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CHANNEL 27: Currently playing

- Fitness Center
- Avoiding Senior Scams
- Welcome to our Website
- Living with Wildfires
- Aerial views of The Villages
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Holi Festival celebrated at The Villages



The spirit of Holi came to Gazebo Park on a nearly perfect sunny day on March 11. Holi—also called the Festival of Colors—is a major Hindu festival celelbrated in the spring. Holi is gaining popularity, and there are many Holi celebrations held in cities throughout the Bay Area. (See story on page 14)



Crafters Club Spring Boutique is this Saturday, March 25

The Crafters Club Spring Boutique will be held Saturday, March 25 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Cribari Center.

We are looking forward to seeing you all at the Boutique event this Saturday – so "Spring" into action and come shop with us!

The Boutique crafters are preparing their wares—just for you.

You will find us at the Cribari Center in

You will find us at the Cribari Center in the Auditorium, the Conference room, the Sequoia, and Redwood rooms. Enjoy free coffee and cookies as you browse the beautiful treasures of quality handmade merchandise. Our vendors are excited and looking forward to seeing there!

Please have cash and checks to purchase items—a few accept credit cards and/or Venmo.

Modified Golf Course Walking Schedule

Because of the rescheduling of the aerification of the greens, the golf course walking schedule will be modified for Monday, March 27.

The front-9 will be available for walking before 9 a.m. and after 5 p.m. only.

The back-9 will be available all day.
Tuesday, March 28 the entire golf course is closed, so walking is permitted any time.

Roll up your sleeves for Trail Maintenance Day!

The Hiking Club's Annual Trail Maintenance Day is Saturday, March 25 from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Meet at the Foothill Center at 8:30 a.m. where you can join one of the work parties. We'll start with a brief planning session and description of the work to be done. The Maintenance Department will supply two "mules" and drivers to drive us to the trail locations where the work will happen and bring us back to Foothill. Tools will be provided; however, you can bring some of your own favorites if you'd like. Work gloves, boots or sturdy shoes and a bottle of water are recommended.

There will be a free luncheon with a special dessert served at Foothill starting at 11:45 a.m. If you have questions relating to the trail maintenance contact John Petrin (530-927-7024; papetrin@yahoo.com). If you can't work on the hill, we can also use help in serving the lunch and cleaning up afterward, contact Bibi Bruce (404-226-5594; mmebruce@hotmail.com) or Carmel Smith (408-621-1467; carmel.smith@att.net). Please note, much



of the coordination for this effort is done in advance by Dan Kato. (Thanks, Dan!) Feel free to contact Dan with questions about this project (408-300-0759; danieljkato@msn.com). Let's be prepared for a

great day of improving and celebrating our wonderful Villages trail system. All are welcome as you need not be a member of the Hiking Club to participate.



BrightView tests robotic lawn mowers at The Villages

(See article on page 4)

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. Letter authors are limited to one published Pulse letter per month. 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

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2 Pulse letters received this week.

1 Pulse letter deferred to the "Ask the CBOD" column.

1 Pulse letter 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.

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.

Now that golf cart usage is considered to have a significant impact and cost for golf course maintenance, those who use their carts on the course more often should pay more than those who use it less frequently. Currently, the fee to use your cart on the golf course is fixed at \$19/ month whether you use your cart on the course just once, or 30 times in a month. That particular fee system is unfair as it has infrequent users paying for the maintenance needs caused by the frequent users.

It is time to abandon the flat fee approach and assess a fee for each use, say \$3 for nine holes and \$5 for 18 holes. Yes, it may require a bit more admin work (but we already do that for non-Villager players), but I suspect that it would result in more overall golf cart fee revenue; more players voluntarily riding 2 to a cart; and a more equitable sharing of the financial burden.

The motto ought to be, "the more you use your golf cart on the course the more you should pay toward the cost of course maintenance caused by that usage" not "one payment fits all."

-Lee Thompson

BOUQUETS

On behalf of all the members and guests who attended the Republican Club St. Patrick's Day dinner on March 17, we would like to express our deep appreciation to Albert Salcedo and his wonderful staff for making our evening so special. The food was fabulous, and we extend a special thank you to Raphael, Dora, and Maria for their exceptional service.

We would also like to say thank you to Kory and Scott at *The Villager*, and Ken at FastLane for doing such a great job presenting our club information. We are blessed to live in such a beautiful community.

-Burt Lancaster, Jean Corrigan, Cathy Pope, Gayle Chase

ABOVE & BEYOND

Ask any Sonata Village resident and they will tell you that they have the most wonderful DAC Chairperson, Kathleen Benz! She has surprised us; wowed us, kept us informed, and planned and instituted events that provided fun opportunities to meet more neighbors. To mention a few: Sonata Saturdays coffee drop-in, 4th of July golf cart parade, neighborhood picnics, and Sonata Village 25th Anniversary celebration and dinner. Then we have some favorite habits that she started: seasonal mailbox decorations, mailbox birthday recognition, and reverse trick or treat at Halloween.

Kathleen and her husband, Roger, are moving to Illinois. We thank Kathleen for the wonderful person she is and for all she's done. We will miss her very, very much.

—Mary Ann Lewis

More BOARDS & COMMITTEES, MANAGEMENT and COMMUNITY NOTICES on pages 4, 5, 7 & 27

IN MEMORIAM

Carl Hienz Schultz December 3, 1934—February 20, 2023

For service information, please contact Lori Schultz at Hairartbylori@yahoo.com

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Boards & Committees

Water Conservation Committee update

By Steve Gilbert, Chairman, Water Conservation Committee

I wanted to address two points in this update.

First, it's been raining. A lot. So, I went to the website at valleywater.org, our local water district. They are monitoring not only the rainfall in Santa Clara County, but also the Sierra snowpack. According to their latest assessment on March 3, "while this winter's storms have improved our water supply outlook, dry conditions persist... That's why it's important to make water conservation a way of life in Santa Clara County." It is important to remember that we have had several years of drought. Not only have the snowpack and the reservoirs dried up, but the aquafer underneath the county has also fallen to record lows. With that in mind, the water board is planning to meet after the rainy season ends to analyze the various sources of water supply for the county and determine whether any of the water usage restrictions can be eased. For more information, visit valleywater.org.

Second, the Villages Water Conservation Committee met several times last fall. We had many conversations about non-functional turf, suggestions for saving water, ways to use non-potable water, etc. We forwarded several suggestions to the Association Board.

Currently, 25 percent of our assessments go to pay for water, and those rates are bound to increase when the drought returns. Consequently, the committee recommended that the board hire a landscaping expert who could work with our fire safety expert to develop a long-term plan to guide landscaping decisions throughout the association properties. Such a plan should take into account water usage and fire prevention, while maintaining the beautiful environment we all enjoy. The board and management are currently soliciting bids from landscaping architects.



Club Nominating Committee seeks candidates

The Villages Golf and Country Club Board Nominating Committee is actively seeking candidates for election to the Club Board of Directors. The Club governing documents provide that there shall be seven directors, and election will be held during May and June for two director positons 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 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: Andrew Altman at 207-210-8210 or Andy@ ASAltman.com; Vivian Brown at 408-274-5850 or vivianbrown1328@comcast.net; Beverly Poellot at 408-300-1009 or bpoellot@gmail.com; and Mohan Rao Aiyagari at 408-828-3709 or mvaiyagari@sbcglobal.net .

Submit your questions for this year's Candidates' Night

This year's Candidates' Night is Wednesday, May 10 at 7 p.m. in the Cribari Auditorium.

This will be your opportunity to interact with and ask Club and Association director candidates about topics important to you.

Your questions will be curated and may be used at the live event. Please send your questions to the Communications Adivsory Committee (CAC) Chair, Nick Yannaccone, at nyannac@gmail.com or 408-219-9296.



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Lisa Gault

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Villager Real Estate agent



Homeowners' Corporation Directors' Election 2023

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. With Rob Kirschbaum's term expiring, there will be one director three-year term open on the Board for 2023. Rob Kirschbaum is eligible to serve an additional term.

If you would like to find out more about serving on the Homeowners' Corporation Board of Directors, please contact any current board member, President Teddy Morse 408-394-5229, Vice President Jeannie Omel, 408-677-6530; Secretary Brooks Fuller, 630-740-5542; CFO (Treasurer) Rob Kirschbaum, 201-960-4820; and Director Larry Versaw, 408-960-8387.

EVF projects confidence in The Villages

At times, the Evergreen Villages Foundation (EVF) is asked: "How do projects that the EVF has supported such as the pickleball project get initiated?"

It all starts with the Club Board of Directors (CBOD). Once the Club Board has approved a Club capital improvement project, EVF can become involved only if the project meets EVF's specific requirements. All EVF projects must be capital projects, either a new capital project such as the pickleball project, or an enhancement of an existing amenity, such as the extension of the rear Bistro patio. All EVF projects in The Villages are located on Club property and they are designed to be shared by all Villagers.

EVF believes that the expansion and/or enhancement of Villages amenities contributes greatly to the desirability and viability of life for all of us. This dedication to the enhancement of the Villages community contributes greatly to the physical, social, and emotional health of our residents through increased opportunities for exercise and engagement. The EVF Board hopes that in 2023 the Club Board will approve more new projects and looks forward to participating in future capital improvements here at The Villages.

Keep up to date on EVF activities and projects here in the Villager or go to the EVF website at evfsj.org to sign up for our newsletter or join the EVF.



HOLY LAND TOUR

10 DAYS: OCTOBER 24 — NOVEMBER 2, 2023 \$4,598 PER PERSON FROM SAN FRANCISCO (Air/land tour price is \$3,898 plus \$700 government taxes/airline surcharges)

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of the Holy Sepulchre... Visit Bethlehem's Church of the Nativity

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MANAGEMENT

PUBLIC SAFETY

Golf Cart Registration Reminder

Have you recently purchased a golf cart? Just a friendly reminder that all Golf Carts must be registered no matter if they are for leisure use or golf course use. Please contact the Public Safety Administration at 408-239-5246 option 2, or you may email: vtennon@the-villages.com or hbalaoro@the-villages.com to register your cart.

Vehicle Bar Code Reminder

Are all your vehicles registered and bar coded? Just a friendly reminder that all resident vehicles are required to be registered and must have a resident bar code sticker on them. Please contact the Public Safety Administration office at 408-239-5246 option 2, or you may email: vtennon@the-villages.com or hbalaoro@the-villages.com to register your vehicle.

If you registered a vehicle that had a temporary plate at the time of registration, but have not provided the permanent license plate number, please contact Public Safety Administration to update your registration with the current license plate number.

On-site Document Shredding

Sponsored by Evergreen Villages Foundation (EVF) (Formerly sponsored by The Villages High-12 Club)

Saturday, April 15 9 a.m. to 11:15 a.m.

Cribari East Parking Lot

(Woodshop side)

\$10 per box or bag—approximately 20 lbs. Minimum fee is \$10—Cash or check only



Plus drop off flags needing to be retired as well as old Villages telephone directories

Questions? Contact Greg Stewart at 408-531-1029

FROM BRIGHTVIEW

News From BrightView Landscape:

BrightView Landscape (our landscape partner) is rolling out beta testing of an innovative new robot that provides lawn mowing services. The launch of this project begun on Monday, February 20, 2023. The innovative NEXMOW wireless robot lawn mowers are healthy for our environment, extremely quiet, safe and secure. The robots mulch the cut grass creating an organic fertilizer. Ultra-sensors stop the mower operation if it detects people and pets, and the wireless GPS system creates the navigation and live tracking if the mowers are stolen. The NEXMOW mowers operate on batteries to provide an extremely quiet experience. The NEXMOW mowers are also accompanied and monitored by trained technicians. The reception has been very positive by many homeowners. The plan is to continue operating the mowers through the end of May.



Map of the NEXMOW deployment areas. 3.3 acres mowed.

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New Resident Orientation is Wednesday, March 29 There will be a New Resident Orientation session on Wed

There will be a New Resident Orientation session on Wednesday, March 29 at 3 p.m. in The Villages Clubhouse. This event is for new residents who have recently moved in and provides new residents with valuable information regarding community amenities, governance, rules, architectural control requirements, clubs and organizations, and other important information. Space is limited. Reserve now by calling 408-223-4674.

If you are unable to sign up for this orientation please keep your eyes on *The Villager* newspaper and the FastLane email blasts for information about future sessions.

Please notify Public Safety of passing of spouse or household member

As a friendly reminder, if you experience the passing of a household member or spouse, please add the Public Safety Administration to the list of places to notify of the passing. You may contact us at 408-239-5246 option 2, or you may email: vtennon@the-villages.com or hbalaoro@the-villages.com

GOVERNANCE MEETING

AC NOTICE

Association applications for Owner Alteration Requests for the month of April are due to the Architectural Committee on or before March 24, 2023. Call Elissa at the Corporation Yard office to obtain an application. Meeting date is scheduled for Thursday, April 6, 2023 at 9 a.m. at Montgomery Center.

Association AC Landscape meeting deadline date is March 24, 2023.

More COMMUNITY NOTICES

SRS SENIOR RESOURCE SERVICES

Federal deposit insurance for your bank account

With the failure of Silicon Valley Bank, SRS decided to rerun our article from last August on FDIC insurance. If you have any doubts that your bank accounts are covered by insurance, go to fdic.gov. The Estimator discussed below is very useful.

The United States government protects depositors if an FDIC (Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation) insured bank or savings association fails. Credit union deposits are insured under the same terms by the National Credit Union Share Insurance Fund. The basic insured amount is up to \$250,000 per depositor per insured bank.

Does that mean you need to keep your money in different banks if you have more than \$250,000 at the bank? Not necessarily. One of the easiest ways to increase the dollar amount of insured deposits is to open accounts under different ownership categories. Those categories include individual, joint, or trust accounts. Because of this, if you have assets above \$250,000, you can have additional coverage.

There are also provisions for trust accounts, retirement accounts and beneficiaries. Details are beyond the scope of this article. For further information, contact your bank, or the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation at fdic.gov.

The FDIC website has a great Estimator that can help you plan.

John and Mary Villager have accounts at a near-by bank. They aren't sure if they need to move money to another bank. John has an account with \$300,000 and Mary has one for \$250,000. They have a joint account with \$400,000.

By running the Estimator, we see that John's single account is over the insurance limit by \$50,000. He should move that amount to another FDIC insured bank (not a different branch of the bank he is currently using!)

Single Accounts

0	Account Nickname John's Single Acct. Mary's Single Acct.	Balance \$300,000 \$250,000	Owner(s) John Villager Mary Villager	Beneficiaries NA NA
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	<i>Insurance Summary</i> John Villager Joint Mary Villager Joint	Balance \$200,000 \$200,000	<i>Insured</i> \$200,000 \$200,000	Uninsured \$0 \$0
Tot	tal for all accounts at US Ba	ank (Totals will Balance \$950,000	be rounded) <i>Insured</i> 900,000	<i>Uninsured</i> \$50,000

Please keep in mind that the FDIC does not insure the money you invest in stocks, bonds, mutual funds or annuities you purchase at a bank or a bank affiliate. These are investments, not deposits.

SRS Alert:

Age for mandatory IRA distributions changed

In 2022 if you had a traditiona IRA and were age 72 or older, you had a Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) to withdraw. In 2023, the age has changed from 72 to 73. If you are turning 72 this year, relax. You do not have a RMD until next year when you become 73.

The law also states that beginning in 2023, you won't have a RMD until you reach age 75. But, of course, any law that doesn't become effective until 2023 might be changed before it is implemented.

BOARD MEETINGS

Association

- The Villages Association Board of Directors Monthly Board hybrid meeting is Tuesday, March 28, at 9:30 a.m. at Foothill Center and on Zoom
 - Meeting ID: 917 8108 3392; Passcode: 223468; Dial: 1-669-900-6833
- The Villages Association Board of Directors Special Open Meeting Re: Proposed FY23/24 Budget Presentation is Tuesday, April 11, at 9:30 a.m. via Zoom Teleconference

Meeting ID: 917 8108 3392; Passcode: 223468; Dial: 1-669-900-6833

Club

- The Villages Golf & Country Club Board of Directors Monthly Board hybrid meeting is Tuesday, March 28, at 1:30 p.m. at Foothill Center and on Zoom
 - Meeting ID: 961 5036 4740; Passcode: 260616; Dial: 669-900-6833
- The Villages Golf & Country Club Board of Directors April Special Open Hybrid Meeting Re: Budget Presentation is Tuesday, April 11, at 1:30 p.m. in Foothill Center and on Zoom

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

Homeowners

- The Villages Homeowners' Corporation Board Special Open Meeting/Workshop to Review Proposed Budget is Thursday, April 13, at 9 a.m. in Montgomery Center
- The Villages Homeowners' Corporation Board Special Open Meeting to Approve Budget and Annual Meeting Materials is Thursday, April 27, at 9 a.m. in Montgomery Center

It's about you taking care of you, yours and your neighbors

Bv Arlene Versaw

It is not time-consuming, but it is important. It is not complicated, but it is critical. It may not be immediate, but you will inevitably need it. What's "it"?

It is emergency preparation. Before you stop reading, consider this: We live on an earthquake fault. We live in fire country. Outside emergency resources will be overwhelmed if a disaster hits. And all you need to do to be ready is:

 Sign up for County text alerts by texting



Neighbors Helping Neighbors

888777 and providing your zip code (piece of cake). Warnings enable you to navigate emergencies more safely.

- Sign up for NIXLE the Emergency Preparedness Committee's internal alert system, by opting in. You can do that by texting Villages to 333111, by registering on The Villages Resident Portal, or at nixle.com or thevillagesepc.com. Having Villages-specific information is empowering. And it's free!
- Put together a Go-Bag of essential items to sustain you and yours for 72 hours if you have to evacuate. Contents of a Go-Bag are on the EPC website at thevillagesepc.com.
- Have a "Stay Box" of supplies to sustain you and yours for 72 hours if you are trapped in your home. Information also can be found on the EPC website,
- Have an emergency plan that ensures the family knows how to communicate and with whom, where to meet up if you are separated, etc. And yes, this information is also readily available on the EPC website, thevillagesepc.com. Not a complicated, time-consuming to-do list. But think about how reassuring it will be to know it is all in place. Don't put off to tomorrow what you can do today. Act now! Lives may depend on it.

More BOARDS & COMMITTEES, and COMMUNITY NOTICES on pages 7 & 27

ENDAR OF EVENTS

10 a.m.

2 p.m.

6 p.m.

7 p.m.

7 p.m.

6:30 p.m.

8:30 a.m.

9:30 a.m.

9:30 a.m. 10 a.m.

11:30 a.m.

1:30 p.m.

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1 p.m.

3 p.m.

4 p.m.

7 p.m. 7 p.m.

9 a.m.

9 a.m.

3 p.m.

Yoga Class

Theater Rehearsal - Spring A

New Resident Orientation CH Village Dancers Prep A

Mexican Train Dominoes MC

Ceramics Open Studio CER

Live Longer Stronger A

Chapel Small Group

18 Hole Women Golf Lunch CH

18 Hole Women Golf Mtg PR

Chinese Club Tech Talk FC

Theater Rehearsal - Spring A

Chinese Morning Exercise P

SRS Income Tax Service FC

Ceramics Open Studio CER

Bridge Club at Villages RED

VMA Health Festival MtgVC

RED

FC

CR

RED

MMP

AR

VC

CR

RED

MMP

Duplicate Bridge

Village Voices

Tai Chi Club

Game Day

Table Tennis

Ukulele Club

Chapel Choir

Jazzercise

Game Day

Table Tennis

Open Studio

Bocce Bash

Quilters

Friday. March 31

Acrylic Classes

Thursday. March 30

Friday, March 24

8:30 a.m.	Jazzercise	Α
9 a.m.	Chinese Morning Exercise	Ρ
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED
9 a.m.	SRS Income Tax Service	FC
9 a.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
9:30 a.m.	Ceramics Open Studio	CER
9:30 a.m.	Open Studio	AR
10 a.m.	Quilters	PR
1 p.m.	Bridge Club at Villages	MC
3 p.m.	Bocce Bash	GP
6 p.m.	Chinese Club Line Dance	VC
6:30 p.m.	Mexican Train Dominoes	MC
7 p.m.	Theater Rehearsal – Spring	FC

Caturday March 25

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9 a.m.	Ukulele Singing	MC
	(event at 10 a.m.)	
9 a.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
9:30 a.m.	Ceramics Open Studio	CER
10 a.m.	Crafters Boutique	Α
10 a.m.	Talent Show Ticket Sale	F
10 a.m.	Quilters	PR
10 a.m.	Hiking Club	FC
4 p.m.	Table Tennis Social	MMP

Sunday, March 26

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6:30 a.m.	Catholic Choir	CR
8:15 a.m.	Catholic Mass	Α
9 a.m.	Chapel Choir	SEQ
9 a.m.	Episcopal Services	MC
9 a.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
10 a.m.	Community Chapel Service	Α
10 a.m.	Quilters	PR
4 p.m.	Chinese Club Ballroom	FC
6 p.m.	Chapel Hymn Sing	CR

Monday. March 27

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8:30 a.m.	Jazzercise	Α
9 a.m.	Chinese Morning Exercise	Р
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED
9 a.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
9 a.m.	VGCC Six Clubs Meeting	V
9:30 a.m.	Assoc. Rules Committee	PR
9:30 a.m.	Ceramics Open Studio	CER
10 a.m.	Search the Scriptures	VC
10 a.m.	Drawing Class	AR

EVENT LOCATIONS

Auditorium

Art Room

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(Cribari)

AK	Art Room	(Cribari)
BC	Bocce Courts	
CER	Ceramics	(Cribari)
CH	Clubhouse	
CR	Conference Rm.	(Cribari)
F	Forum	(Cribari)
FC	Foothill Center	
FHP	Foothill Pool	
GP	Gazebo	
L	Lobby	(Cribari)
SEQ	Sequoia	(Cribari)
MC	Montgomery Center	
MMP	Montgomery MP Ro	om
RED	Redwood	(Cribari)
Р	Patio	(Cribari)
PC	Pickleball Courts	, ,
PR	Patio Room	(Cribari)
TR	Terrace Room	(Cribari)
TS	Tennis Stand	,
VC	Vineyard Center	
VR	Voyage Room	(Montgomery)

10 a.m.	Republican Club Board	F
10 a.m.	Pilates	Α
10:30 a.m.	Grief Support	SEQ
1 p.m.	Stitchery	PR
2 p.m.	Theater Rehearsal - Spring	Α
3 p.m.	Dog Club	SEQ
5 p.m.	Arts & Crafts Advisory Board	dAR
5 p.m.	Open Mic Night	CH
5:30 p.m.	Village Dancers	Α
6:30 p.m.	Italian Club Meeting	PR
7 p.m.	Duplicate Bridge	RED
7:30 p.m.	Hiking Club	FC

Tuesday	y, March 28	
8:30 a.m.	Tai Chi Club	Α
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED
9 a.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
9:30 a.m.	Assoc. Board Meeting	FC
9:30 a.m.	Ceramics Open Studio	CER
9:30 a.m.	Poetry in Art & Pastel	AR
10 a.m.	Ukulele Intermediate	PR
10 a.m.	Line Dance Class	Α
10 a.m.	High Twelve Meeting	MC
11 a.m.	Live Stronger Longer	CR
12 p.m.	Live Stronger Longer	CR
12 p.m.	PEO Club	VC
1:30p.m.	Club Board Meeting	FC
2 p.m.	Piano Open Studio	Α
6 p.m.	Concert Band	Α
7 p.m.	Great Decisions	VC
7 p.m.	Theater Rehearsal – Spring	MC

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weanes	day, March 29		1 p.m.
8:30 a.m.	Jazzercise	Α	1 p.m.
9 a.m.	Chinese Morning Exercise	P	3 p.m.
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED	3 p.m.
9 a.m.	Table Tennis	MMP	6 p.m.
9:30 a.m.	Ceramics Open Studio	CER	6:30 p.m.
10 a.m.	Watercolor Class	AR	7 p.m.

Villages Medical Auxiliary-Since 1976 Office: 408-238-4230

Handbells CR Chinese Club Line Dance FC Mexican Train Dominoes MC Theater Rehearsal - Spring A

Hours: Monday to Thursday, 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. **Service Coordinator:** 408-238-4029 www.vmavillages.org The Villages Medical Auxiliary

Coming in April

VMA Health Festival - Thrive Together! Saturday, April 29 from 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. in the Cribari Center. Join us this day in learning about many options that let us thrive and flourish together! Presentations, demonstrations, blood pressure, hearing and bone density screenings and exhibitors from all facets of living your best life.

Support Groups March and April

Grief Support Group: Chaplain Dale Poland, M.Div, BCC - from Hospice of the Valley-Sutter Health will meet every Monday, March 27 through April 10 in the Sequoia Room from 10:30 a.m. to noon. Please call 408-238-4029 with any questions.

Caregiver Support Group: Judith London Ph.D. will conduct the monthly group on Thursday, April 20 at 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m. in the Sequoia Room and via Zoom. Please contact Judy London Ph.D. for all meeting specifics at iudithlondon@sbcglobal.net or call 408-784-3325. Note room change!

Parkinson's Caregiver Support Group: Meet with other caregivers of those with Parkinson's on Thursday, April 20 from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. in Forum Room.

Please check out vmavillages.org



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

Fitness Center

Daily 12:00 & 6:00

Fitness

1:00 & 7:00 Mon – Sat 15 Minute Exercise

1:15 & 7:15 Mon Wed Fri & Sun **Chair Fitness** Tue Thu Sat **Cardio Fitness**

Avoiding Senior Scams

Daily **2:00 & 8:00**

Welcome to **Our Website**

Daily 3:45 & 9:45

Living with Wildfires in Santa Clara County

Daily 4:30 & 10:30



Club Events & Notices



Public

More information online at the Villages Resident Portal:

resident.thevillagesgcc.com

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The Villages Association

Solicitation of Candidates Form

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STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY

2023 Election of Directors

I am interested in serving on the Board of Directors of The Villages Association.

Member's Name		
Property Address(es) within The Villages Asso	ociation.	
Mailing Address, If Different		
Daytime Telephone Number	E-mail Address	

The attached statement explains my qualifications to serve as a director and, if elected, my goals for the community. Statements are limited to 250 words. Sample candidate statements and formatting guidelines are available in the General Manager's office or by contacting jmeadows@the-villages. com. Please attach your candidate statement to this form.

Qualified candidates' names and addresses will be included on the Candidate Registration List and statements will be published in the voting materials that accompany the ballots in the election of directors, as well as published in The Villager newspaper. Telephone numbers and email addresses are for internal use only and will not be published with the statements.

The deadline for nominations for The Villages Association Board of Director candidates for this year's election is March 28, 2023, at 5:00 p.m. Candidates' statements must be received no later than April 28, 2023, in order to be included in the official voting materials. Candidates' statements may be sent to The Villages Association c/o Julia Meadows, Assistant General Manager, 5000 Cribari Lane, San Jose, CA 95135, or jmeadows@the-villages.com.

THE VILLAGES ASSOCIATION ELECTIONS RULES

ARTICLE 3: Candidates for the Board and Nomination Procedures

3.1 Qualification of Candidates.

Candidates for the Board must be Members at the time of their nomination and (i) must meet any other qualifications or restrictions set forth in these Election Rules and (ii) must meet any other qualifications or restrictions set forth in the Bylaws so long as they do not conflict with these Election Rules. In the case of a Member that is not a natural person (such as a corporation or other entity), the entity Member shall have the power to appoint a natural person as the "Member" for purposes of director elections. The Association shall disqualify a nominee for the Board for any of the following reasons:

- 3.1.1 The nominee is not a Member.
- 3.1.2 The nominee does not reside within The Villages condominium project.
- 3.1.3 If the nominee, if elected, would be serving on the Board at the same time as serving on the Board of The Villages Golf and Country Club.
- 3.1.4 If the nominee, if elected, would be serving on the Board at the same time as another owner of the same separate interest and the other person is either properly nominated for the current election or is an incumbent director.
- 3.1.5 If the nominee, at the time of nomination, is delinquent in the payment of regular and/or special assessments. A nominee shall not be considered "delinquent" if the delinquency relates to the payment of fines, fines renamed as assessments, collection charges, late charges, or costs levied by a third party and/or if the nominee: (a) has paid the regular or special assessment under protest; (b) has entered into a payment plan for repayment of the delinquent assessments and is not delinquent in payments due under the plan; or (c) the nominee has requested and has not been provide an opportunity to engage in internal dispute resolution.
 - 3.1.6 If the nominee has been a member of the Association for less than one year.
- 3.1.7 If the nominee discloses, or if the Association is aware or becomes aware of, a past criminal conviction that would, if the Member was elected, either prevent the Association from purchasing the fidelity bond coverage required by Civil Code section 5806 or terminate the Association's existing fidelity bond coverage.

3.2 Nominations

3.2.1 Solicitation of Candidates. At least thirty (30) days before the deadline for submitting a nomination, the Association shall provide general notice of the procedure and deadline for submitting a nomination for the Board. Any Member who satisfies the qualifications and is not otherwise prohibited from running for the Board may place their name in nomination for the Board by submitting the nomination before the published deadline for receiving nominations. In addition, the Board may recruit qualified candidates and/or may appoint a nominating committee to nominate qualified candidates.

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



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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,** call 408-370-8553

The Clubhouse Curbside service charge is 15 percent. The service charge for the Indoor and Patio Dining is 18 percent.



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: clubhousereservation.com

- Patio Dining reservations for the patio are for 6 or more persons.
- 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
- · 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.

ATTENTION CURBSIDE CUSTOMERS: New legislation prohibits "Take-out service" from providing any singleuse foodware accessories or standard condiments to customers unless they are requested. This is in effect now. Our staff will ask if customers need condiments such as ketchup, etc. or plastic utensils such as forks, etc. when taking orders.

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 3/27 to 4/2

Monday March 27 Butternut Squash

March 28 Wonton and Bok Choy Tuesday

March 29 Chicken and Vegetable Barley Wednesday

Thursday *March 30* Minestrone

March 31 Clam Chowder Friday

April 1 Saturday Chef's Choice

Sunday April 2 Chef's Choice

Clubhouse

Indoor, Patio Dining and Curbside

Hours of Operation

Monday

Lunch: 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Bistro Menu

2 p.m. to 8 p.m. (last seating)

Tuesday to Friday

Breakfast: 8 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Lunch:

11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Bistro Menu:

2 p.m. to 8 p.m. (last seating)

Dinner Menu: 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. (last seating) Saturday and Sunday Saturday Breakfast:

7 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Sunday Breakfast:

7 a.m. to 2 p.m. Lunch:

11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Bistro Menu: 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. (last seating)

Dinner Menu:

5 p.m. to 8 p.m. (last seating)

Main Dining Room Reservations: call 408-223-4687 email theclubhouse@the-villages.com or online clubhousereservation.com

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

Bistro Menu 2p-8p

Appetizers

GF Potato Skins \$14.00 Cheddar, Tomatoes, Bacon, Scallions and Sour Cream

Wings 6Pc \$13.95

Celery and Carrots, Ranch Dressing with BBQ, Teriyaki or Buffalo Sauce

V Villages Nacho \$12.95

Tortilla Chips with Cheddar, Jalapenos, Sour Cream, Black Olives Black Beans and Tomatoes Topped with Green onions Add Beef or Chicken \$4

GF Curried Chicken Lettuce Cups \$13.95 Minced Chicken, Water chestnuts, Mushrooms and Green Onions on Butter Lettuce

Breaded Chicken Tenders with Sauce \$10.95 Honey Mustard or Ranch

Fried Green Beans \$8.95

Pacific Rim Chicken Skewers \$13.95 On Grilled Pineapple Wedge with Pineapple Lime Dipping Sauce

Angus Beef Sliders \$12.95 2 Angus Beef with Tomato Relish

Southern Crab Cakes \$13.95

2 Panko Crusted with Cayenne Remoulade

Calamari \$13.95

Lightly Dusted Rings, and Tentacles with Parmesan

Soup of the Day or Chili Cup \$5.50 Bowl \$7.50

Entrée Caesar Salad \$11.95

Romaine, Cherry Tomatoes, Parmesan, Croutons Add Grilled Tofu \$3, Chicken \$4, Salmon \$6, Prawns \$6

Cobb Salad \$14.25

Mixed Greens, Tomato, Cucumber, Hard boil Egg, Olives, Avocado Bacon and Feta Cheese Add Grilled Tofu \$3, Chicken \$4, Prawns or Salmon \$6

V Asian Salad \$14.25

Cabbage, Carrots, Edamame, Peanuts, Fried Won Ton Skins, Bean Sprouts with Sesame Ginger Dressing Add Grilled Tofu \$3, Chicken \$4, Prawns or Salmon \$6

V Arugula Pear Cranberries Salad \$14.75 with Feta and Candied Walnuts

V Quesadilla \$13.95

Pico de Gallo, Sour Cream, Guacamole, Add Chicken or Beef \$4

V. Asian Stir Fry Vegetables Over Rice \$12.95 Vegetables over Jasmine Rice with Ponzu Sauce Add Grilled Tofu \$3, Beef, Chicken or Bay Shrimp \$4

Fish and Chips \$14.95

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

Street Tacos \$13.95

Tofu, Cod, Beef or Chicken with Cilantros, Onions, Cabbage and Radish with Salsa on mini-Corn Tortillas

Sides By Itself: \$5.50

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

Sandwiches

Gluten Free Breads Sub \$1.50

Hot Dog with Side \$9.95

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

Burger with Side \$13.95 Or Impossible Burger with Side \$14.95 Angus Beef with LTO and Side Dish Or Plant Based Meat

Add Avocado, Bacon \$2.50 or Cheese add \$2 Roast Beef French Dip Au Jus with Side \$14.95

Hoagie Loaf with Provolone and Sauteed Onions

Shrimp Roll Sandwich with Side \$16.95 Bay Shrimp, Celery, Green Onions and Dill Aioli

Naan Flatbread Pizzas Red Sauce and Mozzarella

Gluten Free Crust Sub \$2

V Cheese Pizza \$11.95 Pepperoni Pizza \$12.95

V Margarita Pizza \$12.25 Red Sauce, Mozzarella and Tomatoes

Combination Pizza \$14.95 Sausage, Pepperoni, Mushrooms, Onions, & Peppers

Arugula

V Veggie Pizza \$14.95 Onions, Broccoli, Zucchini, Mushrooms, Peppers

GF Gluten Free V Vegetarian

Breakfast Menu

Tuesday to Friday 8am to 11am Saturdays 7am to 11am, Sundays 7am to 2pm

V French Toast \$9.75

Whipped Butter, Maple Syrup, Seasonal Fruits

V Short Stack Pancakes \$9.75

Whipped Butter, Maple Syrup, Seasonal Fruits

V Belgium Waffles \$10.75

Whipped Butter, Maple Syrup, Seasonal Fruit

Bagel BLT and Egg \$10.75

Bacon, Lettuce and Tomato with Cream Cheese

Breakfast Burrito \$10.75 Scrambled Egg, Potatoes, Cheese, Salsa

Choice of Bacon or sausage

Montgomery Muffin \$10.25

Scrambled Eggs, Bacon or Sausage, Cheddar Cheese and Fruit

Lox and Bagels \$15.95

Smoke Salmon, Cream Cheese, Red Onions, Egg

Avocado Sourdough Toast \$12.50

Fried Egg, Bacon, and Tomato

Egg \$2.75, Breakfast Meats \$4, Hash Browns \$3, Toast \$2

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

Non-Dairy Creamer Available Upon Request

The Villager \$12.95

2 Eggs any style with Sausage, Ham or Bacon. With Hash Brown or Fruit, Choice of Toast Substitute Breakfast meat with NY Steak Add \$12

Three Egg Omelet \$12.95

Choice of Peppers, Mushrooms, Spinach or Tomatoes Ham, Bacon, Sausage, or Cheese, Add. \$3 each, Bay Shrimp \$4.00, Spanish Sauce Add \$.25 Served with Hash Brown or Fruit and Choice of

Skillet Scrambler \$12.95

Choice of Peppers, Mushrooms, Spinach or Tomatoes Ham, Bacon, Sausage, or Cheese, Add. \$3 each, Bay Shrimp \$4, Spanish Sauce Add \$.25 Served with Hash Brown or Fruit and Choice of Toast

Huevos Rancheros \$12.50

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

Eggs Benedict \$14.95

2 Poached Eggs, Canadian Bacon over English Muffins with Hollandaise Sauce Served with Choice of Hash Browns or Fruit

Eggs Florentine Benedict \$14.75

Two Poached Eggs, & Spinach, Feta and Tomatoes over English Muffins with Hollandaise Sauce. Served with Choice of Hash Browns or Fruit

Corned Beef Hash and Eggs \$14.95

2 Eggs any style with House Made Seasoned Hash. Served with Hash Brown or Fruit and Choice of

GF Gluten Free Bread Available \$1.50 Extra

March 1, 2023

Dinner Menu

Tuesday - Sunday 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Last Order

Starters

Soup of the Day or Chili Cup \$5.50 Bowl \$7.50

Small Caesar Salad \$6.75

Calamari \$13.95

Lightly Dusted Rings and Tentacles with Parmesan Parsley

V Fried Breaded Green Beans \$8.95

Southern Crab Cakes \$13.95 Crusted with Cayenne Remoulade

GF Curried Chicken Lettuce Cups \$13.95 Minced Chestnuts, Mushrooms and Green Onions

Pacific Rim Chicken Skewers \$13.95 On Grilled Pineapple Wedge with Pineapple Lime Dipping Sauce

The Lighter Side

Served à la carte

Butter Lettuce Cups

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

V Cajun Alfredo Penne Pasta \$14.95 Cream Cajun Garlic Sauce, with Sundried tomatoes, Add Chicken or Bay Shrimp \$4,

V Eggplant Parmesan \$16.95

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

V Vegetarian GF Gluten Free

Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays Slow Roasted Prime Rib \$39.95 Aged to Perfection with Choice of Sides

Dinner Entrées

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

Soup or Salad \$3.95 with Entrees

Rotisserie Half Chicken and Gravy \$26.95

Rotisserie Spice Rubbed Tri Tips \$27,95

Rotisserie Pork Roast \$27.95 With Granny Smith Apple Salsa

Grilled New York Steak \$33.95 Center Cut with Peppercorn Sauce

Villager Meat Loaf \$24.95

Calf Liver and Onions \$26.95 Sautéed Onions and Crispy Bacon Bits

Wrapped Stuffed Chicken \$26.95 with Spinach, Sundried Tomatoes and Ricotta Topped with Marinara Sauce

Filet of Sole Piccata \$26.95 Flour Dusted with Capers, White Wine, Lemon Butter Sauce

GF Lemon Saffron Salmon \$27.95

Prawns Scampi \$29.95 Lemon Butter Sauce Wilton Scallions

Weekly **Specials** For the week of

3/27 to 4/2

Breakfast Special:

Tuesday 3/28 to Sunday 4/2

Lunch Specials:

Denver Omelet: Onion, Peppers, Ham and Swiss Cheese with Choice of Breakfast

Monday 3/27 to Sunday 4/2 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

French Burger: Angus Patty, Caramelized Onions, Mushrooms and Swiss Cheese with

Chicken Salad on a Croissant: Chicken Salad, Lettuce, Tomato, Alfalfa Sprouts and

Choice of Side \$16.95

Avocado with Choice of Side \$16.95

Sides **\$13.95**

Dinner Specials:

Tuesday 3/28 to Sunday 4/2 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. (Last Seating)

Marinated Flank Steak: Marinated Flank Steak with a Garlic Ginger Ponzu Sauce with Choice of Sides \$30.50

Salt & Pepper Prawns: Deep Fried Prawns in a Five-Spice Coating, Onion and Peppers with Choice of Sides \$27.95

Lunch Menu

GF Potato Skins \$14.00

Cheddar, Tomatoes, Bacon, Scallions, and Sour Cream

Wings 6Pc \$13.95

With Carrots, Celery, Ranch Dressing With BBQ, Teriyaki or Buffalo Sauce

Breaded Chicken Tenders with Sauce \$10.95 Honey Mustard or Ranch

Fried Breaded Green Beans \$8.95

Pacific Rim Chicken Skewers \$13.95

On Grilled Pineapple Wedge with Pineapple Lime Dipping Sauce

GF Curried Chicken Lettuce Cup \$13.95 Minced Chicken, Water chestnuts, Mushrooms and Green Onions on Butter Lettuce

V Villages Nacho \$12.95

Tortilla Chips with Cheddar, Jalapenos, Sour Cream, Black Olives Black Beans and Tomatoes Topped with Green onions Add Beef or Chicken \$4

Angus Beef Sliders \$12.95

2 Angus Beef with Tomato Relish Southern Crab Cakes \$13.95

2 Panko Crusted with Cayenne Remoulade

Lightly Dusted Rings and Tentacles with Parmesan

Soup of the Day or Chili Cup \$5.50 Bowl \$7.50

V Lunch 3 Egg Omelet with Fruit \$.12.95

Choice of Peppers, Mushrooms, Spinach or Tomatoes. Choice of Toast Ham, Bacon, or Cheese Add \$2, Bay Shrimp \$4

GF Entrée Caesar Salad \$11.95

Romaine, Cherry Tomatoes, Parmesan and Croutons Add Grilled Tofu \$3, Chicken \$4, Salmon \$6, Prawns \$6 V Asian Salad \$14.25

Chopped Cabbage, Carrots, Edamame, Peanuts, Fried Won Ton Skins, Bean Sprouts with a Sesame Ginger Dressing. Add Grilled Tofu \$3, Chicken \$4, Prawns \$6

Iceberg Wedge Salad \$12.95

Crisp Wedge with Cherry Tomatoes, Bacon Bits, Chives and Blue Cheese and Dressing

V Arugula Pear Cranberries Salad \$14.75 with Feta and Candied Walnuts

Cobb Salad \$14.25

Mixed Greens, Tomato, Cucumber, Hard boil Egg, Olives, Avocado Bacon and Feta Cheese Add Grilled Tofu \$3, Chicken \$4, Prawns or Salmon \$6

Shrimp Louie \$16.25

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

Half Stuffed Avocado with Chicken Salad \$14.95 Tomato, Cucumber and Hard Boiled Egg

V Quesadilla \$13.95

Pico de Gallo, Sour Cream Guacamole, Add Chicken or Beef \$4

Sweet and Sour Chicken Over Rice\$14.95 Pineapples, Red and Green Bell Peppers, Onions

V. Asian Stir Fry Vegetables Over Rice \$12.95 Vegetables over Jasmine Rice with Ponzu Sauce Add Grilled Tofu \$3, Beef, Chicken or Bay Shrimp \$4

Fish and Chips \$14.95

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

Street Tacos \$13.95

Grilled Tofu, Cod, Beef or Chicken with Cilantros. Onions, Cabbage and Radish with Salsa on mini-Corn

V Ralph's Burritos or Bowl (No Tortilla) \$12.95 Cilantro Rice, Black Beans, Lettuce, Pico De Gallo, Cheddar, and Guacamole, Topped with Spanish Sauce, and Sour Cream, With Grilled Tofu \$3, Steak, or Chicken \$4

Sandwiches and Such with choice of Sides Included

Gluten Free Breads Sub \$1.50

Sides By Itself \$5.50

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

Hot Dog \$9.95

Toppings: Onions, Tomatoes & Red Onion Relish. Cheddar add \$2.50

Burger with Side \$13.95 Or Impossible Burger with Side \$14.95 Angus Beef with LTO and Side Dish Or

Plant Based Meat

Add Avocado, Bacon \$2.50 or Cheese add \$2

Turkey Brie On Focaccia Bread \$15.95 With Cranberry Chutney and Alfalfa Sprouts

Roast Beef French Dip Au Jus \$14.95

Hoagie Loaf with Provolone Cheese, and Sauteed

Melts Tuna Salad or Patty \$14.95

Grilled Sourdough, Cheddar Cheese Caramelized Onions

Reuben \$14.95

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

Shrimp Roll on Hoagie \$16.95 Bay Shrimp, Celery, Green onions and Dill Aioli

Villages BLT Sandwich \$14.95

Bacon, Lettuce and Tomato, Turkey and Avocado Served on choice of Bread

Open Faced NY Steak Sandwich \$19.50

On Grilled Brioche, Topped with Buttermilk Onion

Pesto Chicken Sandwich on Focaccia Bread

Provolone and Tomato with Alfalfa and Arugula Sub Grilled Tofu for Chicken \$14.95

Deli Sandwich LTO \$13.50

Choice of Bread, Turkey, Ham, Chicken Salad or

1/2 Deli and Soup or Salad \$12.95

V Veggie Melt \$15.95

Herbed Garlic Aioli, Grilled Veggies, including Bell Pepper, Zucchini, Onions, and Portabella packed into Hoagie Roll with Mozzarella Cheese

Naan Flatbread Pizzas All with Red Sauce and Mozzarella

V Cheese Pizza \$11.95 Pepperoni Pizza \$12.95 V Margarita Tomato Pizza \$12.25

Combination Pizza \$14.95

Sausage, Pepperoni, Mushrooms, Onions, & Peppers,

V Veggie Pizza \$14.95

Onions, Broccoli, Zucchini, Mushrooms, Peppers and Arugula

Gluten Free Pizza Crust Available \$ 2.00

March 2023

GF Gluten Free V Vegetarian Add or Sub Tofu to Menu Items as Marked

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 will be charged...

Wednesdays & Thursdays

Dinner Service Only

Bring your favorite bottle of wine* and your friends any and every Wednesday or Thursday 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

2 to 5 p.m. Tuesday to Sunday All day on Monday

Prices subject to service charge and tax

Attention diners: We want your opinion!

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

Thanks for taking the time to let us know what you think! Please deposit comments directly to the locked comment card box at the Clubhouse foyer.



Monday March 27th 2023

Join Ed Knott and the Talents of the Villagers for Singing, Dancing, Ukulele or Whatever Talent You May Have

Or Just Come and Cheer.

5 to 6:30 Dinner

Rolls and Butter

Stuffed Cornish Game Hen Mixed Rice Country Potatoes, Vegetables Medley

Black Forest Cake, Coffee, or Tea

6 to 9 Open Mic

\$26.95 Plus Service charge and Tax

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Orders are Picked Up from 5 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

\$12 Plus Service Charge and Tax.





Dessert Menu

\$6.50

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

Chocolate Salted Caramel Soufflé Cake (Warm) Chocolate cake with creamy salted caramel center

Tiramicu

Espresso-soaked lady fingers and Mascarpone cream, dusted with cocoa Powder

New Orleans Bourbon Bread Pudding (Warm)

Caramel Toffee Sauce

Apple Torte

Fresh Apples combined with cinnamon butter & brown sugar in shortbread crust

\$4.95

Flavors of the Day

Sherbet, Ice Cream, Sorbet, Milk Shakes

Remember someone with a memorial gift to VMA

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



LIBRARY USED BOOK SALE

The Villages Library Book Sale is open for business all year long on Wednesdays and Saturdays at 10 a.m. to noon.

ARTS & CRAFTS CALENDAR

All Villagers are invited to participate in Arts and Crafts Activities. More details at villagesartsandcrafts.org

March 29 – May 3: Multi-Media Painting with Doug Canepa. Wednesdays, 10 a.m. – 12 noon. \$60. Register at barb.gottesman@gmail.com

April 11: Art Film: "A Century of Quilts – American Cloth." 2:30 p.m. in Cribari Conference Room with host Roz Zinns. Free to all Villagers and their guests.

April 13 – May 4: Beginning Watercolor with Ciel Duke. Mondays, 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. \$110. All materials furnished. Register early at barb.gottesman@gmail.com or sign up for all four of her classes.

April 15: Watercolor on Yupo Workshop with Julie Cline. Saturday, 10 a.m. – 1 p.m. with optional 2 – 4 p.m. guided practice. \$85. Register at barb.gottesman@gmail.com

April 22: Art in the Park, Saturday, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. in Gazebo Park. Contact Diane Finley at dianefinley1@gmail.com for information or contract.

April 29: Open House in the Art Room and the Ceramics Room during VMA's annual Health Fair. Saturday, 10 a.m. – 3 p.m.

May 1: General Membership Meeting and Artist Presentation, Monday, 1:45 p.m. in Cribari Conference Room.

Ceramics Room has open studio days for approved members only. For Open Studio hours and new classes, go to villagesceramics.com

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

HIKING CLUB SCHEDULE

Bring water, snacks, poles, and lunch, as necessary. Wear layer clothing appropriate to the current weather. In addition to scheduled hikes, the following hikes occur regularly: **Every Wednesday and Saturday** – Villages hill hike with Russ Glines at 8:30 a.m. from Foothill Center. **Every Monday** – at Clubhouse parking lot, meet at 8:20 a.m., leave at 8:30 a.m. to walk around golf course with Terri Vivoli

Rambler Hike March 29: Pam Thompson (408-623-595) will lead a hike around Lake Cunningham. It's about 4 miles and mostly flat. Meet up at Cribari at 9 a.m. to carpool and then after the hike get a bite to eat.

Rambler Lite Hike March 29: Katy Peretti (408-531-0917) will lead a hike to the three Montgomery ponds and steps. Meet at the Clubhouse at 9:30 a.m.

Rambler Hike April 1: Guy Hoover (408-667-9935) will lead a hike along Scenic Road in Carmel-By-The Sea. Park at the Mara Beach parking lot (26495 Scenic Rd, Carmel-By-The-Sea). We will walk along the aptly named Scenic Road to Ocean Avenue. The ocean is on one side of the road and some very picturesque homes are on the other side. From there we will walk up Ocean Ave to downtown Carmel to Dolores Street to the Village Corner California Bistro for lunch. After lunch we will walk back to our cars. Driving distance is 70 miles one way. Total hike distance is approximately 4.5 miles. Total elevation is 230 feet. Meet at Cribari Center at 9:15 a.m. for a 9:30 a.m. departure.

Rambler Hike April 5: Sandy and John Petrin (530-927-7024) will lead a hike from Oak Meadow Park, 233 Blossom Hill Rd, east along Los Gatos Creek to the Garrett Station restaurant for an early lunch. The round-trip hike will be about 4 miles with some shade along the way. R/T mileage from the Villages is about 36 miles. Bring water, a hat, and sunscreen. We will meet at Cribari Center at 9:15 a.m. for a 9:30 a.m. departure because of anticipated heavy traffic.

Rambler Lite Hike April 5: Katy Peretti (408-531-0917) will lead a hike to Glen Arden and Highlands. We'll walk around Glen Aden then along Caledonia to Buckhaven and back to Foothills. Meet at Foothill at 9:30.

More CLUBHOUSE on page 26

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

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

Building B business hours

The Community Activities office in Building B is open for walk-ins Monday to Friday 8:30 a.m. – noon and from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Survey results are in: Trip Types

In the recent Community Activities Survey we asked participants the following: "Which of the following types of trips are you interested in? Due to the wide variety of experiences offered a price range is included for each category. Prices from 2017 to 2020 are shown to help compare as not all trip types have been offered in recent years. Please choose all that apply." Five possible trip types were offered, and participants also had the opportunity to let us know which they were most interested in and why.

Total Respondents: 133 (119 online surveys and 14 paper surveys)

Respondents Who Skipped this Question: 0

Actual Responses for this Question: 133

Day Trips (either multiple destinations or a further destination that requires more time) = 120

Half Day (one or two destinations and do not exceed half a day in length) = 80

Independent Trips (we provide only the destination, transportation, and escort) = 68

Overnight Trips (further and longer trips to one location) = 53

Sporting Events (visiting a sports venue for a professional sporting event) = 49

Based on these results 90% of respondents enjoy our day trips, which is also reflected in the write-in responses that this trip type was the favorite. On the opposite end of the spectrum less than half of respondents were interested in either overnight trips or sporting events. We would like to shoutout the fans of overnight trips who despite their smaller numbers were second in number of written responses; please note that we are planning a multi-day trip to Reno later this year. Thank you to all participants in the survey.

See Ansel Adams exhibit at De Young Museum

Join us as we explore the legacy of photographer and environmentalist Ansel Adams (1902-1984) at the de Young Museum in San Francisco on **Thursday, May 11!** The exhibit of over 100 works traces Adams's artistic development and features some of his most-loved photographs, including images of Yosemite, San Francisco, and the American Southwest. Adams's works are shown alongside prints by 19th-century landscape photographers as well as contemporary artists. Their work engages anew with the sites and subjects that occupied Adams throughout his life—from national parks to the use and misuse of natural resources. Adams's legacy continues to inspire and provoke, influencing how we envision the landscape and serving as an urgent call to preserve our environment.

We will depart from Cribari East Parking Lot at 8:30 a.m. with an estimated return time of 3 p.m. Activity Level: Considerable walking and standing; benches may or may not be available.

The cost per person is \$65 and includes round trip transportation, exhibit tickets, and escort. Optional audio tours of the exhibit are available at registration for the group rate of an additional \$6 each. They can also be purchased individually at the regular rate in the museum, based on availability. Gratuity for driver is included in price, additional tipping is at your discretion.

Lunch is purchased individually at the de Young Café after viewing the exhibit. The cafeteria style menu offers a fresh interpretation of American and European classic cuisine. A sample menu is available for review in Building B. Register in Building B during business hours. Registration ends Friday, April 7.

Red, White and You—volunteers needed



The Villages July 4th Celebration, **Red, White and You,** needs volunteers on Tuesday, July 4.

The day will include a Community Breakfast, Freedom Fun Walk, Outdoor Pops Concert and Barbecue and music, and another Barbecue on the Bistro Patio. Would you be willing to volunteer two hours to assist with one or more of these activities? Volunteer opportunities include greeters, registra-

tion/check in, information, ushers, runners, setup and cleanup. Please contact Mary Tatum in the Community Activities office for more information at 408 223-4643 or mtatum@the-villages.com

New Fitness Trainer introductory special

The Community Activities Department in partnership with Back in Form, Inc. welcomes new Fitness Trainer Virginia deRaddo! Virginia specializes in fitness for older adults, especially those with Parkinson's and other Neuro Degenerative Diseases. Sign up for personal



training for one-person (\$121 per session, minimum of 5 sessions) and add a spouse, friend, or neighbor to workout with you for free! This is a savings of \$44!

All trainees must register at the same time in Building B during business hours; one registration slip per household. Registration for this special offer begins Monday, March 27 and ends Friday, April 28. Training session will take place in the Fitness Center and scheduling will be determined by the trainer and resident trainee's availability. Upon registration you will be provided with contact information for Back in Form to schedule your sessions.

Back-in-Form has provided Villagers, in partnership with Community Activities, with customized personal training at the Fitness Center for many years. For more information about registering or enabling access to the Fitness Center contact the Community Resource Center at 408-754-1336.

Fitness classes to schedule substitute instructors

Community Activities would like to update you regarding our Pilates and Yoga classes. Our current instructor Natsuko will be unavailable to teach on the following dates, but we have been provided with qualified substitutes via our vendor Bay Sports. Here are the dates and instructors:

Monday, Pilates on April 10, and 17: Terri Brown Wednesday, Yoga on April 12: Barani Win

These instructors might be familiar to you as they have taught at The Villages before. They are aware of Natsuko's class style but may bring their own techniques and personality into the mix. We appreciate our vendor for helping us offer these classes uninterrupted. Please keep an eye out for further information regarding Community Activities classes and let us know if you have any questions by calling 408-223-4643.

Golden Gate Park trip coming

Golden Gate Park is an icon of San Francisco, with over 1,000 acres of public grounds (larger than Central Park in New York City!). While we can't see all of it in one day, we will take a trip through some of its most gorgeous and memorable locations with Craig Smith as our guide. Lunch will be provided at the popular Presidio Café. Come and see what makes this park the third most visited park in the US. More information will be in the Fast Lane and The Villager next week.

RESIDENT EXCURSION PARTICIPATION GUIDELINES

The Community Activities office offers a wide variety of activities for the enjoyment of the Villages residents. Community Activities programs are conducted in English unless otherwise noted. Please check your personal calendars prior to committing to an event, class

or trip. Once registered for an activity, you are responsible for the cost of the activity. **All sales are final.**

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

Community Chapel invites you to Hymn Sing Senior Academy: Thomas

The Villages Community Chapel is presenting a Hymn Sing in the Cribari Conference Room on Sunday evening, March 26 at 7 p.m. We invite you to come prepared to sing your favorite hymns for Holy Week and Easter. Your selections will be welcomed and hymnals will be provided to help with lyrics and melodies. Plan to stay afterward for pie, coffee and fellowship. All are welcome.

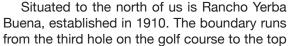


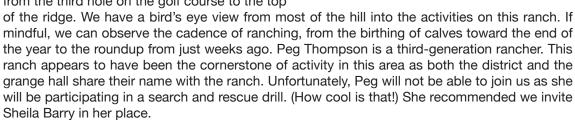
Meet local ranchers at Hiking Club meeting

By Michelle Breslin

Come join the Hiking Club March Meeting scheduled for March 27 at 7:30 p.m. at Foothill Center to meet the local ranchers. California has a long history of ranching. We are fortunate to live

amid three beautiful ranches that represent the archetype of ranching remaining in Santa Clara County. Two of the rancher managers, Richie Vargas and Harlan Wittkopp have agreed to introduce themselves and discuss land management and resilience in the age of drought, fires, climate change and the pressures of urban development. Also joining the meeting is University of California Agricultural Cooperative Extension, Director for Santa Clara County, Sheila Barry to share her insights on land management and stewardship.





The ranch we border along the top of the ridge is the San Felipe Ranch. This ranch is the largest ranch in Santa Clara County, being over 44 square miles and bridges the distance between Henry Coe and Grant Ranch. Current conservation thinking is that 50 contiguous miles are needed to ensure biodiversity in a wildlife population and the SF is a significant link in that chain. It is owned by the Hewlett and Packard children and is under a conservation easement with the Nature Conservancy. This ranch, besides the expected cattle, provides an area for elk to roam. The elk are frequently seen along both sides of Silver Creek Valley Road. The San Felipe has access to analytic tools, thought leaders in both conservation and land management, and the skills to pull it all together.

To the south lies the Richmond Ranch managed by Richie Vargas. We have most of our interactions with Richie as the boundary fence runs on a north facing slope heavy with trees. The drought has taken a toll on these trees, they fail and damage the fencing allowing cows to explore our hill. The Richmond Ranch changed hands in 2017. Although zoned agricultural there is the potential of another Silver Creek like development. This ranch is 3653 acres or 5.5 square miles. The Richmond Ranch provides cattle for grazing to the city of San Jose. You may have seen the cows on the abandoned golf course near Carl's Jr on White Rd.

Farmers and ranchers manage drought, rain, fire, and climate change to nurture and feed the rest of us. Come meet them on the 27th.

Learn Multi-Media Painting with Doug Canepa



Doug Canepa is offering a new painting class to Villagers who are interested in exploring different tools and media to enhance their basic painting skills. He will explore strategies beyond traditional painting by adding acrylics to make images pop. Textured paste, colored pencils and charcoal pencils will be used for texture. Burnishing and blending tools will be introduced as will pen and ink.

Join Doug for this interesting class on Wednesdays, March 29 to May 3, from 10 a.m. to noon in the Art Room. The fee is \$60. Bring your own materials and Doug will furnish burnishing tools, charcoal, colored pencils, texturing paste, charcoal pencils and ink. A wide range of subject matter will be based on student interest during the class.

Join the fun and explore the possibilities by registering by emailing

barb.gottesman@gmail.com

Senior Academy: Thomas Jefferson's Grand Tour

Thomas Jefferson, our third President, was the drafter of the Declaration of Independence, our nation's first Secretary of State, and founder of the University of Virginia.

One of America's most colorful Presidents, Jefferson enjoyed

exploring. He savored new experiences: food, wine, architecture, inventions, and, most of all, speaking with the people who produced them. From 1784 to 1789, Thomas Jefferson, succeeding Benjamin Franklin, was the American ambassador to France. During his



tenure, he made a series of business and pleasure trips through France, the Netherlands, England (with John Adams), and to what is now Germany and Italy. Experience Mr. Jefferson's travels, how he prepared for them and recorded them, and learn about his advice to other Americans abroad.

One of Senior Academy's favorite lecturers, Susan McGough, will lead us on Jefferson's Grand Tour in a two-part course on April 4 and 18 at 2 p.m. at Foothill Center. Susan McGough received her master's degree in American Studies from the University of Hawaii. She has taught both American history and literature at the college level, for retirement communities, and for the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute in California and Ohio.

For the first time, Senior Academy is providing a zoom option for participating in this course. You may register to view both sessions on zoom if you prefer to watch remotely. There is a zoom registration link at VillagesSA.org.

Please register at VillagesSA.org, or by calling Karen Kosmala at 408-223-2620. Be prepared to leave your first and last name, email address, the name and date of the event and your house number. Also state if registration is for in person or via zoom.

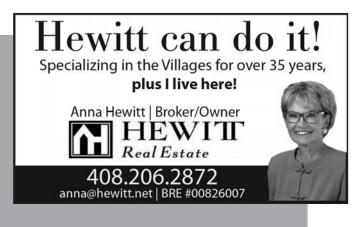
Get tickets for Dog Club's Spring Celebration Luncheon

The Villages Dog Club invites you to come, bring your friends, and join us at the **Spring Celebration Luncheon Fundraiser "Silent Auction"** April 1 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Foothill Center.



Tickets for \$20 each may be billed to your home account or make checks payable to the Villages Dog Club. Tickets will be at Will Call the day of event and includes sandwich, pasta salad, green salad, refreshments and desserts.

Contact Bonnie Taylor at taylorbonnie62@gmail.com or text 406-581-6122.



Villagers celebrate Holi—Festival of Colors



By Asra Batool

Between rainstorms, Holi, also known as the Festival of Colors, was celebrated on March 11, a day devoid of rain, which gave a festive group of Villagers a break from the downpour, and showered the revelers with sunshine instead.

The festivities started off at Vineyard Center with a group of Desis (people of South Asian descent) and their amazing friends of all nationalities. Everyone enjoyed some scrumptious Indian snacks, Chai (Tea), and Thandai (a milkbased drink with nuts), with Bollywood music videos being played on the big screen to get everyone in the mood, followed by some prizes.

We then headed to Gazebo Park to participate in Holi by throwing colored powder at each other. The practice of smearing each other with colored powder

is more than just good fun. It also signifies that there is no difference between caste, race, religion, or social status. Everyone is fair game for playfully throwing color at each other.

A good time was had by all, gleefully throwing color on each other in a true Holi Spirit, all screaming "Holi Hai" (It's Holi).

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Art in the Park to feature Dolores A. Escobar

By Stephanie Torres

Artists are busy creating new and amazing items to be displayed and sold at Art in the Park. Our featured artist Dolores

A. Escobar, comes in the form of prose, the written words that captivates us in its storytelling. Dolores's book "The Awesome Miss Seeds" is a true story of a woman educator who overcame her own disabilities and brought forth a teaching method that changed schools and teaching methods. Dolores has been a resident of the Villages



for 35 years. She was the Dean of Education at San Jose State University, she enjoyed tennis and was the club president. Dolores currently enjoys swimming and was an original organizer of the Senior Academy.

Meet this fascinating woman at Art in the Park on Saturday, April 22, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. at Gazebo Park. Look for her and her book "The Awesome Miss Seeds", and I'm sure she will autograph a copy for you. There will be more than 30 crafters and artisans this year so bring cash for your purchases.

Arts and Crafts exhibit coming April 14

By Michael Sunzeri



Arts and Crafts will be taking down our current Annual Members Juried Show on April 14. Our next exhibit will be hung on that very day in the Cribari Conference room. One of the artists in that AMJS show will now have her own show, which is well deserved. A feature article on this artist will follow next week.

In past years there have been many exhibit hangings in various places around The Villages like the lobby of the Clubhouse, the library, Post office, the Patio room, and the VMA office. The mainstay of all the hangings have been in the Cribari Conference room. That room is now the only room where we currently exhibit, for the most part.

Once we hang this exhibit on April 14, you should have several opportunities over the next months to see this-not to-miss showing when different events take place in that space. It will be there until October 20 for your viewing pleasure.

VMA President to speak at VMFSC meeting

On Tuesday, April 4, Mitzi Macon, President of the Villages Medical Auxiliary (VMA) will be the speaker at the Villages Men's Fun Social Club.



Mitzi became a part of VMA eight years ago because of a golf game with the prior President, Matti Alesi. Matti was so passionate about the organization and Mitzi was glad to join VMA. Over time, Mitzi has learned there are so many amazing volunteers that give so much of their time, skills, and energy to help fellow neighbors.

The VMA assists Villages residents to live independent lives as long as possible. The organiza-

tion helps residents and their families with referral services for individual care needs and concerns.

VMA was formed in 1976 and at first offered monthly blood pressure checks. Through the years, medical equipment has been accumulated through donations and is loaned free to Villagers. A professional social services coordinator is contracted and works in the Cribari office to link Villagers and their families with community services. Annually, this service coordinator handles more than 600 Villagers, providing over 1500 services.

The many scheduled free services VMA provides Villagers include transportation to medical/dental appointments, grocery shopping/meal delivery, blood pressure checks, medical equipment loan program, unneeded medication disposal, educational health and wellness programs, senior resource services, and charitable outreach. In addition to medical equipment donations, VMA accepts both golf carts and cars. The golf cart donations have been very successful here in the Villages.



Mitzi Macon

Plan on attending this presentation and hear Mitzi tell us more about this excellent Villages organization. Lunch reservations are required per the computer system referenced in the monthly Social Club newsletter.

Guests are invited to attend and should arrive at the Clubhouse about 12:30 p.m.

You're Invited to a Mind/Body Experience VMA Health Festival 2023 A free health fair **Exhibitors, Presenters & Screeners** Where: Cribari Center When: April 29 Saturday Time: 10 am to 2 pm

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RSVP for Educational Dental Talk

By Albert Chan

If you ever get nervous just thinking about going to the dentist, you're not alone. Perhaps you're scared the visit might hurt or you haven't been in a while and not sure what the dentist will find.

To help you overcome such fears, the Chinese Club has invited Dr. Lorna Okada, a prominent dentist practicing in San Jose for many years, to give you an education on what dental care is all about on Thursday evening, March 30 from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the Foothill Center. This talk is free and we are inviting all of you to participate. Please follow the instructions at the bottom of this article to get registered.

Dr. Okada is going to explain to you the various types of dental problems we encounter as we age, including Jaw Disorders, Teeth Grinding (Bruxism), Gum Disease (Gingivitis), Oral Cancer, Sensitive Teeth, Cavities, Tooth Decay, and many more. She will, of course, offer good advice and ways to prevent and/or alleviate such problems. Dr. Okada is also an expert in Cosmetic Dentistry, which has become a vital and important part of dental care and one of the fastest growing areas of dentistry. People choose cosmetic dental procedures for various reasons—to repair a defect such as a malformed bite or crooked teeth, treat an injury, or just improve their overall appearance.

Dr. Okada's talk will last about an hour with plenty of time left to answer questions which are pertinent to you.

Dr. Okada has enjoyed being a dentist since she graduated from University of the Pacific Arthur Dugoni School of Dentistry in San Francisco in 2001. Prior to that, she completed her undergraduate studies at University of the Pacific and spent a year after dental school at a residency program at University of California San Francisco.

To register for this talk, please either email me at cchan108@gmail.com or text me at (818) 618-2500, and provide the attendee(s)' first and last name.

Registration will be on the first-come-first-serve basis. Foothill Center is limited to just 100 attendees, so if you really want to attend, make sure you register as early as you can!

SATE: Putting Artificial Intelligence to work

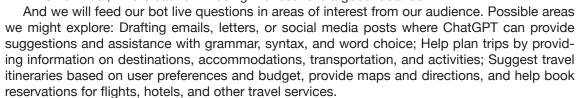
Join Senior Academy Technology Explorers' next meeting on Zoom, April 3 at 1:30 p.m.

In the March SATE meeting, Barry Sardis gave us a broad overview of how AI (Artificial Intelligence) is starting to be used to complement our current Internet management tools.

The response to this introduction was to raise curiosity among participants about exactly how it might be of value to Villagers.

In this follow-up presentation we will focus on how to set up your own account and get started on letting AI become your right-hand person.

We will look at: How and where AI can be useful, how to best interface with the new tool, where caution in using the results is a good idea too!



Join us for a down to earth look into this new tool and see how you might be able to exploit it at our regular monthly Zoom meeting on April 3 at 1:30 p.m. Register for this Zoom event on our website VillagesSA.org.

Villages Amateur Theatre's 'Spelling Bee' coming soon

By Sherle Frost

The "fourth wall" is a performance convention in which an invisible, imaginary wall separates actors from the audience. While the audience can see through this wall, the convention assumes the actors act as if they cannot. OK, but what would happen if the wall were removed?

In "The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee" by Rachel Sheinkin, the audience is in the Cribari Auditorium to cheer on their favorite primary school youngster. Perhaps your grandchild. Perhaps your neighbor's kid. Pick one of the six spellers to cheer for when they win and feel sorry for if they lose. Who will be the Spelling Bee Champion? Come and find out. The play will be



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FROM THE VILLAGES LIBRARY

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 Sherle Frost

Chat Bot

performed on April 21 at 7:30pm

and April 22 and 23 at 2:30pm.

Tickets are \$20 each and go on

sale Saturdays, April 8 and 15

in the Redwood/Terrace rooms

have seen "Spelling Bee" else-

where, please note that the lan-

guage in our version has been

modified to meet the "Grandma

Standard." So, yes, you can

bring your grandkids.)

(And for those of you who

at Cribari Center.

"Clive Cussler's Hellburner" by Mike Maden: When Juan Cabrillo fails to capture the leader of Mexico's most dangerous drug cartel and loses an Oregon crew member in the process, he's determined to get revenge. Little does he know that the explosion he just narrowly escaped was merely the latest flash of violence from a machine of war that has existed for decades, dating from the bloodiest episode in Armenia's history. Cabrillo's Corporation of mercenaries may have finally met its match in The Pipeline—a criminal syndicate passed down from father to son across generations. A group that sits with its finger on the trigger of a torpedo so deadly it could level entire cities. With millions of innocent civilians hanging in the balance, the Oregon's crew must unravel a tangle of drug-smuggling routes and international conspiracies spanning from the Aegean Sea to the Indian Ocean, putting their lives on the line to find the weapon before its countdown hits zero. Fiction, 2022.

"The Enigma of Room 622" by Joel Dicker: Translated by Robert Bononno. One night in December, a corpse is found in Room 622 of the Hotel Verbier, a luxury hotel in the Swiss Alps. A police investigation begins without definite end, and public interest wanes with the passage of time. Years later, the writer Joel Dicker, Switzerland's most famous literary ingenue, arrives at that same hotel. Little does Joel know that his expertise in the art of the thriller will come in handy when he finds himself investigating the crime. He'll need a Watson, of course: in this case, that would be Scarlett, the beautiful guest and aspiring novelist from the next room, who joins in the search while he tries to solve another puzzle: the plot of his next book. Meanwhile, in the wake of his father's passing, Macaire Ebezner is set to take over as president of the largest private bank in Switzerland. The succession captivates the news media, and the future looks bright, until it doesn't. Mystery, 2022.

(Continued on page 22)

Webmasters Unite! (Do you want to have a club website?)

A new club is being proposed to train new Villages webmasters and support existing ones. Villages clubs or member organizations that are interested are invited to join. There will be an informational meeting Monday, April 10 at 7 p.m. in the Montgomery Center.

We are looking to have at least 20 founding members. It helps to have some computer skills, but if you are comfortable with Microsoft Word or Excel, then you can create websites as well. We'll show you how. The new club will be called the "Villages Webmaster Guild".

If you are interested in learning or improving your skills and supporting your club, please contact David Cook, dc@argus.mx for more information.

Stay in touch with essential developments on Fast Lane!

Because of rapid and frequent developments in our world that directly affect our community, keeping informed is essential. And now more than ever, it is important to be up on the latest developments in your community. Get those vital updates by signing up for Fast Lane, The Villages email newsletter. It is both quick and easy and you can do it online or over the phone. To sign up or get more information, contact Communications Coordinator Ken Patterson at 408-223-4681; kpatterson@the-villages.com, or on the Villages Resident Portal: resident.thevillagesgcc.com

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

RELIGION

Muslims in The Villages mark Ramadan by fasting

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, kindness, compassion, generosity, and gratitude for God's blessings—begins March 23 this year and ends April 20. The Evergreen Islamic Center (EIC), about a mile from The Villages (Address: 2486 Ruby Ave) is the mosque that Muslims in the Evergreen Area attend to pray and reflect on their lives to serve God and their fellow Americans of all faiths. "So, where are you going?" asks a verse in the Quran, the Islamic Book of Divine Guidance. Where, indeed, am I going with my life? Is it aligned with God's expectations of me, or am I going astray from a combination of ego, ingratitude, impatience, greed, and other failings? The blessed month of Ramadan comes to remind us of our duties to God and to all human and sentient beings who share planet Earth with us.

Every Saturday during Ramadan, EIC will host the Iftar—breaking the fast at sunset—for the local community of all faiths. Anyone from The Villages who wants to experience the Iftar (dinner is served following the Iftar) may contact Hasan Z. Rahim at 408-613-5978 or email Hasan at hasanzr@msn.com.

EPISCOPAL

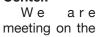
Saint Oscar of the Americas

By The Very Rev. Julia McCray-Goldsmith, Dean of Trinity Cathedral
There's a famous prayer, frequently but falsely attributed to
martyred Archbishop Oscar Romero, that finishes with the line
"we are ministers, not messiahs, we are prophets of a future
not our own." Although the process by which this prayer came
to be misattributed is obscure, I fully understand why people
might think he wrote it. Roman Catholic Oscar Romero—whom
the Episcopal Church honors as a saint this week—is a Christian witness for all of us. And really, a witness for all time. His
humility was such that he surely would have agreed that he was
a prophet of a future not his own. And indeed he gave his own
life for the future of the El Salvadoran people whom he served
as priest and pastor.

I was inspired by Oscar Romero's humble and prophetic ministry when I served as a missionary in Central America. He did not start out as a radical, nor even as a proponent of the liberation theology that had taken deep roots in Latin America. Romero faithfully adhered to Catholic teachings and longed for social change based on interior conversion. However, the increasing violence in El Salvador compelled him to speak up for the victims. In 2010, the United Nations proclaimed 24 March as the "International Day for the Right to the Truth Concerning Human Rights Violations and for the Dignity of Victims" in recognition of Romero's role in defense of human rights. This is also the day when the Episcopal Church recognizes him as a saint.

SEARCH THE SCRIPTURES

We missed you! Search the Scriptures is meeting at 10 a.m., March 27 at Vineyard Center.



second vand fourth Monday of each month.

Any questions, contact Everett Jacobson at 408-629-7210 or Ron Speer at 408-223-2025

COMMUNITY CHAPEL

'Enduring Faith in Tough Times'

By Pastor Bill Hayden

It is very challenging these days to keep your head up and mind clear when each day we are exposed to negative occurrences in the world. We must constantly guard our hearts from the destructive behavior of others to maintain peace of mind. If we succumb to the world's conflicts, then our ability to influence people to rely upon Christ' promised peace will be diminished. John 14:27 ESV "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid."

I know that as a nation we are at a crossroad and it will take all our efforts to bring peace to our land. So, I offer you this solution, as a step in the right direction... stay prayerful. If the statement "Prayer changes things" is true, then shouldn't we try praying?

Prayer is simply having a conversation with the Lord and allowing Him to give us wisdom and direction as we wait for Him to speak to our hearts. Prayer, especially in times of trouble, brings comfort, help, hope and blessings to us. Trouble may not totally disappear but prayer will enable us to endure as we submit to God and know that we are not alone.

Prayer opens our spiritual eyes to see God working amid the trouble. Prayer also brings us together in amazing ways to restore the faith of the faint of heart. During times of trouble, prayer along with meditation on God's word will drive away unbelief. We can be rescued from doubt and delivered from vain and foolish questioning concerning the will of God.

Without prayerfulness, people will continue to look to our leaders for answers to our conditions but the solution will continue to evade them. When we continue to look to man's wisdom we will end up with the same results.

May I humbly submit to you that prayer is the appropriate action for us to see God's hand amid our times of trouble. Let us look to Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith, in believing that all things will work together for our good because we love Him and He loves us.

One characteristics of our time is... "men are always learning and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth." (2 Timothy 3:7)

Psalms 50:15 NKJV "Call upon Me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you, and you shall glorify Me." If you need friendship, you can find it in our Chapel. Please join us at the Villages Community Chapel in Cribari Auditorium, every Sunday at 10 a.m. to be encouraged over the Word and enjoy a cup of coffee and cookies with friends. The chapel is a place for needs to be met, faith to be affirmed and new friends to embrace.

You can view our worship services on YouTube at Villages Community Chapel San Jose, CA.

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

'Raising of Lazarus' - 5th Sunday of Lent

By Robert A. Dolci, M.Div., M.A.

As we continue our Lenten journey, we can be assured of God's active presence in our lives, especially in times of crisis, because He has stated that God's word can be trusted. It's up to us to believe in His saving presence and to continue to act with and in the Spirit of Christ.

In the reading from Ezekiel (37:12-14), the prophet addresses the people of Judah during a terrible time in their history, their exile in Babylon. He urges the people to repent of their wrongdoing, strengthens their belief that Yahweh had not abandoned them and would restore them to their homeland, and affirms that God's word can be trusted. God will give them his Spirit, leading them from death to life!

St. Paul tells the Romans (8:8-11) that they were invited to share in the life of God via believing and acting in the Spirit of Jesus. When we are united with Christ, his Spirit is alive in us and enables us to commit ourselves to living according to the Spirit. And, just as God raised Jesus from the dead, so will God raise us to new life.

In today's Gospel, St. John (11:1-45) reveals more of who Jesus is via his seventh and final sign, the raising of Lazarus from the dead. Jesus goes to Mary and Martha so that ultimately his disciples would believe in Jesus as God's Son—the central theme of this Gospel. John proclaims that Jesus is the resurrection and the life and those who believe in him will live and never see eternal death. Jesus raises Lazarus so that all would believe and ultimately see God's glory.

So, as we journey toward Holy Week, let us affirm our faith in the risen Christ and demonstrate the presence of the Spirit in us by continually giving life to others by our good words and works.

Cribari Masses: 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. **Homebound communions:** Marilyn Rodman 408-274-4521. **Mass intentions:** Jean Gillette 408-270-5723.

Lenten Almsgiving opportunity: The Villages Catholic Community continues its year-round food and clothing drive for the needy. Bring your food and gently used personal items, like clothes, to the 8:15 a.m. Sunday Mass in Cribari. Canned goods with pull tabs are especially needed for the homeless, and don't forget canned fruit. If you don't attend the 8:15 Mass and want to donate, contact Leona Karayan at 408-223-2325 or travelwithleona@gmail.com. Glorify God by your actions!

Sports News

MEN'S GOLF CLUB



18-HOLE WOMEN

By Doug Moore, douglas.moore865@gmail.com **Upcoming Events**

2023 Men's 18 Hole Golf Club Member/ Member has been rescheduled for May 12 through 14 (for obvious reasons). Signups will start up again with the Pro Shop on March 25. Three-Day Match Play and Horserace among two-man teams. Catered lunch at Foothill Center Coffee/Donuts (three days).

April 8 - Spring Open - Team Play, Stableford, four-man, 2BB, Flighted. Signups will start up again with the Pro Shop on March 25 and run through April 6. Let them know if you need a playing partner(s) and they will help arrange a foursome.

May 13 - Memorial Day Tournament has been cancelled. We will reengage again next year.

2023 Evergreen Invitational - This year's Evergreen Invitational scheduled for July 13-15. This is a MGC Major, so plan accordingly to be there for the fun and festivities! Also, should you know a club member who may be interested in helping out, please direct them to Bill Morefield, the Evergreen Chairman at bill_morefield@yahoo.com. Remember, there are still a number of positions that remain to be filled and we would sincerely appreciate your help.

Just a Refresher: Have you seen the painted yellow lines in front of the greens? (If you didn't see them on #9 or #18, you may have gone too far) They are there to serve a purpose. They are to remind us that our golf carts are to remain behind said line and no closer to the green. This will help to improve the aesthetics and playability of areas around the front of our greens. And also, please don't drive your carts around the back of the greens. That is not allowed and is just frowned upon.

Golf Thoughts

What's the difference between a fisherman and a golfer? When a golfer lies, he doesn't have to bring any proof home. (Isn't that right Leo)?

"You are late for golf again, Kyle."

"Well, yes, Ted, it being a Sunday, I had to toss a coin to see if I should go to church or go and play golf."

"OK, but why are you so late?"

Kyle: "I had to toss it 20 times!

MGC E-mails—Are you receiving notification emails from the Men's 18 Hole Golf Club? If not, there is a simple fix. You may have accidentally unsubscribed from the scheduled emails. Please just let me know if you think you are one of those and I will send you an email to reconfirm you and get you back on track.

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**. The next meeting will be April 4.

Also, remember to visit our website at villagesgolfers.com for the latest Men's Golf Club information. Kyle Finley does a great job with the website, keeping us up to date with all of the latest information we need to know regarding the club.



By Chris Leisy



Millie Ann Schwerin got a hole in one on #11

Gonzales. This was her second. Congratulations, Millie Ann.

Birdies for the day were: Priscilla Piper on #2. Monica Saneholtz on #18. Birdies were Carol Zaccheo on #1, Reine Fedor #11, Priscilla on #12, Betty Sharps #17, Mary Jo O'Neill on #2 & #17. And of course, Millie Ann Schwerin on #11.

30 to April 13. Due to the rain the course will be aerated in March 29. This is going to be our Spring Fling. You can invite any women that has an 18 hole index. So get your foursome together and join the fun.

What a great St Patrick's/Charity Day! Not only was the weather beautiful, but we also had an exciting day.

The charity this year was the Alzheimer's Association. We had a guest speaker, Nancy Westcott, tell us about the new drugs that have just come out to help prevent advance memory loss. What a generous group we have. We raised to date \$8,850 and still increasing. Thanks to Gwen Bindon and Pat Sear for organizing this great event.

The game for the day was throw out your worst two holes. Low gross winner was Monica Saneholtz and low net was Vicki Krattli.

It was an exciting day for Millie Ann Schwerin. She had a hole in one on #11. It was a red flag and she used her 7 wood. Witnesses

were Camille Giuliodbari, Betty Sharps and Janet

Guest day has been postponed due from March



Nancy Westcott from Alzheimer's Association with Gwen Bindon, Charity Day organizer. Not pictured: Pat Sear

SWINGERS

By Bev Murphy

Since the Atmospheric River arrived on March 14, the St. Patrick's Day Shuffle Tournament was cancelled. But 55 Swingers still attended the general meeting and enjoyed a delicious lunch which was festive with the fun St. Patrick's Day table decorations, cupcakes and cookies.

Jeannie's luncheon theme was "What's New." Jeannie introduced the Board of Directors. She also reported that there are nine new members since January; we are an official 501(c)7 organization; we have a new accounting system; we are going to enhance Tuesday tournaments every other month and we are exploring monthly luncheons. She also talked about the Sunday newsletter with the week's information and a new Hole-in-One policy where the golfer will be presented with a \$100 gift card to the pro shop.

Scott gave a very informative update on the golf course activities which included what he is working on to keep the course in pristine shape. He discussed the one-person/two-person per golf cart issue and reported that the topic has been suspended for now.

Betty Garcia is heading up a committee for the Swingers' Charity of Choice "Play for Pink." PINK stands for Prevention, Immediate Diagnosis, New Technology & Knowledge. This foundation is for breast cancer research and is underwritten by Estee Lauder cosmetics. Because Estee Lauder underwrites the charity, 100 percent of the donations are used toward the charity's mission. When all the plans for the event are in place, we will pass them on to you.

March 29 - Play the Par 3 course and improve your short game. This is a 3:00pm shotgun start with cocktail time after golf at the Bistro. Contact Mary Wagle 408-829-4021 or marylwagle@ gmail.com to sign up.



April 11 - Sign up for the Shoni/Swinger mixer. Stop by any Tuesday (if it isn't raining) between 8:30 and 9:15 or contact Betty Hall 562-477-3016 or eahall49@yahoo.com

Mark Your Calendar for the Women's Nine Hole Invitational on Tuesday, June 13. \$110 includes breakfast, golf, cart, lunch, mulligan bag and cash prizes with \$5 of the entry fee supporting the WNHGA Corena Green Junior Golf Tournament.

BOCCE NEWS

By Barbara Orlando



Kerry Besmehn, Marie Colaizzi, Ken Colaizzi and Libby Nelson on Volunteer Appreciation Day

Best of luck to all participating.
Wendy Ledamun, along with Rich Bainbridge, are back from Egypt and she's ready to continue

her duties as social director, by planning our next social event on Wednesday, April 26. More information will be in future issues of the Villager, but for now please put this "save the date" on your calendar.

Note: Our website address has changed to villagesbocce.vgcc.club. Please use this address when accessing our club's website.

Did You Know? When a player is in the player's box, talking near the players box should stop until after they roll their ball. Talking while someone is rolling can be distracting.



I've included a couple photos from our Bocce Club's Volunteer Apprecia-

tion Day which took place in January.

Members who volunteered in 2022

were invited to an outing at Troy's in

Morgan Hill. Around 65 volunteers

were able to attend and have a good

of the Spring Mixer Tournament and

teams are getting to know their fel-

low team members. The weather has

been a test on nerves, but everyone

is working around it. There are 32

teams, competing in this year's Mixer.

It's the end of the second week

Robert Bianchi, Gary Guiffre, Shel Schumaker and Lee Thompson on Volunteer Appreciation Day

PICKLEBALL

Serving Tips for Beginners and Friendly Reminders for All

By Joyce Kludt

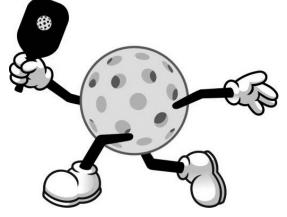
The Board and other players are so happy when we see new friendly faces on our courts!

The best thing our beginning pickleballers can do is to simplify their serve. This will dramatically

improve your game. Improving your skills takes lots of on-court practice and hundreds of shots. But, unlike other aspects of the game, the basic serve is mostly mindset and mental preparation.

During the game you have to make split-second decisions, but the serve is the rare time that you are in total control of where and how you will hit the ball. Much of the serve is mental, so you can visualize and "practice" your serve off the court.

1. Pre-Serve Routine: Come up with a simple routine that works for you. You don't need to bounce the ball 10 times and spin in a circle every time you serve. If you have to think about it, it's too complicated. It should become an automatic pattern that will help keep your serve consistent.



In the NBA, the best players have a simple routine every time they're at the free-throw line.... and they hit close to 90 percent of their shots.

2. Pick Your Target. Aim for the middle of your opponent's service area. As your skills improve, you can try to hit it deep and use other strategies. For now, just get it in!

3. Don't try to ace your pickleball serve. It's not going to happen consistently. You only get one serve attempt in PB compared to two in tennis. So, being too aggressive on your serve will cost you valuable points.

You win games by getting the ball over the net. Let your opponent make the errors. Practice!! As you improve, you will automatically add speed and power to your serve. But to start, keep it simple.

(It was pointed out to me that in a recent article I mistakenly said that the server's partner must have their feet behind the service line during the serve. This is not a requirement, but is definitely a suggestion.)

We're so happy to have more and more beginners joining the wonderful Villages Pickleball Club! Happy Days Ahead!

TABLE TENNIS

Brush off those paddles!



10,000 steps a day for your health may also bore you to tears! A half hour playing Ping Pong gives you a good workout, is fun and you get to meet a lot of nice people too.

If it has been a while (or even an eon) since you last played any table tennis we would like to invite you to our Friday

afternoon novice sessions. From 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. our dedicated Montgomery Table Tennis facility invites you to find out why you enjoyed playing so many years ago. Club members will be standing by during this session to guide and coach you in the rules and skills needed to have fun and get that all important workout.

Contact Tony Berg, Novice Coordinator (anthonydberg@gmail. com) for more information—or just turn up on Friday!

Men's 18 Hole Golf Club Spring Open

When: Saturday, April 8, 2023

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

Format: Stableford; 4-Man, 2BB

Signup: March 25 through April 6 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% of April 6 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: \$47 - This includes sweeps, and green fees. **Food:** Coffee and Donuts from 6:45 a.m. to 8 a.m.

IRONMEN

By Bill Travis and Jerry Juracich

The Ironmen are now in afternoon play currently gathering every Thursday afternoon at 1:00PM with a shotgun start, sweeps, birdie pool, and closest to the pin.

On Thursday, March 16, 2023, it was sunny and clear. A great day for some golf. Sixteen Ironmen played.

It was Patrick McMordie's last round of golf at The Villages as he and his wife are heading to Florida. All our best, Patrick!

Golfer of the day went to Doug Herring with a second-place finish, a birdie, and closest to the flag. Way to go, Doug!

Third place was a three-way tie between Patrick McMordie, Prakash Deshmukh, and Bob Lapidus each with net 27s. **Second place** went to Doug Herring with a net 26, and **first place** went to David Cook with a net 25.

There were four birdies by: Al Bruno, David Cook, Doug Herring and Mike Schwerin.

Closest to the flag went to Doug Herring at 2 feet 10 inches. **Low gross** went to Al Bruno with a gross 29.

If any of you reading this are considering joining a men's 9 hole, par 3 group, we would love to add new members. We are a very sociable group, and don't put much emphasis on being great golfers. And, the first round is on us. Just call Jerry Juracich at 408-440-8283.

Deep Thoughts:

"Every generation or so there emerges a golfer who is a little bit better than anybody else. I believe Ballesteros is one of them. On a golf course he's got everything. I mean everything: touch, power, know-how, courage and charisma." - Lee Trevino talking about Seve Ballesteros, two-time winner of the Masters and three-time winner of the (British) Open Championship

"I look into their eyes, I shake their hand, pat their back, and wish them luck, but I am thinking, 'I am going to bury you.'" - Seve Ballesteros

FROM THE PRO



By Scott Steele, PGA Head Golf Professional

Spring Aerification – Postponed and rescheduled due to wet weather

Monday, March 27 – Back Nine closed all day for greens aerification – Montgomery & Vineyard Chipping Greens closed all day for aerification – Front-9 Open for a 12 p.m. Shotgun – Putting Green Open – Par-3 Course Open

Tuesday, March 28 – All golf facilities closed all day for completion of aerification including the 18-Hole Course, the Par-3 Course, all practice greens, the Driving Range and the Pro Shop

Wednesday, April 5 - Par-3 Course closed all day for greens aerification

Summer Golf Schedule Changes:

Monday: Open Shotgun 1 p.m. - Driving Range open until 3 p.m.

Tuesday: Swingers - 8:45 a.m. Shotgun - Shonis - Par-3 Course 9:30 a.m.

Thursday: Ironmen Par-3 Course 10 a.m.

Tuesday-Sunday: Last tee Time 5 p.m. for the month of March

Pro Shop - Closes at 5 p.m. through March

Get Golf Ready - Beginner Golf Clinics start in March—Do you want to learn about golf and how to play? The Get Golf Ready Beginner Clinics are the place to be! Designed for the true beginner, Get Golf Ready Beginner Clinics will introduce you to all aspects of the game of golf and set you on your way toward a lifetime of enjoyment playing golf. You will enter a novice – you will leave a golfer!

Saturday, March 25, 11 a.m. - Introduction to the Game of Golf

Saturday, April 1, 11 a.m. - Sort Game Fundamentals - Putting & Chipping

Saturday, April 8, 11 a.m. - Full Swing Fundamentals - Introduction to the Golf Swing

Saturday, April 15, 11 a.m. - Full Swing Fundamentals - Fairway Shots

Saturday, April 22, 11 a.m. - Full Swing Fundamentals - The Driver

Saturday, April 29, 11 a.m. - Play the Par-3 Course

This series of beginner clinics is currently sold out – you can sign up for the waiting list or there will be another beginner golf series of clinics in May.

Taylor Made Fitting/Demo Day—Friday, April 7 from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. Introducing the allnew Stealth 2 HD, combining the elements of speed and forgiveness to unlock **fargiveness**. It was already fast. Now, they made it even more forgiving. Building on the speed producing success of the original 60X Carbon Twist Face, the new design features an enhanced version of Inverted Cone Technology to help maintain ball speed on off-center strikes and increase forgiveness. Compared to the original Carbonwood, Stealth 2 HD features nearly twice the amount of carbon. It is constructed using a new Carbon Reinforced Composite Ring and collectively utilizes more of the lightweight material than any driver in TaylorMade history. Their advanced application of carbon allows for the redistribution of mass for more forgiveness and stability. **Call the Pro Shop to book an appointment** – this will be the only way to guarantee that the Callaway fitter will work with you personally.

New in the Pro Shop—Wilson Duo Golf Balls – the lowest compression golf balls in the World – 40 compression perfect for low swing speeds. Taylor Made Stealth 2 woods featuring "Fargiveness" carbon technology – maximum forgiveness and distance combined. Callaway Paradym woods with an expanded carbon crown – providing the best Distance, Forgiveness, and Adjustability. Titleist ProV1 and ProV1x golf balls – new larger high gradient core for higher speeds, optimal trajectory and spin. Titleist ProV1x Left Dash golf balls – The in between ProV1 and ProV1x – firmer feel than ProV1x, high speed low spin. Titleist Q-Mark leather gloves for men and women featuring the removable Villages Logo Ball Mark. Cobra Golf Aerojet Woods with their new Power-Bridge technology providing faster ball speeds-Demos available. Taylor Made TP5 and TP5X balls now available in optic yellow.

Pro Shop Sale Items—Srixon Soft Feel Balls – Buy 2 Dozen Get 1 Dozen *free*. Villages logo golf bags – Buy a logo bag and receive one Free Round of Golf.

Tips from the Pro - Experimentation Leads to Results

A round of golf is very dynamic and will throw many different scenarios at you. Your ball might be stuck behind a tree, on a steep uphill lie, or catch an awkward lie in the greenside rough. This is exactly why you need to make experimentation a part of every practice session. Do you ever practice recovery shots? Well, you should... You see, golf is the only sport in which you do not practice and play on the same field. In baseball, you practice on the same diamond you play games on, in swimming you practice in the same pool that you swim meets in, and in football you practice on the same field on which you play the games. But in golf, we practice at a driving range off fake grass, and we chip and putt on a green with a dozen holes cut into it. And we usually have many, many golf balls when we practice, which we all know is not the reality of golf. Therefore, in order to make golf practice truly useful, we need to experiment a bit. So try different things when you practice to simulate those scenarios you will ultimately have to face on the course. Tap in to that experimental and creative side that you have. And although we do not practice golf on the golf course that we play on, experimenting will go a long way.

Here are some examples of things you can try:

1. Try hitting low punch shots with your 4-iron (like hitting from under a tree), or try hitting hooks or slices with your 6-iron (like hitting around a tree), or try hitting a very high shot with

Golf Cart Yellow Lines Initiative

As part of the Villages continuing Culture of Care initiative for our 18-Hole golf course, in January of 2023 we will begin the installation of yellow ground paint lines in front of the green complexes to clearly define the 30-foot golf cart restriction area at each green as prescribed in Golf Rule 1.14 Section 8-J:

8-J. Carts are to be kept on the cart path around all green

complexes and teeing grounds. Carts must be kept a minimum of 30-feet from the green apron and are not permitted within the perimeter of greenside bunkers.

The yellow lines will take the place of stakes and ropes and serve as a visual reference point defining where golf carts cannot advance any closer



The golf course yellow lines

to the green apron according to the 30-foot perimeter mandate in Rule 1.14, Section 8-J.

The former use of stakes and ropes for this purpose proved to be a challenge due to the following factors: Visually and aesthetically unappealing - Unsightly

Physical hindrance to golf shots – Formed an obstruction for advancing golf balls

Labor intensive – stakes and ropes were constantly moved, removed, and knocked down

Expense – the cost of attaining enough stakes and rope for each hole is very high

The yellow ground lines will serve as a better option than stakes and roping for the following reasons: Less Obtrusive – yellow ground lines will not create an above ground obstruction to golf shots approaching the green

Aesthetically Subtle – yellow ground lines will be more visually appealing than above ground stakes and roping

Permanence – yellow ground lines cannot be moved, knocked over or completely removed

It is important for the condition of the green complexes and associated turf to keep cart traffic a minimum of 30-feet from each green apron and outside the perimeter of the greenside bunkers. Cart traffic allowed too close to the greens damages turf, creates unsightly tire ruts and results in unfavorable playing conditions as the turf becomes thin, compacted, compressed and, in some cases, permanently damaged.

your 9-iron (like hitting over a tree).

- 2. Throw some balls in the deepest part of the rough around the practice green and try to dig
- them out and chip them close.

 3. Bury a ball in the face of a bunker and climb in and hit it out onto the green.
- 4. Practice putting with only one ball one try per putt.

Figuring out how to alter your technique and adapt to difficult scenarios will prove invaluable during your rounds! And you can accomplish this by practicing and experimenting on them first. Most golf tips don't discuss what happens when things go wrong on the course, but all great golfers know how to deal with all kinds of adversity. So the next time you practice, experiment a little, think outside the box, and practice things you can actually use on the golf



course to help you score better. To sign up for a lesson with me, email ssteele@the-villages.com

SHONIS

By Betty Hall



Low gross winners Meg Rogers and Teddy Morse

Well, Mother Nature just really doesn't like us Tuesday golfers. We got rained, or should I say, deluged out, again as well as blown away. And next week doesn't look any better. I feel like maybe we should be building an Ark.

On March 7, we had our monthly Captain's Trophy game. Pictured are two of our winners for low gross, Meg Rogers and Teddy Morse. And we award a newcomers Trophy to a Shoni who doesn't have their 20 games yet but golfed well enough to get a low net trophy. Pictured is our newcomer winner for two months in a row, Rose Loy.

Until we actually get to golf again, we are looking forward to the Shoni/ Swinger mixer scheduled for April 11.

Currently all slots are full but we are starting a wait list in case someone has to withdraw. We have golf prizes plus cash for different categories that will be awarded at the luncheon following at Vineyard Center. Please contact me, Betty Hall,



Newcomer award winner Rose Loy

at eahall49@yahoo.com if you are signed up and need to pay the entry fee.

We are also looking forward to our annual Eclectic event starting April 18, running through
June 6. We have eight games to better our scores for gross and net prizes. Always a fun event.

TENNIS TALK

By Sherry Benz

The Tennis Club's annual Open House is right around the corner and you don't want to miss it! Join us on the courts Tuesday, March 28 from 1 to 3 p.m. for an afternoon of exciting activity planned by our club's tennis professional, Brett Foreman. He describes it as "Tennis Olympics with a Carnival Theme." Not sure if there will be medals or stuffed animals!

Tennis Anywhere in Los Gatos will provide demos of some of the newest racquets for you to try. Come shod in tennis shoes for "on the court" fun. There will be prizes, games and the traditional strawberry shortcake! No reservations required. Questions? Contact Harry Soin (harrysoin@gmail.com) or Nancy Spisar (nancy.spisar@gmail.com)

Jump Start kicks off at the Tennis Club Open House. Thanks to our Villager "experts" Gail & Mike Tuft, Jim Murphy and Peggy Siedel who are returning to help you learn and improve your strokes. They are some of the best players in our club and have a wealth of information to share with you. Jump Start will meet on successive Tuesday afternoons beginning April 4 for 10 weeks from 5 to 6 p.m. Don't have a racquet? No worry, we have racquets donated by our members and would love to give you one. This is a wonderful opportunity to learn, meet others at your playing level and ... all free of cost! Questions? Contact Sherry Benz (408-223-6882 or sabenz@sbcglobal.net.)

The Prescott charity tournament was held Saturday, March 18 and the results will be reported next week.

Also, League Tennis is off to a rainy start, but be sure to come watch Saturday and Sunday, March 25 and 26, and Wednesday, Thursday, March 29 and 30...all at 1:30 p.m.

PINSEEKERS

By Jim White

On Friday March 17, we received an unexpected break in our wet and soggy winter. Sixteen Pinseekers hit the fairway and played some of our best golf in a while. Of course, we haven't been playing much due to the wet conditions.

It was fun getting back to battling for Championship points and Sweeps. The top of the score sheet this day had Martin Hoek at net 34, earning four Championship Points and \$4 in sweeps; Choo Kim and Jim White both recorded a net 35, each grabbed three Champion Points and \$3 in sweeps; next was a three-way tie for third place at net 36, Par, Larry Chin, Jack Bindon, and Don Lee each received two Champ Points and \$2 in sweeps. Wrapping up the weekly winners' chase was a tie between Frank Garcia and Jim Keane, posting net 38 and snagging one Champ point and \$1 in sweeps.

Our President, Lee Thompson, has advised all Pinseekers that our weekly tee times will revert to Thursday mornings with the first group off the tee at 8 a.m. We begin on May 5 with a course wide Shotgun start for all players at 8 and continue with the morning tee times through the end of October. Also, on May 5, to celebrate the return to our "normal" tee times, we will have a "no host" lunch at the clubhouse following the conclusion of our round. We should be getting back to the clubhouse around 10 a.m. and have some time to turn in our score cards, clean our clubs and socialize before it's time to eat.

As March ends, we say farewell to one of our most active members, Patrick McMordie, who is moving to Florida, land of eternal golf and near eternal humidity. We wish you a safe trip and a wonderful life in the other Sunshine State.

Play The Par 3 Course Wednesday, March 29

3 p.m. shotgun start Contact Mary Wagle to sign up at marylwagle@ gmail.com or call or text 408-829-4021

Play the Par 3 Course and **improve your short game!** Sign up individually or with a foursome by March 27. This is open to all Villagers and their families and/or friends.

Cocktail time after golf in the bistro.

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MEXICAN DOMINOES

Wednesday, March 15

Berta Escamilla 85 Sylvia Rozewicz 125 Audrey Osuna 243

Friday, March 17

Gerhard Ringel 238 Maribeth Berlie 243 Remy Pessah 326

18-HOLE

Thursday, March 16

Flight One:

Low Gross: Monica Saneholtz - 72 Low Net:

1. Vicki Krattli - 60 2. Priscilla Piper - 60

Flight Two: Low Gross:

Marky Olsen - 80 Low Net -Karen Harsany - 61 2. Diana Hallock - 61

3. Gloria Landry - 63

4. Betty Sharps - 63

5. Chris Leisy - 63

Flight Three:

Low Gross: Joyce Mukuno - 90 Low Net -

Donna Quartaro - 62

- 2. Jeanne Duce 64
- 3. Inge McQuiddy 65
- 4. Dianne Doughty 66

2 Tees:

Low Gross: Gail Tuft - 83 Low Net - Edie Herbst - 64 2. Judy Frey - 62

- 3. Margaret Davies-White 63
- 4. Sue Daughtrey 65

BOCCE

Spring Mixer Tournament 2023 Week #1

Monday, March 13 10 a.m.

FiFo 1-1 Your Friendly Bankers 1-1 Bocce Seniors 1-1 12:30 p.m. Bocce Stars 2-0

3 p.m. **MVPS 1-1** Easy Rollers 1-1

Bocce Boomers 1-1 Bocce Bombers 2-0 The Bocce Brigade 0-2 The Palominos Two 0-2 Rolling Rock 0-2 Beginners Choice 2-0

Wednesday, March 15

10 a.m. New Beginnings 1-1 Bocci Busters 1-1 12:30 p.m. Turn the Paddle 2-0

> Joy of Bocce 0-2 Eager Rollers 2-0 Bocce Brawlers 0-2

Crunchy Rollers 0-2

Best Bocce 1-1 Rock and Roll 1-1 Bocce Bollards 1-1 OOP! I Did It Again 1-1 The Village People 0-2 Magnificent 7 2-0

Thursday, March 16

3 p.m.

Here We Roll Again 2-0 Bocce Blazers 1-1 10 a.m. 3 p.m. Spring Chickens 2-0

Hope For the Best 0-2 Bocce Boot Campers 1-1 Bocce Beatles 0-2 Heart Warmers 2-0

BRIDGE

Monday, March 13: 1. Mary LeGrand - Lorrie Scott 2. Jonna Robinson - Roy Tsai 3. Alan Waltho - Maureen Waltho

Friday, March 17: 1. Ed Logg - Jonna Robinson 2. Lorrie Scott - Guest 3. Carol Reid - Bash Singh

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Slice of Humor

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My neighbor and his sister are notorious yakkers. They can hold court on any subject. One day, he called her. All he had to say was "Hi," and that launched her into a marathon session, going on about this, that, and the other.

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From the Library...

(Continued from page 16)

"Going Rogue: Rise and Shine Twenty-Nine" by Janet Evanovich: Monday mornings aren't supposed to be fun, but they should be predictable. However, on this particular Monday, Stephanie Plum knows that something is amiss when she turns up for work at Vinnie's Bail Bonds to find that longtime, reliable office manager Connie Rosolli, hasn't shown up. Stephanie's worst fears are confirmed when she gets a call from Connie's abductor. He says he will only release her in exchange for a mysterious coin that a recently murdered man left as collateral for his bail. Unfortunately, this coin, which should be in the office-just like Connie-is nowhere to be found. The quest to discover the coin, learn its value, and save Connie will require the help of Stephanie's Grandma Mazur, her best pal Lula, her boyfriend Morelli, and hunky security expert Ranger. As they get closer to unraveling the reasons behind Connie's kidnapping, Connie's captor grows more threatening and soon Stephanie has no choice but to throw caution to the wind, follow her instincts, and go rogue. Mystery, 2022.

"Hell and Back" (Walt Longmire #18) by Craig Johnson: A new novel in the beloved New York Times bestselling Longmire series. Picking up where Daughter of the Morning Star left off, the next Longmire novel finds the sheriff digging further into the mysteries of the wandering without-a mythical all-knowing spiritual being that devours souls. Walt thinks he might find the answers he's looking for among the ruins of an old Native American boarding school—an institution designed to strip Native children of their heritage. He has been haunted by the image of the Fort Pratt Industrial Indian Training School ever since he first saw a faded postcard picturing a hundred boys in uniform, in front of a large, ominous building—a postcard that was given to him by Jimmy Lane, the father of Jeanie One Moon. After Walt's initial investigation into Jeanie's disappearance yielded no satisfying conclusions, Walt has to confront the fact that he may be dealing with an adversary unlike any he has ever faced before. Mystery, 2022.

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MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE

Cribari

5500-5576—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control in progress.

5001-5076—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control. 3/27-3/31.

Cribari Heights and Cribari Corners — Shrub beds drip installation (except ivy ground cover area) in progress.

5452—Dry rot repairs in progress.

Cribari Green — Dry rot repairs in progress prior to painting project. Gutter cleaning in progress throughout the district.

Del Lago

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

3101-3134 and 3201-3243—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control, 3/27-3/31.

Common Areas — Treatment for voles, moles, gophers and ground squirrels (Rozol Vole Bait, Talpirid, Gopher Coetter Type 2 Bait, Rodent Bait Diphacinone .005% and .01%), scheduled for 3/27.

8809-8875—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control, 4/3-4/7.

Turf, shrub beds, street cracks, weed herbicide spray throughout the district (Roundup Pro Max EPA.REG.N0.524-579 and Turflon Ester EPA.REG.N0.6219-566), in progress.

8876—2 Irrigation controllers pedestal cabinet replacement in progress.

Fairways

4001-4024—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control. 5/1-5/5.

Glen Arden

7698-7752 and 7753-7787 (odd)—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control, 4/17-4/21.

7822, 7824, 7833, 7835 and 7837—Painting project in progress, weather permitting.

Heights

8480-8505—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control, 4/10-4/14.

Mowing down ivy ground cover beds in progress throughout the district.

8487—Stucco wall replacement, in progress.

8503—Storm drain repairs, in planning.

Hermosa

8005-8032, 8100-8121 and lower Chardonay Lake area—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control, 4/17-4/21.

Mowing down ivy ground cover beds in progress throughout the district.

8400-8423—Utility door repairs in progress.

8429—Sewer lateral repairs in planning.

Chardonay Lake—Walkway repairs in planning, weather permitting.

Highland

7500-7573—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control, 3/27-3/31.

Shrub beds, street cracks and weed herbicide spray throughout the district (Roundup Pro Max EPA.REG.N0.524-579), in progress. Mowing down ivy ground cover beds in progress throughout the district.

Lighting replacement project in progress throughout the district, weather permitting.

Montgomery

6001-6068 and 6127-6136—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control, 4/3-4/7.

Dead/dying tree removals at various locations, in planning. Common Areas—Treatment for voles, moles, gophers and ground squirrels (Rozol Vole Bait, Talpirid, Gopher Coetter Type 2 Bait, Rodent Bait Diphacinone .005% and .01%), scheduled for 3/27. 6358—Sewer line repairs in planning, weather permitting.

6317—Trash enclosure repairs in progress.

6282—Dry rot repairs in progress.

Olivas

8646-8650 and 8665-8712—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control in progress.

8600-8645, 8651-8664 and Vineyard Center—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control, 3/27-3/31. Shrub beds, street cracks weed herbicide spray throughout the

district (Roundup Pro Max EPA.REG.N0.524-579) in progress. Mowing down ivy ground cover beds in progress throughout the district.

Turf, weed herbicide spray in progress throughout the district (Turflon Ester EPA.REG.N0.6219-566).

8769-8795—Lighting replacement project in progress, weather permitting.

8736—Slab leak repairs in progress.

Sonata

2000-2024 and 2032-2064—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control, 5/1-5/5.

Common Areas — Treatment for voles, moles, gophers and ground squirrels (Rozol Vole Bait, Talpirid, Gopher Coetter Type 2 Bait, Rodent Bait Diphacinone .005% and .01%), scheduled for 3/27.

Valle Vista

9048-9066—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control in progress.

9037-9047 and 9067-9072—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control, 3/27-3/31.

9019-9027 and 9051-9060 – Fire fuel management 5-foot zone, vegetation clearing behind patios and between units in progress, weather permitting.

Turf, shrub beds, street cracks weed herbicide spray throughout the district (Roundup Pro Max EPA.524-579), scheduled to start the week of 3/20, weather permitting.

Roof eave repairs in progress, weather permitting.

Verano

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

7001-7060 and 7395-7404—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control, 5/1-5/5.

Dead/dying tree removals at various locations, in planning. Verano West Entrance, 7204, 7208, hillside by 7300 Via Granja and Via Laguna—Turf conversion projects, in planning.

Turf, shrub beds, street cracks weed herbicide spray throughout the district (Roundup Pro Max EPA.524-579), scheduled to start the week of 3/20, weather permitting.

7014—Dry rot repairs in progress.

Association

Common Areas—Treatment for voles, moles, gophers and squirrels (Rozol Vole Bait, Talpirid, Gopher Coetter Type 2 Bait, Rodent Bait Diphacinone .005% and .01%), every Monday. Irrigation repairs throughout the Villages, in progress.

General fallen tree debris clean up in progress throughout the Villages.

Club Centers

Foothill, Montgomery and Cribari Pool—Scheduled to open 4/1. Public Safety Plaza—Lighting repairs in planning. Gutter cleaning scheduled to start 3/27.

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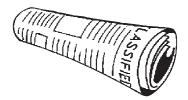
Notices

WANTED! \$500 REWARD

Information on female(?) driver of white car that sideswiped my car parked on Cribari Lane and fled scene Friday noon March 17. Pls. help, my insurance will not cover \$2,500 of est. repair. White car will evidence damage on passenger side.

Contact: Public Safety or Len Silverfine. 5341 Cribari Dell 917-225-5500

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No Host Cocktails at 5:30 p.m. Two Course Served Dinner: Assorted Rolls & Butter Chicken Piccata Rice & Seasonal Vegetables Dessert: Brownie A la Mode

\$24.94 Plus Service Charge & Tax per guest An additional \$1 is then added for the VMA

Come join us for Bingo & Dinner at the Clubhouse on Wednesday, April 19. Reservations can be made by calling The Clubhouse Special Event Line at 408-754-1339 or e-mail at theclubhouse@the-villages.com. Reservations for all size parties are accepted with a maximum of 8 guests per table. If you wish to organize a table of friends, only one person needs to call but must furnish the guest names and house numbers for all players. Bingo cards will be sold (three for \$5 or \$2 each) in the reception area starting at 5:30 p.m.

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Clubhouse - Sunday, April 9th, 2023 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 and Fresh Fruit Display Domestic and Imported Cheese Display Easter Egg Candies

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 New York Sirloin

Under the Chafers Scrambled Eggs

Country Fried Potatoes Pork Links, and Hickory Smoked Bacon Eggs Benedict and Cheese Blintz Salmon with Creamy Dill Sauce 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

\$62.95 plus service charge and tax per person Children 5-12 - \$22.95 plus service charge and tax per person Children 4 and under free

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

What are you going to do with that old golf cart?

You know you want to get a new cart, but what do you do with the old one? You don't have the time or any interest to fix it up. You absolutely don't want to put more money into it. You need to make room for the new one that's arriving in a few days.

The answer is simple. Donate that beauty to the VMA!

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

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

The donated carts are available for Villagers to purchase. Contact the VMA office (408-238-4230) to put your name on the waiting list.

And please remember that the VMA also graciously accepts donations of cars!

When you can, take some time to visit the VMA website. You'll be amazed by all the helpful information that you possibly may not have been aware of. Go to vmavillages.org

Report Coyote Activity

Please report all coyote sightings to Public Safety and Vector Control at the following email addresses:

- · 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.



Safety Vests available at VMA office

Have you heard that song about the dead critter in the middle of the road? The poor critter got that way because an oncoming driver could not see it until the very last second when the car was right on top of it in the darkness of night—a recipe for disaster.

When walking at night, make sure you're visible to oncoming drivers so you don't have anything in common with that critter. Wearing bright or reflective clothing will help tremendously, or you could go to the VMA office and pick up a reflective Safety **Vest**. We can arrange to have a supply on hand during our office hours of 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday.

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