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CHANNEL 27: Currently playing

- Fitness Center
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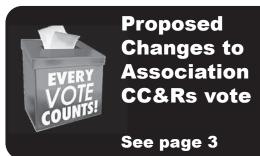
## Join us for free Piano Open Studio concert

Spring brings new growth and energy. Warmer weather entices us to go somewhere, to enjoy the company of friends. The Piano Open Studio invites you to a free concert on Sunday, May 14 at 2:30 p.m. in Cribari Auditorium. Come hear your friends and neighbors refresh your love for the piano with their inspired creativity.

Five performers will enchant us with a variety of piano music genres—classical, musical theater, and perhaps a few surprises. You are invited to meet with the performers and enjoy refreshments in the CCR (Cribari Conference Room) following the concert.



Pianists (left to right) Larry Broderick, Ciel Duke, Karen Carlson, Charlotte Dickson, and Vera Johnston.



# Meet the Board Candidates

**See pages 15 - 18** 

## Modified Golf Course Walking Schedule

The following dates in May will have a modified golf course walking schedule:

**Monday, May 15**—Women's Team Play Tournament—walkers permitted on the golf course before 8:30 a.m. and after 5:30 p.m. *only*.

**Monday, May 29**—Memorial Day Holiday—pedestrians on the golf course permitted before 7 a.m. and after dusk *only.* 

Be safe! Thanks for your cooperation!

## Lively day at VMA Health Festival



Festivalgoers participate in shoulder stretch exercises at the Golf for Life presentation at VMA's Thrive~Together Festival.

Cribari Center rang with laughter, learning, and connection at the VMA-sponsored Health Festival, Thrive~Together! Held April 29, Villages residents engaged with more than 50 exhibitors, speakers, health professionals. From bone density to brain health to chair massage, to heart well-being, to VMA onthe-spot repairs of walkers and wheelchairs, all interacted. The Villages added to the zest with pickleball, golf swing practice, exhibits of art, quilts, knitting, stitchery and woodworking. Activity demos included Morning Exercise, Tai Chi, Line Dancing, and Yoga for Strength and Flexibility. Many cheers to the VMA and its volunteers for a fun and successful event!



Maria Cura Castro of Hearts & Mind Activity Center takes questions from festival attendees.

(More photos on page 18)

## Village Voices 'Seasons of Love' concert is this Friday & Sunday

The Village Voices invites you to join us for one of our matinee performances of "Seasons of Love" today (Friday, May 5) or Sunday, May 7 at 2:30 in Cribari Auditorium. General seating tickets are available to purchase at the door for \$20.

Our choral director, Catherine Ellacer, will wow you with her solo piece "Think of Me" from "Phantom," while Tamara Welsh, our pianist, dazzles you with her rendition of "Can't Help Falling in Love with You." All the choir, soloists, and ensembles look forward to providing you with a very entertaining afternoon of musical delights. We'll also have our popular drawings and refreshments served during intermission in the Conference Room.

Did you know that coming to our concert and listening to music can be a stress release for you? It helps lift your spirits and is a gateway to recalling fond memories. We are certain there will be familiar songs you'll be humming or singing along with or tapping your foot to. Treat yourself to an afternoon with us for our "Seasons of Love" concerts. It's bound to put a smile on your face and a song in your heart.

# 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 LETTER.

3 Pulse letters received this week.

0 Pulse letters not meeting Pulse Letter Guidelines.

3 Pulse letters published this week.

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

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.

My sincere thanks to the members of the VMA and the residents of the Villages. The Greater San Jose Lions Clubs have been working with the VMA to collect cell phones, hearing aids and used eyeglasses. Cells phones are reworked and changed into 911 only phones. These phones are donated directly to domestic violence abatement centers. The hearing aids are redone and donated to veterans' centers for their clients. In California, used or returned eyeglasses cannot be resold. Working with a major corporation, our Lions Clubs have received over 650,000 pairs of used eyeglasses since the summer of 2021. These glasses have been inspected to see if they are usable, then cleaned and had their prescriptions determined for reuse. They are then shipped all over the world for distribution. Villagers have also donated toiletries including shampoo, conditioner, soap, lotion, toothbrushes, and paste, combs, razors, and clothing for donation to the Grateful Garment. These items are used for victims of sexual assault. In our last drive, Villagers donated over 4,000 items for the Grateful Garment.

I feel so very lucky to live in a community of such generous and caring persons. I look forward to our continued partnership with the VMA.

-Gayle Kludt

In February The Villager front page indicated that "Sidewalks" was the consistently rated highest suggested improvement in a recent survey. In all, 43 percent of respondents identified "sidewalks" as the #1 and #2 rated needed improvement. There are sidewalks in some areas of The Villages, but the obvious lack of sidewalks was noted by a high percentage of respondents. It was noted that that amenity was "probably not possible in the current budget". I wonder if a lawsuit from death or injuries of a resident from a collision with an auto would cost more?

Portree Drive, the entrance/exit to my village is the primary walkway for pedestrians. So far, no pedestrians have been hit on the shared sidewalk/street. How long will that be true?

-Nancy Fomenko

The quarterly Villages Executive Leadership Round Table was held April 26 at the Clubhouse Fairway Room with, including me, only nine Villagers in attendance. A great opportunity was missed by residents not in attendance to ask questions, make suggestions and communicate their concerns to the General Manager, and the Presidents of the Association, Homeowners and Club Boards. It was disturbing to see so few Villagers at this event. The next leadership meeting will be held in July. Hope to see you there.

– Howie Blumstein

## Missed your Villager?

If you missed delivery of your weekly copy of *The Villager*, please call 408-223-4655 after 11:30 a.m. to report it.

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

More BOARDS & COMMITTEES, MANAGEMENT and COMMUNITY NOTICES on pages 4, 5, 7, 15-18, 26, 27 & 32

## IN MEMORIAM

In Memoriam notices are run free of charge.

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

Obituary notices may be placed in the Classified Advertising section for a fee. For more information, please call Kory Tran at ktran@the-villages.com or 408-754-1341 or Scott Hinrichs at shinrichs@the-villages.com or 408-223-4655.

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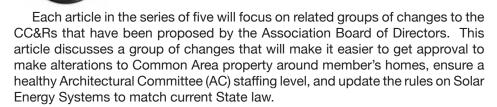
# Boards & Committees

## Proposed Changes to the Villages Association CC&Rs to Benefit Members

https://resident.thevillagesgcc.com/abod-ccr-1of5/

Article One (of Five articles)

Background: Currently the CC&Rs only recommend having five members but have no minimum membership. The change will establish a minimum of five members.



Are the changes going to increase my HOA fees?: It is not intended nor anticipated that the CC&R amendments will cause any change to your HOA Fees.

The areas of the CC&RS described here are Article 4, Section 4.4; and Article 10, Sections 1.3, 10.2 and 10.5. In each Amendment the items crossed out are being taken out. Items in bold are being added.

#### **Article 4 - Easements**

#### Section 4.4 - Board Powers to Grant Easements and Licenses

**Goal of the Change:** To make it easier for members to get approval to change the Common Area around their home.

**Background:** When members request changes outside of their condos that impact the areas owned in common with other members of their "project" ("Common Areas"), they must get approval from the AC, the ABOD, and their neighbors. Because the Villages has many off-site owners of condos, many owners who travel extensively, and some owners who just don't bother with voting, it can be very difficult to get enough approval ballots returned. Some members never receive enough returned ballots to reach the 75% approval level currently required. The Board feels that if a majority of the neighbors and other members of that Project approve, then the owner should be able to proceed with their proposed improvement.

#### The Amendment:

Section 4.4 The Board shall have the power to grant and convey to any person or entity such licenses, easements and rights of way, in, on, over, or under the Association Common Area ... shall be granted to the Owner(s) of a Unit with the prior approval of seventy-five percent (75%) of the Owners of Units a majority of the Total Voting Power within the Project.

### **Article 10 – Architectural Committee**

Section 10.1.3 – Add a new section, Section 10.1.3 ("Solar Energy Systems").

**Goal of the Change:** To require the Architectural Committee to follow the Civil Code when reviewing member requests to install Solar Energy systems.

**Background:** The State of California law strongly supports Solar Energy Systems and directs what rules and restrictions an HOA can place on their installation on condos. The AC must also normally consider the preservation of the building structure, appearance, and visual impact on neighbors.

## The Amendment:

10.1.3 <u>Solar Energy Systems</u>. Solar energy systems as defined in Civil Code section 801.5(a)(1) and (2) are subject to prior architectural approval pursuant to this <u>Article 10</u>. Pursuant to Civil Code section 4746, reasonable restrictions on solar energy systems are permitted provided they do not significantly increase the cost of the system or significantly decrease the efficiency or specified performance, and they allow for an alternative system of comparable cost, efficiency, and energy conservation benefits. Architectural Rules may restrict installation in Common Areas and may require that the Association be indemnified for loss or damage caused by installation, maintenance, or use of solar energy systems.

## Article 10 – Architectural Committee Section 10.2 – Establishment

**Goal of the Change:** To set a minimum size of the AC to have a good representation of Villagers making these key decisions for the appearance and construction standards for the Association members.

#### The Amendment:

10.2 <u>Establishment</u>. The Board shall appoint an Architectural Committee consisting of *at least* five (5) Members of the Association, none of whom shall be a Director, who shall serve at the pleasure of the Board. In the event of a vacancy on the Committee; the Board shall appoint a successor within ninety (90) days. If at any time there shall be fewer than three (3) Architectural Committee members, the Board shall exercise the functions of the Architectural Committee in accordance with the terms of this Article 10. The Architectural Committee and its members shall be entitled to reimbursement for reasonable out-of-pocket expenses incurred by them in the performance of any Architectural Committee function.

## Article 10 – Architectural Committee Section 10.5 – Architectural Rules

**Goal of the Change:** To have the CC&Rs follow the intent of Civil Code when applying and restrictions on the installation of Solar Energy Systems (see the added new Section 10.1.3, Solar Energy Systems).

**Background:** This change is paired with the new Section 10.1.3 above.

#### The Amendment:

10.5 <u>Architectural Rules</u>. The Architectural Committee may, from time to time, and subject to the Board's approval and the requirements of Civil Code section 4340, adopt, amend, and repeal rules and regulations to be known as "Architectural Rules." The Architectural Rules shall interpret and implement the provisions of this <u>Article 10</u> by setting forth the standards and procedures for Architectural Committee review and guidelines for architectural design, placement of buildings and other structures, landscaping, color schemes, exterior finishes and materials, and similar features which are recommended for use in the Condominium Development *and may include restrictions on solar energy systems consistent with applicable law*; provided, however, that the Architectural Rules shall not be in derogation of the minimum standards required, by this Declaration.

## What are the CC&Rs and Why are they Important?

CC&Rs are a "Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions" and referred to as "CC&Rs" or as a "Declaration." It is a recorded document (with the County Recorders Office) that contains a legal description of the Villages Association. Covenants, conditions, and restrictions (CC&Rs) describe what you can and can't do with your home. The goal of CC&Rs is to protect, preserve, and enhance property values in the community. The CC&Rs define the way in which the Association will be governed and provide for solutions in the event of certain events such as fire, earthquake, or other disaster.

## When do they need to be amended?

The CC&Rs need to be amended to reflect current State Civil Code, the impact of inflation on costs, or to better reflect the current needs of members.

## Who can amend the CC&Rs?

The Association Board can make minor amendments to correct typos and changes required by State Law, but only a majority of the Mambers can make most changes. A majority for the Villages Association means 1,155 votes must be in favor of the amendment.

## MANAGEMENT

## New Resident Orientation Scheduled for May 17

There will be a New Resident Orientation on Wednesday, May 17 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 and reservations will begin on Friday, May 5 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.

## 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.

## SNAPSHOT OF THE VILLAGES REAL ESTATE MARKET COMPARISON 2022 TO 2023

This snapshot covers both condominiums and single-family homes for the period of 04/01/2023 to 04/30/2023 and 04/1/2022 to 04/30/2022

PROPERTY TYPE	ACTIVE 4/30/23	IN CONTRACT As of 4/30/23	SOLD 4/1/23 - 4/30/23	SOLD 4/1/22 -4/30/22
CONDOMINIUM	15	7	13	14
	\$489,000	\$525,000	\$535,000	\$560,000
	to	to	to	to
\$ Range	\$879,500	\$1,288,000	\$1,200,000	\$1,705,555
	ACTIVE 4/30/23	IN CONTRACT As of 4/30/23	SOLD 4/1/23 - 4/30/23	SOLD 4/1/22 - 4/3022
SINGLE FAMILY	1	3	2	0
\$ Range	\$1,350,000	\$1,128,888 to \$1,250,000	\$1,205,000 to \$1,510,000	

For a complimentary property value information contact Jeanette at 408-661-0203 jeanette@jabez-realty.com

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## Coyote reminder and tips

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

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

Reminder to all small pet owners: A recent rise in coyote aggression has been seen with small dogs, most unleashed. *Please always leash your pets. Keep leashes short.* Coyotes will try to get between you and your pet if the leash is extended far enough. Coyotes are known to attack leashed dogs when the owner gets distracted. Please stay cautious and aware of your surroundings when cleaning up after your pet, talking to a neighbor, checking the mail, etc. Coyotes are opportunists and may make their attacks when you are not paying attention.

Carry a noise maker and always be alert. Use caution when walking past wooded areas, hiding spots between homes, and the golf course. They are widespread in The Villages and can truly be anywhere.

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

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

## Report Coyote Activity

Please report all coyote sightings to Public Safety and Vector Control at the 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.

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

More BOARDS & COMMITTEES, and COMMUNITY NOTICES on pages 7, 15-18, 26, 27 & 32

# GOVERNANCE MEETINGS

## **THE DACs**

## Del Lago DAC to meet May 11

The Del Lago DAC will hold a quarterly meeting on Thursday, May 11 at 4 p.m. in Montgomery Center. Guest speaker will be Mary Tatum, Director of Community Activities.

## Heights DAC to meet May 12

The Heights will hold a DAC meeting on Friday, May 12 at 6:30 p.m. via Zoom. Zoom link will be on FastLane and emailed to Heights residents.

## Highland DAC to meet May 18

There will be a Highland DAC Meeting at Foothill Center on Thursday, May 18 from 3:30 to 5 p.m. Topics: FY2003/2024 Budget and Projects, etc.

## Hermosa DAC to meet May 25

The Hermosa DAC will host the quarterly DAC meeting at Montgomery Center on Thursday, May 25 from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. Coffee and dessert will be provided.

## Sonata DAC to meet May 18

The Sonata DAC will hold a meeting on Thursday, May 18 at 9:30 a.m. at Vineyard Center.

## Water Conservation Committee to meet May 18

The Water Conservation Committee will meet on Thursday, May 18 at 9:30 a.m. via Zoom.

Meeting ID: 837 8423 5107; Passcode: 142020; Dial 1-669-900-6833

### More COMMUNITY NOTICES

## **SRS SENIOR RESOURCE SERVICES**

## **ANNUAL MEMBERS MEETINGS**

• All Three Corporations Annual Meetings are Wednesday, June 14 at the Clubhouse Homeowners' at 3 p.m.; Association at 4 p.m.; Club at 5 p.m.

## **BOARD MEETINGS**

#### Two Boards

- The Villages Golf & Country Club and The Villages Association Two Board Meeting Re: Status of Master Property Insurance Renewal is Wednesday, May 17 at 11 a.m. via Zoom
  - Meeting ID: 842 4054 5530; Passcode: 881265; Dial: 1-669-900-6833
- The Villages Golf & Country Club and The Villages Association Two Board Meeting Re: Approval Consideration of Master Property Insurance Renewal is Wednesday, May 24 at 9:30 a.m. via Zoom

Meeting ID: 842 4054 5530; Passcode: 881265; Dial: 1-669-900-6833 **Association** 

- The Villages Association Board of Directors Monthly Board hybrid meeting is Tuesday, May 30, 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 Special Open Meeting to Count Ballots (hybrid) is Tuesday, June 13, at 9:30 a.m. in Vineyard Center and via Zoom Meeting ID: 917 8108 3392; Passcode: 223468; Dial 1-669-900-6833
- The Villages Association Organizational Meeting (hybrid) is Tuesday, June 20, at 9:30 a.m. in Foothill Center and via Zoom

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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, May 30, at 1:30 p.m. at Foothill Center and on Zoom
- Meeting ID: 961 5036 4740; Passcode: 260616; Dial: 1-669-900-6833 The Villages Golf & County Club Organizational Meeting is Thursday, June 15, at 3 p.m. via Zoom

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

#### Homeowners

 Homeowners June Quarterly/Organizational Meeting is Thursday, June 15, at 9 a.m. in Montgomery Center

## Reminder: File for parcel tax exemption by May 31

If you wish to file for an exemption from the annual \$125 Evergreen School District parcel you must do so by May 31. You may do so if your Villages property is your principal residence, and you are at least age 65 or will be age 65 by July 1, 2023. If there are joint owners of your principal residence, only one owner needs to be age 65.

If you had the exemption from the parcel tax for 2022/2023, your exemption has been automatically renewed by the School District. There is nothing more you need to do. This article is about new exemption requests.

If you would like to apply for the exemption for the 2023/2024 tax year, you may file online at eesd.org. Click on "Community" and then click "Senior Parcel Tax Exemption." You will need to upload documents to prove three things.

- 1. Proof of ownership: Your current property tax bill
- 2. Proof of residence: Your current PG&E bill
- 3. Proof of birth date: Your driver license, passport, or birth certificate

You may also apply in person for the exemption at the School District Office at 3188 Quimby Road, Monday to Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. through May 31, 2023.

Contact: Ly Ablao: LAblao@eesd.org or Patty Maciel: MMaciel@eesd.org to schedule an appointment. Their phone number is 408-270-6822.

If you are new to The Villages and the address on your driver's license does not match your property tax statement, please schedule an appointment at the district office. Bring your Villager residency card and a second bill to substantiate your residency.

Also, if you do not yet have a property tax statement, take your escrow purchase statement and related papers to the district office. Before the appointment go to www.sccassessor.org and enter your address in the Property Record Search box. The district needs the assessor's parcel number for your application.

Not sure whether you have the exemption? Go to your last property tax bill. Look on the back page under the section labeled "Parcel Tax / Special Assessments." If a line item is "Evergreen Measure EE 2018 \$125" you are paying the tax. If you can't find this listing, it means you are currently exempt from the tax.

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

## **SRS** Announcement:

## Introduction to Medicare Seminar

Join HICAP (Health Insurance Counseling & Advocacy Program) from 11 a.m. to noon Thursday, May 18, or on Thursday, June 15 for an Introduction to Medicare Presentation online seminar.

HICAP's Introduction to Medicare Presentation is a comprehensive introduction for Santa Clara County residents entering the world of Medicare. HICAP Counselors do not sell, endorse, or are affiliated with any insurance companies. Its goal is to inform and educate the community so you can make an informed decision on something as important as Medicare.

To register go to mysourcewise.com. Click on "Events;" scroll down to "Introduction to Medicare;" click on the seminar and then on "Click here to register."





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# ENDAR OF EVENTS

Friday, May 5

8:30 a.m.	Jazzercise	Α
9 a.m.	Catholic Mass	CR
9 a.m.	Chinese Morning Exercise	Р
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED
9 a.m.	Table Tennis	MMF
9:30 a.m.	Ceramics Open Studio	CER
9:30 a.m.	Open Studio	AR
10 a.m.	Line Dance Club Advanced	Α
10 a.m.	Quilters	PR
11:30 a.m.	Men's 9 Hole Golf Lunch	CH
1 p.m.	Bridge Club at Villages	RED
2:30 p.m.	Village Voices Concert	Α
3 p.m.	Bocce Bash	GP
5 p.m.	Cinco De Mayo	CH
6 p.m.	Chinese Club Line Dance	FC
6:30 p.m.	Mexican Train Dominoes	MC

## Saturday, May 6

9 a.m. Hiking Club Rel	hearsal A
9 a.m. Table Tennis	MMP
9:30 a.m. Ceramics Open	Studio CER
10 a.m. Quilters	PR
10 a.m. Ukulele Singing	) SEQ
4:45 p.m. Brandeis Movie	Group SEQ

## **Sunday. May 7**

6:30 a.m.	Catholic Choir	CR
8:15 a.m.	Catholic Mass	Α
9 a.m.	Episcopal Services	MC
9 a.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
10 a.m.	Community Chapel Services	Α
10 a.m.	Quilters	PR
2:30 p.m.	Village Voices Concert	Α
5 p.m.	Fairweather Friends Potluck	VC

## Monday, May 8

Auditorium

8:30 a.m.	Jazzercise	Α
9 a.m.	Chinese Morning Exercise	Р
9 a.m.	EPC Directors / Sector Chiefs	FC
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED
9:30 a.m.	Ceramics Open Studio	CER
10 a.m.	Search The Scriptures	VC
10 a.m.	Drawing Class	AR
10 a.m.	Jewish Group Board Mtg	MC
10 a.m.	<b>Total Body Conditioning</b>	Α

## **EVENT LOCATIONS**

(Cribari)

AR	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 Roo	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)

10:30 a.m.	Grief Support	SEQ
11:30 a.m.	Line Dance Club Intermed.	Α
1 p.m.	Stitchery	PR
4 p.m.	Olivas DAC	VC
5:30 p.m.	Villages Dancers	Α
6 p.m.	EPC Area Rep Training	FC
7 p.m.	Duplicate Bridge	RED

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8:30 a.m.	Tai Chi Club	Р	9:30 a.m
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED	9:30 a.m
9 a.m.	Mens' Golf EverG Invitational	MC	10 a.m.
9 a.m.	Table Tennis	MMP	10 a.m.
9:30 a.m.	Ceramics Open Studio	CER	11:30 a.ı
9:30 a.m.	Poetry in Art & Pastel	AR	12 p.m.
10 a.m.	Ukulele Intermediate	PR	1 p.m.
10 a.m.	Club Rules Committee	V	1:30 p.m
11 a.m.	Live Stronger Longer	RED	3 p.m.
1 p.m.	Bocce Club Board	SEQ	3 p.m.
2 p.m.	Senior Academy Class	FC	4 p.m.
2 p.m.	Piano Open Studio	Α	4 p.m.
2:30 p.m.	Art Film	CR	5:30 p.m
3:30 p.m.	Village Voices Board	PR	
5 p.m.	Music Society Board	PR	Frida
6 p.m.	Concert Band	Α	
7 p.m.	Amateur Radio Club	FC	8:30 a.m
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## Thursday. May 11

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8:30 a.m.	Tai Chi	Р
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED
9 a.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
9:30 a.m.	Acrylic Classes	AR
9:30 a.m.	Ceramics Open Studio	CER
10 a.m.	Line Dance Club Advanced	CR
10 a.m.	Live Stronger Longer	Α
11:30 a.m.	18 Hole Women Golf Lunch	CH
12 p.m.	Game Day	RED
1 p.m.	Chapel Small Group	SEQ
1:30 p.m.	Ukulele Club	VC
3 p.m.	Chapel Choir	FC
3 p.m.	Villages Golf Committee	CR
4 p.m.	Del Lago DAC	MC
4 p.m.	Pickleball Board	PR
5:30 p.m.	Hiking Club Variety Night	Α

## Friday, May 12

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Jazzercise	Α
Catholic Mass	CR
Chinese Morning Exercise	Ρ
Game Day	RED
Table Tennis	MMP
Ceramics Open Studio	CER
Open Studio	AR
Line Dance Club Advanced	Α
Quilters	PR
Bridge Club at Villages	RED
Bocce Bash	GP
Handbells	CR
Pickleball Social	PC
Chinese Line Dance	FC
Mexican Train Dominoes	MC

# CHANNEL

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** 

## **Ayoiding** 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

# The Villages Medical Auxiliary

## Coming in May

Hearing Screening with Hearing Life - Tuesday, May 16 from 10 a.m. - noon in Montgomery Center. To register for a time, please call 408-238-4230.

## Support Groups in May

**Villages Medical Auxiliary-Since 1976** Office: 408-238-4230 Hours: Monday to Thursday, 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. **Service Coordinator:** 408-238-4029 www.vmavillages.org

Grief Support Group: Chaplain Dale Poland, M.Div. BCC - from Hospice of the Valley-Sutter Health will meet on Mondays with our next session beginning Monday, May 8 for five weeks 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, May 18 at 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m. in the Patio Room and via Zoom. Please contact Judy London Ph.D. for all meeting specifics at judithlondon@sbcglobal. net or call 408-784-3325.

Parkinson's Caregiver Support Group: Meet with other caregivers of those with Parkinson's on Thursday, May 18 from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. in the Forum Room.

Please check out vmavillages.org



Club Events & Notices



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

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## Proposed Changes to Club Rule 1.17 Swimming Pool Areas

At the April 25, 2023, monthly board meeting, the Club Board approved for 30day member notice proposed changes to Rule 1.17 Swimming Pool Areas prior to formal approval consideration at the May 30, 2023, monthly meeting.

As Rules Committee Chair Frank Langben reports, the committee was asked by the Swimming Pools Advisory Committee and Management to consider changes to Rule 1.17, to prohibit nudity at the outdoor showers near the pools.

The purpose of the changes is to prohibit nudity in the pool areas and nearby outdoor showers. In addition, the proposed changes also add information about emergency procedures, and clarify existing language that the host resident must be in the pool area with their guests.

Response to the proposed rule changes may be made by one or more of the following methods: 1) Participation in the discussion of the changes at the May 30, 2023, board meeting, 2) via e-mail (imeadows@the-villages.com) with comments sent to the General Manager's office at least seven days prior to the board meetings, or 3) via written comments to the General Manager's office (Business Administration Building A) delivered at least seven days prior to the aforementioned board meetings.

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#### Rule 1.17 Swimming Pool Areas

- 1. The pool areas include the pools, spas, and surrounding fenced-in area of each facility. They are available to residents and to their guests. The following rules apply to all pool areas.
- 2. Violations of these rules may be reported to Public Safety for enforcement. Telephones direct to Public Safety are available in the pool areas to report any violations or emergencies. If a cell phone is available, call 911, first, in the event of a medical emergency. AEDs (automated external defibrillators) are also located at each community center and at Cribari Pool.
- 3. Guests must be accompanied by a resident, who is present in the pool area, at all times who must be present in the pool area at all times
- 4. No lifeguard is on duty at any of the Club swimming pools at any time. The Club assumes no liability for any person using the Club pools or spas.
- 5. All public health ordinances relevant to swimming pool and spa use will be

- 6. The pools and spas may only be used during posted hours.
- 7. Lap swimmers have swimming priority in the Foothill pool.
- 8. Children under 18 years of age may use the Cribari. Montgomery, and Vineyard pools and pool areas, but only between the hours as follows:

10:00 am to 12:00 pm A. Cribari pool, B. Montgomery pool, 12:00 pm to 2:00 pm 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm C. Vineyard pool,

- D. On July 4th only, the children's pool hours at Montgomery are: 12:00 pm to 4:00 pm
- 1) Children under 18 years of age may not use the spas.
- 2) Diapers, swim diapers and training pants are not permitted in the pools. Children must be toilet trained and wear swimsuits.
- 9. Use of the Foothill Pool and Spa is restricted at all times to adults 18 years of age and older.
- 10. Proper swimming attire must be worn at all times in pools and spas. Cutoffs and street clothes are not allowed.
  - 11. Adult incontinence products may not be used in the pool or spa.
- 12. When a pool monitor is present, the instructions of the pool monitor must be followed.

#### 13. Prohibited within pool area:

- 1) Smoking.
- 2) Eating or drinking in the pool or spa.
- Glass or other breakable items.
- 4) Cell phone use or electronics audible to others.
- 5) Pets or wheeled recreational devices.
- 6) Use of handrails or furniture as exercise support.
- 7) Running or any activity that could be harmful or disturbing to others. 14. Nudity is prohibited in the pool areas. Nudity is also prohibited while using
- outdoor showers at the community centers.
  - 15. Additional behavioral guidelines posted at the pools must be followed.
- 16. Flotation devices and water toys may be used only in a manner that does not interfere with the swimming pleasure and enjoyment of others.

Please note the renumbering of the sections, incorporating the former preamble into the numbered part of the Rule.

## **More COMMUNITY NOTICES**

## Call 911 for medical emergencies

Public Safety would like to remind you, in the event of a medical emergency, please remember to dial 911 first.

Public Safety monitors all emergency calls through San Jose Fire Dispatch. We will respond at the exact same time as the Fire Department and Paramedics.

Calling the front gate can only delay response time by emergency personnel. It is always quicker to call 911. It is the only phone call you will need to make.

## Candidates' Night is May 10

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

## Questions for the Club Board?

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



at jmeadows@the-villages.com or you can put a written question in the drop-box in the parking lot of Building A.

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

## Owners responsible for cleaning up after pets

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

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

## 'Ask the ABOD'

The Association Board of Directors (ABOD) appreciates the need in having your questions answered. The ABOD has a column in The Villager so that all those interested can see the question and response. If you have any ques-



tions, please email them to Maria Elizabeth Hernandez at MEHernandez@the-villages.com or drop them in the drop-box in the parking lot of Building A.

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

## Traffic Safety Reminder

Villagers please keep in mind that the maximum speed within the Villages is 25 MPH. Some streets are slower than that. Please remind your visitors as well.

We continue to find drivers traveling far too fast. It's for everyone's safety, especially in inclement weather. Please obey all stop signs as well.



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# THE CLUBHOUSE

For Information: **408-223-4687** 

2800 Villages Fairway Drive, San Jose CA 95135

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

## WHAT'S COOKING?

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

## To order Curbside Grab and Go, 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

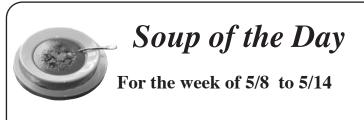
- Patio Dining reservations for the patio are for 6 or more persons.
- The Bistro alcove can be reserved for parties of 8 to 10 people.
- The kitchen will still close at 8 p.m., last seating at the Bistro, Patio, curbside takeout and Restaurant main dining room is 7:30 p.m.
- Bistro Bar closes at 9 p.m. 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 allowed.
- · 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 single-use 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 percent 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.



Monday May 8 Chicken Mulligatawny

Tuesday May 9 Cream of Mushroom

Wednesday May 10 Beef and Vegetable with Wild Rice

Thursday May 11 Minestrone

Friday May 12 Seafood Chowder

Saturday May 13 Chef's Choice

Sunday May 14 Chef's Choice

# Clubhouse Indoor, Patio Dining and Curbside Hours of Operation

## Monday Tuesday to Friday

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

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

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

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

Choice of Bacon or sausage

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

Montgomery Muffin \$10.25 Scrambled Eggs, Bacon or Sausage, Cheddar Cheese and Fruit

Lox and Bagels \$15.95

Smoked Salmon, Cream Cheese, Red Onions, Egg Whites and Capers

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 Browns 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 Browns 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 Browns 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 Browns 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 Butter Lettuce Cups

Pacific Rim Chicken Skewers \$13.95

On Grilled Pineapple Wedge with Pineapple Lime Dipping Sauce

The Lighter Side

Served à la carte

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

Bacon 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

## **Dinner Specials:** Tuesday 5/9 to Sunday 5/14

5 p.m. to 8 p.m. (Last Seating)

Weekly

**Specials** 

For the week of

5/8 to 5/14

**Breakfast Special:** 

Tuesday 5/9 to Sunday 5/14

Loco Moco: Steamed Rice, Hamburger Patty, Fried Egg and Mushroom Gravy \$15.95

**Lunch Specials:** 

Monday 5/8 to Sunday 5/14

11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

California Burger: Bacon, Avocado and Pepper Jack Cheese with Choice of Side

\$17.50

Teriyaki Salmon Salad: Marinated Salmon, Cucumber, Water Chestnuts, Carrots, Edamame and Bean Sprouts over Greens with Sesame Ginger Dressing \$17.50

Veal Piccata: Provimi Veal Medallions in a Lemon Caper Butter Sauce with Choice of

Grilled Mahi Mahi: With Grilled Pineapple and a Ginger and Garlic Ponzu Sauce with Choice of Sides \$28.50

#### Lunch Menu

11am to 2pm

#### 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

\$15.95

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 Penneroni 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



## **BRUNCH**

Clubhouse, Sunday May 14th, 2023

TWO SEATINGS - 10:30am and 1:30pm

#### **Breakfast Pastries Station**

Croissants, Danish, Fruit & Nut Loaves, Mini Beignets Mini Muffin, Cinnamon Rolls, Assorted Macaroons and Fruit Scones



#### **Fruit Station**

Fresh Fruit Display & Fruit Kebabs Fruit & Marshmallow Salad



#### **Salad Station**

Mixed Greens and Romaine Leaves
Assorted Cherry Tomatoes, Assorted Radishes, Cucumbers,
Blanched Almonds

Baby Spinach, Red Onions, Herbed Croutons,

Peppers, Feta Goat Cheese, Shaved Romano Cheese, Fresh Mozzarella Marinated Peppers, Mushrooms and Artichokes

#### Seafood Station

Smoked Salmon with Capers, Cream Cheese, Bermuda Onions, Egg Whites and Mini Bagels Cracked Crab, Prawns on Ice

#### **Carving Station**

Bone-In Virginia Ham and Rotisserie Prime Rib

### **Under the Chafers**

Scrambled Eggs and Country Fried Potatoes
Pork Links, and Hickory Smoked Bacon
Eggs Benedict
Fruit Crepes
Garlic Lemon Herb Baked Red Snapper
Chicken Dijon

Mashed Turnip Potatoes and Vegetable Medley

### **Desserts Station**

Assorted Cakes, Mom's Apple Pie, Fruit Tarts, Assorted Cupcakes, Petit Fours, Cheesecake Bites and Brownies

## **Beverage Station**

Orange, Cranberry and Apple Juice, Lemonade, Coffee and Tea Includes Champagne and Mimosa

\$62.95++ per person

Children 5-12 - \$22.95++ Children 4 and under are free 18% Service Charge and Tax Applies

## RESERVATIONS REQUIRED - call 408-754-1337

or Email theclubhouse@the-villages.com

Final Reservation Changes or Cancellations are due on May 10th. Any cancellations, changes or no-shows after May 10th will be billed in full.

## BISTRO BAR SPECIALS



MODELO NEGRA DRAFT 160Z \$5

MARGARITA SPECIAL \$5

BEEF OR CHICKEN SOFT TACO \$5

JALAPENO POPPERS \$5

Friday May 5<sup>th</sup> 11 am to 8 pm



## Available now!



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

\$12 Plus Service Charge and Tax.



# 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 Monday to Friday 8:30 a.m. – noon and from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

## Thank you, Survey Participants!

Thank you to everyone that participated in the Community Activities department's second survey of 2023 "Classes." We are looking forward to reviewing all the responses. For those who are curious we received an initial count of 69 respondents, however after filtering out incomplete surveys and duplicate surveys (we asked for only one survey per house number) the final number of surveys ends up at 62 (online surveys only, as no paper surveys were turned in).

As with our first survey, there were significant spikes in online survey submissions on Thursdays, which coincide with when the Community Activities edition of the Fast Lane came out (Thursdays at 5 p.m.), and spikes just before the deadline. Please stay tuned for more information regarding survey results and when the next survey regarding other on-site events and programming will be available.

## Sign up for Beginning Yoga

Sign up for Beginning Yoga on Wednesdays, 10 a.m. – 11 a.m., May 17 to June 21 (six classes). This class will be taught by Mariko Dugay in Cribari Auditorium. The cost is \$68.50 (equipment purchased independently as needed, below) Register in Building B during business hours. **Registration ends Friday, May 5.** 

This class focuses on easy yoga poses for beginners to build strength, flexibility, and mental clarity. Poses are done standing and on the floor. You will need to be physically able to get up and down from the floor unaided. The class requires a yoga mat to be purchased independently prior to the first class.

## Last day for Giants game signup

On Sunday, June 11, The Villages is going to Oracle Park to see the San Francisco Giants and Chicago Cubs. Seating options are in the upper section VR305 or lower section LB105.

We will depart from Cribari East Parking Lot at 11 a.m. with an estimated return time of 7 p.m.

The cost per person is \$106 for Upper Seats, and \$180 for Lower Seats. The cost includes entry ticket, escort, and round-trip transportation. Gratuity for driver is included in price; additional tipping is at your discretion. Please note the following:

- All entrants will be required to go through a metal detector.
- Bag restrictions: no backpacks; no bags larger than 16"x16"x8"; jackets and blankets must be worn or carried and not put into bags.
- Outside food and beverages in sealed containers are permitted. No alcohol, glass, aluminum, or hard sided coolers.
- Cash is not accepted at concession stands. A machine is available to convert cash into a Visa gift card.

Activity Level: Light to Moderate Activity (mostly seated, some walking in stadium). Dress for San Francisco weather.

Register in Building B by Friday, May 5.

## Last day to sign up for Golden Gate Fields

On Saturday, June 10, join us for a day at Golden Gate Fields, Northern California's only remaining thoroughbred racetrack, set on 225 acres overlooking the San Francisco Bay. Experience this view from the fabulous Turf Club, situated at the top of the grandstand, where you will be given a Champagne Welcome. The three-hour all you can eat multi-stationed buffet of California-inspired cuisine comes with a non-alcoholic beverage of your choice and an all-day coffee station. A full-service bar with cocktails and more is available for individual purchases.

The cost per person of \$202 includes admission, buffet, escort, and round-trip transportation. We will depart from Cribari East Parking Lot at 10:30 a.m. return at approximately 7:30 p.m.

Our visit includes a daily racing program for each participant and screens at every table for close-up viewing of the racing action. Golden Gate Fields encourages contactless wagering; you can download their betting app at www.1st.com/bet/golden-gate-fields. Limited live tellers and self-service wagering machines will be available to place bets.

The dress code is derby themed attire, which means collared shirts, dresses, skirts, and dress slacks preferred (no torn denim, athletic shorts, sweatpants, t-shirts, windbreakers, flip flops, tank tops, baseball caps, or visors). Please remember to dress for Bay Area weather.

Activity Level: Light Activity (stairs/elevator to top floor, possible jumping when you win!)
Gratuity for driver and buffet servers is included in price, additional tipping is at your discretion.

Register in Building B during business hours. Registration ends Friday, May 5. Race on down to register so you aren't jockeying for an open space! **Please note:** this is not the same trip as the Golden Gate Park trip on May 24.

## Sign up for Fleet Week trip in SF Bay!

All aboard for the amazing aviation acrobatics of Fleet Week! Sign up for this trip taking place Sunday, October 8 on the U.S.S. Potomac, San Francisco Bay. We will depart from the Cribari East Parking Lot at 10 a.m. with an estimated return time of 7:30 p.m. Registration begins Monday, May 1 and ends Friday, May 19 or sooner if tickets sell out.

Why are we registering so early? Much like many things these days, the tickets became significantly more expensive than the last time we were able to go on this trip. This could be because our venue had a change in directorship, or the cost of fuel and running a historic vessel increased, or other factors. Because we were uncertain of resident response to the new price, we have arranged an early deadline so we will not be held responsible for the ticket price if the trip does not reach the minimum. We hope it does!

Fleet Week takes place in San Francisco every October and began in 1981 to celebrate America's sea services. San Francisco Fleet Week is now recognized by the United States Department of Defense as the model for fleet weeks across the country. The Air Show takes place between the Golden Gate Bridge and Alcatraz and is headlined by The U.S. Navy Blue Angels and United 777, the only commercial airliner in the United States to perform a fully choreographed act. In past years the Blue Angels flew right overhead of us!

Where will you be viewing all this action? You will experience all this aboard the historically preserved U.S.S. Potomac, known as President Franklin Delano Roosevelt's "Floating White House." Built in 1934, this vessel gave the president a place to get away from the cares of governing during the Great Depression and World War II. The Port of Oakland spearheaded a cooperative multimillion-dollar effort to restore the Potomac, which is now a National Historic Landmark and active memorial to Franklin Delano Roosevelt.

A catered box lunch will be provided on the boat with beer, wine, and other beverages available. We will arrive before boarding time; participants can choose to view the 15-minute video describing the history of the Potomac in the Visitors Center, explore the shops and sights at Jack London Square, or both.

Vessels on the Bay can roll and pitch unexpectedly; flat-soled shoes are required. The Bay is often 20 degrees cooler than the shore, so dress accordingly. Because the Potomac is a historically preserved vessel, it does not comply with current facility access standards. More information is available in Building B for those who are mobility impaired.

Activity Level: Light Activity (sitting and walking around boat)

The cost per person is \$311 and includes ticket, lunch, escort, and round-trip transportation. Gratuity for driver is included in the price; additional tipping is at your discretion. Join us for the amazing spectacle!

## Community Activities Programming 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

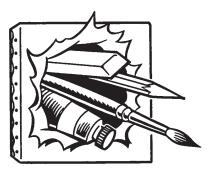
participate in our sponsored activities independently. We reserve the right to evaluate the participant's ability to participate based on each individual's physical abilities and/or demonstrated behaviors. You may always take a caregiver with you to help with your needs.

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.

# Club Calendars

## What's Happening in ARTS & CRAFTS?



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

Open Studio times in the Art Room: Mondays and Tuesdays with Pat Andrade, 2 – 5 p.m. Fridays with Jane Hink, beginning at 10 a.m. All Villagers welcome!

**May 8 – May 29:** Acrylic Painting with Dorothy Douquet. Mondays, 10 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. All materials furnished. \$75. Four-week class. Register at barb.gottesman@gmail.com

**May 9:** Art Film: Painting the Modern Garden Monet to Matisse" with host Roz Zinns. Tuesday, 2:30 p.m., Cribari Conference Room. Free to all Villagers and their guests.

May 11 - June 1: Writing Seminar with Barb Gottesman and

Claudia Welch. Learn to write your memories for your grandchildren in easy steps. Thursdays, 1:30 p.m. – 3 p.m. \$35. Register at barb.gottesman@gmail.com

**June 5:** Arts & Crafts Monthly Membership Meeting with Guest Artist Midge Robinson who will display the dolls she created from her family's history and will read their stories. Monday, 1:45 pm, Cribari Conference Room

**June 6 & 8 and June 13 & 15:** Pastel Painting with Terri Ford. Tuesdays and Thursdays, 1 p.m. – 3 p.m. Register at barb.gottesman@gmail.com

**June 7 – July 5:** Watercolor and Mixed Media with Doug Canepa, Wednesdays, 10 a.m. – 12 noon. \$60. 6 weeks class. Register at barb.gottesman@gmail.com

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 CALENDAR**

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 May 10:** Pam Thompson (650-464-0325) will lead a hike around Lake Cunningham! Meet up at Cribari at 9 a.m., leaving at 9:15 a.m. to carpool over. We will get a bite to eat afterward. If it rains this hike will be canceled.

Rambler Lite Hike May 10: Katy Peretti (408-531-0917) will lead a hike through Hermosa. We'll walk up to Chenin Blanc Lane along the southern border and down through the Winery Ct waterway and back to our cars. Meet at Montgomery Center at 9:30 a.m.

Rambler Hike May 17: Coastside Trail, Half Moon Bay. Rich and Wendy (408-499-1789) will lead a hike along the winding, flat, paved trail that goes in and out from the edge of the Pacific Coast. At mid-hike, Ramblers may enjoy a leisurely lunch at The Barn or at the Asian Kings Kitchen, neighboring, reasonably priced restaurants. Round trip hike distance is approximately 5 miles. Round trip driving distance to the Coastside Trail is about 100 miles. To avoid excessive traffic, we will meet at 9:15 a.m.at Cribari for a 9:30 departure.

**Rambler Lite Hike May 17:** 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 Lite Hike May 24: Katy Peretti (408-531-0917) will lead a hike along the southern perimeter of Olivas and down through the lakes and gnomes. Meet at Vineyard at 9:30 a.m.

Rambler Hike May 24: Sandy Petrin (530-412-1744) will lead a hike to Evergreen Square. The walk will be through the Evergreen College campus then along Ruby Road. We will stop for coffee and/or shopping near the Farmer's Market then head back along Ruby Avenue, through the college campus back to The Villages. All are to meet at the Cribari Center bell at 8:30 a.m. for an 8:45 departure. Round trip is about 5 easy miles.

Rambler Lite Hike May 24: Katy Peretti (408-531-0917) will lead a hike along the southern perimeter of Olivas and down through the lakes and gnomes. Meet at Vineyard at 9:30 a.m.

**Rambler Hike May 31:** Gary Lohr (408) 912-5124 will lead a hike a hike along Los Alamitos Creek at Lake Almaden. The hike is 4 miles long, but there are benches along the way so that if anyone would like to shorten the hike, they can do so. The trail is mostly flat with sun and shade. Optional gather for lunch afterward. Meet at Cribari at 9:05 a.m. for a 9:15 departure.

**Rambler Lite Hike May 31:** Katy Peretti (408-531-0917) will lead a hike to Evergreen Community College. We'll walk to the new additions to the college and around the lake. Meet at the parking lot next to the Villages security gate at 9:30 a.m.



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# Clubs & Events

## Join Dog Club's Party in the Park

Everyone is welcome to join the Villages Dog Club this Satur-

day, May 6 at 1 p.m. at Evergreen Park behind the Community Center on San Felipe. BYOB and Lunch. We will have games, prizes, and music.

We would also like to announce that Sustain Our Shelters will hold a lowcost pet health clinic for dogs and cats next Saturday, May 13 from 11 a.m. to





## Join Villages RV Club for exciting outings!

If you're a Villages RVer, come and join us for fun at our Villages RV Club outings! We're open to a variety of activities with old and new friends...sight-



seeing, hiking, nature walks, restaurants, bike rides, wine tasting, card games, campfires, happy hours. What are your interests to share with the group? Call the hosts to let them know you're interested in coming and for further details.

**June 5** for four nights at Skyline Wilderness Park, Napa. Hosts: Wayne and Barb Weiler (404-431-8587)

July 24 for four nights at the Laguna Seca Recreation Area between Monterey and Salinas. Hosts: Bill and Beth DeVincenzi (408-531-1031)

August 6 (Sunday) 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Summer BBQ at Montgomery Center

September 11 for three nights at Half Moon Bay State Beach. Hosts: Wayne and Barb Weiler (404-431-8587)

October 16 for four nights. Black Oak Casino in Tuolumne, near Sonora. Hosts: Jim and Linda Koski (408-313-4848)

December 17 (Sunday) 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Holiday Party and General Meeting at Montgomery Center

If you would like to learn more about the Villages RV Club, check out our website at villagesrvclub.org or contact George Muller (408-238-7393) or Jim Koski (408-313-4848). Owning your own RV is not a requirement for membership. Learn about RV campgrounds and resorts that have alternative options for camping.



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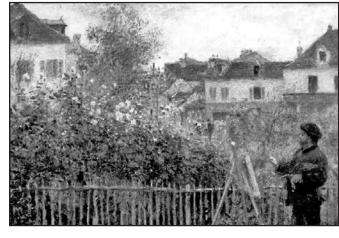
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## Art Film: 'Painting the Modern Garden: Monet to Matisse'

By Roz Zinns

On Tuesday, May 9 at 2:30 p.m. in the Cribari Conference Room, The Villages Arts and Crafts Association will present "Painting the Modern Garden: Monet to Matisse." For many great artists the garden has long been considered a desirable subject for the expression of color, light and atmosphere.

Claude Monet is perhaps the most well-known painter of gardens but other greats such as Pissarro, Matisse and Sargent all viewed the garden as a meaningful focus on their talents. This film takes us from the gallery to the gardens, to Giverny and other glorious



grounds. We will see how early 20th Century artists designed and cultivated their own gardens.

Running time is 93 minutes. Come enjoy the flowers and the creativity. All Villagers and guests are welcome to attend this free showing.

## Sign up for Cribari's Spring Fling!

Cribari's Spring Fling will be held at Gazebo Park on Saturday, May 20, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. Bring a snack or appetizer to share with six others and also your own table service. Water will be provided, but you're welcome to bring a beverage of your choice, including alcohol. Music for dancing and Bocce Ball will be available. For a bit of fun, the Cribari DAC will provide marshmallows to roast and also the makings for S'mores (graham crackers and chocolate bars).

The cost is \$5 per person, billed to your house. Reservations are required: Call 669-777-5859 or email cribaridac@gmail.com and provide your name, address and number of people coming (provide the names of your guests for nametags, too). Grab a neighbor and come join in the fun!

## Get 'In the Mood' with Village Dancers



Martin and Dari Tarabini warm up for Mondays in May swing lessons. Photo by B. Brown

Swing into May and get "In the Mood" to jump and jive. Join the Village Dancers' dance party dressed in your (optional) '40s-inspired outfit of hat, tie, brooch, and gloves. Come and dance every Monday in May at 5:30 p.m. in the Cribari Auditorium. Dancer and choreographer Bernice Toy leads the way.

Played by the Glenn Miller Orchestra, the song "In the Mood" is a standalone symbol of the 1940s. During the month of May, this "just-for-fun" dance session will guide and teach steps that celebrate that swingin' era. Get off the couch Monday nights and join the party! Bernice Toy, president and the instructor of the Village Dancers, can be reached at Bernice. Toy@ gmail.com. For more information, check the Village Dancers page at VillagesMusicSociety.org/Village-Dancers. Beginning in 2023, the Village Dancers, part of the Villages Music Society, will charge a \$20 annual membership fee to participants. All monies go towards supporting the club.

More CLUBS & EVENTS on pages 19 & 30

## Meet the Board Candidates

## **Club Board Candidates**

## **Howie Blumstein**

9045 Village View Loop

The Villages Club Board strives to balance the security, safety, beauty and numerous amenities you moved to The Villages for. As a former Club Board Director, I have personal experience with Club issues and will bring "out-of-the-box" ideas to enhance the financial investment in your



home and the lifestyle which you have become accustomed to.

I follow and understand the complex issues facing the Board and offer myself as your candidate. As well as previously serving on the Club Board for four years, I have been a regular attendee at Board meetings for over 15 years.

My financial training (MBA) and business experience has grounded me in the complexities of budgeting a multi-million dollar corporation. I understand how building Board consensus and open discussion is essential to the transparency needed to create trust and understanding from you and our community.

Some existing Club concerns such as Assessments, Golf, Water, Maintenance and Insurance require board members who can work together. I am a candidate with Villages and business experiences who will support your Club Board.

My Platform

- Board transparency
- Club Board Town Hall meetings
- Responsible financial decisions
- Monthly meetings with Villagers
- Promote the welfare and interests of all Members and residents

Please contact me to discuss your concerns and ideas for the future of The Villages.

Howie 408-528-0818 howiehelm@icloud.com

A vote for me is a vote for responsible leadership and governance

## **Larry Versaw**

7111 Via Portada

My wife and I moved to San Jose to be near family a little more than two years ago from the San Luis Obispo area and immediately realized what a wonderful place we're in. I soon after became involved in the community by serving on the Homeowners' Corporation Board, the Homeowners' Architectural Control Committee,



and as a driver for the Villages Medical Auxiliary. I am also a member of several clubs and organizations, including the Hiking Club, Bocce Club, and Men's Club.

I have other direct experience that will be valuable to the Club Board. I have been:

- Mayor/councilmember of the City of Grover Beach, CA
- President/member of the Cypress Ridge Homeowners' Association
- Chair/member of the Grover Beach Planning Commission
  Member, San Luis Obispo County Economic
- Vitality Corporation

   Member, South San Luis Obispo County
- Sanitation District Board

  Member, San Luis Obispo County Water
- Member, San Luis Obispo County Water Resources Advisory Council
- Associate City Engineer of Pismo Beach I understand the many facets of small government, Board operations and leadership.

My career as a Civil Engineer has provided me with lifetime experience as a project manager, an infrastructure expert, and an independent consultant. I've also been a small business owner, which demands a wide range of skills.

Finally, I have the temperament to be a constructive Board member. I listen well, am open-minded, independent, believe in collaboration, and am known as a problem-solver. I bring a fresh perspective. I would be honored to serve on the Club Board and would appreciate your support.

## **Richard Zahner**

7140 Via Solana

I welcome the opportunity to run for re-election to the Club Board. In the past two years I have served as Club Treasurer. My goals continue to be to implement Good Governance practices that support the Club Board's mission of providing a safe, attractive community and enriching lifestyle.



The Board is committed to significant improvements in customer service, financial practices, operations and maintenance, installation of new, and enhancements of existing, amenities. Supporting our General Manager, I will continue to lead Club efforts to improve financial practices and policies, efficiency, and effectiveness of Club operations.

Barbara and I raised our family in nearby Almaden Valley. Almost five years ago we moved to Verano. Here I became a member of the Men's Golf Club, Veteran's Club, Hiking Club, Chinese Club and VMA.

Outside of the Villages, I volunteer with the City of San Jose's Clean Energy Advisory Commission, and the St Francis of Assisi's Finance Committee. In recent years I served as Trustee of Presentation High School, Commissioner on the Santa Clara Valley Water District's Environment Commission, and on the Santa Clara County Civil Grand Jury.

Professionally, I spent over 40 years in the electric power business with the Bechtel Company and Calpine Corporation. While there I developed, built, and operated nuclear, gas-fired, and solar powerplants. I continue consulting to power and industrial clients on renewable energy storage projects and renewable power development. I was President of Gilroy's Economic Development Corporation and served 24 years in the Navy retiring as Captain USNR-R.

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## 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.

## Donate your old golf cart to the VMA

You know you want to get a new cart, but what do you do with the old one? 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.

Visit the VMA website: vmavillages.org

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## **Association Board Candidates Stephen Gilbert**

8374 Riesling Way

So why am I here, running for the association board?

I was elected to my first homeowner's association board in 1987, after I purchased a rental townhouse in Milpitas. I've participated on boards almost continually since that time, serving as president, treasurer, and secretary. I've guided associations in re-writing governing documents, been

involved in major construction projects, hired managers and contractors, helped to mediate homeowner disputes, and gained a good understanding of the Davis-Stirling law.

I joined the Hermosa DAC shortly after moving to the Villages in 2010 and served as the DAC chairman for several years. I was appointed to the Association Board last June. My time on the board has been a great learning experience, allowing me to blend my prior experience in HOA management with the complexity of management on the Association Board here. Shortly after joining the board, I was appointed to serve on the Water Conservation Committee, eventually taking over as chairman.

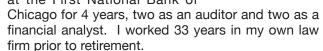
My work career was full of different experiences. After graduating from the University of California in San Diego, I went to work for Longs Drug Stores. I spent twelve years with them, rising through various management positions. While there, I was in charge of store operations, personnel management, and merchandising at several different locations. I left Longs in my mid-thirties and spent three years as an independent salesman before changing directions again. I returned to school and earned a teaching credential. I taught for ten years at the elementary school level. I then went to work as a school principal. Over the next dozen years, I honed my skills as an educational leader, hiring and supervising staff, interacting with students, parents, and community leaders, and guiding teaching staff in implementing instructional objectives. My schools made consistent gains that exceeded state objectives.

I believe that every retiree should have a job. In addition to the volunteer positions, mine is writing. Since retirement, I've published ten novels via Amazon.com. My latest was a children's adventure story whose main characters were my two grandchildren.

## **Michael Schwerin**

**4012 Clubhouse Court** 

I have a Bachelor's degree in Accounting from the University of Illinois, a Master's degree in Business Administration from DePaul University in Chicago, and a Juris Doctorate degree from Santa Clara University. I passed both the CPA exam and the California Bar Exam. I worked at the First National Bank of



I am a Certified Public Accountant (unlicensed at this time due to retirement). I am a Lawyer (unlicensed at this time due to retirement). I was previously President of the Lakeview Condominium Homeowner's Association (412 units) located in Almaden for 2 years. I was on the Fairways DAC for a number of years and am currently on the ABOD after volunteering for a one year appointment. I am on the Fire Safety Committee, Audit Committee, Rules Committee Liaison, Liaison to Sonata and Verano DAC's and I serve on The Villages Golf Committee.

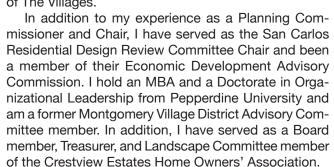
My wife Millie-Anne and I have lived in The Villages for 8-1/2 years along with our recently acquired

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## **Dr. Shannon Bergman, Ed.D.**

6050 Montgomery Bend

As a former Planning Commissioner and Chair for the City of San Carlos, I have extensive experience in local governance. As a result, I understand the complexities of managing and developing communities and am committed to preserving the character and integrity



If elected. I will work to address the critical issues facing our community. From my previous roles, I recognize the importance of prudent fiscal oversite – including assessments, public safety, emergency services, flood response, fire prevention, and a well-coordinated drought management and recovery plan. Therefore, I will work closely with internal Villages groups, staff, and local and state agencies to continue to improve and carry out our existing programs.

Overall, I am a qualified and dedicated public servant that understands the critical importance of equipoise in local governance. If elected, I will work tirelessly to promote the common good and ensure that our community thrives for years to come.

## **Patricia Reardon**

7394 Via Cantares

My husband Barry Sardis and I moved to the Villages in 2011.

We consider ourselves fortunate to live in a community that offers a vibrant natural setting, abundant open space, caring neighbors, and varied clubs and amenities that enrich our lives.

I have been actively involved in various committees and roles, including serving as the Chair of the Verano DAC, Vice President and Director of Communications for the Evergreen Villages Foundation, the Communications Advisory Committee, and former Marketing Committee.

My qualifications include prior experience with HOA management from living in two prior planned communities and I am knowledgeable about the Davis-Stirling law and how our bylaws, CC&Rs, rules, and regulations impact our community

Before retiring five years ago, I spent over 30 years as a marketing communication manager in the Silicon Valley, including 15 years at Cisco Systems. While there I managed many employee contributors and was noted for my ability to promote a culture of teamwork, collaboration and partnership.

I believe that one of the most important roles of an ABOD member is to act as an effective steward of homeowner's assets by managing programs that consider the current and future needs of homeowners. As Director, I hope to work proactively with the ABOD to effectively maintain and increase the value of the Association's member property and protect the financial future for all owners. I look forward to your support as we work together to maintain and enhance this beautiful community that we all call home.

## John Epperheimer

ballers and love travelling. My wife

is an accomplished violinist. My sons and their spouses and my grandchildren live in Reno.

My professional career equips me to be an effective ABOD leader. I have just retired from a 30-year career as a leadership coach, working with executives at Silicon Valley companies helping them succeed. I know what it takes for an executive team to work effectively on tough issues.

Before that, I worked nearly 20 years as a newspaper editor, the last 7 at The Mercury News. I have degrees in journalism and organization development. I value open and honest communication and will be a strong advocate for ABOD

I have served on the Fire Safety Committee for the Villages addressing the real concerns our community faces in the event of wildfire. I am proud of the work we have done and dedicated to the work still facing us. I am gratified that the ABOD is tackling fire safety in all our Villages and partnering with the Club Board to address this top safety need. This will be a multi-year effort calling for many decisions.

It's also imperative that we continue to cut water usage and replace more turf with drought-and-fire resistant landscaping. Skyrocketing costs for insurance on June 14. Mark you calendar now and plan to attend! and maintaining our aging infrastructure will be tough issues to deal with, but must be addressed.

values and will strive to continue them for this wonderful place to live.

I ask for your vote.

## . Help Us Keep Your Vote a Secret

By Claudia Evans Nicolai

Do you wonder if your vote is really a secret? If so, you're not alone. Some Villagers do not fully understand our two-envelope secret ballot system, so here are some answers.

Three Election Inspectors, Jeanne Filice, Kathy Weatherford and Janelle Marines have been appointed by The Villages Association, Homeowners and Club Boards of Directors.

Once your ballot is placed in a locked ballot box, it s kept under lock-and-key at all times.

The Inspectors remove and sort the ballot envelopes according to color (blue for Association, green for Homeowners, and ivory for Club).

The bar codes are scanned, which registers and validates that the envelope was received from a member who is eligible to vote. The bar code must remain intact for the ballot to be valid.

Following registration, the barcoded envelope is opened and the secret envelope is removed. Barcoded velopes are sent to storage while secret envelopes are bundled for counting.

On counting day, only the secret envelopes are given to the Tellers for counting. These envelopes contain no names, bar codes or other identifying marks. They remain sealed and under lock-and-key until the Inspectors and Tellers meet at an open Board of Directors meeting to begin the counting process

This entire process is in accordance with California

The counting process is closely directed and monitored by the Election Inspectors. All ballots are counted by two different Teller teams to ensure accuracy.

The Inspectors present the election results to the Boards of Directors at the annual membership meeting

Villagers can rest assured that the Election Inspectors follow Civil Code and the election rules for every election Safety. Sustainability. Collaboration. I believe in those so your vote remains a secret. You can help us keep your vote valid and a secret by carefully following the instructions included with your ballot package.

If you have further questions or if you'd like to witness the entire process, please contact one of the Election Inspectors. And please...cast your vote before

## VMA offers free medical equipment

Did you know that The VMA lends medical equipment for free to any Villager in need? We currently have a lot of useful equipment and appliances that you may never have thought

and help to improve quality of life and most of all, raise your comfort level. And we all want that! The VMA has many types of equipment, including walkers, wheelchairs, shower chairs and knee scooters. Some equipment that you may not realize we have include over-the-bed tables, ice therapy machines and hand/foot exercisers. Come on, you didn't know we had those, did you?

about or even considered. They can help to reduce the stress associated with day-to-day routines

Wait no longer, call The VMA office at 408-238-4230 and one of our more than 50 trained drivers will deliver it to you. (Yes, delivered to your house.) You may keep the equipment as long as you need and when you are done with it, we'll pick it up—it's easy and there is no paperwork involved. If you would like to pick out your own equipment, we can easily make arrangements for you to meet one of our volunteers at our storage shed in the RV lot. We'll get you loaded and on your way.

There are certain items that we have too many of - right now, we have too many two-wheel walk-

ers. You are welcome to take any extra ones to give to friends and relatives who may need them. Please check with the VMA desk for what is available and we will gladly deliver what you need. We have way too many different items to list here, so to see a complete list of what is available for loan, check out the updated Equipment Catalog on the VMA website at vmavillages.org/ services or visit the VMA Office to look at it.

## VMA accepts old glasses, hearing aids, cell phones

Please remember...the VMA accepts old prescription glasses, hearing aids, and cell phones. Your old or unused eyeglasses and hearing aids can be dropped off and collected at the VMA office (Monday -Thursday 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.) in Cribari Center.

They are then sent to a service organization for refurbishing and then delivered to the Lyon's Club for distribution to the people that

Old cell phones that you are no longer using or need can be dropped off and collected at the VMA office also. They are then

delivered to the Verizon Corporate office, where they are repurposed for recycling or sold. The proceeds that are generated by this process go directly to help assist victims of domestic violence. When you can, take some time to visit the VMA website at vmavillages.org. You'll be amazed at all of the helpful information that you possibly may not have been aware of.

## Association/Homeowners documents available via e-mail

Per an amendment to California Civil Code, homeowner associations are permitted, with owner's written consent, to distribute annual disclosures, (like the pro forma budget summary) and other specified association documents to owners via electronic mail, facsimile, or other electronic means (such as posting on the association's website) instead of sending those documents out by regular mail or personal delivery. This has the potential to provide cost savings to The Villages. Delivery and postage costs for the Villages' annual distribution of the pro forma budget summary alone are close to \$1,000, not to mention the paper

In order to transmit association documents via e-mail or by posting on the homeowners association's website, 1) the homeowners association must first receive the owner's written consent, and 2) the homeowners association sends a separate notice to the owner that the documents have been posted and are available for viewing.

Consent forms for owners to request delivery of documents have been developed for both The Villages Association and Homeowners Corporations. These forms provide an owner's consent to electronic delivery of documents that are capable, under current laws, of being distributed electronically. Owners have the right to revoke this request and receive "hard copies" of the documents by sending a written revocation signed by the owner, to the applicable corporation.

Forms of owner's written consent are available in Business Administration Buildings A and B, and on The Villages web site, http://www.thevillagesacc.com (Click on Resident Info and then Click on Resource Files.)

## 2023 Annual Member Meetings and Elections

By Assistant General Manager Julia Meadows, CCAM, CMCA, AMS, PCAM

The three Villages Corporations (Club, Association and Homeowners' Corporation) are preparing for this year's elections and annual membership meetings.

Elections will be conducted in May and June with election results announced at this year's annual membership meetings to be held on Wednesday, June 14, 2023, with the Homeowners' Corporation to be at 3 p.m., the Association's at 4 p.m. and the Club's at 5 p.m. (Unlike during the pandemic when they were held via Zoom, this year the annual meetings will be held at The Villages Clubhouse.)

Club: The election will be held for two director positions (each for a term of three years) on The Villages Golf and Country Club (VGCC) Board of Directors. The Amended and Restated Bylaws of the Corporation provide that there shall be seven directors. The directors who will continue to serve during the ensuing year are Leslie Lambert, Judy Owen, Bob Krattli, Garry Ashby, and Liz Kung. Directors with terms expiring are Bob Wilk and Richard Zahner.

The Club Nominating Committee has announced Howie Blumstein, Larry Versaw, and Richard Zahner as its candidate nominations. In addition, per the Club Bylaws Section 6.1.2, any Member in Good Standing may place his or her name in nomination by filing with the Secretary of the Club (Bob Krattli) a notice of intent signed by at least two percent (51) of the Members in Good Standing. Self-nomination petitions must be received no later than 5 p.m. on May 1, 2023.

Association: For the Association, in addition to the vote The Villages Association Resolution. Excess of Membership Income Over Membership Expenses Refunded to Members, election will be held for four director vacancies, two vacancies for terms of three years and two vacancies for terms of two years.

The Amended and Restated Bylaws of the Corporation provide that there shall be seven directors. Those who will continue to serve during the ensuing year are David Cook, Diana Hallock, and Julie Wash. Director terms expiring are that of Richard

Holmboe, Stephen Gilbert, George Paris, and Michael Schwerin. As of the duly noticed Deadline of Nominations date of March 28, 2023, and as duly noticed per California Civil Code and The Villages Association Rule 2.25 Voting and Elections Rules, Stephen Gilbert, Michael Schwerin, Shannon Bergman, Patricia Reardon, and John Epperheimer are the candidates for this year's director election.

Per the Association's bylaws, the persons (four) receiving the largest number of votes shall be elected and, of those elected, the two receiving the largest number of votes shall be elected to fill the terms of three years, and the persons receiving the third and fourth largest number of votes shall be elected to fill the terms of two years. (In the case of a tie, a run-off election will be conducted.)

Homeowners: The Villages Homeowners' Corporation will conduct a vote on The Homeowners' Corporation Resolution, Excess of Membership Income Over Membership Expenses Refunded to Members and election to fill one director vacancy for a term of three years.

The bylaws of the Homeowners' Corporation provide that there will be five directors. Those who will continue to serve during the ensuing year are Teddy Morse, Jeannie Omel, Brooks Fuller, and Larry Versaw. The director for which term expires is Rob Kirschbaum.

Any Member in Good Standing may place his or her name in nomination for election to the Board by giving written notice to the President (Teddy Morse) or Secretary (Brooks Fuller) of the Corporation no later than 5 p.m. on May 1, 2023.

To date Rob Kirschbaum has declared his candidacy.

Watch future editions of The Villager and FastLane editions for continued updates on this year's elections.

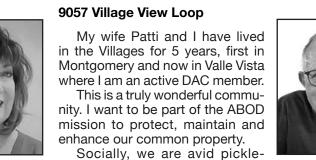


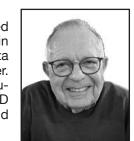














## **Homeowners' Board Candidate**

## **Rob Kirschbaum**

8316 Chianti Court

My wife and I moved here from the East Coast seven years ago, wanting to be closer to our daughter and more involved in our grandson's life. We thought that moving to an over 55 Community would make life easier and afford us the opportunity to make friends and enjoy our retirement. After looking at several other communities, we decided on The Villages and have never



regretted this decision. Since moving in, we have met great people, have warm personal relationships with dear friends and have come to realize what a beautiful place this is.

Prior to my retirement, I oversaw several industrial manufacturing and distribution companies spending much of my time in factories and on job sites. I initially joined the Homeowners ACC as it seemed a good fit. I eventually became a voting member and then the Chair a year later. After several years on the ACC, I joined the Homeowner Board as a Director. A year later I became president and now continue as CFO. I am a member of the Villages Jewish Community, play bocce when able, work locally and volunteer when I can. I think the Homeowners Board provides a valuable service to the community and enjoy working with the other directors and the Villages administration.

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## Business Card Ads Call Adrienne at 408-223-4657



Sonal Dubat OT, Clinical Manager at Apex Home Health
Care, explains the bone density testing process.

Health Festival photos by Richard Zahner

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## Ways to say 'Thank you!'

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

A Villages club, organization or committee chair can thank an individual, another club or an employee with a **Bouquet**.

An individual or family of a resident can thank other individuals, groups or organizations for help rendered in a death, injury, or other emergency through a **Thank You** item.

Individual residents can thank other individuals, groups or organizations—not businesses or for-profit service providers—with an **Above & Beyond** item. This category is to thank others for acts of kindness, generosity and for jobs well done.

A thank-you or testimonial to a businesses, service providers or other for-profit entities may place a **Classified Ad** at the rate of \$1.60 per word.

## More from the VMA Thrive~Together Health Festival

(Continued from the front page)



Villages Golf Pro Tim Flanagan engages and educates golfers and others about golf at his "Yes—Golf for Life!" presentation.



Under a blue sky with ideal weather, line dancers invited all to get up and move. Play, movement and social interaction are key for Villagers to Thrive~Together!

## 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**

"The Ink Black Heart" (Cormoran Strike #6) by Robert Galbraith (pseudonym for J.K. Rowling). When frantic, disheveled Edie Ledwell appears in the office begging to speak to her, private detective Robin Ellacott doesn't know quite what to make of the situation. The cocreator of a popular cartoon, "The Ink Black Heart", Edie is being persecuted by a mysterious online figure who goes by the pseudonym of Anomie. Edie is desperate to uncover Anomie's true identity. Robin decides that the agency can't help with this and thinks nothing more of it until a few days later when she reads the shocking news that Edie has been tasered and then murdered in Highgate Cemetery, the location of "The Ink Black Heart." Robin and her business partner, Cormoran Strike, become drawn into the guest to uncover Anomie's true identity. But with a complex web of online aliases, business interests and family conflicts to navigate, Strike and Robin find themselves embroiled in a case that stretches their powers of deduction to the limits, and that threatens them in new and horrifying ways. Mystery, 2022.

"Lessons in Chemistry" by Bonnie Garmus. Chemist Elizabeth Zott is not your average woman. In fact, Elizabeth Zott would be the first to point out that there is no such thing as an average woman. But it's the early 1960s and her all-male team at Hastings Research Institute takes a very unscientific view of equality. Except for one: Calvin Evans; the lonely, brilliant, Nobel-prize nominated grudge-holder who falls in love with - of all things—her mind. True chemistry results. But like science, life is unpredictable. Which is why a few years later Elizabeth Zott finds herself not only a single mother, but the reluctant star of America's most beloved cooking show "Supper at Six." Elizabeth's unusual approach to cooking ("combine one tablespoon acetic acid with a pinch of sodium chloride") proves revolutionary. But as her following grows, not everyone is happy. Because as it turns out, Elizabeth Zott isn't just teaching women to cook. She's daring them to change the status quo. Fiction and Large Print, 2022.

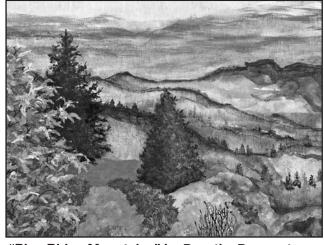
"The Cloisters" by Katy Hays. When Ann Stilwell arrives in New York City, she expects to spend her summer working as a curatorial associate at the Metropolitan Museum of Art. Instead, she finds herself assigned to The Cloisters, a gothic museum and garden renowned for its medieval art collection and its group of enigmatic researchers studying the history of divination. Desperate to escape her painful past, Ann is happy to indulge the researchers' more outlandish theories about the history of fortune telling. But what begins as academic curiosity guickly turns into obsession when Ann discovers a hidden 15thcentury deck of tarot cards that might hold the key to predicting the future. When the dangerous game of power, seduction, and ambition at The Cloisters turns deadly, Ann becomes locked in a race for answers as the line between the arcane and the modern blurs. Fiction, 2022.

"Stella Maris" (The Passenger #2) by Cormac McCarthy. 1972, Black River Falls, Wisconsin: Alicia Western, 20 years old, with \$40,000 in a plastic bag, admits herself to the hospital. A doctoral candidate in mathematics at the University of Chicago, Alicia has been diagnosed with paranoid schizophrenia, and she does not want to talk about her brother, Bobby. Instead, she contemplates the nature of madness, the human insistence on one common experience of the world; she recalls a childhood where, by the age of 7, her own grandmother feared for her; she surveys the intersection of physics and philosophy; and she introduces her cohorts, her chimeras, the hallucinations that only she can see. All the while, she grieves for Bobby, not guite dead, not guite hers. Told entirely through the transcripts of Alicia's psychiatric sessions, "Stella Maris" is a searching, rigorous, intellectually challenging coda to" The Passenger", a philosophical inquiry that questions our notions of God, truth, and existence. Fiction, 2022.

## Learn all about Painting Acrylics

Do you want to learn a new skill in art this spring? Join Dorothy Douquet in her class, "Painting Acrylics." Dorothy is offering Villagers the chance to learn basic realistic acrylic landscape painting on Mondays beginning May 8 and ending May 29. The class time is 10 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., and all materials are furnished... except for an apron! The fee for this class

Dorothy will furnish canvas panels. three brushes and nine acrylic paints for all class members. She will also furnish paper palettes. The Art Room has water containers and paper towels, so all you need to bring is yourself and your apron and an optional mask.



"Blue Ridge Mountains" by Dorothy Douquet

Dorothy is an experienced artist in both acrylic and watercolor. She divides a painting into easy segments. She will demonstrate the first segment at the front table and then help individuals at their stations. Then she will call people back to the front for another segment demonstration and so forth. This is a slow easy way to learn to do an acrylic painting.

Register as soon as possible by emailing barb.gottesman@gmail.com

## You're Invited! Please join us for Game Night!

Bring your friends and favorite game on Tuesday, May 23 at 7 p.m. to play such as Canasta, Bridge, Mahjong, Mexican Train, or Board Games. This is a great opportunity to spend a fun evening with friends here in The Villages.

Contact Sandi Rosenblum at (408) 440-4940 for reservations and additional detail. We welcome all Villagers to join us. We will try to accommodate walk-ins. Hosted by The Villages Jewish Community



## New workshop: Writing your Memories for Family and Friends

Claudia Welch and Barb Gottesman will offer a new writing seminar for Villagers. They will help participants explore memories and also teach writing skills to make their stories more dramatic and interesting.

Join us for a fun class in easy writing for birthday gifts and for starting a collection of your memories for family and friends. These written "gifts" are sure to be cherished.

Here is an example of the type of memory writing for a birthday gift, written by Barbara: "For my son's 56th birthday, I sent him a photo of himself at 6 years old. Along with it, I sent a brief, one page story of the drama of his first airplane trip.



Seminar instructors Claudia Welch and **Barbara Gottesman** 

He was delighted because he did not remember the incident."

Join us for a fun class in easy writing for birthday gifts and for starting a collection of your memories for family and friends. These written "gifts" are sure to be cherished.

The new writing seminar for Villagers is scheduled for four Thursdays, May 11 - June 1, 1:30 p.m. - 3 p.m., in the Cribari Center Art Room. \$35 is the fee for this four-week class. Register as soon as possible by emailing barb.gottesman@gmail.com. Prepare to have fun!

## **Senior Academy:** To Zoom or not to Zoom?

### **By Tony Berg**

To Zoom or not to Zoom? Well, that used to be the question. But Senior Academy has crossed a technical Rubicon and is offering its popular lectures and courses in both Zoom format and in live-streamed meetings. Live presentations can be enjoyed in one of our conference rooms with friends and neighbors or streamed into your home via Zoom. Alternatively, we can gather with friends and neighbors to view a virtual presentation.

Check out our website at VillagesSA.org for upcoming events.

More CLUBS on pages 30 & 31

# RELIGION

## Villages Religious Services

#### Weekly:

Sunday 8:15 a.m. Catholic Mass Cribari
Contact: Linda Schlageter 408-528-7494
Sunday 9 a.m. Episcopal Service Montgomery
Contact: Leslie Bailey 408-270-9022

Sunday 10 a.m. **Community Chapel** Cribari
Contact: Del Herfurth 408-440-4649

#### **Regularly Scheduled:**

Friday 9 a.m. Catholic Mass Cribari
First three Fridays of each month
Contact: Linda Schlageter 408-528-7494
Friday 7:15 p.m. Jewish Shabbat Foothill

Next date: May 19

Contact: Marilyn Goldsmith 732-672-8601

Everyone is welcome! Please call for more information!

## SEARCH THE SCRIPTURES

We missed you! Search the Scriptures is meeting at 10 a.m., May 8 at Vineyard Center.



We are meeting on the second

and fourth Monday of each month.

Any questions, contact Everett Jacobson at

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

## **EPISCOPAL**

## 'In Praise of Faithful Mothers'

By The Very Rev. Julia McCray-Goldsmith, Dean of Trinity Cathedral

Mother's Day is still more than a week away, but—in pondering the faithful lives of saints as I like to do—there's no better way to honor the ministry of mothers than to remember women whose mothering nurtured the spiritual lives of faithful children. This week, the Episcopal Church honors St. Monica: mother of Augustine of Hippo, the most prominent philosopher and theologian of the early western Church.

Born into a Christian family sometime around 331 CE in north Africa, and married to a reputedly temperamental pagan husband, Monica nevertheless kept up a steady vigil of prayer for her husband and sometimes wayward children. In particular, her brilliant older son Augustine, who was both a scholar and a libertine. At one point, his misbehavior led Monica to refuse him a place to live. Perhaps she was practicing a fourth century version of tough love, but a vision caused her to change her mind. Convinced that Augustine would return to the faith, she obstinately followed him around his university studies in Europe until he did indeed embrace the faith of his mother.

What we know of St. Monica comes primarily from her famous son's autobiography. It's a bit of a humorous narrative—alternating between tough love and helicopter parenting—but most of all it is the tale of a mother who had faith in her child's promise. She prayed, persisted, and never gave up believing in the possibility that God would use her child to change the world.

## **CATHOLIC COMMUNITY**

## 'Mother's Day'

#### By Jean Gillette

In this day and age, we hear a lot about rights and responsibilities. We all acknowledge that mothers have responsibilities. Most of the time they are more than their share. But who goes on record for mothers' rights? Mothers of sons are not troubled with this too much. It's with daughters that mothers find things more difficult, even to owning their own feminine items.

Mothers have the right to express their own opinions. However, many mothers find that when they make

a comment, their children say the likes of, "Oh, Mom, not again!" She has the right to see that her family eats the right food, dresses warmly enough, doesn't stay out too late, and gets enough sleep.

Mark your calendars.

time with friends; old and new.

**Donut Sunday** will

the 8:15 a.m. Mass.

Come join us! Spend

be on May 7 after

A mother is entitled to her personal ideas. She should be allowed to object if music or the TV are on too loud, if the family car is gone too often, if allowances disappear too quickly, or nobody shows up for meals on time. A mother should be allowed to be away from home occasionally without an accusing voice wailing, "Mom, where are you? I called and called!" Mothers are human beings. None are perfect, but most try very, very hard.

Very little mention is made of our grandmothers. Thanks are due to them for the good times they provided that will be remembered forever. Or for their taking the time to encourage us with words like, "You can make it!" They love and forgive us, not hurt or push. Grandmothers can hold a family together through good times and bad. They give themselves to which ever family members are in need. Then, they are there for long talks that are sometimes life-changing.

To you, Mom and Grandma, thank you from the bottom of my heart for doing so much and never asking for anything in return. You were and are well loved.

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

**Come to Mass!** We observe Sunday, the Lord's Day, primarily through celebration of Mass where we fulfill Jesus' command: "Do this in remembrance of Me." Observing the Lord's Day prepares us for Jesus' coming in glory. In Heb 10:25, St. Paul wrote: "Not forsaking our assembly, as some are accustomed to; but encouraging one another, and so much the more as you see the Day (of Christ's return) approaching."

## **COMMUNITY CHAPEL**

## 'Overcoming Drudgery'

### By Pastor Bill Hayden

When you hear the word drudgery, it doesn't cause you to be excited and enthusiastic about entering an activity or assignment. It is as if the sun has been overshadowed by dark clouds and you must go to work in a hostile environment day after day. On the other hand, drudgery can be something that you need to do for your own good and for the benefit of others. Is there a room, a closet, a storage area or something that God has placed on your heart to accomplish and you lack the motivation to follow through?

We know that doing nothing will compound the problem, but we keep saying, "I will get it done." We must realize that taking the initiative against drudgery requires engaging your will to push back negative thoughts and see the blessing of commitment. It's OK to pray for God's help, but always for God's will to be done. When you take the initiative by being faithful to God's word, He will be there to give you inspiration to avoid your neglect in it becoming a moral issue.

Drudgery is a test to determine the genuineness of our character, whether you are an athlete, husband, wife or follower of Christ. Although menial work is hard and fatiguing, it is necessary for a goal-oriented person. One way to move pass hard tasks would be to begin them right away and not procrastinate.

As a person who loves God, we are called upon to pray, read the Bible for daily instruction, love and forgive others and walk by faith discerning the will of God. The inspiration of God's word is required if drudgery is to shine with the light of God's love within us. God rewards our faithfulness even when our assignments appear to us as mundane. In some cases, the way that a person performs a task is made sanctified and holy forever. It may be a common everyday task, but after we have seen it completed, it becomes admirable in the eyes of others. When the Lord does something through us, its result is transformed by His power working in us.

Philippians 2:13 ESV "for it is God who works in you, both to will and to work for His good pleasure."

Galatians 6:9 ESV "And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up."

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.

# Sports News

## **SWINGERS**

By Pat Smith and Wendy Ledamun



Wendy Ledamun, exchange coordinator, Sally Nichols and an exchange guest.

The Swing Into Spring Exchange was a great success! 27 ladies representing Almaden, San Jose CC, Saratoga, and Stanford joined with 28 Swingers for a friendly, competitive round of golf on the Back-9 followed by lunch at the clubhouse. We had 14 teams with two guests and two Swingers each, and two flights. Prizes were awarded to the first, second, and third place finishers in each flight. Our own Sally Nichols won closest to the pin on Hole #11 at 15 feet!

During the same time today the Swingers not playing in the Exchange had a beautiful morning on the Front-9. Although no sweeps were involved, Pam Short had a chip-in on hole #4. Jan Kieran also had a chip-in on hole #1. Congratulations, ladies.

Remember to sign up to play in our upcoming Invitational: Plaids and Pars in

the Highlands. Deadline to sign up is May 12. Breakfast, lunch and prizes are included.

Warm weather has arrived and so it is time to begin the Twilight series of tournaments which are so popular with golfers in The Villages. A Twilight event is held once a month from May through

September. The first Twilight will be held May 26 beginning at 4:30 p.m. The theme in May is Mexican Fiesta. You can sign up to play as a group or individually in the Pro Shop two weeks prior to the event. Come join us for 9 holes of golf, a wonderful dinner and prizes for the winners. Wear your best Fiesta clothes if you wish! Ole!

#### Don't Forget:

Don't forget to sign up for the Stanford 2023 Women's Nine Hole Exchange on Thursday, May 18. The sign-up deadline is May 12. Contact Wendy Ledamun.

This year's WNHGA's Corena Green Tournament for Junior Girls will be held on July 31st at the beautiful Oakdale Golf & Country Club located in Oakdale, Last year we sponsored 6 girls who take golf lessons with Tim Flanagan. If you know of any young girls between the ages of 8 and 17 who might enjoy competing, contact Wendy Ledamun for additional information.

2023 INVITATIONAL

The Villages Golf and Country Club

Women's Nine Hole Golf Club

Plaids & Pars in the Highlands

TUESDAY, JUNE 13TH

A golfer standing at a tee overlooking a river sees a couple of fishermen and says to his partner, "Look at those two idiots fishing in the rain."

## **PICKLEBALL**

### By Anahid Gregg

Here's a great video with six tips to take your play to the next level! Posted by "That Pickleball Guy", they are summarized below, but the video has terrific explanations and reasons why. Simply search for "6 Pickleball Doubles Strategies New Players Must Know" or type in the URL https://rebrand.ly/PBTips (There's a clickable link on our website under videos).

- 1. Return and Run if you are on the receiver, as soon as you hit the ball, run up to the kitchen line and stand next to your partner (who should already be there). Note how they are literally an inch or two away.
- 2. Stance & Punch Stand in a ready stance, knees bent. Keep your paddle up, so you can control where the ball goes with short, compact strokes.
- 3. Serve & Stay Many points are lost when someone moves up after serving, or backs up and makes a bad hit or... falls because you *never back up!*
- 4. Third Shot Tactics learn a drop shot. Since many players do not move up, you can easily win a lot of points, and have time to move up to the kitchen line!
- 5. Hold the Line Once you are at the kitchen line... stay there. Hold that line; you'll be in position and won't be off balance.
  - 6. Dink to the Backhand over and over! They will miss by hitting into the net or popping up.

## **TENNIS TALK**

#### By Wendy Ferguson

The Scholarship Tournament was held last weekend, and 40+ hot-shots and not-so-hot-shots really enjoyed the round-robin format. Getting to play with different partners was indeed a highlight. Scores evened out due to the handicap scoring

method. Courtside food was delicious as always thanks to Andrea Alvarez and Marianne Wojcik. Tennis players sure do enjoy their food and socializing with one another.

Meanwhile, speaking of socializing, if you didn't go to the Scholarship Dinner last Saturday, we missed you. The folks attending had a rollicking good time. Our muchanticipated catered dinner was embellished by Adele Ratcliff, Betty Olsen, and Suzi Hathaway. The meal, as anticipated, was outstanding, and even the Scholarship winners

were seen going back for seconds. Jim Ferguson, tournament master, tallied the winners of the tournament held that morning, and drew names for gift certificates to the Clubhouse. On hand were the student scholarship winners from Silver Creek High School, who told of their tennis accolades and their aspirations and goals for the coming years. You can read their essays on the Tennis Club web site under the heading: Programs, Annual Scholarship. Each winner will receive \$4,000 toward their college educations. Nice, eh? Stay tuned, because next week we'll have a photo of the winners.

Avid about the scholarships, did I ever tell you I wrote to many a famous tennis star including John McEnroe, given his wonderful sense of humor, and Rafa Nadal, given his talents in the kitchen, and asked for donations from their wealthy coffers? Here is a portion of my letter begging for dough.

"I know that you are an avid tennis fan, and that you may even play a decent game. Me, too! Tennis has taught me a lot, and I am a fan of the game. Perhaps one day we can play, and I may even beat you—that is, if you put a cookie sheet in your non-dominant hand, don a blindfold, and tie your legs together while you're playing against me...Why one earth am I writing to you, you ask? Well, actually, I am hoping for a huge donation from you (please don't stop reading this). Here's why....

More history for you. I live in East San Jose, CA, and the kids go to Silver Creek High School. You can read all about our efforts in the Evergreen Times (a TimesMedia rag), and in The Villager (our community's tiny and weekly rag). Or I can send you clippings. Your choice. Just let me know, when you mail your check made out to: "Villages Tennis Club Scholarship."

You want to know how many responses I received? Zero. Oh well, I tried.

Finally, speaking of trying, the Silver Creek High School tennis team came last Wednesday to play our men. Sometimes our helpful hackers even tutored the kids on the fine are of the overhead smash. All participants noshed on refreshments after the matches. The Tennis Scholarship Committee thanks all those who contributed to the Scholarships this year.



## **MEN'S GOLF CLUB**



**By Barbara Orlando** 

**BOCCE NEWS** 



Upcoming events:

Member-Member Championship - Three Day Match Play and Horserace among 2-man teams. Catered lunch at Foothill Center Coffee/Donuts (3 Days)

Summer Open & Annual Picnic - Scramble Format, Flighted, BBQ at Gazebo - Coffee / Donuts

The Evergreen Invitational Tournament entry form is now available and open to all Men's 18 Hole Golf Club Members to sign up ASAP in the Pro Shop. You can use the online form found on our website (villagesgolfers.com) or by picking up a form at the Pro Shop

**HIO for April:** We all love stories of when good things happen to good people...and this just happens to be one of those stories. This absolutely could not have happened to a nicer guy and

representative of the Men's 18 Hole Golf Club. Last Sunday, the 26th of April, dressed in a very snappy "Golden State Warriors" sport shirt, **John Seeger** went about his normal business on the 18 Hole Course, which meant shooting a respectable score and having a good time in the process.

Then it happened...John got to the tee box of #11 and then the magic took place. With one fluid swipe at the ball, John purred a stroke, which sent the ball



John Seeger

sailing majestically towards the cup, and its final resting place. "I wasn't sure if I would ever get to experience what it felt like to get a HIO in my lifetime but, it finally happened this past Sunday afternoon (#11)."

We are so glad that you finally got to experience the thrill of that moment John, and we sincerely hope you get the opportunity to record a ton more of them. Good for you, my friend!

#### Golf Thoughts from Lee Trevino:

"Columbus went around the world in 1492. That is not a lot of strokes when you consider the course."

"I'm not saying my golf game went bad, but if I grew tomatoes, they'd come up sliced."

"His nerve, his memory, and I can't remember the third thing." - Lee Trevino on the three things an aging golfer loses."

## Bocce Friday Bash (CINCO)



Join us on Friday, May 5, 2023, from 3 to 5 p.m., for a Cinco De Mayo fiesta at our weekly bash. Everyone is welcome. You needn't be a member to attend. Bring along your favorite beverage and a Cinco de Mayo snack to share (optional). Please remember, be fair and share if you want to eat.

Barbara and Vince Sunseri are your Bash Hosts, and bash volunteer Karen Carlson will be there to greet you and help you sign up for 30-minute playtimes.

Friday bashes are a great way for Villagers to meet new friends, socialize with old friends and play casual bocce. Courts are located at Gazebo Park, are ADA accessible, and bathrooms are adjacent to the bocce courts. We look forward to seeing you!





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First Place Team, "Eager Rollers"-Kathleen Pennington, Captain Marilyn Gingerelli, Roy Pennington, Jackie Berman, Daniel Martinez, and Maria Burn

The 2023 Spring Mixer Tournament has ended and here are the winners. First Place went to team "Eager Rollers" led by Captain Marilyn Gingerelli. Second Place went to team" Turn the Paddle" led by Captain Helen Paris. Congratulations to both teams and thank you to all the teams who participated in this year's Mixer. Thank you to all the organizers, players and referees who helped make this year's tournament a success.

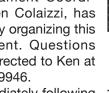
Mixer participants and members celebrated after the Championship game with a potluck at Gazebo Park. Wendy Ledamun and her volunteers did an outstanding job of

taking care of every detail and putting on a lovely fare. Thank you to Wendy and all her volunteers for all your hard work.

Don't forget about bash today! We will be celebrating Cinco de Mayo. Hosts Barbara and Vince Sunseri, have planned something special for the event, which takes place from 3 to 5 p.m. If you or your group/team would like to host bash, see Barbara at any Friday bash. It's fun and helps the club.

The Spring Round Robin starts on Monday, May 15 and runs through Thursday, June 22. Playoffs are on Monday, June 26 and Tuesday, June 27, with the Championship game on Wednesday, June 28.

Tournament Coordinator, Ken Colaizzi, has been busy organizing this tournament. Questions can be directed to Ken at 408-666-9946.





Second Place Team, "Turn the Paddle" - Linda Liebel, Bonnie Barrett, Captain Helen Paris, Vivian Hobbs, Ken Colaizzi, Marie Colaizzi, Rose Marie Macias and Carm Citrigno

Immediately following

the Championship game, the club hosts a Potluck at Gazebo Park, organized by Social Director, Wendy Ledamun. Reservations are required to attend, and more information will follow in the weeks to come. If you'd like to volunteer at this social event, contact Wendy at 408-960-8335 or email at wledamun49@gmail.com.

Don't forget to sign up for the **Bocce BBQ** on Saturday, May 27, please contact Wendy.

This event will be catered by Winchester BBQ. Reservations are required. Members pay \$20 and guests \$25 each. See the flyer in this issue of the Villager for more information.

Did You Know? The bocce balls located in the bottom of the kiosk cabinet are for practice and social playing. Tournament balls are locked in the shed and can only be accessed by authorized members, such as the Court Manager, tournament organizer, captains, and referees. These balls are only used for tournament play.

## Saddle up for Bocce Club's Summer BBQ!

Join us on Saturday, May 27, 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Gazebo for award-winning smoked

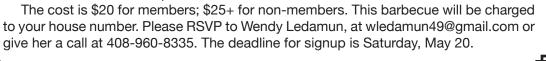
barbecue from Winchester BBQ. Feast on pulled pork, shredded chicken sliders, coleslaw, baked beans, potato salad, and fresh mixed green salad with berries, and dessert.

A vegetarian option will be available.

Barbecue will be served starting at 5:30 pm, followed by "Cowboy-Style" line dancing!

For early arrivals we've reserved the bocce courts and we'll set up the corn-hole games and ring-toss.

A complimentary watermelon margarita will be served to all attendees or BYOB favorite beverage. Plates, napkins, utensils and water will be provided.



## FROM THE PRO



#### By Scott Steele, PGA Head Golf Professional **Recent Golf Related News**

On Tuesday, April 25, the Club Board of Directors voted to approve two important golf related initiatives:

- 1. The Club Board of Directors voted to approve a golf course sand bunker renovation project; and working with the EVF approved the appropriation of the Dutch Johnson donated funds toward said bunker project. This will greatly enhance the golfing experience for all Villages golfers and guests. More updates to follow...
- 2. The Club Board of Directors voted to approve a 3-year extension to the Golf Maintenance Solutions (GMS) 3rd party golf course maintenance contract. The contract extension starts May 1st, 2023.

May Villages Golf Committee (VGC) Meeting—The May Villages Golf Committee (VGC) meeting will be held on Thursday, May 11 at 3 p.m. at the Cribari Center Conference Room. All Villages residents are welcome to attend.

Hole #18 Pond & Stream Project — Good news! The recirculation pump has been replaced and the cracks in the stream have been sealed so we are happy to announce that the Pond on Hole #18 and the Stream on Hole #9 and #18 is now full and running, returning it to its traditional operational state. Thank you for your patience over the duration of this major project. Please plan your approach shots on #9 and #18 accordingly...good luck!

Hole #8 Turf Reduction Project—Although this project was necessarily delayed throughout March due to extensive rain events, we are now back on track with the installation of the plant material and the spreading of the mulch ground cover. If all goes as planned this project should be completed by the start of the second week in May.

#### May Golf Scheduled Events

Friday, May 5 - 8 a.m. Open Shotgun - 12:30 p.m. Golf Moose Outing - 18-hole course closed Tuesday, May 9 – Ron Burke Memorial Tournament 12 p.m. Shotgun

Friday-Sunday, May 12-14 - Men's Club Member/Member 8 a.m. Shotgun each day - 1:30 p.m. Open Shotgun each day

Monday, May 15 - Women's Team Play 8:30 a.m. Shotgun - Open Shotgun 1:30 p.m. Sunday, May 21 – 8 a.m. Charity Tournament – 1 p.m. Open Shotgun

Friday, May 26 – Twilight Mixer – 4:30 p.m. Shotgun – Last Tee Time 12:30 p.m.

Monday, May 29 - Memorial Day Holiday Schedule 7 a.m. Tee Times

Tuesday, May 30 - Swingers 8:45 a.m. Shotgun - 1 p.m. Men's Home & Home Shotgun -18-hole course closed

Pro Shop Sale Items - 50% off table - assorted items 50% off and more! Located outside of the Pro Shop front door. 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.

## Summer Golf Schedule – In Effect through October 2023

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.

Wednesday: Men's Club until 11:30 a.m.

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

Friday: Pinseekers 9-Hole Men 12 p.m.

Tuesday-Sunday: Last tee Time 6 p.m. through August

Pro Shop – Closes at 5:30 p.m. through August (4 p.m. on Mondays)

Let's All Get Together Now-Be a part of our "Culture of Care" and follow these simple Golf Course Etiquette Guidelines...We can all participate in keeping our golf course beautiful by observing these eight simple acts of care:

- 1. Follow the 90-degree rule (longer hitters) or the Entrance gates (shorter hitters) when entering the fairway
  - 2. Do not drive within 10 yards of the forward tees
- 3. Respect any roping and cart directional signs and please exit every hole through the exit gates
  - 4. Sand fill all fairway divots
  - 5. Repair any/all pitch marks on the greens
  - 6. Avoid driving on the mounds surrounding our greens
  - 7. Smooth out the sand in the bunkers with the rake
  - 8. Knock the sand off your shoes before walking on the green from a sand bunker

Let's all make it a goal to leave our golf course in better shape than we found it, every time

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

- 1. On the tee use your eyes to see the hole in its entirety. Stand on the tee box and look at any trees, hazards, and where fairway and rough merge.
- 2. Use your eyes to choose a specific and small target to aim at from tee to green; such as a rooftop, a mountain, a patch of grass, or a tree in the distance.

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## The Villages' 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 began 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



The golf course yellow lines

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 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 30feet 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.





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## SHONIS

#### By Betty Hall

#### Happy Cinco de Mayo

Last week was a very pleasant change in the weather. Golfing under sunny, blue skies was so nice. We had a pretty full field of Shonis for our end of the month birthday game.

On this golfing day, the Shonis with a birthday get to dump their worst hole score and thus improve their overall gross/net scores and it helps in sweeps. Our birthday Shonis were Barb Sunseri and Leslie Ingham. Barb just finished her fifth requalifying game while Leslie's score placed her in sweeps. Happy Birthday, ladies.

Two weeks ago on April 16, one of our Shonis, Sharon Lingofelter, golfed the Par 3 with her hubby for their anniversary. And she got a very nice surprise gift—a Hole-in-One on the Par 3 Hole #5. Pictured here is a very happy golfer. Nice job, Sharon.



Sharon Lingofelter got a hole in one

## **18-HOLE WOMEN**

#### By Reine Fedor

By the time you are reading this article you will already know the results of the Handicap Tournament's qualifier that was played on April 27. You might also know the person you are competing against on May 11.

But, do you know that if you and your competitor for whatever reason cannot play on Thursday, May 11, you may find another time to play as long as you finish your competition before May 11? Over the years this flexibile arrangement has helped many of us stay in the tournament and enjoy a round of golf with a friend.

The month of June seems to be arriving quickly and the Invitational Committee is creating a fun tournament for us. Instead of a Horse Race this year we will get to play in a Canoe Race. Maybe the pace will be better for many of us!

I heard that plans for the Camp Fire Supper after the Canoe Race will include a great dessert and games and music by Ed Knotts! That will be a fun kick start to the Invitational!

Congratulations to Mary Jo O'Neill who broke 100 for the first time in many, many years. She told me that she was so inspired by playing with Asako Nakamura who out drove her on every hole!

Birdies for today were made by Helen Varenkamp on #1 and #11, Janelle Salvatierra on #11, Monica Saneholtz on #5, Maxine Amundson on #2 and Holly Magowan on #9.

## **IRONMEN**

## By Bill Travis and Jerry Juracich

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

Thursday, April 27, 2023, was sunny and warm, another great day for some golf. The results are as follows: Eleven Ironmen played today. Walter Lucas won **Third Place** with a net 29; **Second Place** was a three-way tie between Al Bruno, Sang Nam and Bill Travis with net 28s. And **First Place** was shared by Dave Hathaway and Victor Hong with net 23s.

We had **Five Birdies** today: two by Dave Hathaway on holes 3 and 6; two by Victor Hong on holes 1 and 2; and one by Walter Lucas on hole 7.

Closest to the Flag on hole 1 was won by Sang Nam at 15 feet.

Dave Hathaway won **Low Gross** with a 27.

Golfer of the Day recognition was shared by Dave Hathaway and Victor Hong, both with first place finishes and two birdies. Way to go, guys!

The Ironmen 9 hole, par 3 group would love to add new members. We are a very sociable group, and play basically pressure-free golf. And the first round is on us. Just call Jerry Juracich at 408-440–8283.

## Deep Thoughts:

"Don't just play your way around the course, think your way around the course." -Sam Snead, winner of three Masters, three PGA Championships, and the Open Championship

"Try to think where you want to putt the ball, not where you don't want it to go." - Billy Casper, winner of The Masters and the US Open



# SCOREBOARD

## 18-HOLE Women

#### Handicap Qualifier Wednesday, April 27

#### Flight One:

Low Gross: Monica Saneholtz 80 Low Net:

- 1. Janelle Salvatierra 73
- 2. Helen Varenkamp 74
- 3. Janet Gonzales 74

#### Flight Two:

Low Gross: Judy Owen 91 Low Net:

- 1. Geri Wilk 69
- 2. Kerry Besmehn 69
- 3. Chris Leisy 69
- 4. Holly Magowan 71
- 5. Jay Lee 71
- 6. Marky Olsen 72

#### Flight Three:

Low Gross: Inge McQuiddy 98 Low Net:

- 1. Jeanne Duce 69
- 2. Donna Quartaro 71
- 3. Carol Zaccheo 734. Linda Lutschan 74
- 5. Jean Shimada 76
- 6. Bette Sandahl 76

#### 2 Tee Flight:

Low Gross: Sheryl Driskell 97 Low Net:

- 1. Mary Jo O'Neill 71
- 2. Sylvia Rozewicz 76

## **SHONIS**

Tuesday, April 25 - all nets

#### Flight One:

- 1. Teddy Morse 22
- 2. Tied Joyce Baptiste, Sharon Lingofelter 23
- 3. Marty Blinde 24

#### Flight Two:

- 1. Kathy Tanaka 22
- 2. Tied Meg Rogers, Kacy Walden 25
- 3. Fran Schumaker 26

#### Flight Three:

- 1. Manoli Kelly 18
- 2. Tied Peggy White, Leslie Ingham 20
- 3. Rose Loy 21



## MEXICAN TRAIN DOMINOES

### Wednesday, April 26

Tony Rivera 142 Kit Hultquist 169 Kitty Heston 214

### Friday, April 28

Sylvia Rozewicz 122 Shirley Bellavance 202 Kit Hultquist 285

## BRIDGE

### Monday, April 24:

- 1. Alan Waltho -Maureen Waltho
- 2. Bash Singh Bonnie Taylor
- 3. Joe Henry Lorrie Scott

### Friday, April 28:

- Ed Logg Jonna Robinson
   Jan Kiernan Sumi Minami
- 3. Joe Henry Bonnie Taylor



# LANDSCAPE & MAINTENANCE

## MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE

#### Cribari

Cribari Center—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control in progress.

5320-5363, 5400-5432 and 5489-5499—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control, 5/8-5/12.

Shrub beds, street cracks, weed herbicide spray throughout the district (Roundup Pro Max EPA #524579), in progress.

Cribari Green—Dry rot repairs prior to painting project, in progress. 5364-5432—Painting project in progress, weather permitting. 5433-5459—Power washing scheduled for 5/5, followed by painting project scheduled to start 5/8.

Cribari Bend-Dry rot repairs in progress.

#### Del Lago

3301-3315—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control, 5/8-5/12.

#### Estates

8809-8875—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control, 5/29-6/2.

8876—2 Irrigation controllers pedestal cabinet replacement in progress.

#### **Fairways**

4001-4024—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control in progress.

#### Glen Arden

7698-7752 and 7753-7787 (odd) — Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control, 6/12-6/16.

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 5/8. 7732, 7753, 7756, 7757, 7759, 7769, 7781, 7787, 7791, 7799, 7806, 7817, 7822, 7824, 7833, 7835, 7837, 7839, 7843, 7849 and 7863 — Front door painting project in progress, weather permitting.

#### Heights

8480-8505—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control, 6/5-6/9.

### Hermosa

8005-8032, 8100-8121 and lower Chardonay Lake area—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control, 6/5-6/9.

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

## Highland

7500-7573—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control, 5/22-5/26.

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

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 5/8.

### Montgomery

6001-6068 and 6127-6136—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control, 5/29-6/2.

Dead/dying tree removals at various locations, in planning.

6058—Concrete and sidewalk repairs in progress.

Blauer and Whaley—Roof preventative maintenance in planning. **Olivas** 

8740-8752, 8769-8807 and Foothill Center—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control in progress. 8713-8738 and 8753-8768—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control, 5/8-5/12.

8736—Slab leak repairs in progress.

### Sonata

2000-2024 and 2032-2064—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control in progress.

2025-2031 and 2065-2101 — Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control, 5/8-5/12.

#### Valle Vista

9001-9014 and 9034-9036—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control in progress.

9015-9033—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control, 5/8-5/12.

Shrub beds, street cracks bank hills, weed herbicide spray throughout the district (Roundup Pro Max EPA #525549), in progress.

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 5/8.

#### Verano

7001-7060 and 7395-7404—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control in progress.

7314-7394—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control, 5/8-5/12.

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 progress. Shrub beds, street cracks weed herbicide spray throughout the

district (Roundup Pro Max EPA.524-579), 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 cleanup in progress throughout the Villages.

Turf Fertilization application throughout all the districts (Best NK select — 34-0-6), scheduled to start the week of 5/8.

#### **Club Centers**

Villages Parkway and Villages Fairways—Pro chip jet mulch installation in progress to median strips.

Turf Fertilization application throughout all Club Properties (Best NK select—34-0-6), scheduled to start the week of 5/8.

For Pesticide information on pest control or landscape, please contact Customer Service at (408) 223-4670 or visit the Corporation Yard at 9201 The Village Fairway Drive. San Jose, CA 95135 or visit the Resident Portal and click on the Pesticides button for pest control or landscape.

## Maintenance Project Notice:

All work scheduling is subject to weather, delays and availability of contractor labor and materials. Contractor may start several days ahead or behind plan schedule, pending field and weather conditions. As needed, we update schedules accordingly via FastLane. For your safety, please be aware of and stay clear of project and staging areas. Access is typically restricted in the work areas. Look out for cautionary signage and other measures. Parking facilities and street frontage may be in use on a temporary basis for vehicle, material and equipment staging. Debris, dust, noise, odor and visual inconveniences may result from a project. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.

## Slice of Humor



It is never easy being a mother.

If it were easy, fathers would do it.

-Happy Mothers Day!

## Maintenance Services

Customer Service Line: 408-223-4670

## Maintenance Emergencies and/or Advice

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

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



## Report Irrigation Issues

Please report broken sprinklers or other irrigation repair issues by calling Maintenance Customer Service at 408-223-4670 or online at: workorder@thevillages.com

For after hours or on holidays, contact Public Safety at 408-223-4665

# Proposed Changes to Club Board Policies <u>CPo 302 Assessment Charges</u> and <u>Fees</u>, <u>CPo 305 Investment Policy</u>, <u>CPo 308 Delegation of Authority and Procurements</u> and <u>CPo 311 Financial Reporting</u>

At the April 11, 2023, special open meeting, the Board approved to publish for 30-Day Notice proposed changes to VGCC Policies <u>CPo 302 Assessment Charges and Fees</u>, <u>CPo 305 Investment Policy</u>, <u>CPo 308 Delegation of Authority & Procurement and CPo 311 Financial Reporting Policy</u>.

The purpose of the proposed policy revisions is to bring the Club policies up-to-date to meet current market conditions, separate policy from procedure, allow the General Manager to create operating procedures based on CBOD policy, and to simplify.

Response to the proposed policy changes may be made by one or more of the following methods: 1) Participation in the discussion of the changes at the April 25, and May 30, 2023, board meetings, 2) via e-mail (jmeadows@the-villages. com) with comments sent to the General Manager's office at least seven days prior to the board meetings, or 3) via written comments to the General Manager's office (Business Administration Building A) delivered at least seven days prior to the aforementioned board meetings.

Because of the multiple reviews and revisions, the proposed policies drafts are presented in their proposed revision format.

The proposed changes are as follows:

#### TITLE: Assessments, Charges and Fees POLICY NUMBER: CPo 302

**OBJECTIVE:** Set forth policy and procedural guidelines for collection of member assessments, charges and fees.

**GOVERNING DOCUMENTS / LEGAL REQUIREMENTS:** VGCC Amended Bylaws of June 2006 Sections 8.2.2 through 8.2.5

California Civil Code, Corporation Code, Association and Homeowners Corporation Bylaws and CC&Rs.

**POLICY:** The Club Board shall levy assessments against the members sufficient to perform the Club Board's obligations. Assessments levied by the Association and Homeowner Boards from their respective members shall be collected by the Club Board as Managing Agent.

Delinquent assessment payments are subject to the Association and Homeowner Boards' Collection and Delinquency Policies and the non-judicial foreclosure provisions of California Civil Code §5730.

The Club Board may set fees and charges for use of facilities and services and for disciplinary actions. Fees and charges to members are collected by the Club.

**PROCEDURAL GUIDELINES:** This document sets forth guidelines to be followed by Management regarding the charges for use of facilities and services, collection procedures, and related disciplinary actions.

1. Fees and Charges in General. The Club Board of Directors establishes fees and charges for use of facilities, activities, and services and disciplinary actions. Such charges are payable during intervals as the Club Management shall designate. It is the intent of the Club Board not to charge fees for the use of Villages facilities for all-resident events as defined by the Community Activities Office and approved by the Club Board, except in the case of groups which are the sole users of a Villages asset, including but not limited to the golf course, the stables, and the RV lot. The annual Schedule of Fees and Charges will be posted on The Villages website. Hard copy can be obtained from the office in Building B.

2. <u>Golf Funding</u>. Golf operations funding requirements shall be met by setting golfing operations revenue and per unit assessment funding targets each year. Resident greens fees in effect on the date of the special Member Club Tournaments, defined by the CBOD, shall be the authorized greens fee charged for resident and guest participants for tournaments held in that calendar year.

3. Exclusive-use Groups, such as Stables and RV Lot. The estimate of net operating expenses and reserves, repairs, and enhancements for the coming fiscal year, including prior year budget variances, shall be paid by the members of the group.

- 4. Obligation to Pay Charges. Each charge is an obligation of the member/resident at the time it is incurred or billed. A member/owner is responsible for payment of any charges incurred by an occupant of the member's villa/home or guest of an occupant of the member's villa/home.
- 5. <u>Due Date/Delinquency Date for Payment of Charges</u>. A charge billed to a member/resident is due and payable on the date specified by Club Management. A payment is delinquent if not received 30 days after it becomes due.
- 6. <u>Late Charges/Interest</u>. A charge, or any portion thereof, that is delinquent shall incur a late charge set annually by the Club Board. Beginning 30 days after the charge becomes due, the entire unpaid balance shall bear interest at a rate set annually by the Club Board. The late charge and interest rate are contained in the annual Schedule of Fees and Charges which can be found on the Villages website, or a copy obtained from Building A or B.
- 7. <u>Collection Expenses</u>. Any costs and fees incurred to process and collect delinquent amounts, including, without limitation, late and interest charges, charges for preparation of delinquency notices or referral for collection, postage and copies, and attorney's fees and costs, shall become an additional charge against the member/resident and shall be subject to collection action pursuant to this policy.

8. <u>Application of Payments</u>. Payments shall be applied first to the principal owed, then to interest and collection charges.

- 9. <u>Initial Delinquency Notice</u>. Once a charge, or any portion thereof, has become delinquent, the member/resident shall receive an initial delinquency notice stating all amounts past due and any known collection charges imposed as of the date of the initial notice. The initial notice may be in the form of a letter, monthly statement, past due notice, or any other form of written notice from the Club or its designated agent.
- 10. Not a Member in Good Standing. A member who is delinquent in the payment of any amount due the Club, as evidenced by an initial delinquency notice, shall be automatically deemed to be "Not a Member in Good Standing", upon which the member/resident and all occupants of the member/resident's villa/home shall lose the following membership privileges: point-of-sale charges to their home account, use of the golf courses, assignment of vehicle bar-codes, attendance at Club sponsored trips, events and activities, recreational vehicle storage assignment, stables assignment, voting, and other privileges that may be designated by the Club Board. The member privileges shall not be restored to "Member in Good Standing" status until all delinquent amounts and associated interest and collection charges have been paid in full.
- 11. <u>Collection Process</u>. If a member/resident account remains unpaid for 30 days after it is due the Club Board or its designated agent may, at its sole discretion any time, thereafter, initiate collection by bringing an action in Small Claims Court or Superior Court, or by referral of the account to collection agency.
- 12. <u>Dishonored Checks</u>. A charge per check shall be imposed if the Club or its agent receives a check/electronic payment dishonored by the bank for any reason. The amount of the charge is contained in the annual Schedule of Fees and Charges. The Club may also seek damages in accordance with California Civil Code §1719.
- 13. Payment Agreements. The Club Board assigns the General Manager the responsibility of being its designated agent in the administration of any payment agreements to satisfy the settlement of delinquent assessment and fees owed. The designee, acting for the Club Board, may enter into a written payment agreement with the member for periodic partial payments on the balance of the assessment account, in amounts and on a payment, schedule agreed to by the designee. The agreement shall include payment of accruing assessments, and late charges shall not accrue so long as the member is complying with the terms of the Agreement. The Club has no obligation to enter into such an agreement, and any agreement entered with the member shall be reasonable and for the sole purpose of assuring the best interests of the Club are served. The payment agreement shall be in writing and a provision shall be included, which states that failure to meet any term of the agreement shall give the Club Board the right to immediately continue the collection process without further notice to the member.
- 14. <u>Dispute of Charges</u>. A member/resident may dispute the amount stated in the initial notice of delinquency by submitting to the Club Board a written explanation of the reasons for disputing the amount. A telephone call will not reserve any rights. If the Club Board receives the owner's written statement within 15 days of the postmark of the initial notice of delinquency, the Club Board shall respond in writing to the member/resident. The member/resident is required to provide the following information regarding any dispute:
  - The member/resident's name, mailing address, and account number.
  - The exact dollar amount claimed to be in dispute or in error.
- For each charge or payment in dispute, an explanation of the reasons for the member/resident believes there is an error, with sufficient detail such as dates, names, and check numbers, so that the dispute may be investigated. If the member/resident does know how the error was made, that statement may be made.
- Copies of checks, letters or other documents referred to or claimed should accompany the written explanation.
- 15. Address of the Club and Club Board of Directors. Members/residents should respond in writing or make payments to the address directed by the designated agent. If no address is given, correspondence should be mailed to the Club at the following address:

Board of Directors
The Villages Golf and Country Club
c/o General Manager
5000 Cribari Lane
San Jose, CA 95135

Unless another address is given by the Club or its designated agent, the address noted above may be used for overnight payments.

16. <u>Sufficiency of Notice</u>. Except for notice that under California law must be sent by certified mail, notice is sufficient if either hand delivered to member/resident address or mailed first class, postage prepaid, to the member/resident at the address on file with the Club at the time of notice.

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#### **TITLE: Investment Policy**

**POLICY NUMBER: CPo 305** 

**OBJECTIVE:** Provide guidelines for managing the Club's invested assets. The VGCC Board of Directors will oversee the investment portfolio of the Club in a conservative prudent manner.

**GOVERNING DOCUMENTS / LEGAL REQUIREMENTS: Club Bylaws Sec**tions 8.1.8 and 8.2.6

**POLICY:** The portfolio shall be invested with the objective of long-term growth assets and protection of capital. With this long-term objective in mind, the portfolio shall be invested to provide safety through diversification in a portfolio including common stocks, bonds, cash equivalents, and alternative investments, all of which may reflect varying rates of return. The investments shall also be diversified within asset classes (e.g., equities shall be diversified by economic sector, industry, quality, and size). Portfolio diversification provides protection against a single security or class of securities having a disproportionate impact on aggregate performance. There will be liquid assets at the beginning of each fiscal year to fund planned reserve fund expenditures.

FIDUCIARY RESPONSIBILITY: There is a Fiduciary Responsibility for long term replacement of the Villages Club facilities which can benefit from the compounding of higher returns to reduce the ultimate cost. The target for return on portfolio investments will be at least equal to actual and/or forecasted inflation as measured by the California Construction Price Index (CCPI). If possible, after considering safety, liquidity, and purchasing power, the funds should secure additional (real) income

**INVESTMENT CONSULTANT:** The Board of Directors will commit to an Investment Consultant to manage the day-to-day investment program.

The Consultant will perform the following:

- 1. Create Investment Policy Statements for CBOD and ABOD approval.
- 2. Perform Asset Allocation Modeling
- 3. Portfolio Implementation and Monitoring
- 4. Maintain a VGCC Investment Portfolio Dashboard with comparison to like organizations

The CBOD will evaluate the performance of the Consultant annually at the beginning of the calendar year and take any action necessary regarding the Consultant's services.

INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS: Investment accounts may be established with commercial banks, brokers, and the Federal Reserve. These institutions will not have any discretionary power. Performance of the financial institutions carrying the Club's Reserves Portfolio Accounts should be evaluated at regular intervals.

SEGREGATION OF INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS: Separate Investment accounts will be maintained for the VGCC Corporations as follows:

- 1. The Villages Golf and Country Club Reserve and Capital Funds
- 2. The Villages Association Replacement Reserve Funds
- 3. The Villages Homeowners' Corporation (Estates Reserve) funds

MANAGEMENT: The Club Board of Directors has the authority and responsibility to hire and fire the Investment Consultant. Routine portfolio management is the responsibility of the General Manager. The CBOD grants the General Manager the authority to delegate management of the Investment Consultant to a senior staff member with co-fiduciary responsibility.

As needed the Investment Consultant and/or General Manager or the designated senior staff member, will request review and agreement from the appropriate Board members or Committee for specific investment actions contrary to the approved Investment Policy Statements.

## TITLE: Delegation of Authority & Procurement POLICY NUMBER: CPo 308

OBJECTIVE: Establish limits of authority for commitment of Club funds and outline purchasing procedures, including requirements for multiple bids. Club policy and procedures shall ensure that qualified suppliers and contractors have a fair and equitable opportunity to meet the needs of the Villages. This policy sets forth guidelines, limitations, and procedures for the purchase of supplies, materials, equipment, and services for the Villages Golf and Country Club.

GOVERNING DOCUMENTS / LEGAL REQUIREMENTS / LIMITATIONS: Club Bylaws Section 8.1.2, 8.1.12

POLICY: VGCC will conduct financial and procurement functions efficiently, effectively, and in full compliance with all federal and state laws, and VGCC policies, and procedures. The CBOD's authority to contract for all goods and services is delegated to the General Manager as set forth in this policy and to those employees to whom the General Manager delegates that responsibility. The Purchasing Manager has been delegated by the General Manager to contract for the Villages in accordance with this policy.

**Approval Requirements** 

### Approval Authority & Purchasing Levels

**Amount** 

\$0-\$999	Department Director		
\$1,000-\$2,999	Department Director	AGM – Division	
\$3,000-\$9,999	Department Director	AGM - Division	Obtain one additional quote
\$10,000-\$24,999	AGM – Division	GM/Purchasing	Documented Three (3) Proposals/ Quotes
\$25,000-\$50,000	AGM – Division	GM/Purchasing	Purchasing Documented Three (3) Proposals/Quotes
\$50,000 +	Department Director & Purchasing Manager	BOD/GM	Formal Bid – Three (3) to Five (5) proposals

#### **Check Signing Authority**

- All checks must have two signatures.
- All checks drawn on Club reserve accounts (Replacement Reserve or Capital Improvement) must be signed by the Board President or a Club Board Officer and cosigned by the General Manager or their designee.
- · Operating checks of \$10,000 or less must be signed by any two of the following:
  - o General Manager
  - o Head of Finance
  - o Controller
  - o Assistant General Manager
  - o Accounting Manager
- Operating checks over \$10,000 must be signed by either the Head of Finance or Controller or the Assistant General Manager and co-signed by the General Manager or a Club Board Officer. Operating checks over \$25,000 for items other than utility bills or insurance premiums must be signed by the General Manager or the head of finance or the Controller and co-signed by the Board President or a Club Board Officer.

#### **Procurement and Competitive Bidding**

The General Manager is authorized by CBOD to select the best project delivery method for goods and services purchased under \$25,000. For projects and contracts that are estimated to cost over \$25,000 competitive sealed bidding or request for proposals will be conducted. The General Manager, or designee is authorized to select a procurement method of either competitive sealed bidding or competitive sealed proposals for the procurement of goods and services as defined by State law. Sole source contracting will be allowed only with the specific approval of the Club Board.

#### **TITLE:** Financial Reporting Policy **POLICY NUMBER: CPo 311**

**OBJECTIVE:** Provide guidelines for Management to prepare and deliver financial reports to the VGCC Club Board and Members.

### **GOVERNING DOCUMENTS / LEGAL REQUIREMENTS:**

VGCC Bylaws Section 8.2.2, 8.2.7 and 8.2.8 and CPO 310 Budgeting

**POLICY:** The Club Board of Directors requires Management to create and distribute timely and accurate reporting of financial information to the Board and Members. The information will demonstrate the financial health of the Club, adherence to approved budgets, justification for out of budget expenditures, trending of key performance indicators and a basis for the calculation of assessments for operations, reserve, and capital funds.

**RESPONSIBILITY:** Management is responsible for the content, format and scheduling of each report required by this policy. The processes to create the documentation will be in VGCC Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) which will be created and maintained by Management.

The Club Board will annually review and approve format and content of reports and SOPs. The Club Board Treasurer will review and recommend approval at the beginning of each fiscal year.

## **MONTHLY REPORTING:**

Dashboard

A financial Dashboard will be updated immediately at the end of each month using best information available at that time. The dashboard may be updated as the books are closed. The dashboard will be reviewed at each monthly Club Board meeting.

### **QUARTERLY REPORTING:**

**Bylaws Section 8.2.7** 

- a) Income and Expenses of Operating, Reserve, and Capital funds.
- b) Operating accounts reconciliation
- c) Revenue and Expenses for Club reserve and capital funds.
- d) Investment accounts statement review
- e) Profit and Loss reports for the Restaurant/Clubhouse and Golf Course/ Pro Shop

**Projects** 

A quarterly progress report on the status of large-scale Club projects under contract shall be made to the Club Board of Directors by the General Manager. The report should include estimated completion date and cost to complete.

### **SEMI-ANNUAL REPORTS:**

**Contractors** 

The General Manager or designee will make semi-annual reports to the Club Board of Directors on long term contracts. These reports will address objectives, performance, costs, and related Issues. Contractors subject to this policy include 1) Landscaping, 2) Golf course maintenance, repair, and refurbishment 3) Solar array monitoring and maintenance and other contracts with durations over one year.

## ANNUAL REPORTS Bylaws sections 8.2.2 and 8.2.8

Management will prepare an annual Budget for Club Operations, Reserves and Capital funds and document the procedure to do so, subject to CBOD approval. Management will propose the budget, with recommended assessments, to the Club Board for approval at the April Club Board meeting. The budget documentation will be made available to the Members.

Management will recommend to the Club Board Finance Committee several

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# L'LASSIFIED ADVERTISING

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Villages Resident

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#### More CLUBS

## Villagers turn out for fun, sun and success at Art in the Park on April 22



We had the most wonderful time at this year's Art in the Park. The day was filled with sunshine, music, and talented artists. There were hundreds of handmade treasures, a table to create your own art, and freshly baked cookies for sale. On top of all that, we had a surprise Flash Mob by the Villages Dance Club. What could be better than that?

Thank you all for your support of the Villages Arts & Crafts Association. Our club offers free art demonstrations, free art films, and a variety of art classes. For more information, visit villagesartsandcrafts.org

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



A meeting of The Village Readers Club will be held at 2 p.m. on Wednesday, May 17, 2023, at the Montgomery Center. Any Villager who would like to join an existing group or to form a new group is invited to attend. There are currently 13 book groups, each with eight to 10 members. Each book group is managed independently and functions differently, from the genre of books read to the snacks provided. Groups usually meet once a month in members' homes. If you love to read, want to make new friends, and enjoy interesting book discussions, please attend. Please contact Trudy Nicholls at trudy\_nicholls@hotmail.com with any questions.

## Update: Walking/Chair Dancing class time/location change

Don't miss out on the opportunity to improve your fitness and quality of life-join us for our Tuesday and Thursday classes, both now in the Cribari Auditorium! Our Tuesday class is from 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., and Thursday class is from 10 a.m. - 11 a.m. First class is free! Sign up in class! LSAL Fitness Club's mission is to help each person live stronger as they age, and thus, participants of all fitness levels are encouraged to come and work at their own pace. Regular exercise is essential for overall health and well-being. So, bring a friend and join us; you will



look, feel, and function better and enjoy life more. **Visitors are always welcome to come in an experience our class.** 

## From the Pro...

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- 3. Use your eyes when chipping and pitching to determine the proper trajectory for the shot and more importantly the landing spot for the shot. Focus on the landing spot during your rehearsal swings.
- 4. Use your eyes when putting during your pre-shot routine. Look at the hole during your practice strokes and your eyes will tell your arms how hard or soft to swing the putter. Use your eyes to see the top line of the break of the putt and be sure to putt toward that spot.

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

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## Save the Date—Memorial Day Service



A Memorial Day Service, sponsored by The Villages Veterans Club, will be held in Cribari Auditorium on Monday, May 29, at 11 a.m. All Villagers are invited to attend, to remember and honor all those who gave all in service to God and country. Seating is limited.

## Mac Users Group to meet

Villages Macintosh Users Group (VMUG) will have a meeting on May 17 at 3 p.m. only by Zoom. If you are not on our mailing

list and you wish to attend, contact our treasurer, Larry Roben and he will send you the link when our presenter gives it to him. Contact Larry with your address, phone number and email address. His phone number is 408-218-0851 and email is larryroben21@gmail.com.



## 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.

## Remember your loved one with a memorial gift to EVF

Please remember the Evergreen Villages Foundation (EVF) when you are considering a memorial gift in honor of a loved one. The EVF sends a lovely acknowledgement from you. www. evfsj.org

## Macro and close-up photography-from basic to the far (or near) out

Join the Villages Camera Club on Monday, May 15, at 7 p.m. at Foothill Center for a conversation and demonstration of macro and close-up photography. Club President and Master Photographer Rich James joins with Master Photographer Rick Rasmussen to explore the world that we do not see.

This program is designed for all types of cameras and all levels of expertise. Not only will the basics of macro and close-up photography be introduced, but Rick Rasmussen will also provide a demonstration of his unique apparatus. It allows him to take incredible shots of water droplets flying through the air.

If you are not a member of the Camera Club and want to attend, contact Sy Gelman at s.gelman@ymail.com. (Non-members are allowed one free program each year.) Visit the club's website at villagescameraclub.com for a slideshow featuring winners from the April competition. For details of our activities and competitions see the Calendar of Events under Activities from the main menu. The Villages Camera Club is a member of the Northern California Council of Camera Clubs (N4C) and the Photographic Society of America (PSA).



## 'AgeTech' author to speak at Senior Academy event

**By Tony Berg** 

Join Senior Academy on May 17 at 10 a.m., when we host Keren Etkin who will be Zooming to us direct from Israel. Register now for this free event on our website at VillagesSA.org

Keren Etkin, author of "The AgeTech Revolution," will take you on a journey to explore the intersection of tech and aging and explain why it is so critically important to all of us. She will explore the future of AgeTech and what it could look like five, 10 or 20 years from now.

Technology can be a riddle to some of us, a frustration to others. But there is strong reason to consider the positive impacts technology has on our lives—especially as we face the inevitable aging process.

Karen is imminently qualified to lead us on this journey to appreciate what technological advances can do to enhance our lives. She is a gerontologist and the best-selling author of The AgeTech Revolution—a book about the intersection of technology and aging.

Etkin is the founder of TheGerontechnologist.com, a media platform that covers the global agetech ecosystem and The AgeTech Academy, which offers online AgeTech education for entrepreneurs and elder care professionals.

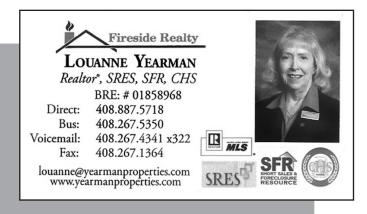
Named one of the most influential people in aging, Etkin is a sought-after public speaker and advisor to AgeTech startups, investors in the longevity economy, care providers and organizations who work on innovation in aging. She holds an M.A. in Gerontology and a B.Sc. in Life Sciences from Ben-Gurion University.

Senior Academy is delighted to bring you this very special event through the wonders of Zoom (technology helping us!) at 10 a.m. on Wednesday May 17. Please note the time as Israel runs 10 hours ahead of us! Remember, this is a free event, open to all by registering on our website at VillagesSA organizations.

## American Oak neighbors 'break the fast' and catch up



Fourteen American Oak neighbors met at the Clubhouse for breakfast in late April to catch up after a long wet winter and to celebrate the beauty of spring. They are from left to right: Franz Spickhoff, Bill Ruona, Frank Garcia, Betty Garcia, Pam Saunders, Jane Ruona, Greg Cheung, Rod Tieman, Colleen Merendino, Kathy Tallman, Helga Spickhoff, Michele Bosakowski, Norm Kabbani and Estelle Kabbani. Time flies when we're having such fun here at The Villages; next breakfast will be held to celebrate summer!





#### More BOARDS & COMMITTEES

## Proposed Changes to Club Board Policies...

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qualified firms to conduct audits of the Club financial statements. Selection of the licensed CPA will be approved by the Club Board at the April monthly meeting. The Auditors report will be formally approved by the Board as soon as practical after the beginning of the fiscal year and made available to the Members.

A physical inventory of all Club furnishings and equipment will be conducted annually. A report of inventory results will be included in the annual budgeting documentation.

#### **PERIODIC REPORTS:**

Major Projects

Management shall provide a review for Club Board consideration of all projects which are projected to exceed \$50,000 in total cost. The purpose of these reviews is to determine if any interim actions or decisions regarding the reviewed projects are required by the Club Board or Management. The review of each project shall, at a minimum, include project planned cost, commitments to date, an estimate of the expenses to complete the project, and projected cost over/under the plan.

**Project Final Report** 

At the completion or termination of a Major Project, a final report shall be provided to the Club Board by the General Manager. The report should include the project's planned definition, benefits, costs, schedule, rationale for any changes and the

#### **MEDIA AND DISTRIBUTION:**

All reports will be posted on the VGCC website on an access restricted pages as appropriate for Board of Directors access only and all Members only.

Board meeting materials will be distributed to Club Board of Directors by posting on the VGCC residents portal website or by distribution of electronic files by email. Each Director may require distribution by hardcopy or flash drive if desired.

## WHERE IN THE WORLD IS THE VILLAGER?

Here's how it works: Take along a copy of The Villager on your next vacation-it's not heavy-and have your picture taken holding up the paper with a well-known landmark or celebrity. Just tell them it's for the

folks back home. (And be sure to get your camera back!) Then after you unpack and process your pictures from your vacation, e-mail your Villager picture (in Jpeg format) and perhaps a couple of "zingers" from your vacation and e-mail the files to shinrichs@the-villages.com. We'll publish your smiling face with your favorite local paper for all to see.

On a recent repositioning cruise on the **Enchanted Princess from Ft. Lauderdale to** Barcelona, John and Phyllis Mueller had the great opportunity of finding family at the Castillo De Luna fortress in Rota, Spain (at right). The castle-built in 1297-was only a 30-minute ferry ride from their ship docked at Cadiz. Phyllis' great grandfather Abllardo DeLuna was from Cuba and after some investigation, she discovered that his family came from Jaen, Spain in the Andalusian region and married into the Ponce De Leon family who occupied the Castillo for 600 to 700 years - hence "Castillo De Luna." The building is still in great shape and now houses a government building.







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