or False**
- 14. Augusta National was built on a property that was the former Fruitland Nuseries. Since the course was built more than 80,000 plants of over 350 varieties have been added. **True or False**
- 15. Arnold palmer played in 50 consecutive Masters. His first in 1955. **True or False** (Answers will appear next week.) Last week' answers were all true, again!

Executive Committee Meeting: The Men's Golf Club Executive Committee meets the first Tuesday of the month at 8:30 a.m. in the Montgomery Center. Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, April 5. The meetings are open to all members. Also, remember to visit our website at villagesgolfers.com for the latest Men's Golf Club information.

Villages Tennis Club Bocce & BBQ Bash

Tennis Club Members & Guests

You're invited to a tennis party!
Join us to socialize, play bocce, enjoy BBQ steak, salmon & veggie burgers and attend the General Meeting



At Gazebo Park

Bocce Play – 3:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
General Meeting – 4:30 p.m.
Dinner – Served around 5 p.m.

Reservation info will be provided in April
Save the date for now!

Sunday June 5, 2022 – 3-8pm

More Info Email - howiehelm@icloud.com

SHONIS

By Fran Schumaker

We had 12 Shonis come out this past Monday (instead of Tuesday) due to the aeration schedule on the golf course. It was a beautiful morning, and everyone seemed to be in high spirits for a Monday morning.

Congratulations to Doris Bates for her birdie on hole #2. It was her first hole of the day, and it only went uphill from there.

Here are the results for the round today.

Flight One: Doris Bates - net 22, Ae Jung Sin - net 24, Sue Park - net 24, Marty Blinde - net 26

Flight Two: Sharon Lingofelter - net 25, Peggy White - net 26, Nancy Canepa - net 30, Kathy Tanaka - net 30

On April 5, 2022 we will return to our **summer hours**. Check in will be from 8:30-9:10 a.m. with a shotgun start at 9:30 a.m.

For more information about the Shonis please give Membership chairperson, Bonnie Evans, a call at 408-504-7958 or Shoni captain, Fran Schumaker, at 408-355-3270.



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PINSEEKERS

By Jack Bindon

It was a **great** day for golf on the 25th, bright sun and only a slight breeze. The planned Scramble came off without a hitch. We had five full foursomes competing and some brought their A-game. We met, on finishing, in the Bistro with all but one group drowning our sorrows with what-ifs. The winning foursome, with a gross 34, was Leighton Horio, Evan Marks, Jim Keane, and Lee Thompson. Second best we had a tie between two teams at 37 and the scores went up from there. As a test to see who actually reads my Villager articles and emails, I presented the winning team with a \$5 bill and asked them to figure out how to distribute the extra buck. I was immediately reminded it was supposed to be \$5 for each player... so I produced the other three \$5 bills. That seemed to calm them down. I was gratified that so many of the group actually read what I have been writing. This was the first chance we have had to sit down together as a large group and socialize and it was a great success. James did a great job in balancing the teams so it was "reasonably" close. No real complaints in the condition of the greens since we all had to play the same course. Nice to see Dennis Cullen back in play after months on IR... (injured reserve).

All in all, it was a great success and we will do it again sometime in the summer months.

Nearing the end of the month so remember we still gather on that first Friday of the month after play. The location TBD, quite possibly at the Bistro. You will get a timely notice.

ADVERTISEMENT

Real Estate –

Talk about "Finger on the Pulse"!

This week there were only 5 listing in all of San Jose and I had 2 of them...Just kidding. But, in fact, I do hold 2 of the 4 current listings in the Villages this week. I can definitely say that I have my finger on the pulse, and my clients had their finger on the trigger and we both won the prize.

Wooh doggie, the market is still on fire!

Representing buyers and sellers in 1999-2001 was a whirlwind. We had buyers writing long notes to seller, their children asking the seller's if they could live in their home and more craziness. That seller's market was short lived. This market has the same feel, but seems to just continue on and on. Not even a deadly virus or war can seem to stop it.

We are still breaking records!

I told you that the Villages has been seeing many highest ever prices, well these record highs just keep coming. Like the Olympic games, we keep breaking past records...price records. The past dozen homes sold in the Villages have sold at 15-20% over asking price!! I am not talking about a slight rise in prices from the last sale. I am talking **record highs!**

Record highs are happening nationwide, not just in our little village. The hot spots being reported as Las Vegas #1, then Miami Florida, followed by Tampa Florida and Austin Texas.

National Association of Realtor says...

"Housing affordability continues to be a major challenge...Some who had previously qualified at a 3% mortgage rate are no longer able to buy at the 4% rate". 3/4 of the buyers of my listings are paying cash, so I do not think this is immediately affecting us here at the Villages. When the slow down outside the gates happens, it will eventually affect us.

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IRONMEN

By Bill Travis

The Ironmen are currently playing every Thursday afternoon at 2 p.m., with a shotgun start, sweeps, birdie pool, and closest to the pin. This Thursday, March 24, 2022, the spring weather was beautiful; sunny and warm. We had a great turnout. **The results of today's play are as follows:**

First place there was a two-way tie between Chuck Benjamin and Dave Hathaway, each with a net score of 2.

Second place there was a two-way tie between Dave Cook and Mario Silva, each with a net score of 27.

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

Lowest gross score for the day: Dave Hathaway with a gross score of 30.

There was one birdie today: Chuck Benjamin on hole 9.

Closest to the pin on hole 4: Roger Pyle was closest to the pin at a distance of 9'11".

Deep thoughts:

"Being a Scotsman, I am naturally opposed to water in its undiluted state." - Dr. Alistair Mackenzie, course designer

"All that I've got against it (the golf course) is that it takes you so far from the clubhouse." - Eric Linklater, Scottish poet and author

The Bocce Club invites you!



Gazebo Park

Wednesday, April 20, 2022 at noon

Reservations are required. Contact Jeanne Anne Whitacre at 650-493-3638 or email jawhitacre@live.com to reserve your place.

Sign up early so you don't miss out.

Cost: Members \$5, non-members \$7.50 (charged to your house number), plus if your last name starts with the following letter, please bring a dish to share that serves 8-10 people.

A — I bring Salad

J thru Q bring Appetizer

R thru Z bring Dessert

Please bring your own "eco-friendly" place setting & BYOB or favorite beverage.

Last day to call in your reservation is April 15, 2022.

The Bocce Club will be serving hot dogs!

Hot diggedy dog!

The potluck picnic will start at noon, after the Spring Mixer Championship Game.

Note: Seeking members to help with this event. Please contact Social Director, Robert Bianchi at 408-960-8751 to sign up to help at this and future events.

Swingers & Shonis Mixer



Tuesday, April 12

8:45 a.m. Tee Time

#1 Tees, Best Ball Scramble
Box Lunch to follow at Vineyard
Signups have started
in the Posting Room

FROM THE PRO

By Scott Steele, PGA Head Golf Professional

April Demo Days

Cleveland Demo Day—Friday, April 22, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. – Come and try the Cleveland Launcher and Hybrid Iron Sets

Cobra Demo Day – Sunday, April 23, 12 p.m.-4 p.m. – Come and try the longest woods available in 2022 – Cobra LTDx

Villages Golf Committee—The next VGC meeting is Thursday, April 14 at 3 p.m. at the Montgomery Center. All Villages residents are welcome to attend.

Get Golf Ready Beginner Golf Class—The Spring session of the Get Golf Ready Beginner Golf Class is full. There will be another beginner golf class in May-June so if you missed the Spring session, be sure to sign up early for the next available beginner class. I guarantee that you will have fun and will enter as a novice and leave as a golfer!

DST Golf Schedule— Starting in April the last available tee time each day will be 6 p.m.

Daily Golf Course Walking Schedule-DST

Monday—The golf course is open to walkers on Mondays before 1 p.m. during Daylight Savings Time (starting March 13). The Monday morning golf walking hours are not available on legal holidays, or when there is a golf tournament scheduled.

Tuesday—The golf course is open to walkers before 8:45 a.m. and after dusk.

Thursday—The golf course is open to walkers before 8:20 a.m. and after dusk.

Wednesday & Friday—The Golf Course is open to walkers before 7 a.m. and after dusk.

Weekends & Holidays—The golf course is open to walkers before 6:42 a.m. and after dusk.

Demo Clubs Available Now in the Pro Shop—2022 is an exciting year in golf with new golf club launches from all the major manufacturers. The technology just keeps getting better and better. Come and demonstrate the newest advances in driver technology and see for yourself!

Cobra – LTDx as played by Bryson DeChambeau, Ian Poulter, Lexi Thompson and Rickie Fowler. LTD stands for Longest Total Distance – The new King Cobra LTDx driver features Power-COR technology which reinvents the internal weighting system delivering explosive ball speed and raw power. Long Drive Champion Kyle Berkshire set a ball speed World Record recording a ball speed of 233 mph using the new Cobra LTDx Driver!

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New In Stock—Skechers Golf Shoes – New Men's & Women's Golf Shoes from Skechers golf. The Go Golf shoes feature the most comfortable sole and upper mantle in golf today. Complete with their new Archfit design - pediatric certified arch support system – you won't find a more comfortable golf shoe at a better price!

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Puma Golf - Spring golf fashions for Men & Women

Tips from the Pro— I've got rhythm...who can ask for anything more?

There's no such thing as the perfect tempo or rhythm. Ideally each of us should adopt a swing speed that is consistent with our overall temperament. Lanny Wadkins swings quickly, but Lanny does everything quickly. Ernie Els is a more deliberate person, and his swing is slow and smooth. So suit yourself - But whatever tempo you adopt, be sure that you keep it consistent throughout the round, meaning full swing, chipping and putting. And try not to speed up when the pressure is on. If you find yourself quickening, consciously slow things down - slow down your walk, your speech, your club selection. As for rhythm, there is an ideal, but it can't be described in print. It must be absorbed. The three keys to great rhythm are to swing your arms and body at the same pace and in synch; to maintain good balance; and to make a smooth transition from backswing to downswing. The best thing to do is to spend several minutes watching the swings of players with great rhythm, guys like Ernie Els, Freddie Couples, Jimmie Walker or Annika Sorenstam. Then walk - don't run - to the course and try to mimic them. A fabulous tempo and rhythm training aid is the **Orange Whip**...swing in sequence 20 swings back & forth without stopping, marry your arms and body and you will start to find your optimal tempo, rhythm and balance. To sign up for a lesson with Scott, email him at ssteele@the-villages.com

Men's 18 Hole Golf Club Spring Open



When: Saturday, April 9, 2022

What: Open to all Men's Club 18-hole members.

Format: Stableford; Four-Man, 2BB

Signup: March 26 through April 7 by 11 a.m. with the Pro Shop - Let them know if you need a playing partner(s) and they will help arrange foursomes.

Handicaps: 100 percent of April 7 Handicap.

Flights: 3 or 4 Flights based on sign-ups

Tees: #4/3 Combo tees or #3 tees based on Flight

Tee Times: 8 a.m. Shotgun

Costs: \$46 - This includes sweeps, and green fees.

Food: Coffee and Donuts from 7 a.m. to 8 a.m.

SCOREBOARD

BOCCE

Bocce Spring Mixer 2022 Week #3

Monday, March 21

10 a.m.	Lane Changers 2-4	Smooth Operators 2-4
	Hot Shots 4-2	Out Of Bounds 4-2
12:30 p.m.	Goombahs 2-4	49er 3-3
	Wannabes 4-2	Unknowns 3-3
3 p.m.	Blood, Bath & Beyond 4-2	Bocce High Rollers 4-2
	Bocce Joy 1-5	Ball Barians 3-3

Wednesday, March 23

10 a.m.	Bocce Busters 2-4	Bocce Rollers 5-1
	Rolling For Fun 3-3	The Devils 2-4
12:30 p.m.	Off The Wall 2-4	Hi Rollers 3-3
	Encore 4-2	Pallino Posse 3-3
3 p.m.	Fireballs 4-2	Pallino Pals 2-4
	Whirling Balls 4-2	The Rolling Balls 2-4

Thursday, March 24

10 a.m.	The Honor Rollers 6-0	Good Enough 3-3
	Delights 1-5	Bocce Wizards 2-4
3 p.m.	Rolling Thunder 4-2	La Bocce Vida 1-5
	Spring Chasers 3-3	Eliminators 4-2

BRIDGE

Monday, March 28: 1. Maureen Waltho – Alan Waltho 2. Steve Bosma - Selma Chastaine 3. Roger Lasson – Sylvia Rozewicz

MEXICAN TRAIN DOMINOES

Wednesday, March 23

Sylvia Rozewicz	188
Berta Escamilla	207
Sandra Gardiner	277
Maribeth Berlie	196

Friday, March 25

Aloma Lazetera	208
Audrey Osuna	221
Kit Hultquist	240
Shirley Bellavance	243
Beverly Wharton	358



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Cribari
5090-5153 and 5210-5233—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.
Cribari Center—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 4/4-4/8.
Bluffs—Drip irrigation installation to shrub beds in progress.
Mowing down ivy ground cover in progress in selected areas throughout the district.
5230, 5463 and 5558—Termite repairs in progress.
Carport gutter repairs in planning.
Cribari Place—Cement replacement in progress.

Del Lago
3301-3315—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 4/11-4/15.

Estates
8809-8875—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 5/2-5/6.

Fairways
4001-4024—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 4/4-4/8.
Dry rot repairs in progress.

Glen Arden
7754-7786 (even) and 7791-7867—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.
7698-7752 and 7753-7787 (odd)—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 5/16-5/20.
Mowing down ivy ground cover in progress in selected areas throughout the district.
7714, 7716, 7717, 7723, 7725 and 7727—Dry rot repairs in progress.

Heights
8448-8463 and 8510-8519—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.
8480-8505—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 5/9-5/13.

Hermosa
8350-8387 and 8400-8446—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.
8005-8032, 8100-8121 and around lower Chardonay Lake area—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 5/9-5/13.
Winery Ct. and Colombard Ct.—Pro chip mulch installation scheduled for next week.
8085, 8087 and 8088—Dry rot repairs in progress.
Cabernet Ct.—Dry rot repairs in planning.

Highland
7500-7573—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 4/18-4/22.

Montgomery
6184-6245, 6337-6361 and Montgomery Center—Landscape maintenance and weed control, in progress.

6001-6068 and 6127-6136—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 5/2-5/6.
6138—Sewer line repair in progress.

Olivas
8740-8752, 8769-8807 and Foothill Center—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 4/4-4/8.
8743—Interior repairs in progress.

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Weed spraying throughout the Villages in progress.
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Maintenance Emergencies and/or Advice

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

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

Global Village...

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of Living since 2004, teaching both beginner and advanced meditation workshops. He is a practitioner for over two decades. Sunanda Gadagottu is an advanced yoga and meditation teacher in Art of Living. She has multi-faceted interests that include Hardware Engineering and Interior Design. Operating in 156 countries, the Art of Living Foundation (AOLF) is a non-profit, organization founded in 1981 in India. AOLF offers numerous highly effective educational and self-development programs and tools based on Vedic Teaching that facilitate the elimination of stress and foster deep and profound inner peace, happiness, and well-being for all individuals.

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Comcast representative Ruhullah is again offering to host Virtual Customer Events to discuss your questions regarding Xfinity products from the comfort of your home. Select the Tuesday of your choice: April 5, 12, 19, 26, and then choose the time for your one-on-one appointment between 11 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. from the scheduling page <https://calendly.com/ruhullah-payendazadah/xfinity-virtual-q-a>

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

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emotional, structural emergency response, food and water, etc. Many residents I spoke with didn't even know that the Support Groups existed and didn't know what the purpose of the OK sign was and what would happen if they didn't or couldn't put up an OK sign because they were injured or traumatized.

Burkett: I truly wish that our residents would contact me to join our EPC efforts to allow us to be ready when the **Big One** occurs. It is not hard work and it feels rewarding! Please consider this an opportunity that is worth doing NOW!

Being an EPC volunteer really does require a minimal time commitment. It does not require physical strength and agility. It *does* require a commitment to your neighbors and your community. Contact Vera Buescher at 408-531-9758, Fisher at 408-712-8380 or Burkett at 408-223-0785. And take a look at the EPC website at thevillagesepc.com. It is worth your time.



Bud Burkett



Dean Fisher

SRS SENIOR RESOURCE SERVICES

Two ways to file for the school tax exemption

You will qualify to file for exemption from the annual \$125 Evergreen School District parcel tax on your principal residence if you will be age 65 by June 30, 2023 – the end of the next property tax fiscal year. If there are joint owners of your principal residence, only one owner needs to be age 65.

Your application must be in the School District office by Tuesday, May 31. This deadline is a State requirement. Sobbing on June 1 will not work.

Evergreen School District representatives will be at The Villages on **Thursday, April 14** in the Cribari Center Forum Room from **2:30 to 4 p.m.** to approve your parcel tax exemption request.

You must have documents to prove (1) your property ownership, (2) your residency, and (3) your age.

Your 2021/2022 property tax statement will prove your ownership. Your driver's license or CA identification card will prove your residency and age. Your documents will be reviewed and immediately returned to you.

If you are new to The Villages and the address on your driver's license does not match your property tax statement, please also bring your PG&E bill or other bill to prove your residency. If you do not yet have a property tax statement, bring your escrow purchase statement and related papers.

Can't make the April 14 session? You may file online. Go to the School District's web site at eesd.org. Under the Community tab click on Senior Parcel Tax Exemption. Complete the application and scan the supporting documents. Email questions to Accounting@eesd.org

If you don't have a computer, stop by the Evergreen School District Business office with your support documents. The address is 3188 Quimby Road.

If you had the exemption from the parcel tax for 2021/2022, your exemption has been automatically renewed by the School District. There is nothing more you need to do. The above instructions are for new exemption requests.

Not sure whether you have the exemption? Go to your last property tax bill. Look under the section on page 2 labeled "Parcel Tax / Special Assessments." If a line item is "Evergreen Measure EE 2018" followed by "\$125", you are paying the tax. If you can't find this listing, i.e., if there is no \$125 charge, you are currently exempt from the tax. Relax!

Note: The Senior Resource Services (SRS) office hours for drop-in assistance are Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 10 a.m. to noon. The SRS office is in the Cribari Center across from the Post Office. You may also leave a message at 408-239-5253 or e-mail SRS at villagesrs@sbcglobal.net. The purpose of SRS is to provide education and general business and financial information. All assistance is free and confidential. You should ask your professional adviser about your individual situation.

SRS Reminder:

Answer question on page 1 of form 1040

As with your 2020 return, again there is a question at the top of Form 1040 and Form 1040-SR asking about virtual currency transactions. All taxpayers filing these forms must check the box indicating either "yes" or "no."

If you disposed of any virtual currency that was held as a capital asset through a sale, exchange, or transfer, you should check "Yes" and use Form 8949 to figure your capital gain or loss and report it on Schedule D (Form 1040).

If you received any virtual currency as compensation for services, you must report the income as you would report other income of the same type (for example, W-2 wages on Form 1040 or 1040-SR, line 1).

More information on virtual currency can be found in Instruction for Form 1040.

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The Villages Medical Auxiliary

Events in April 2022

Importance of Nutrition for those with Diabetes – Valerie Simler R.D. worked for 22 years as an outpatient Clinical Dietician at ValleyCare Hospital Pleasanton. Valerie will discuss the role of food in controlling diabetes and offer simple approaches to choosing a healthy diet. Thursday, April 14 at 10:30 a.m. in the Patio Room.

Advanced Health Care Directives – Sabine Haas, RN - With Grace Hospice will present on the benefits of planning for your future health wants and needs by having your wishes in place utilizing advance care directives. Thursday, April 20 at 10:30 a.m. in the Conference Room.

Support Groups – April 2022

Grief Support Group: Don Mulford, a grief counselor from With Grace Hospice, leads this bi-monthly grief group. Please call Bonnie Grim for updates on date and time. 408-238-4029.

Caregiver Support Group: Thursday, April 21 from 10:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. via Zoom. Please contact Judy London Ph.D. for meeting specifics at judithlondon@sbcglobal.net or 408-784-3325.

Parkinson's Caregiver Support Group: Meet with other caregivers of those with Parkinson's. Thursday, April 21 from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. in Montgomery Center.

If you have any questions or need information regarding our upcoming programs or the services we provide, please contact the VMA Service Coordinator, Bonnie Grim, bgrim@sequoialiving.org, 408-238-4029.

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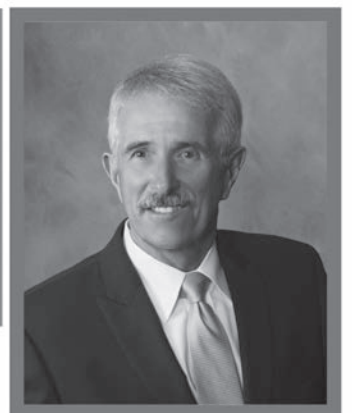
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