# The Villager

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### The News this Week

- Association CC&Rs vote upcoming (See article on page 3)
- Board Candidates' Pages (See items on pages 15-18)
- Proposed Changes to Club Board Policies (See article on page 7)

### Holiday office closures

Villages business offices will be closed Monday, May 29 for the Memorial Day holiday.

Trips, Classes & Events See page 12









Community TV channel:

**CHANNEL 27:** Currently playing

- Fitness Center
- Candidates' Night 2023
- Avoiding Senior Scams
- Living with Wildfires
- Aerial views of The Villages
- Fitness videos

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### Villages General Manager to speak at Men's Fun Social Club

Theresa Ostrander, The Villages General Manager, will be the speaker at the Villages Men's Fun Social Club on Tuesday, June 6 at the Clubhouse.

Before joining The Villages, Theresa's most recent work experience was President of CM Squared, Inc., a multi-million-dollar, revenue producing construction management firm. Theresa's professional growth stems from



experience in municipal government, association management, and municipal utility districts, all leading her to be a disciplined leader. She has extensive experience in several business genres, including operational management and financial analysis. In addition, she's an accomplished strategic organizational expert with extensive experience in building effective teams.

Theresa has a bachelor's degree from San Jose State University and has completed master's degree work in therapeutic recreation at the University of North Texas and public administration at Southern Methodist University. She is a lifelong learner/educator and dedicated to team successes.

Hailing from the Monterey Peninsula, Theresa has an ardent passion for the outdoors and can be found near and around the ocean or inland trails with friends, family, and her dogs.

Plan on attending this event to hear her successes while being here for a relatively short time. Lunch reservations are required for members per the computer system referenced in the VMFSC newsletter. Guests are invited to attend and should arrive at the Clubhouse around 12:30 p.m.



**Proposed Changes to Association CC&Rs vote** 

See page 3

**Board Candidates' Pages** 

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### Get tickets for 'Summer Blockbusters' concert

"Summer Blockbusters"—the engaging theme for the performance this Sunday, May 21 of the Villages Concert Band-brings us fabulous music soundtracks of Hollywood movies. Pariter, a men's chorus, will open the program at 2:30 p.m. in Cribari Auditorium. Buy your tickets for \$20 on Saturday, May 20, in the Cribari Lobby from 10 a.m.-12 noon.

Pariter is part of Resounding Achord Productions, a nonprofit choir organization based in the South Bay. A low-voice choir, they perform a wide variety of music from the Renaissance, Barbershop, Contemporary and Folk styles. Pariter is Latin for "equally" or "together." In August of 2021, Conductor Albert "Albee" Mabeza formed this group of tenors and bases. The singers range in age from 20-75 and come from all walks of life and musical backgrounds.

After their guest performers, the Villages Concert Band will play melodies to remind us of movies that audiences lined up to see the first weekend it was released-usually in May through August. Expect to hear music from Hollywood movies made with large budgets and big stars. Familiar tunes include "The Mandalorian," "Star Wars/Raiders March," and other familiar and not-so-familiar musical explorations of past movies. The Villages Concert Band is part of The Villages Music Society, Inc., which includes music and performance groups to enrich the lives of Villagers. See VillagesMusicSociety.org for more information. Donations are welcomed as are volunteers.

### State Senator Dave Cortese to speak

Dave Cortese, our California State Senator, will be updating us on the activities in Sacramentoon Thursday, May 25 at 7 p.m. Cortese represents nearly a million people in District 15—a culturally diverse and dynamic community hosting many household-name tech companies and was a long-time home for Cesar Chavez. Included in this district is Little Saigon, home to one of the largest Vietnamese communities in the United States.

In the turbulent times following the trauma of a pandemic we have seen swings from feast to famine in the state finances and Cortese will be sharing with us how the budgeting process is progressing and its likely impact on all of us in the coming year.

Due to Senator Cortese's schedule we will be offering this session on Zoom and streamed through to Foothill. This event is sponsored by the Villages Democratic Club. Email TheVillagesDemocraticClub@gmail.com for registration help.

### Dan Furtado to speak at Villages 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.

Our featured speaker will be Campbell Councilmember Dan Furtado, a native of Campbell, CA and also its former mayor. Dan served two years on active duty in the US Army and retired as a Colonel after 40 years of total service. His assignments included Commandant of the Presidio Army Reserve School, Commander of the 334th Medical Group, and Commander, 5th Brigade, 104th Division. Currently, he serves as an Army Reserve Ambassador. He taught pharmacology at Stanford University for 42 years, and still teaches part-time at Cal State University Monterev Bav. He has served 15 years on the City Council and three terms as Mayor of Campbell.

## 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.

0 Pulse letters received this week.

0 Pulse letters not meeting Pulse Letter Guidelines.

0 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.

### EPC: We'll make it easier for you

#### By Arlene Versaw

None of us likes to worry about challenges we may face in the future. That's human nature. But we should. We all need to take some simple steps to ensure our safety and that of our family members, because if we don't, the consequences could be dire.

So, let's make it simple. At a minimum, we should:

- · Have three days of food and water available at all times
- Have a Go-Bag in case we have to evacuate (See the EPC website at the villagesepc.com for details)
- $\bullet$  Have an evacuation plan so you know where you will go if you must leave
- Ensure that Public Safety has emergency contact information for a relative or friend
- Ensure that Public Safety has a current key to your home to conduct a wellness check, if required

• Sign up for the Villages' Free Emergency Alert System, known as NIXLE, to get emergency

notifications of events sent to your cell phone or landline. You can do that on the EPC website at the village sepc.com or if you need assistance in setting it up, you can contact Public Safety at 408-239-5246. We'll help you. It is that important.

In fact, if you need help with any of these steps, let us know. Contact your Sector Chief. You can find yours on the EPC website (thevillagesepc.com). That is what we are here for. Not complicated, but urgent. Act now.



The What I Love About The Villages column is a place where you can share your positive comments about The Villages community. (To be in compliance with VGCC Rule 1.30, please do not name businesses or other commercial, religious or political entities.)

If you have an uplifting comment to share about some aspect of life at The Villages, please email your contribution to Villager Associate Editor Kory Tran: ktran@the-villages.com, Villager Managing Editor Scott Hinrichs: shinrichs@the-villages.com or submit it in the Villager Article Submission area on the Resident Portal: resident.thevillagesgcc.com/villager/artsub/

#### WHAT I LOVE ABOUT THE VILLAGES

### 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.



### IN MEMORIAM

Robert L. Reese (Bob) November 7, 1926 – April 23, 2023

(Please see obituary in the Classified Advertising section)

Richard E. MacFarlane November 23, 1941 — April 20, 2023

(Please see obituary in the Classified Advertising section)

#### **DEADLINES**

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

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Classified Ads: Classified ads, renewals, cancellations and changes are due by 10 a.m. on the Monday before publication. Holiday deadlines differ. All classified ads must be in writing. You may fax classified ads to 408-274-2843 or e-mail to: areed@the-villages.com or ktran@the-villages.com. For more information, please call 408-223-4657, 408-754-1341 or 408-223-4655. Display Ads: Display ad rates and placement may be arranged by calling Adrienne at 408-223-4657. Display advertising information is available on The Villages web site at: www.thevillagesgcc.com.

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Call 408-223-4655 to report missed deliveries.

#### **POLICIES**

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

The Villages Communications Advisory Committee "To inform and connect Villagers" develops operational plans, reviews rules and policies, and advises the General Manager and Club Board on issues pertaining to The Villager, including Pulse letters, Channel 26, Fast Lane and the web site. Residents having relevant concerns may attend meetings or call committee members by phone: Chair Nick Yannaccone at 408-219-9296, Sue Callahan 408-238-2413, Jeanette Campa 408-661-0203, Debbie Champion at 408-960-6994, Barbara Clurman at 347-451-5309, Jac Fitzenz at 408-223-7749, Thomas Moore at 408-887-5322, and Patricia Reardon at 408-914-2432.

#### HOURS

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

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

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## Boards & Committees

## The ABOD is Proposing Changes to the CC&Rs to Benefit Members

https://resident.thevillagesgcc.com/abod-ccr-3of5/ Villager Article Three (of Five articles)

This article discusses two changes to address the impact of inflation on the section of the CC&Rs that describe what happens in the case of a disaster (like a devastating earthquake or fire) and the Association does not have sufficient insurance coverage to cover the loss.

We hope something like this never happens, but if it does the CC&Rs spell out exactly what steps can be taken. Since the time these Sections were last approved, the cost of repairs or replacements have greatly increased. This means that the amount of money that determines whether the deficiency is "minor" or "major" needs to be increased to match current costs.

Since the Association does not carry Earthquake Insurance, all losses due to earthquakes will have a deficiency of insurance proceeds.

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 8 (Damage or Destruction; Condemnation) Sections 8.1.1 and 8.1.2. In each Amendment the items crossed out are being taken out. Items in **bold** are being added.

#### Article 8 – Damage or Destruction; Condemnation Section 8.1.1 – Minor Insurance Proceeds Deficiency

**Goal of the Change:** To reflect the impact of inflation on the determination of whether the deficiency is "minor" or "major".

**Background:** The Association is required to procure and maintain adequate property insurance for expected losses but is not required to maintain earthquake insurance. The Association does not purchase earthquake insurance. In any disaster situation, losses may exceed the amount of insurance coverage and this section determines what actions are required. Before inflation it was determined that \$10,000 per damaged unit was a "minor" deficiency. Our insurance broker advises that \$50,000 is a more accurate number now.

#### The Amendment:

Article 8, Section 8.1.1 ("Minor Insurance Proceeds Deficiency"), is hereby amended to read as follows: 8.1.1 Minor Insurance Proceeds Deficiency. If the costs, as determined by the insurance underwriter, of repairing or rebuilding the damaged Villa(s) and/or Common Area to a condition consistent with the insurance policy coverages does not exceed the amount of insurance proceeds payable from the Association's insurance policies by more than ten fifty thousand dollars (\$10,000 50,000) multiplied by the number of damaged Villas, then such insurance proceeds shall be paid to the Association. The Board shall thereupon contract to repair or rebuild the damaged portions of the Common Area. With respect to any damaged Villa(s), the Board may contract to repair or rebuild any Villa(s) so damaged or distribute the insurance proceeds attributable to such Villa(s) to the Owner(s) and/or mortgagee(s) of the affected Villa(s) to repair or rebuild the damaged Villa(s). In the event the insurance proceeds are insufficient to pay all of the costs of repairing and/or rebuilding, the Board shall levy a Special Assessment which shall be levied against and allocated among all Association Owners on an equal basis, unless the Board determines that other Association funds are available to pay the deficiency.

#### Article 8 – Damage or Destruction; Condemnation

#### Section 8.1.2 - Major Insurance Proceeds Deficiency

Goal of the Change: To reflect the impact of inflation on the determination of whether the deficiency is "minor" or "major".

**Background:** The Association is required to procure and maintain adequate property insurance for expected losses but is not required to maintain earthquake insurance. The Association does not purchase earthquake insurance but leaves the choice for members to purchase their own policies. In a disaster situation where losses exceed the amount of insurance coverage, or for any earthquake losses, this section determines what actions are required. Before inflation it was determined that losses greater than \$10,000 per damaged unit was a "major" deficiency. Our insurance broker advises that \$50,000 is a more accurate number now.

#### The Amendment:

Article 8, Section 8.1.2 ("Major Insurance Proceeds Deficiency"), is hereby amended to read as follows: 8.1.2 Major Insurance Proceeds Deficiency. If the costs of repairing or rebuilding the damaged Villa(s) and/or Common Area to a condition consistent with the insurance policy coverages exceeds the amount of insurance proceeds payable with respect thereto by more than ten fifty thousand dollars (\$10,000 50,000) multiplied by the number of damaged Villas, then such insurance proceeds shall be paid to a bank, savings and loan association, or trust company designated by the Board. Said funds shall be held for the benefit of all Villa Owners in the Project(s) and their mortgagee(s), as their respective interests shall appear, pursuant to an insurance trust agreement tent with the provisions of the Declaration, approved and executed by the Board. The Board shall obtain bids from at least three (3) responsible contractors to. restore the Project(s), including all damaged Villas and all damaged Common Area, to a condition consistent with the insurance policy coverages and shall, as soon as possible, call a special meeting of the Owners of Villas in the Project(s) and their first mortgagees to review and consider such bids. A vote on such bids shall be conducted by secret ballot as required by Section 4.1 of the Bylaws ("Voting by Members; Member Request for Vote") and in conformity with Civil Code sections 5100 through 5145. An acceptable bid to repair or rebuild may be approved by a vote of not less than fifty percent (50%) of the Owners of Villas in the Project(s) who cast votes, provided that a majority of the Owners of Villas in the Project shall be represented. Alternatively, the Owners by vote of seventy-five percent (75%) of all of the Villa Owners in a Project may elect to sell their Project.

## 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.

More BOARDS & COMMITTEES, MANAGEMENT and COMMUNITY NOTICES on pages 4, 5, 7 & 14

### 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.

### '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.

## MANAGEMENT

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

More BOARDS & COMMITTEES, and COMMUNITY NOTICES on pages 7 & 14

### Caz Family Arts and Music Camp for all ages

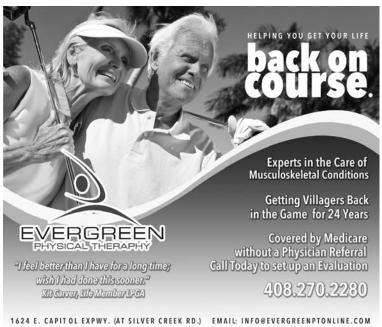


Caz Family Arts and Music Camp in Carmel Valley is a one-of-a-kind intergenerational sleep away camp for ages 1-101. Enjoy classes for all ages from yoga to photography, guitar to clowning, nature exploring, theater and much much more. Catered family dining and hotel style accommodations with in-room half bath. Don't let your grandkids have all the fun at camp this summer, go with them for a week of creativity that will last a lifetime.

For more information:

Email: John@cazfamilycamp.org, visit our website: www.cazfamilycamp.org or call: 510-593-9671





### 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.

### New Comcast Appointments available

The Villages' Comcast representative, Haseeb Payendazadah, is again offering to host Virtual Customer Events (one-on-one) to discuss your questions regarding your bills and Xfinity products from the comfort of your home.

Sessions will be available on Tuesdays from 10 a.m. and 2 p.m.

Go to the scheduling page at: https://calendly.com/haseebpayendahh/the-villages-san-jose

### Stay in touch with essential developments on Fast Lane!

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

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



## GOVERNANCE MEETINGS

### THE DACs

### 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.

### **ENCROACHMENTS**

The following encroachments have been submitted to the Architectural Committee and the Board of Directors:

8496 Grenache Court—Chair lift.

Owners in the area are invited to comment to the General Manager's office.

Deadline for editorial materials is the Thursday before the date of publication. If your notice is late, please call Kory at The Villager copy desk at 408-754-1341 to arrange for space to be available. You may e-mail your copy to: ktran@the-villages.com

#### More COMMUNITY NOTICES

### **SRS SENIOR RESOURCE SERVICES**

## Is your golf cart insured?

Q: I just succumbed to life in The Villages and purchased a golf cart. Do I need to get insurance coverage for it?

A: You should certainly inform your insurance agent and discuss your need for coverage and the extent of any such coverage. Like any other vehicle, a golf cart can be damaged, and a golf cart collision or mishap can result in property damage and substantial injuries or liabilities. Also, golf carts tend to be easier to steal than the average car.

Q: Will the golf cart insurance be a separate policy?

A: Most likely it will be added to your Home Owners Policy as an endorsement. However, if your cart is a Low Speed Vehicle which can go 25 M.P.H. and is registered with the DMV, then it will likely be included under your Auto Policy rather than your Home Owners Policy. Talk with your insurance agent.

Another important thing to consider is whether anyone else besides you will be driving your cart. If there is a possibility that you will lend it to another person, or anyone else in your family will be driving it, make sure those drivers will be covered under your insurance policy.

Q: Has anything ever happened to golf carts in The Villages?

A: Yes! Carts have been hit by cars. Cars have been hit by carts. Carts have struck pedestrians and other golfers. Carts have been stolen and taken for joy rides. Personal possessions have been stolen from carts.

Driving any vehicle can be risky, and golf carts are no exception. Golf carts accidents have resulted in property damage, injuries, and medical expenses.

Q: Is there anything else I should be aware of?

A: Yes. Club rule 1.02 states that the California Vehicle Code governs all vehicular traffic, including golf carts, within The Villages. Be sure you obey stop signs and other traffic rules. The Club rule also indicates that unlicensed drivers under 16 years of age may not operate carts within The Villages. The privilege of operating a golf cart may be revoked by the General Manager for cause.

Conclusion: Talk with your insurance agent. You have already made sure your villa and auto(s) are adequately insured. Don't take the risk of a huge liability or property loss resulting from your golf cart because you forgot to add an endorsement to your existing policies. Liability claims have risen dramatically in California and the size of judgements has increased, too. Adding any motorized vehicles increases your risk. Your agent will likely check to ensure that your liability coverage is sufficient and may suggest you add an umbrella policy to protect your assets.

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 email SRS at villagessrs@sbcglobal.net. The purpose of SRS is to provide education and general business and financial information.

### **SRS Ouestion**:

### What is the maximum social security benefit?

The maximum possible benefit depends on the age a worker chooses to retire. For a worker retiring at full retirement age 67 in 2023, the maximum monthly amount is \$3,627. If the worker retires at age 62 in 2023, the maximum monthly amount is only \$2,572. But if the worker had waited and starts benefits in 2023 at age 70, the monthly maximum is \$4,555. Note the difference between claiming your social security at age 70 rather than 67 can make an increase of \$11,000 a year in a worker's benefit.

Few workers receive the maximum benefit because you must work and have paid in the maximum amount for 35 years.

### 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: 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

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

- 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

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## DAR OF EVENTS

Friday, May 19

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8:30 a.m.	Jazzercise	Α
9 a.m.	Catholic Mass	CR
9 a.m.	Chinese Morning Exercise	Ρ
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED
9 a.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
9:30 a.m.	Ceramics Open Studio	CER
9:30 a.m.	Open Studio	AR
10 a.m.	Line Dance Club	Α
10 a.m.	Quilters	PR
11 a.m.	Friends of SJ State	CH
1 p.m.	Bridge Club at Villages	RED
3 p.m.	Bocce Bash	GP
3 p.m.	Handbells	CR
5 p.m.	Jewish Services	FC
6:30 p.m.	Mexican Train Dominoes	MC

Saturday, May 20

9 a.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
9:30 a.m.	Ceramics Open Studio	CER
10 a.m.	Quilters	PR
10 a.m.	Ukulele Singing	<b>SEQ</b>
10 a.m.	Concert Tickets	L
3 p.m.	Cribari Social	GP
4 p.m.	Chinese Club Dancing	Α
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**Sunday. May 21** 

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6:30 a.m.	Catholic Choir	CR
8:15 a.m.	Catholic Mass	Α
9 a.m.	Chapel Choir	SEQ
9 a.m.	Episcopal Services	MC
9 a.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
10 a.m.	Community Chapel	Α
10 a.m.	Quilters	PR
1 p.m.	<b>Concert Band Concert</b>	Α
7 p.m.	Chinese Club Karaoke	RED

10:30 a.m. 11:30 a.m. 1 p.m.

VMA Grief Support Line Dance Club PR Stitchery 5 p.m. Arts & Crafts Advisory Board AR 5:30 p.m. Village Dancers RED **Duplicate Bridge** 7 p.m.

<b>Tuesda</b>	<b>y, May 23</b>	
8:30 a.m.	Tai Chi Club	Р
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED
9 a.m.	Table Tennis	MMF
9:30 a.m.	Ceramics Open House	CER
9:30 a.m.	Poetry in Art & Pastel	AR
10 a.m.	Ukulele Club Intermediate	PR
10 a.m.	Line Dance Class	Α
10 a.m.	High Twelve	MC
11 a.m.	9 Hole Women Golf Lunch	CH
11:30 a.m.	Live Stronger Longer	Α
4 p.m.	<b>Evergreen Foundation Event</b>	CH
4:30 p.m.	Jewish Comm. Game Night	FC
7 p.m.	EPC Sector Rep	MC

Wednes	day, May 24	
8:30 a.m.	Jazzercise	Α
9 a.m.	Chinese Morning Exercise	Ρ
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED
9 a.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
9:30 a.m.	Ceramics Open Studio	CER
9:30 a.m.	Club/Assoc. Boards Insurance	FC
10 a.m.	Watercolor Classes	AR
10 a.m.	Yoga Class	Α
11 a.m.	Israeli Folk Dance	CR
2 p.m.	Senior Academy Lecture	FC
3 p.m.	EPC Medical Team	VC
6:30 p.m.	Mexican Train Dominoes	MC

SEQ 7 p.m. **Duplicate Bridge** RED

Thursday, May 25

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8:30 a.m.	Tai Chi Club	Р
9 a.m.	Game Day	<b>RED</b>
9 a.m.	Table Tennis	MMF
9:30 a.m.	Acrylic Classes	AR
9:30 a.m.	Ceramics Open Studio	CER
10 a.m.	Line Dance Club	CR
10 a.m.	Live Stronger Longer	Α
11:30 a.m.	18 Hole Women Golf Lunch	CH
1 p.m.	Chapel Small Group	SEQ
1:30 p.m.	Ukulele Club	VC
3 p.m.	Chapel Choir	CR
3 p.m.	Hermosa DAC	MC
3 p.m.	AC Homeowners	F
4 p.m.	18 Hole Women Invitational	PR
6 p.m.	Democratic Club	FC
7 p.m.	Folksters	VC

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8:30 a.m.	Jazzercise	Α
9 a.m.	Chinese Morning Exercise	Р
9 a.m.	Game Day	<b>RED</b>
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	Α
10 a.m.	Quilters	PR
11 a.m.	Tai Chi Club Meeting	VC
1 p.m.	Bridge Club at Villages	RED
3 p.m.	Bocce Bash	GP
3 p.m.	Handbells	CR
6:30 p.m.	Mexican Train Dominoes	MC
6:30 p.m.	9 Hole Women Golf Twilight	CH

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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** 

### Candidates' Night 2023

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

### **Villages Scam** Awäreness

Daily 3:55 & 9:55

### Living with Wildfires in Santa Clara County

Daily 4:30 & 10:30



Club Events & Notices



Network: Villages Public

Password: villages

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

### Monday, May 22

Auditorium

8:30 a.m.	Jazzercise	Α
9 a.m.	Chinese Morning Exercise	Р
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED
9 a.m.	Table Tennis	<b>MMP</b>
9 a.m.	VGCC Six Clubs	VC
9:30 a.m.	Assoc. Rules Committee	PR
9:30 a.m.	Ceramics Open Studio	CER
10 a.m.	9 Hole Women Golf Invit.	FC
10 a.m.	Search the Scriptures	VC
10 a.m.	Drawing Class	AR

#### **EVENT LOCATIONS**

(Cribari)

A	Auditorium	(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 Ro	om
RED	Redwood	(Cribari)
Р	Patio	(Cribari)
PC	Pickleball Courts	
PR	Patio Room	(Cribari)
TR	Terrace Room	(Cribari)
TS	Tennis Stand	
VC	Vineyard Center	
VR	Voyage Room	(Montgomery)

**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



### Coming in June

Death, Coffee & Desserts: Join Sabine Hass R.N. from With Grace Hospice for some amazing desserts. You will discuss death to increase awareness so you can make the most out of your lives here on earth. This is not meant to be a grief or end of life support group. Tuesday June 6th at 10:30 AM in the Sequoia Room. Limited seating, must call to register 408-238-4029.

Back Rehab: Physical Therapists from Silver Creek PT/OT will provide information on certain types of back pain and ways to rehabilitate to a more functioning state. Thursday, June 8 at 11 a.m. in the Sequoia Room. Limited seating, please call to register at 408-238-4029.

### Support Groups for May and June

Grief Support Group: Chaplain Dale Poland, M.Div., BCC from Hospice of the Valley, Sutter Health will meet Mondays, May 22, June 5, and June 12 at 10:30 to noon. There will be no group on Memorial Day, May 29. Please call 408 238-4029 with any questions.

Caregiver Support Group: Judith London Ph.D. will conduct the monthly group on Thursday, June 15 at 10:30 a.m. to noon in the Cribari Center Patio Room and via Zoom. Please contact Judy for all meeting specifics at judithlondon@sbcglobal. net or call 408-784-3325. NOTE: This is a room change!

Parkinson's Caregiver Support Group: Meet with other caregivers of those with Parkinson's on Thursday, June 15 at 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. in the Cribari Center Forum Room.

Please check out vmavillages.org

### **ARTS & CRAFTS CALENDAR**

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!

**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 5 – June 26:** Oil and Acrylic Painting with Jane Hink. Mondays, 10 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Four-week class, \$75. Register at barb.gottesman@gmail.com

**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

**June 13:** "Matisse from MOMA and the Tate Museum" with host Roz Zinns. Tuesday, 2:30 p.m., Cribari Conference Room.

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

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

### HIKING CLUB SCHEDULE

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

Rambler Hike 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.

Rambler Hike June 7: Rich (408-499-1789) and Wendy (408-712-7908) will lead a hike in Wunderlich County Park in Woodside. The hike is ~4 1/2 miles and winds through beautiful stands of mixed redwoods, madrones, oaks, and a lovely open meadow. Elevation gain is moderate with hiker-friendly switchbacks. Bring water. After the hike, we'll stop at Robert's Market in Portola Valley for lunch or a sweet treat! The round-trip driving distance is 70 miles. We'll meet at Cribari Center at 9 a.m. for a 9:15 departure.

**Rambler Lite Hike June 7:** Katy Peretti (408-531-0917) will lead a hike through south and north Verano and into Highland. Meet at Vineyard at 9:30.

Rambler Hike June 14: Gary Lohr will lead a hike to New Seasons.

**Rambler Lite Hike June 14:** Katy Peretti (408-531-0917) will lead a hike through Cribari starting at the west side. Meet at the clubhouse at 9:30.

# Proposed Changes to Club Board Policies <u>CPo 302</u> <u>Assessment Charges and Fees, CPo 305 Investment</u> <u>Policy, CPo 308 Delegation of Authority and</u> <u>Procurements and 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, CPo 305 Investment Policy, CPo 308 Delegation of Authority & Procurement and CPo 311 Financial Reporting Policy prior to formal approval consideration at the May 30 monthly meeting.</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.

Because of the multiple reviews and revisions, the proposed policies were presented and published in their proposed revision format. The proposed policies were published in the April 27 and May 4 editions of *The Villager* newspaper. If you would like to request a redline version of the documents, please contact Julia Meadows in the General Manager's office via email jmeadows@the-villages.com or at 408-223-3634. The draft policies are available on the Resident Portal at: https://resident.thevillagesgcc.com/club/cbod-prop-change/

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 May 30, 2023, board meeting, 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.

#### **More COMMUNITY NOTICES**

### Pay it forward, VMA volunteer drivers needed

The VMA is looking for at least two dozen additional able-bodied volunteers to assist residents who are no longer able to drive on their own, requiring transportation to and from scheduled medical appointments. We currently have about 35 volunteers but that is not sufficient to service all of the resident needs. Mileage is reimbursable if you so choose. All that is required is some of your extra time and kindness, usually no more than an hour or so at a time. If you're interested, please fill out an application; it is available on the VMA Website at vmavillages.org or in the office, which is open Monday through Thursday 9:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. You choose which days and times of the week you're available. It's that simple. Or, if you have any questions, please contact the office at 408-238-4230.

### 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.

### 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.



#### SERVICE AND EXPERIENCE

- 10 years Verano DAC Participation
- Current Verano DAC chair
- Member ABOD Water Committee
- Verano Landscape Committee
- Vice President Evergreen Villages Foundation
- Member Communications Advisory Committee
- Member Former Marketing Committee
- Active in both ABOD and CBOD meetings

## L'HE CLUBHOUS

For Information: 408-223-4687

2800 Villages Fairway Drive, San Jose CA 95135

All Clubhouse & Bistro menus can be found at the villages gcc.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



The following details will be in effect at the Clubhouse:

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

- Patio Dining reservations for the patio are for 6 or more persons.
- The Bistro alcove can be reserved for parties of 8 to 10 people.
- The kitchen will still close at 8 p.m., last seating at the Bistro, Patio, curbside takeout and Restaurant main dining room is 7:30 p.m.
- · Bistro Bar closes at 9 p.m. Last call is at 8:30 p.m.
- Dress code for the main dining room will be enforced. During summer months, dress shorts and dress sandals will be
- Seating capacity will be at 100 percent.
- Visitors do not have to be accompanied by Villagers to use Clubhouse.
- Credit cards and house charges will be accepted.
- · Cash will not be accepted for payment but can be left as a tip.
- Villagers will not have to sign in for indoor seating.

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

### How does Curbside Grab-and-Go work?

First, call in your order at 408-370-8553. Call us again when you get to the Clubhouse curbside and we will bring it out to your vehicle. A 15 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.



May 22 Meatball, Vegetable and Orzo Monday

Tuesday May 23 Lentil

May 24 Chickien Tortellini Wednesday

May 25 French Onion Thursday

Friday May 26 Corn and Shrimp Chowder

May 27 Chef's Choice Saturday

Sunday May 28 Chef's Choice

### Clubhouse **Indoor, Patio Dining and Curbside Hours of Operation**

#### **Monday Tuesday to Friday**

Lunch: **Breakfast:** 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. **Bistro Menu** 

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

8 a.m. to 11 a.m. 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 Boiled Egg, Olives, Avocado Bacon and Feta Cheese

Add Grilled Tofu \$3, Chicken \$4, Prawns or Salmon \$6

V Asian Salad \$14.25 Cabbage, Carrots, Edamame, Peanuts, Fried Won Ton Skins, Bean Sprouts with Sesame Ginger Dressing Add Grilled Tofu \$3, Chicken \$4, Prawns or Salmon \$6

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

V Quesadilla \$13.95

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

 $V. \ \textbf{Asian Stir Fry Vegetables Over Rice \$12.95}$ 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 Fruits,

Bagel BLT and Egg \$10.75

Bacon, Lettuce and Tomato with Cream Cheese

Breakfast Burrito \$10.75

Scrambled Egg, Potatoes, Cheese, Salsa Choice of Bacon or Sausage

Montgomery Muffin \$10.25

Scrambled Eggs, Bacon or Sausage, Cheddar Cheese and Fruit

Lox and Bagels \$15.95

Smoked Salmon, Cream Cheese, Red Onions, Egg

Avocado Sourdough Toast \$12.50

Fried Egg, Bacon, and Tomato

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

Coffee \$1.95



Starbucks Espresso \$2.50 Extra Shot \$1.50

Starbucks Americano \$2.50

Starbucks Latte/Cappuccino \$3.25

Juice, Milk, or Hot Chocolate \$2.95 Non-Dairy Creamer Available Upon Request The Villager \$12.95

2 Eggs any style with Sausage, Ham or Bacon. With Hash 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

Topped with Marinara Sauce

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

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

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:**

Weekly

**Specials** 

For the week of

5/22 to 5/28

**Breakfast Special:** 

Tuesday 5/23 to Sunday 5/28

Meat Lovers Omelet: Bacon, Sausage, Ham and Cheddar Cheese with Choice of Brealkfast Side \$15.50

**Lunch Specials:** 

Monday 5/22 to Sunday 5/28 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Sole Dore Amandine: Flour and Egg Wash Sole with a Beurre Blanc Sauce topped

with Toasted Almonds Served with Rice Pilaf and Vegetables \$17.95

Crispy Chicken Wrap: Chicken, Lettuce, Tomato, Bacon and Cheese with Ranch

Dressing in a Flour Tortilla \$15.95

Tuesday 5/22 to Sunday 5/28 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. (Last Seating)

Calamari Steak Amandine: Sautéed Calamari Steak with a Garlic Butter Sherry Wine Sauce and Toasted Almonds with Choice of Sides \$28.50

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

#### 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 Boiled 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 Pineapple, 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 Cilantro, 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 and Caramelized Onions

Reuben \$14.95

March 2023

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

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

Villages BLT Sandwich \$14.95

Bacon, Lettuce and Tomato, Turkey and Avocado

Served on choice of Bread Open Faced NY Steak Sandwich \$19.50

On Grilled Brioche, Topped with Buttermilk Onion

Pesto Chicken Sandwich on Focaccia Bread

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

Deli Sandwich LTO \$13.50

Choice of Bread, Turkey, Ham, Chicken Salad or

1/2 Deli and Soup or Salad \$12.95

V Veggie Melt \$15.95

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

Naan Flatbread Pizzas-All with Red Sauce and Mozzarella

V Cheese Pizza \$11.95 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

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 Draft Beers 16oz

\$5 House Wines

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

Prices subject to service charge and tax





Livermore California

Join Winemaker Chris Ehrenberg and John Yu
On Thursday June 15, 2023

Reception 5pm to 6pm
Charcuterie, Cheese, and Fruit

Ehrenberg Cellars Sparkling Brut - Schmidt Series

Dinner 6pm to 8pm

Starter

Sesame Crusted Seared Ahi Tuna Salad

Summer Mixed Greens with Avocado, Grape Tomatoes and Scallions

And Sesame Ponzu Ginger Dressing

Ehrenberg Cellars 2021 Pinot Gris

Main

Grilled Flat Iron Steak with Balsamic Peppercorn Sauce

Mashed Parsnips and Yukon Gold Potatoes

Green Beans and Baby Sunburst Almondine

Ehrenberg Cellars 2021 Petite Sirah

Dessert

Chocolate Truffle Cheesecake Raspberry Coulis Framboise

<u>Ehrenberg Cellars 2017 Library Zinfandel</u>

\$64 per person Plus 18% service charge and tax

Email or Call Reservation to: <a href="mailto:theclubhouse@the-villages.com">theclubhouse@the-villages.com</a> or 408 754 1337

### VMA offers free wheelchairs and other equipment

The VMA currently has more full-size wheelchairs than are needed. If any of your family or friends needs one (to keep as long as wanted), call the VMA office at 408-230-4230 and a volunteer will deliver one to you.

"The VMA lends all types medical equipment for *free*, *free*, *free*, to any Villager who may need it?" "Did you say *free*?" Yes!

The VMA has all types of equipment, including walkers, wheelchairs, shower chairs and knee scooters. Some equipment that you may not realize we have are over-the-bed tables, ice therapy machines and hand/foot exercisers. Come on, you didn't know we had those, did you?

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 (vmavillages.org) or visit the VMA Office to look at it.

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





### BOOK SALE

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

### Available now!



### Clubhouse Whole Rotisserie Chicken is Here!

Call Curbside: 408-370-8553 Or Website: www.clubhousereservation.com

Orders Need to Be Placed Early for Evening Pickup

Orders Taken from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

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

\$12 Plus Service Charge and Tax.





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## 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.

### Survey Results are in: Days Available for Classes

In the recent Community Activities Survey we asked participants the following: "What day(s) of the week would generally work best for you to attend a class? Please choose all that apply." Below you will find the breakdown of responses.

Total Respondents: 62 online surveys
Respondents Who Skipped this Question: 0

Actual Responses for this Question: 62

Monday = 41

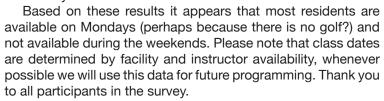
Wednesday = 35

Thursday = 34Friday = 31

Tuesday = 30

Saturday = 18

Sunday = 12



### Giants game signup extended

On Sunday, June 11, The Villages is going to Oracle Park to see the San Francisco Giants and Chicago Cubs go head-to-head. This trip has not met the minimum required to pay for itself and the tickets are non-refundable; however, our loss would be greater if we did not go. Therefore, the trip will continue as planned and we will leave registration open until June 8 should any latecomers wish to register. Available seating is in the upper section (VR305); the lower section (LB105) is sold out.

The cost per person is \$106 for Upper Seats. The cost includes entry ticket, escort, and round-trip transportation.

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

Please note the following about Oracle Park:

- All entrants will be required to go through a metal detector.
- All bags will be thoroughly inspected. 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 are permitted. No alcohol, glass, aluminum, or hard sided coolers. Beverages must be in sealed containers.
- 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).

Remember to dress for San Francisco weather. Gratuity for driver is included in price, additional tipping is at your discretion.

### Celebrate Red, White and You!

Celebrate July 4th with friends and family at the Red, White and You events on Tuesday, July 4. The Community Activities and Food and Beverage departments are planning a wonderful community celebration.

**Hungry?** Make reservations for the Red, White, and Blue community

breakfast buffet—a wonderful selection of breakfast foods for \$17.76 plus tax and gratuity.

Barbecued hamburgers and hotdogs, soda, beer, and water will be available for purchase at Cribari Plaza.

**Need some exercise?** Pre-register for the Freedom Fun Walk—a wonderful experience for those who enjoy walking in your beautiful Villages.

**Love music?** A free pops concert at Cribari Plaza will feature the 50-piece Sam Jose Metropolitan Band.

**Need some early evening food and live entertainment?** Enjoy a great meal on the Bistro Patio with the Island Wave Band.

Registration information along with additional details will be published soon.

## Take Introductory and Intermediate Line Dancing classes with Nanci Pritchard

Nanci Pritchard will be teaching a six-week **introductory line dance class**, as well as a six-week **intermediate line dancing class** in Cribari Auditorium. You can sign up for one class or both.

The **introductory line dance class** will feature fun line dances to traditional and more popular music and introduce you to basic moves and footwork. This class will take place Tuesdays 10 a.m. – 11 a.m. June 20 to August 1 (six classes, no class on July 4).

The **intermediate line dance class** will feature fun line dances to increase your skills with more advanced moves to faster music. This class will take place Tuesdays 9:30 a.m. – 10 a.m. June 20 to August 1 (six classes, no class on July 4).

The cost is \$25.50 per resident for either of these six-week classes. Register in Building B during business hours beginning Monday, May 22 and ending Friday, June 9 or until slots fill up.

Nanci has been dancing for over 30 years and has been teaching country line dance for the last 20 years. She teaches throughout the Bay Area including some of the largest country nightclub and winery venues. She has enjoyed working with all ages of dancers with varying levels of experience.

### Last day to sign up for Fleet Week trip

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 ends Friday, May 19.

Fleet Week takes place in San Francisco every October and began in 1981 to celebrate America's sea services. 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.

You will experience all this aboard the historically preserved U.S.S. Potomac, known as President Franklin Delano Roosevelt's "Floating White House." The Potomac 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.

## Clubs & Events

### 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!

## Understanding Artificial Intelligence and its impact on our lives

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By Albert Chan, Chinese Club Treasurer



Talks about Artificial Intelligence ("AI") are all over the place since Microsoft introduced its ChatGPT late last year with several major competitors following suit. It seems like everyone today has an opinion on how AI and machine learning will change the world—for the better, or the worse. According to Bill Gates, the development of AI is as fundamental as the creation of the microprocessor, the personal computer, the Internet, and the mobile phone. Technologies like ChatGPT and Stable Diffusion are already changing how we write and how we create. Yet, many tech entrepreneurs feared such rapid development and have asked for a moratorium on AI research. So what is AI?

The Chinese Club will bring in an expert guest speaker to tell us more about what AI is and how we can use it in our own lives. Our speaker will be Jason Brewer, son of Villager Anne Brewer, is a 17-year veteran of the tech industry, having worked at Microsoft, Facebook, Pinterest, and Snapchat. He currently works as a tech lead in Machine Learning and he'll be talking to us on May 29 all about this fast-changing field.

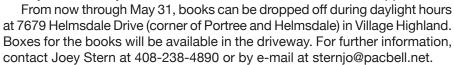
Join us at Foothill Center on Monday, May 29 from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Please note: registration is limited to 100 attendees. Ways to register:

- Visit our Website: sites.google.com/site/villageschineseclub/events-calendar/tech-talk-artificial-intelligence
  - Text Albert Chan at (818) 618-2500
  - Email Albert Chan at cchan108@gmail.com

Any questions? Email or text Albert Chan using the contact information above.

### Brandeis Club sponsoring book drive for Vets

Make room on your bookshelves for new reading material by donating your old paperbacks, in good condition, for our delivery to the San Jose VA Clinic nearby. Thrillers, mysteries, westerns and the like will be much appreciated.





### Come to Villages Dog Club's June social event

By Barbara Sunseri



The Dog Club is pleased to announce the launch of our new website! We can now be found at the villages dogclub.com. Please head there to see our calendar of events, photos and all our latest news. We would love to see you at our next Dog Club social event on Saturday, June 3. We will be at Montgomery Lake at 1 p.m. Our Slogan is "You do not have to have a dog to become a member of The Villages Dog Club, just have a love of dogs and people." There

will be a short introduction to the animal rescue group Silicon Valley Pet Project (svpetproject.org) from Sarah Clark who is our dedicated Foster Coordinator for the group (sarahc@svpetproject.org). She will discuss how important fostering and adopting is in saving the lives of shelter animals and the benefits to you and the animal of bringing them into your home, hearts and family.

Please bring a chair, drink and an appetizer to share. Dogs will be welcome.

## Senior Academy: Backstage on a Cruise Ship

Whether or not you have "taken to the seas," just the idea of an ocean cruise evokes feelings of freedom, romance and adventure. If you have ever watched "Love Boat" on TV, you'll have some concept of what goes on behind the scenes from a Hollywood perspective. But if you want insight into what truly takes place, you'll find it in an entertaining, light-hearted upcoming Senior

Academy presentation. Villages resident Ciel Duke will "pull back the curtain" on the cruise experience and share her 30-year experience as a cruise ship Main Stage Musician and Artist-in Residence, including its challenges and surprises.

On Wednesday, May 24, from 2 to 4 p.m. at Foothill Center, Ciel will share with you why and how she ended up sailing the ocean blue, share a wealth of stories about the ship's operation and its entertainment component, the staff and



Ciel Duke

crew hierarchy, interesting passengers, maritime procedures and laws, security changes since 9/11, insider secrets, shipboard romances...and even the alarming details of a shipboard fire and evacuation!

Ciel Duke is a SJSU graduate with a BA in Art (Lifetime CA Teaching Credential) and minors in Mathematics and Home Economics. She began cruising in 1980, sailing with Semester at Sea, World Explorer Cruises, American Hawaii Cruises, and Orient Lines. She has circumnavigated the world five times, visiting more than 85 countries. She is a Villages resident and enjoys teaching art classes through the Villages Arts and Crafts Club.

Registration in advance is encouraged. Register at VillagesSA. org or call Diane Nelson at 408-912-5594 and be prepared to provide your name, email address, telephone number, house number and, if applicable, names of your guest attendees. Everyone is welcome.

### Don't Miss Out on Game Night!

Please join us for Game Night next Tuesday, May 23 at 7 p.m. Bring your friends and favorite game 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. This event hosted by The Villages Jewish Community.





### Tips for preparing for power outages

Extended power outages may be the result of wildfires, earthquakes or other emergencies and may impact the whole community as well as the economy. In the event of such a power outage, you may be able to reduce some of the impact by being prepared. Review the following tips for ways you can ease potential difficulties.

### Prepare NOW before the power goes out.

Take an inventory of items you need that run on electricity.

Talk to your medical provider about a power outage plan for medical devices powered by electricity and refrigerated medicines. Find out how long medication can be stored at higher temperatures and get specific guidance for any critical medications.

Have batteries and other alternatives to meet your needs when the power goes out.

Sign up for local alerts and warning systems. Monitor weather reports.

Install carbon monoxide detectors with battery backup in central locations on every level of your home.

Determine whether your home phone will work in a power outage and how long battery backup will last.

Review the supplies that are available in case of a power outage. Have flashlights with extra batteries for every household member. Have enough nonperishable food and water.

Put thermometers in the refrigerator and freezer so that you can know the temperature when the power is restored. Throw out food if the temperature is 40 degrees or higher.

Keep mobile phones and other electric equipment charged and gas tanks full.

### Survive DURING the outage.

Keep freezers and refrigerators closed. The refrigerator will keep food cold for a few hours. A full freezer will keep the temperature for about 48 hours. Use coolers with ice if necessary. Monitor temperatures with a thermometer.

Maintain food supplies that do not require refrigeration.

Avoid carbon monoxide poisoning. Generators, camp

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### **About the Ready! Set! Go! Wildfire Action Plan:**

Successfully preparing for a wildfire requires you to take personal responsibility for protecting yourself, your family and your property. We hope to give you the tips and tools you need to prepare and be successful.

To find more information:

About Ready! Set! Go!: www.WildlandFireRSG.org
Contact the San Jose Fire Department—Local station 11.
Santa Clara County Fire Safe Council: www.SCCFireSafe.org
San Jose Office of Emergency Management: oes@SanJoseCa.gov

### **Get Ready!**

### Prepare your family

- Create a Family Disaster Plan that includes meeting locations and communication plans and rehearse it regularly. Include in your plan the evacuation of large animals such as horses.
- Have fire extinguishers on hand and train your family how to use them.
- Ensure that your family knows where your gas shut-off is and how to use it.
- · Plan several different evacuation routes.
- Designate an emergency meeting location outside the fire hazard area.
- Assemble an emergency supply kit as recommended by the American Red Cross.
- Appoint an out-of-area friend or relative as a point of contact so you can communicate with family members who have relocated.
- Maintain a list of emergency contact numbers posted near your phone and in your emergency supply kit.
- Keep an extra emergency supply kit in your car in case you can't get to your home because of fire.
- Have a portable radio or scanner so you can stay updated on the fire.

### **Get Set!**

### As Fire Approaches

- Evacuate as soon as you are set!
- Alert family and neighbors.
- Dress in long sleeves and pants. Have goggles and a dry bandana/particle mask handy.
- Ensure that you have your emergency supply kit on hand.

#### Inside Checklist

- · Close windows, unlock doors.
- Remove flammable window coverings.
- · Move flammable furniture to center of room.
- Plan several different evacuation routes.
- · Shut off gas and pilot lights.
- Shut off air conditioner.
- · Leave your house lights on!

#### Outside Checklist

- Bring all flammables inside the house.
- Turn off propane tanks.
- Shut off sprinklers. Don't leave on!
- Back car into driveway, shut doors/windows.
- Have an outside ladder ready.
- Extinguish small outside fires until you leave.
- Seal off attic and ground vents, if able.

### Tips—If You Are Trapped

- · Stay away from outside walls.
- · Bring garden hose inside house.
- · Patrol inside home for spot fires—extinguish.
- Wear long sleeved, cotton clothing.
- · Stay hydrated—keep drinking water.
- Ensure that it is safe to exit home if it catches fire.
- Fill sinks and tubs for emergency water.
- · Place wet towels under doors.
- · After the fire has passed, check roof for fire.
- · Check inside attic space for embers.
- · Patrol your property for fire.
- Call 911 if you cannot put out fires with small amount of water.

### GO! EARLY!

#### When to Leave

Do not wait to be told by authorities to evacuate. Leave early enough to avoid being caught in the fire, smoke or road congestion. If and when you are advised to leave—don't hesitate!

### Where to Go

Leave to a predetermined location (it should be a low-risk area, such as a well-prepared neighbor's or relative's house, a Red Cross shelter or evacuation center, motel, etc.)

#### How to Get There

Have several travel routes in case one route is blocked by the fire or emergency vehicles and equipment. Choose an escape route away from the fire.

### **Emergency Supplies**

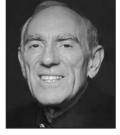
- One gallon of water per person per day.
- Non-perishable food.
- First Aid kit, emergency blanket, multi-purpose tool.
- Flashlight, radio, extra batteries.
- Keys, cash, credit cards, travelers checks, cell phones and chargers.
- Map with evacuation routes.
- Family/emergency contact information.
- Sanitation supplies/personal hygiene items.
- Prescriptions and medications.
- Important numbers and documents.
- Photos/easily carried valuables.
- Hard drive information.

### **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 "outof-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.

408-528-0818 Howie

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, in-

cluding 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 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.

### Question 2: What are the most important issues for the Club Board to consider and how are you prepared to handle them?

#### **Howie Blumstein**

#### Assessments - HOAs

The recently approved FY24 Club budget by the Board increased monthly assessments \$29.94 (+8.6 percent) to \$377.40.

To contain future assessment increases the Club Board should develop creative ideas to increase food/beverage, golf and other revenues and reduce expenditures. A consultant should be engaged to review the annual road maintenance program to determine if the scope can be reduced/deferred without degrading our roads. Water

Although the drought we recently experienced is over, measures to reduce our communities dependence on potable and recycled water while maintaining our beautiful landscaping should be implemented to reduce water costs.

An Ad Hoc Water and Landscape Advisory Committee should be established to recommend strategies and methods, to lessen water consumption. Turf replacement, monitoring for leaks in water features and plumbing, and extending the use of drip irrigation are options that should be considered.

#### **Deferred Reserve Maintenance**

Every year budgeted reserve projects are not completed. The Club Bylaws requires the Board to "Establish and maintain a reserve fund ...for the maintenance, restoration, repair, replacement of,... to correct safety or operational deficiencies to the major components...". I support the hiring of Ryan Bell as the Director of Reserve and Capital Project to manage the planned and future projects.

A vote for me is a vote for responsible governance

#### **Larry Versaw Fiscal Management:**

Our biggest issue is the reality of ever-increasing costs, which requires prudent fiscal stewardship. We all face the impact of inflation as individuals; so do Villages operations. I intend to keep assessments as low as practical given the challenges of managing a multimillion-dollar enterprise and ensure that our financial policies are consistent with "best practices" in our decision-making. Furthermore, I recognize the need to balance residents' divergent needs.

#### Managing a Large, Diversified Community:

We are a large community with different "wants" and support for our amenities. That means not everyone will agree with every decision. But everyone deserves to be heard and to feel that their point of view is considered. I will continue to seek ways to enhance such communication between the residents and the Board.

Perhaps most important, however, is the fact that Club maintains our home values. new issues will continually arise, and we need the right County Club Expectations Board members to handle them dettly as they occur. My experience as the Mayor and councilmember of ship expectations for quality and service at the golf a city, the President of a Homeowners' Board, and as course, clubhouse, and restaurant. Services need a small business owner has prepared me to meet this to be adapted to Member's needs and desires. I will challenge. I'm a collaborative problem solver, understand fiscal responsibility, and have the temperament we budget to provide popular programs and improveand expertise to be effective. I would appreciate your support.

#### **Richard Zahner**

### **Financial Management**

As Club Treasurer for two years, I led the updating of our financial policies, commitment to a new auditor, and championed our joining Club Benchmarking to compare ourselves with industry best practices. Challenges for the next two years include.

- · Updating our project management and procurement practices,
- Committing to a new investment program, and
- Installing a modern accounting and operations management system.

I understand the issues. I look forward to assisting to modernize our financial management.

#### **Aging facilities**

Several facilities including Cribari Center are outdated and need refurbishment or replacement. I will encourage an update of the Master Plan and an annual project plan. This will lead to commitment to capital projects and a financing plan. An attractive and vibrant

Club facilities and programs must match membersuggest an annual survey of resident priorities. Then ments to facilities and customer service at the Clubhouse and Pro Shop. The vitality and attractiveness of Club facilities adds to our quality of life.

### **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.

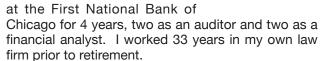
My work career was full of different experiences. After graduating from the University of California in San Diego, I went to work for Longs Drug Stores. I spent twelve years with them, rising through various management positions. While there, I was in charge of store operations, personnel management, 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



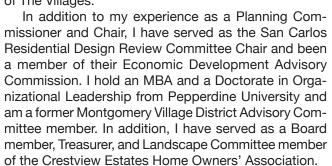
I am a Certified Public Accountant (unlicensed at this time due to retirement). I am a Lawyer (unlicensed at this time due to retirement). I was previously President of the Lakeview Condominium Homeowner's Association (412 units) located in Almaden for 2 years. I was on the Fairways DAC for a number 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

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

### 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 of The Villages



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

9057 Village View Loop

My wife Patti and I have lived in the Villages for 5 years, first in Montgomery and now in Valle Vista where I am an active DAC member.

This is a truly wonderful community. I want to be part of the ABOD mission to protect, maintain and enhance our common property.

Socially, we are avid pickleballers 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 are bundled for counting. 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 main sealed and under lock-and-key until the Inspectors faces in the event of wildfire. I am proud of the work we and Tellers meet at an open Board of Directors meeting 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 and maintaining our aging infrastructure will be tough issues to deal with, but must be addressed.

Safety. Sustainability. Collaboration. I believe in those 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 is 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

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 re-

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 on June 14. Mark you calendar now and plan to attend!

Villagers can rest assured that the Election Inspectors follow Civil Code and the election rules for every election 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 the deadline!

### Question 2: What are the most important issues for the Association Board to consider and how are you prepared to handle them?

#### **Stephen Gilbert**

During my time on the board, I've been convinced that there are three significant issues that the board needs to address. All involve budgetary planning.

First, the Association Board has hired a Fire Safety expert to analyze our fire risk and suggest ways to mitigate risks. The board is in the process of hiring a Landscaping expert who can work with our Fire Safety expert to be meeting with each Village to prioritize the recomdesign a long-term plan for landscaping that is fire safe, water and budget conscious, and attractive. The board will need to work with those two experts going forward.

Second, one of the largest drivers of our association dues increases has been insurance. We need to seek ways to restructure our insurance to reduce those costs. Third, our community is aging. We need careful reserve

pieces of infrastructure. Having served as the Water Conservation Committee chairman over the past year, I am very familiar with both

professional experience and in the past as president of community going forward. This includes turf reductwo other homeowners' associations.

fire safety and water conservation issues.

#### **Michael Schwerin**

From my one year on the board, the most important issues are 1) fire safety, 2) water usage, 3) landscaping

1. I am a member of the fire safety committee and we are waiting for the report of Carol Rice, the expert we hired to assess what we can do to improve fire safety in each Village. Once the report is back, we will mendations and develop a timeline for implementation of those recommendations

2. The drought has given us significant water use restrictions. I have lived in California since 1985. This is the third and worst drought I have experienced since moving here. Droughts are going to recur and we must think of The Villages' future water usage. Everyone has contributed to our exceeding the water savings budget planning to prepare for sewer, plumbing, and other limitations put upon us. We must not stop now that some restrictions are going to be lifted. We must

3. We have a lot of landscaping in The Villages, which requires a lot of water. Landscaping expenses I have managed budgets for many years, both in my designer to create a landscaping plan for the entire and water usage are high. We are hiring a landscape approaches to reduce water usage and re-planting expenses.

4. Insurance is the largest expense in The Villages budget. Improving fire safety and keeping claims down can help reduce premiums. We need to find more avenues to saving money on insurance.

#### **Shannon Bergman**

We live in unprecedented times. This past year we've experienced drought, flood, and fire conditions, and this is not likely to change. The bottom line is that water prices increase, not decrease, during droughts. In addition, years of wildfires are causing insurance rates to rise, and flood damages cost money that (depending on the severity) may or may not be budgeted for.

For water consumption, the Board needs to continue to conserve water in the form of landscape changes. We need to remove non-functional turf and change to drought-tolerant plants and ground covering. I would like to see some of the money saved on water earmarked for landscape changes later. Additionally, I would like to see competitive bidding for our landscape work. It would be wise to break up the Villages into "zones" and always have 2-3 landscape providers covering "their" zone/zones with competitive rebidding every 1-3 years. I think this will keep costs down.

I have more to say about fire and flood management and assessments that I can't cover in (the allotted) 200 words, so please visit my blog at shannon4abod.com tion, drought tolerant plants, hardscaping and other and scroll to the bottom for more information - or call me directly. I'm in the book.

### **Patricia Reardon**

One of the most crucial responsibilities of an ABOD member is to manage homeowner's assets efficiently. This includes creating budgets and programs that cater to our present and future requirements. However, the board faces pressing challenges due to rising costs related to inflation, market forces, and climate change.

Water usage accounts for approximately 20% of our Association's operating budget, and we have no control over the water district's pricing for water or water meters. Nevertheless, we can undoubtedly control the amount of water we consume. It is heartening to see the recent ABOD plans that prioritize drought-resistant plant replacement and long-term water-wise landscaping projects. These initiatives, developed in collaboration with the DAC-influenced water committee, can ensure a healthy, beautiful, and cost-effective future for our

As an ABOD member it's crucial to exercise caution managing the Association's resources. Nevertheand the environment by being conscious of our water consumption and implementing eco-friendly projects. As Verano DAC chair with experience with water management issues, I am excited to collaborate with other board directors on this planning process and observing the positive changes as they come into effect.

### John Epperheimer

There are three major challenges that I see: Drought threat of wildfire and working with DACs.

Drought - We are doing better on conserving water, but the drought is not over, and the prices we are charged for water purchased from government agencies continue to rise. The Villages plans to hire consulting help to advise on new water conservation/landscaping measures, including replacing some plants with ground cover that uses less water. One aim is to develop a palette of recommended ground cover that will be consistent through the districts and decrease water usage.

Fire Safety - Within the next couple of months, we will have reports from our fire safety consultant on what needs to be done in each village to make our dwellings more fire resistant. This is likely to require removal of some decorative hedges and ground cover, and replacement of vent screens in attics, among other measures.

It's imperative that the fire safety and water conservation activities are closely coordinated, and that will less. we can make a notable difference in our finances require a great deal of communication, collaboration and event of a medical emergency, please remember to dealing with conflict.

**DACs** – As I talked to leaders of many of the DACs as I launched my campaign, I heard complaints about through San Jose Fire Dispatch. We will respond communication and cooperation with the ABOD. There at the exact same time as the Fire Department and has been progress, especially since the new General Manager joined the Villages. But there is still ill will and frustration, and we must commit to get to a better place to call 911. It is the only phone call you will need of collaboration.

### See Candidates' Night video on the Resident Portal and on Channel 27

Candidates' Night 2023 was held on Wednesday, May 10. Candidates' Night provides residents an opportunity to hear candidates for the Association and Club Board of Directors. A video of this presentation is available on the Villages Channel 27 and on the Resident Portal.

## Call 911 for medical

Public Safety would like to remind you, in the dial 911 first.

Public Safety monitors all emergency calls

Calling the front gate can only delay response time by emergency personnel. It is always quicker to make.

### **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.

Disclaimer: California Civil Code dictates that the Board of Directors may not edit or redact (http://davis-stirling.com/ds/pages/redact.htm) content from campaign materials or communications. The candidate statements provided in this communication vehicle are the statements submitted by the candidates themselves in their original form. With regard to publishing candidate statements in The Villager, staff cut and paste the original language from original statement so that it conformed with the style and manner of print The Villager maintains.

### **Voting Tips:**

#### Want Your Vote To Count?

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#### Why Are Ballots in Different Colors?

- Blue is for the Association election.
- Ivory is for the Club election.
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### 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.

#### Power outages...

(Continued from page 14)

stoves, or charcoal grills should always be used outdoors and at least 20 feet away from windows. Never use a gas stovetop or oven to heat your home.

Check on your neighbors. Older adults and young children are especially vulnerable to extreme temperatures.

Go to a community location with power if heat or cold is extreme. (Be aware that community shelters may not be available during the coronavirus emergency.)

Turn off or disconnect appliances, equipment, or electronics. Power may return with momentary "surges" or "spikes" that can cause damage.

#### Be Safe AFTER the outage.

When in doubt, throw it out! Throw away any food that has been exposed to temperatures 40 degrees or higher for two hours or more, or that has an unusual odor, color, or texture.

If the power is out for more than a day, discard any medication that should be refrigerated, unless the drug's label says otherwise. If a life depends on the refrigerated drugs, consult a doctor or pharmacist and use medicine only until a new supply is available.

Information from: ready.gov/power-outages

### Villagers gather for 12th Annual Stroke Walk Global Village: Learn more

By Beverly Murphy

A group of Villagers attended the 12th Annual Fight Stroke Walk on May 7, 2023, at the San Jose Municipal Rose Garden. It was a beautiful day and the roses were in full bloom.

The 12th Annual Fight Stroke Walk is a 5k (3-mile) walk bringing together stroke survivors, their families, friends and caregivers to raise funds to fight stroke through public education and awareness efforts. We walked in support of the fight against stroke, celebrated the courage of stroke survivors and their families, as well as



remember those who are no longer with us. It was inspirational to hear the stories from survivors of a stroke, ranging from age 12 to 40 to seniors.

### Bluegrass music band to return to Villages



By Ruth Keiser

Everyone had such a great time at the February Villages Bluegrass Jam that, by popular demand, the musical trio will be back to perform on **Sunday, June 4** from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Montgomery Center.

The group members include Peggie Romanow on guitar and vocals, Larry Bostow on dobro, bass, guitar and vocals

and Alan Rich on bass, banjo and vocals. Steve Pexton, a fantastic fiddle and mandolin player and a new resident of the Villages, will join the talented trio for the jam. Villages resident Steve Roberson will assist with the band's sound system.

Other Villagers are encouraged to bring their acoustic instruments and play along. Residents of The Villages also are welcome to join the audience and sing along or just listen. The Villages encourages mask wearing at indoor events but masks are not required.

You will be treated to delightful bluegrass music as well as a few vintage country songs. The play list will include the memorable "I'll Fly Away." A special treat will be the song "Gypsy Flyer" written by our very own Larry Bostow reflecting upon his memories of riding the rails one summer.

So, if you are interested in a toe tapping uplifting experience, please join us at the Montgomery Center on June 4 at 2 p.m.

This event is free to all Villagers, however, seating is limited so if you plan to attend, please register before May 28 with Alan Rich at alanrichgis@gmail.com. Upon request, Alan will send you an email with a copy of the song lyrics and chords. Printed copies of the songs will not be available at the jam. See you there!

### June VMA programs to focus on end of life issues and back rehabilitation



The Villages Medical Auxiliary (VMA) will sponsor "Death, Coffee, & Desserts," a presentation by Sabine Haas, RN of With Grace Hospice on Tuesday, June 6 from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. in the Sequoia Room at Cribari Center.

Nearing the end of her life, my mother-in-law savored real vanilla ice cream, homemade chocolate roll, and warm apple crisp. I questioned the wisdom of so much sugar. Someone, maybe a hospice nurse said, "We seek the sweetness of life."

The sweetness of life—along with the bitter, the unexpected, the loneliness, and the mysterious - may season your shared conversation with Sabine Haas RN, of With Grace Hospice. Over coffee, tea, and desserts, you can connect with openness around death or whatever other emotions and thoughts rent space (often uninvited) in the

guestroom of your heart.

Sabine, a Nurse Practitioner, says, "Basically this is an open conversation around death. We offer a safe place to express your feelings and thoughts. We hope this hour provides" a shelter "to feel complete and to process" often complex emotions.

Whether you encounter the sweetness of life or the tang of an unexpected connection with yourself or others, the hour promises a taste of something surprising. Perhaps it will be astonishingly freeing, and peace filled. Taste and see!

There is limited space so sign up soon by contacting Bonnie Grim MS, VMA Resident Services Coordinator, at 408-238-4029 or bgrim@sequoialiving.org

Another presentation on the topic of Back Rehabilitation by physical therapists from Silver Creek PT/OT will be held on Thursday, June 8 at 11 a.m. in the Sequoia Room. Therapists will provide information on certain types of back pain and ways to rehabilitate the back to a more functioning state. There is also limited seating, so please call early to register at 408-238-4029.

## about Plant-based Diet

By Pradeep Sonawala and Liz Adams

Join the Global Village Club at its ongoing meetings to explore the Plant-based Diet (PBD). We will meet the last Tuesday of each month. This month we will meet on Tuesday, May 30 in Montgomery's Multipurpose Room from 7 to 8:30 p.m.

There is no fee to attend. Participants are encouraged to wear a face mask.

Last month, Mary Mackey, a Villages resident and the driving force behind our exploration of the PBD, showed us part I



of the documentary, "Fork Over Knives," which tells the tale of the damage animal farming is doing to our health and to our precious resources like water and air. We will see the last part of the video that presents a way where we might be able to avoid many of

the fatal diseases that Americans have suffered from since the early 1970s because of our eating habits.

Mary Mackey has invited Karen Rubio, a friend, to join us on May 30. Karen had suffered from chronic, debilitating, rheumatoid arthritis, an autoimmune form of arthritis. In addition, she also has suffered from Celiac Disease, another autoimmune disease. A medical study suggests that patients with Celiac disease are at increased risk of getting an autoimmune disease like rheumatoid arthritis. Someone had recommended Karen to switch to a PBD, so in 2013, Karen switched over to a Plant Based Diet. Karen's arthritis disappeared in a short time, never to return. Now Karen, along with Mary, is a co-founder of Plant-based Advocates in Los Gatos, and she's passionate about sharing the health and environmental benefits of eating plant-based meals. She will share her journey and how a PBD helped her to take control over her Celiac Disease well.

### Join Technology Explorers for Journey into Brain-Computer Interfaces



Knowledge knows no age limits, and curiosity has no expiration date. Join Senior Academy Technology Explorers on June 5 at 1:30 p.m. via Zoom as we delve into the fascinating world of brain-computer interfaces with a screening of the thought-provoking film "Father of the Cyborgs."

Discover the groundbreaking and controversial research of Dr. Phil Kennedy, a renowned neurologist

who has dedicated over 30 years to connecting the brain to computers. Explore the very cutting edge of this field, which has garnered recent attention with Elon Musk's company Neuralink.

Engage in thought-provoking discussions about the potential implications and ethical considerations surrounding this remarkable technology.

Register at VillagesSA. org. Don't miss out on this exciting chance to connect with like-minded individuals and stay ahead of the technological curve. Mark your calendars for June 5 at 1:30 p.m. via Zoom.



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**More CLUBS** 

### Afternoon Bingo returns June 7



There is even more fun and winning to be had... Afternoon Bingo will be back on Wednesday, June 7. All money paid to purchase cards is returned to the players. Cards are \$1 each or six for \$5. (Now that's a deal!)

Daytime bingo is one of the many free services provided to residents by the VMA. The fun, the festivities and the winning will commence at 3:30 p.m. on June 7 at the Cribari Center Auditorium. Doors open at 3 p.m. with free coffee, tea, and treats.

## Electricity—which choice is right for you?

**Save the date!** Saturday, June 10 at Foothill Center, 10 a.m.-12 p.m.

All Villagers are invited to a fact-finding presentation by our fellow Villager, Richard Zahner, regarding purchasing electricity from PG&E or from the City of

San Jose through the new organization San Jose Clean Energy (SJCE). Does it make a difference? Which choice is right for you?

Mr. Zahner spent decades in the electric power industry and has served on the San Jose Clean Energy Advisory Commission since its creation in 2019.

This event is open to all Villagers and is sponsored by the Villages Republican Club. Refreshments will be served.

### FROM THE VILLAGES LIBRARY

**By Sherle Frost** 

"Age of Vice" by Deepti Kapoor. This is the age of vice, where money, pleasure, and power are everything, and the family ties that bind can also kill. New Delhi, 3 a.m. A speeding Mercedes jumps the curb and in the blink of an eye, five people are dead. It's a rich man's car, but when the dust settles there is no rich man at all, just a shell-shocked servant who cannot explain the strange series of events that led to this crime. Nor can he foresee the dark drama that is about to unfold. Deftly shifting through time and perspective in contemporary India, "Age of Vice" is an epic, action-packed story propelled by the seductive wealth, startling corruption, and bloodthirsty violence of the Wadia family - loved by some, loathed by others, feared by all. In the shadow of lavish estates, extravagant parties, predatory business deals and calculated political influence, three lives become dangerously intertwined: Ajay is the watchful servant, born into poverty, who rises through the family's ranks. Sunny is the playboy heir who dreams of outshining his father, whatever the cost. And Neda is the curious journalist caught between morality and desire. Against a sweeping plot fueled by loss, pleasure, greed, yearning, violence and revenge, will these characters' connections become a path to escape, or a trigger of further destruction? Equal parts crime thriller and family saga, transporting readers from the dusty villages of Uttar Pradesh to the urban energy of New Delhi, Age of Vice is an intoxicating novel of gangsters and lovers, false friendships, forbidden romance, and the consequences of corruption. Fiction, 2023

"Babel" by R.F. Kuang. 1828. Robin Swift, orphaned by cholera in Canton, is brought to London by the mysterious Professor Lovell. There, he trains for years in Latin, Ancient Greek, and Chinese, all in preparation for the day he'll enroll in Oxford University's prestigious Royal Institute of Translation—also known as Babel. Babel is the world's center for translation and, more importantly, magic. Silver working—the art of manifesting the meaning lost in translation using enchanted silver bars—has made the British unparalleled in power, as its knowledge (Continued on page 30)

## Walking/Chair Dancing class may help ease back pain



Many people think that when they have backaches, they have to rest and be off their feet for a long time. If your doctor did not recommend rest and inactivity and there is no sign of a severe health condition causing your back pain, you might lace up your sneakers and walk it off. Walking/Chair Dancing classes help increase the flow of blood, oxygen, and result in other health benefits. Join LSAL Fitness Club to increase the flexibility of your back and eliminate the cause of weakness, tiredness, injury, and pain.

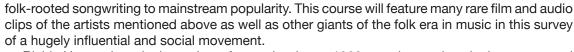
Don't miss out on the opportunity to improve your fitness and quality of life—join us for our Tuesday and Thursday classes, both now in the Cribari Auditorium!

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.** 

### Senior Academy: A Rock Music Revival

Bob Dylan, Peter Paul and Mary, Joan Baez, Pete Seeger and Woody Guthrie. A blast from the past brought to your doorstep (or Zoom screen) via Senior Academy's presentation of Folk Music Revival on Tuesdays, June 6 and 13 at 2 p.m. in Foothill Center.

Fortunately for us, Richie Unterberger is returning with a two-part course on the revival of this special music from our earlier years. He'll also cover the time period in which it was performed. After World War II and peaking in the early 1960s, the folk revival brought traditional roots music and socially conscious



Richie Untergebner is the author of many books on 1960s music, a university instructor, and a frequent lecturer on rock history at events around the country.

Again, the course is being offered on Tuesdays, June 6 and June 13 at 2 p.m. each day in Foothill Center and by Zoom. You may register for it at villagessa.org or by calling Karen Kosmala at 408-223-2620. If you leave a message, be prepared to provide your first and last name, email address, the name and date of the event and your house number.

### Jewish Community to sponsor Klezmer concert

By Don Fernandez



The Villages Jewish Community is sponsoring an evening of Klezmer musical entertainment at the Auditorium in Cribari on Friday evening June 9 at 7:30 p.m. The program and evening promises to be very fun and entertaining for all Villagers, definitely not just Jewish residents.

The evening will feature the Klezmer music of the San Francisco Yiddish Combo (sfyiddishcombo.com SFYC) that was formed by accident when a love of Klezmer music collided with their collective backgrounds in every genre except Klezmer. The SFYC is embarked on a journey around the world to present their own unique blend of everything that is Klezmer, mixed with years of experience in the jazz, blues, folk, and even hip-hop world. Made up of classically trained musicians who enjoy stretching musical boundaries, the SFYC is led by cellist Rebecca Roudman who has fronted groups all over the world bringing her virtuosic

and fiery playing to stages from China to Italy and beyond. Check out the SFYC for a fresh spin on Klezmer with plenty of recognizable nods to an eclectic mix of genres. Oh yeah, and great for dancing too!

SFYC recently presented an outstanding program that I had the pleasure of seeing. It was very memorable. I thought that this would be great to bring to The Villages for all to enjoy.

Klezmer music is a traditional genre with Eastern European Jewish roots. Its lively melodies, emotive performances, and improvisational nature reflect the joys, sorrows, and celebrations of Jewish life in earlier times. Characterized by unique rhythms and improvisation, Klezmer music has deep cultural and social significance, preserving Jewish traditions and serving as a form of communal celebration. Today, it continues to thrive as a vibrant and dynamic genre, with modern interpretations and influences from around the world. It should be a very fun, lively, and entertaining evening.

The cost is \$20 per person which will be billed to your house account. Reservations will be taken by Celia Schiffner. She can be reached at 631-678-7109 or celia.schiffner@gmail.com.

## RELIGION

### Villages Religious Services

Weekly:

Sunday 8:15 a.m. Catholic Mass Cribari Contact: Linda Schlageter 408-528-7494 Sunday **Episcopal Service** Montgomery 408-270-9022 Contact: Leslie Bailey 10 a.m. **Community Chapel** Sunday Cribari Contact: Del Herfurth 408-440-4649

**Regularly Scheduled:** 

**Catholic Mass** Friday 9 a.m. Cribari

First three Fridays of each month

408-528-7494 Contact: Linda Schlageter 7:15 p.m. **Jewish Shabbat** Foothill Friday

Next date: May 19

Contact: Marilyn Goldsmith 732-672-8601

**Everyone is welcome! Please call for more information!** 

### SEARCH THE SCRIPTURES

Search the Scriptures is meeting at 10 a.m., May 22 at Vineyard Center. We are meeting on the second and fourth Monday of each month. Any questions, contact Everett Jacobson at 408-629-7210 or Ron Speer at 408-223-2025

### **COMMUNITY CHAPEL**

### 'The Day is Done'

By Pastor Bill Hayden

In 2002, my 29 years of working in Corporate America was coming to an end. The day of traveling the freeways, dodging distracted drivers, calling customers and sitting in meetings while trying to stay awake after lunch was concluding. I had purchased my new Harley Davidson 2000 Springer Softail and was looking forward to many road trips in between attending church obligations. Joining the Fremont Harley Owners Group gave me the opportunity to go on road trips as a group.

My retirement day had come and my fellow co-workers had taken me out to lunch, shared their thoughts of affirmation with parting gifts and well wishes. I even received some HD gift cards and invited a few of them to a joint retirement party for my wife and me. She had worked for Pac Bell for 31 years and told me that since I was retiring, she would as well. It really felt good to have finally earned the privilege to retire at 54 years young.

This coming Sunday we get to celebrate the bodily Ascension of Jesus Christ. The work that He accomplished paved the way for all humanity to have an eternal relationship with the God of all creation. Jesus came into the world to save mankind by His sacrificial death, burial and resurrection granting us all forgiveness of our sins. John 1:11-12 NLT 11 He came to his own people. and even they rejected him. 12 But to all who believed him and accepted him, He gave the right to become children of God.

Forty days after His resurrection Jesus completed His God given mission... charging His disciples to preach the message of salvation in His name throughout the world. He instructed them to return to Jerusalem and wait for the power of the Holy Spirit to be effective witnesses. Within 10 days of waiting in an upper room praying, they all received the gift that Jesus promised and were filled with the Holy Spirit.

Meet us this Sunday as we celebrate the Ascension of Jesus Christ and experience the glory of the Spirit's presence as we worship in song and the spoken word.

We are looking forward to the day and time that we finish our mission and ascend to meet Him in the air!

See you at the Villages Community Chapel in Cribari Auditorium, every Sunday at 10 a.m. to be encouraged over the Word and enjoy a cup of coffee and cookies with friends. The chapel is a place for needs to be met, faith to be affirmed and new friends to embrace. You can view our worship services on YouTube at Villages Community Chapel San Jose, CA.

### **CATHOLIC COMMUNITY**

### 'Feast of the Ascension'

By Sr. Patricia Galli RSM

After the Resurrection, the disciples came to believe in the com-union that connected them to Jesus. At first, they were afraid (Mk 16:8) or they thought Jesus was a ghost (Lk 24:37). Over the 40 days they interacted with Jesus by touching him, walking with him, eating with him and by listening to him as he opened their minds (Lk 24:38-45).

They had a gathering place in the upper room that they returned to and shared their stories. They prayed together and had a deeper understanding of the presence of Jesus in their lives. Jesus had told them that they would not be left orphaned (John 14:18). Slowly they understood what he meant. They were becoming the presence of Christ.

When it came time for him to no longer be with them in this concrete way, there came a time when Jesus was lifted up into Heaven, an event described as an Ascension, a lifting up. Yet they were no longer afraid but returned to Jerusalem with great joy. (Lk 24:52) and understood themselves as commissioned by Jesus to "make disciples of all nations". (Mt 28:19).

As disciples who follow in this tradition we too can come to believe that Jesus is with us always.

Homebound communions: Marilyn Rodman

408-274-4521. Mass intentions: Jean Gillette 408-270-5723.

Don't miss our "Bountiful Brunch" Sunday, June 4, 9:30 a.m. Foothill Center Register after 8:15 a.m. Sunday Mass, May 21 or May 28. Questions? Call Elsa at 408-531-8874.

Mark your calendars! Join the Catholic Community on Sunday, June 4 for a "Bountiful Brunch" at 9:30 a.m at Foothill Center. Are you a newcomer? A regular attendee at other Masses or parishes? Other? Here's your chance to socialize with the Villages Catholic community over Champagne, Mimosas, Hibiscus and Bellinis, You won't want to miss this scrumptious buffet of Crispy Bacon. Sausage Links, Scrambled Eggs, Home Fried Potatoes, French Toast, Pancakes, Fresh Pastries. Assorted Muffins, Bagels w/Cream Cheese, Fresh Fruit, Orange Juice, Coffee, Tea. Cost: \$20/ person (including tax and gratuities) charged to your house account. Register after the 8:15 a.m. Sunday Mass on May 21 or May 28 or contact Elsa McLaughlin: 1-408-531-8874.

### **VILLAGES JEWISH COMMUNITY**

### Jewish Community Sabbath Services

The Villages Jewish Community welcomes the sabbath at 7:15 p.m. on Friday, May 19 at Foothill Center. Leading our worship is guest Rabbi P.J. Schwartz, associate Rabbi at Congregation Shir Hadash. As member of the clergy team, Rabbi Schwartz's focus is on youth education and he leads The Center for Jewish Education and Engagement.

But that is not all. Are you ready for a double header? Bob Lapidus, Villager, former president of the Village Jewish Community, and avid baseball fan will take us out to the Ball Game. He will tell the story of three Jewish baseball icons: Sandy Koufax, Hank Greenberg, and Moe Berg. Great fun for all, baseball fan or not. We hope to see you there.

### **EPISCOPAL**

### 'Descending and Rising'

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

The Resurrection of Jesus Christ is central to Christian theology, as well it should be (especially during Easter season, which lasts a whole 50 days). But I find it helpful to remember Easter among the other movements of Jesus' very human body, through which he revealed the fullness of God's grace towards us. He moved among sick people as a healer, and among confused people as a teacher. Tradition even holds that he moved among the dead, "harrowing hell" (literally, raking the coals) while his entombed body awaited resurrection. Our Lord descended to our ancestors, we might say, so that he could carry their children (including us) heavenward.

This Sunday marks the traditional Feast of the Ascension, when Jesus was lifted from the company of his disciples (as described in Luke 24 and Acts 1). These narratives inspired fantastical artwork (famously, Salvador Dali's 1958 "The Ascension of Christ"), often showing Jesus' feet hovering in the air above the bewildered disciples. Such creative renderings invite me to wonder about the meaning of such a movement. Was it to show off another miracle or to indicate that Jesus' physical body was definitively absent before the Pentecost giving of the Holy Spirit? Quite possibly, but I think there is more. As our attention is drawn heavenward, so too are our hearts. We follow our Lord that we might be near to him, and also be likened to him. In the 4th century. St. Athanasius, reflecting on the Ascension, wrote: "God became human, that humanity might become God."

## Sports News

### **18-HOLE WOMEN**

#### By Barbara Weisend

It was a beautiful and breezy day for 62 players. This was the first day our our Handicap Tournament. A reminder to those players who follow the field: Any time the Pro Shop does not provide a printed scorecard, you must post your own scores.

Monica Saneholtz and Susie Q conducted another rules



Susie Q.

seminar on May 18 after lunch. The topics were penalty relief, out of bounds, and unplayable balls. Fair competition is only possible if we all follow the same rules.

Golf is a game of rules. Unlike most other sports, golf is not played with the whole team all together on one field or court. If we all don't follow the same rules, the competition is unfair. And if players know the rules, they can be a great benefit. However, it is not only an obligation to follow the rules but to know the rules.

The field must be protected to have a fair competition. So if a player sees a rules violation, it should kindly be noted to that player. For example, say, "Oh did you know that we are playing the ball down now? To get relief, you must drop the ball, not place it." If that player disagrees, just say, "OK, let's check on that when we turn the cards in." Let that player know you will help her check after play and be sure that card is not signed until that rule is checked.

In order to do this, of course, you need to know the rules. If you have a question about rules and don't have a rules book, look online (download the free USGA Rules of Golf app for iOS and Android) or talk to our Rules Chairman, Chris Leisy. We have other great sources—Monica Saneholtz, Annie Bassford, Judy Owen, other past Rules Chairmen, and, of course, our new treasure, SusieQ Conklin.

Chip-ins-Nancy Keane (#2), Priscille Piper (#10), Donna Quartaro (#7), Judy Owen (#13), Sue Park (#2)

Birdies—Only one! Nancy Keane (#2)





### **TENNIS TALK**



**Roy Pennington** 

By Betty Olsen

We had a new activity added to our tennis club calendar this year thanks to Roy and Kathy Pennington. They had 20 years of experience with club league tennis at their club in New Mexico and it was very successful, so they introduced club league tennis to The Villages! And we are so grateful.

First of all, it takes a lot of organization time and effort to set it up. It takes scheduling know-how, willing captains, and committed players. And I am happy to report it ran smoothly for the most part. Roy selected six women to be captains (very smart). Since Roy introduced the program at the Tennis Club's Christmas dinner meeting, many players signed up to play. A committee divided the

players into two categories - A and B as best they could.

A



Tennis Club members enjoying the potluck celebration party.

captain's meeting met, pulled numbers from a hat and took turns choosing their team members. Some of the new players were not known, so it was a bit tricky choosing teammates. However, that is what league tennis is designed to correct, by mixing players and tennis abilities.

We played two matches a week, a weekday either Tuesday, Wednesday or

Thursday, and for folks still working, either Saturday or Sunday. No matches were scheduled for



Captain Sherry Benz receives her gift

Mondays and Fridays. All matches were played at 1:30 p.m. when courts are generally empty. We played nine weeks skipping the weekends of Prescott, Easter, and Rossmoor, and concluded on Thursday, April 27 with a potluck party at the viewing stands.

Please see the photos taken by Marty Funcell of all the happy club members celebrating the final day. Thanks to Brett Foreman for presenting Roy with a large tennis ball signed by everyone and gifting the hard-working captains with goodie bags.

### **SHONIS**

#### By Betty Hall

The nicer weather certainly brings out the golfers. We had 21 Shonis come out to play last week plus another new qualifier, Marianne Wojcik.

May 9 was week four of our eight-week Eclectic. But since we had to cancel our May 2 golf, we've played three but still four to go to improve those scores and win the Eclectic.

Because of the rain cancellation May 2, we had our Captain's Trophy game last week. Our Captain's Trophy winners were Kathy Tanaka and Marty Blinde with their gross scores of 37. Kathy Tanaka was also our net winner this month with her net 19. But one of our newest Shonis gets to brag on her scores. A gross 34 with a net 19. Pictured here is Manoli Kelly who gets our newcomer Captain's Trophy. She will only get to keep that newcomer status nine more games. Then she'll get a valid handicap and then the rest of us better watch out. Congratulations to all our winners.



Manoli Kelly

### **BOCCE NEWS**



Jana and Roger King representing Bocce Club at VMA Health Fest.

Thank you, to all the volunteers who helped man our Bocce Club table at the VMA Health Festival on Saturday, April 29. Taking one-hour shifts were Helen & George Paris, Marie & Ken Colaizzi, Jana & Roger King, Laura Lee Pixton & Paul Andersen, and the final hour Jeanne Anne Whitacre & Paul Andersen. Everyone enjoyed talking with the crowds of people milling around, who were visiting the numerous

tables promoting their clubs and organizations.

This is the end of the first week of play in our club's Spring Round Robin. Teams are practicing between matches and hope-

ful of winning their place in the playoffs. Watch for the win/ loss scores to see your team's progress. These scores are available to see in the kiosk at the courts, our website, sent out by email each week and on Yourcourts. Scores are also posted in the Villager each week.

For those who want to experience a more casual and fun time playing bocce, our club hosts the Bocce Bash each week on Friday, from March through the end of October.



Volunteers Laura Lee Pixton and Paul Andersen

Membership is not necessary to attend. Bring along a snack to share (if you'd like to eat) along with your favorite beverage. Bash is from 3 to 5 p.m. and lots of fun. Each week a different host will greet you and help answer any questions you may have. It's a great way to meet new people and enjoy your Friday afternoon. Our Bocce family looks forward to seeing you. The courts are ADA compliant, and bathrooms are adjacent to Gazebo Park.

**Did You Know?** During tournament play, please step back if your shadow is falling on the court while a player is aiming and preparing to throw his/her ball.

### **PICKLEBALL**

#### By Anahid Gregg

The Pickleball Club has experienced unprecedented growth in the past few years, growing to over 500 people! With so much growth, our Tournament/Social director role has grown so much

that we decided we need two great people to replace the incredible Sheryl Ruth. Luckily, we found two amazing people—Sherry Benz and Michelle McQuay!

Sherry, a former Physical Therapist and Commercial Property Manager, decided to rent in The Villages 17 years ago from the San Jose area. She fell in love with The Villages, as well as Dennis! They got married and purchased a beautiful home (if you were lucky, you saw it on the VMA Home Tour a few years ago). She immediately became active in our community. She served as President of the Tennis Club and is proud of initiating the Jump Start Program which offers coaching on tennis skills and helps assimilate new players into the club, allowing them to form new and lasting friendships. Her impressive Villages resume includes golf, serving on the ABOD, Olivas DAC Chair, VMA Home Tour, and Stephen Ministry through the Chapel. Hard to believe

she has time for everything with nine grandchildren! Michelle and Tim moved here two years ago after living in Santa Teresa for 33 years. She and Tim are



Michelle McQuay and Sherry Benz, PB Tournament Directors

entrepreneurs who live a very busy life. After meeting a few friends who got her to play pickleball, she jumped into it with both feet, becoming an avid player. Pickleball is the first sport she and Tim have played together, and love playing with different people, laughing and having fun. Whenever the board needed a hand, she was the first to volunteer. One thing that she is *very* passionate about is the safety of not only Pickleballers, but all Villagers. It is her hope that eventually everyone, not just pickleballers, but active walkers, bikers, golfers, hikers, tennis players, bocci players etc., carry a Vial of Life on their person at all times! Her passion for safety is also why she and Tim are EPC Communication volunteers.

Both ladies not only bring passion to the board, but an incredible teamwork ethic. Sherry says that Michelle has talents in areas she does not, and amazing organizational skills. Michelle says that Sherry has a breadth of knowledge with tournaments that she is delighted to learn from. The two of them feed off each other, reaching out to different people, bringing in a bigger audience.

The upshot is the Club benefits from this unique duo, we're looking forward to more innovative and unique events such as the Double Double Switch and Sadie Hawkins tournaments. Lucky us!

### **MEN'S GOLF CLUB**



By Doug Moore, douglas.moore865@gmail.com

Congratulation to everyone that participated in the **Men's 18 Hole Golf Club 2023 Member/ Member Tournament.** We sincerely appreciate our sponsors, and all of the extremely hard work that Tom Morse, Clayton Krinard, Scott Steele and the Pro Shop provided in getting this rescheduled and completed. Once again all had a great time!

Upcoming events: The 53rd Evergreen Invitational Tournament

Currently (as of May 11 when this article was written) we have 62 teams that have signed up for the Evergreen. We only have room for 72 teams, so that leaves only 10 precious slots left up for grabs. Bust a move today and sign up because you surely will not want to be on the outside looking in on this one!

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.

**June 10, 2023 Summer Open & Annual Picnic** - Scramble Format, Flighted, BBQ at Gazebo - Coffee / Donuts

Golf Thoughts (from the Villages Best Seller List, Mike Bailey's book "I Wish I Could Play My Normal Game – Just Once"):

- Talking to a golf ball will not do any good unless you do it while your opponent is teeing off. (Always a lot of fun to do)
- The older you get, the stronger the wind is. And it is always in your face. (It is an actual law of nature)
- A golfer hitting into your foursome will always be bigger than anyone in your group. Likewise, a group that you accidently hit into will consist of a football player, a professional wrestler, a convicted murderer and an IRS agent. (Be careful out there.)

**Executive Committee Meeting:** The Men's Golf Club Executive Committee meets the first Tuesday of the month at 8:30 a.m. in the Montgomery Center. The next meeting will be June 6, 2023.

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

## Men's Golf Club 53rd Evergreen Invitational Tournament

July 13-15, 2023

Format: Member/Guest:

Two-man teams, three-day event.
Modified Stableford Scoring.



Friday, July 14- 1 BB per team

Saturday, July 15 - 2 BB per team

Six flights with top places paid in each flight

Details: \$750 per team includes

- Friday, Welcome Breakfast and 9 a.m. shotgun start
- Saturday, Breakfast, 9 a.m. shotgun start, 4 p.m. Open Bar at The Clubhouse, 5 p.m. Awards Banquet
- Tee prizes provided complimentary at registration
- 2 rounds of golf, range balls both days
- Lunch (On-course Friday & Saturday)
- On course beverages (Friday and Saturday)
- Saturday Awards Banquet
- Putting and strong drive contests
- Major hole-in-one prizes on all Par 3s

#### **Optional Contests:**

- Horse Race on Thursday at 3 p.m. (sign up on entry form)
- Vegas Circles (On-course wagering) Skins Game Limited to 72 teams, First Come, First Served Signup: Forms available on Men's Club website (villagesgolfers.com) or at the Pro Shop.

### Golfers turn out for Ron Burke Memorial Golf Tournament

On May 9, we had 77 golfers play in the first annual Ron Burke Memorial Golf Tournament. The shotgun start was at noon, and the field was comprised of Villagers and friends/family of Ron Burke. For those of you who didn't know Ron, he was a huge contributor to the golf community at The Villages, and he

spent countless hours volunteering for the betterment of golf and our lives here. After golf, 70 of us gathered in the Fairway Room for libations and a delicious Bella Roma Buffet expertly prepared by our Food and Beverage Department. On behalf of Patty Burke (pictured), and event organizer, Mary Wagle, thanks to all of you who participated in honoring Ron Burke.



**Patty Burke and Mary Wagle** 

We miss him and his tireless energy tremendously.

Special thanks to Scott Steele and the Pro Shop staff for their work on the tournament, John Yu and Albert Salcedo and their staff for the food, and the players who came from Bay 101, in particular, Brian Gudim. We also want to thank fellow resident, Pi Silverstein, for being our photographer for the day and Diane Davis for driving Pi around the course. Photos have been distributed to players.

Winners of the tournament were as follows:

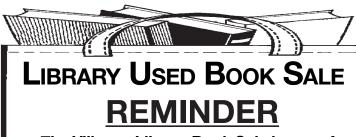
Fith Place – Guy and Delma Juarez, Marcia Hembree, and Dan Hernandez net 130

Fourth Place – Chinh Chung, Tony Fletcher, Mike Sakamoto, and Joey Pappas (Bay 101) net 129

Third Place – Dennis Conway, Thomas Mendoza, Brian Sullivan, and Steve Grady net 127

Second Place – Frank Hernandez, Sam Quinto, Tony Bell, and Jon Nakatani (Bay 101) net 125

First Place and Grand Prize winners – CK Kim, Jim Danielski, Victor Castillo, and Jim Valenti net 124



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### FROM THE PRO



### By Scott Steele, PGA Head Golf Professional

**May Golf Scheduled Events** 

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* 

#### **June Golf Scheduled Events**

Monday, June 5 – Women's Team Play 8:30 a.m. Shotgun – 1:30 Open Shotgun Saturday, June 10 – Men's Club Summer Open 8 a.m. Shotgun – 1 p.m. Open Shotgun Sunday, June 11 – Play the Par-3 Event 3 p.m. – Golf on the Par-3 Course and drinks to follow Tuesday, June 13 - Swingers 9-Hole Invitational 9 a.m. Shotgun – 12 p.m. Open tee Times Wednesday, June 21 – Women's 18-Hole Invitational Horserace 3:30 p.m. – Last tee Time 12 p.m. Thursday, June 22 – Women's 18-Hole Invitational Day 1 9:30 a.m. Shotgun – 18-Hole Course closed all day

Friday, June 23 – Women's 18-Hole Invitational Day 2 8:30 a.m. Shotgun – 18-Hole Course Open 3 p.m. Tee Times

Friday, June 30 – Twilight Mixer 5 p.m. Shotgun – Last tee Time 1 p.m.

Hole #8 Turf Reduction Project— At this time the Turf Reduction Beta Site on Hole #8 tee has been completed. The new plant material has been planted and the mulch has been spread. Now we will have to lightly irrigate the plant material until it reaches maturity and we will have to spray for some encroaching Bermuda Grass. The Beta Site looks fantastic and will even get better when the plant material has grown to full size and maturity. A BIG thank you to Mike Poellot and GMS for the design and implementation of this visually impactful area...so not only does it look great, the reduction in turf will ultimately lead to water and cost savings for the golf course.

Cart Fairway Entrance and Exit—The 90-Degree Rule is Always an Option When Entering the Fairway. For those golfers who enter the fairway early, just after the tee box, we stress that you should please use the Cart Enter Gates located at the start of each fairway. Then proceed down the fairway from shot to shot avoiding driving in the rough as much as possible. For those who hit it longer off the tee and who do not enter the fairway early, remember that it is always okay to use the cart path until you are parallel with your ball, and then enter the fairway using the 90-degree rule staying on the cart path until you reach your drive. Then proceed down the fairway from shot to shot avoiding driving in the rough as much as possible. At the green, please remember to not drive your cart past the 30-foot Yellow Lines in front of each green, and to never drive inside the perimeter of the greenside bunkers or on the greenside slopes. When exiting the hole, please use the Exit Gates located at the end of each hole and stay on the cart path until you reach the next tee box. Let us know if you have any questions. Thank you for your cooperation!

#### **Summer Golf Schedule**

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)

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**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 make it a goal to leave our golf course in better shape than we found it, every time we play.

Tips from the Pro—Lean Back... Want to drive it further? Lean the shaft back with your driver for a better angle of attack! Forward lean in the shaft (toward the target) promotes more downward movement in the clubhead through impact, which is ideal for an iron, but bad news for the driver. With the advent of trackman radar and video technology, we now know that the optimal shaft angle for a driver is a backward shaft lean at impact creating a low spin, high launch ball flight.

Here are some tips to get that shaft leaning back at impact with the driver... Try to set up with you hands more neutral with your driver, even with you belt buckle. Set up with the shaft more straight up and down (i.e., neutral) to leaning slightly back, so that your hands are in line with the clubhead, and not pressed ahead. Tilt your left shoulder up just a bit to help promote an ascending blow. Set up with ball position more forward, even with your left shoulder or left foot, this will help you make contact at the ascending point of the swing. The goal is that the clubhead should be fairly level to the ground or slightly ascending through impact. Relax your left hand so the tendency to pull the shaft into a forward lean position is negated. If you do all this successfully, you will be surprised how much higher and further it goes. To sign up for a lesson with me, email ssteele@the-villages.com

### **PINSEEKERS**

#### By Jim White

Once again, the Pinseekers have stepped aside, on May 12, for the rescheduled Villages Member to Member Tournament. A scheduling conflict on May 19 dictates that we will be playing our mini tournament that day with first tee time at noon. We have five tee times with foursomes giving us 20 playing slots. As of 9:30 p.m., May 14, there were still five vacant slots on our schedule. It is important that members fill in the available tee times as often as possible. Failure to do so may result in a reduction in Pinseeker allowed times.

As the 2022-2023 Pinseeker season nears its end, we have our annual business meeting and luncheon for all members scheduled on Wednesday, June 14, from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. The cost of the meal for all members will be paid by our treasury. Lunch will be in the Clubhouse Sunset Room and does not include alcoholic beverages.

A primary function of our meeting is to elect the Board of Directors for the 2023-2024 season, and discuss any potential changes in procedures, rules, or bylaws. Also, we will discuss playing mixers with other clubs at the Villages: Swingers, Shonis, Ironmen, or a mixture of the above. Remember, the primary purpose of golf is to have fun.

Don't ever forget that "Our clubs are weapons of grass destruction." —unknown author. Don't forget to repair your divots both at the tee box and in the fairway. And repair your pitch marks if you are good enough or lucky enough to land your shot on the green. In fact, repair two or three, the groups behind you will appreciate your effort.

### **SWINGERS**

#### By Linda Schlageter

With the sun playing peek-a-boo with the clouds, Swingers enjoyed challenging the course to vie for Captain's Trophy. The winner on the front nine was Jan Ehrhardt and on the back nine was Karen Carlson. Well played ladies. Congratulations also to Carleen Corsello for her birdie on #15 and to Josephine Chan with a long chip-in on #5. A big thank-you to our Marshall Rick Tobler who deserves a shout out for rescuing Emmy Brown when her cart became disabled. He pushed it off the fairway to the road where it could be picked up by AJ's—such a helpful gentleman.

It's Fiesta time! The first Twilight Nine and Diner Mixer is scheduled for Friday, May 26. It will be a 4:30 shotgun. Nine holes of golf, dinner, and prizes and will be charged to your



Nine ladies from the Women's Nine Hole Golf Club competed in the recent WNHGA Open at Rossmoor Golf Club. *Back, left to right*: Wendy Ledamun, Linda Curyea, Jane Smith, Donna Kaplan and Rita Karlsten; *Front left to right*: Jeannie Omel and Gisele Barber. Not pictured: Bev Murphy and Carol Begley.

house number. Call the Pro Shop to register at 408-274-3220. You can register as a single, couple or foursome. Don your sombreros and join the fun. Questions? Contact Pat Smith at lukepat@comcast.net or 408-532-6414 or Gisele Barber at pigsbarbers@gmail.com or 408-892-7454.

### **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, May 11 was mostly sunny and warm. Another great day for golf. Thirteen Ironmen played.

Third Place was shared by Al Bruno and Herb Rogers with net 27s; Jay Deimling won Second Place with a net 26; and Walter Lucas won First Place with a 5 under par net 22!

We had three Birdies today—two by Al Bruno and one by Bob Pritchard.

Closest to the Flag on hole 3 was won by Al Bruno at 13 feet.

Al Bruno won Low Gross with a one over par 28.

Golfer of the Day honors went to Al Bruno with low gross, two birdies, a third-place finish, and closest to the flag. Way to go Al!

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:

"One minute you're bleeding. The next minute you're hemorrhaging. The next minute you're painting the Mona Lisa."

-Mac O'Grady, professional golfer, describing a typical round of golf

"Play the shot you've got the greatest chance of playing well and play the shot that makes the next shot easy. It is not solely the capacity to make great shots that makes champions, but the essential quality of making very few bad shots."

 $-\mbox{Tommy}$  Armour, the Silver Scot, winner of the Masters, the US Open, the PGA Championship, and The Open Championship

### Play The Par 3 Course

Sunday, June 11 <a>7</a></a>3 p.m. shotgun start

Contact Mary Wagle to sign up at marylwagle@gmail.com or 408-829-4021 (call or text). Play the Par 3 Course and improve your short game! Sign up individually or with

a foursome. This is open to all Villagers and their families and/or friends.

Cocktail time after golf in the bistro.

## SCOREBOARD

### **BRIDGE**

#### Monday, May 8:

- 1. Louann Partridge Guest
- 2. Alan Waltho -
- Maureen Waltho 3. Jonna Robinson -
- Jonna Robinson -Lorrie Scott

#### Wednesday, May 10:

- Claude Ashen -Jane Michaels
- 2. Jonna Robinson Roy Tsai
- 3/4. Bonnie Taylor -
- Maureen Waltho 3/4. Art Lind - Weedgie Malony

#### Friday, May 12:

- 1. Selma Chastaine Guest
- 2. Jan Kiernan Sumi Minami
- 3. Ed Logg Jonna Robinson

### **SHONIS**

### Tuesday, May 9

All nets

#### Flight One:

- 1. Sue Park 21
- 2. Jini Kang 223. Marty Blinde 26

### Flight Two:

- 1. Kathy Tanaka 19
- 2. Tahera Khalil 23
- 3. Meg Rogers 26

#### Flight Three:

- 1. Manoli Kelly 15
- 2. Leslie Ingham 23
- 3. Karen Rooney 26

### **MEXICAN TRAIN DOMINOES**

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#### Wednesday, May 10

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### Friday, May 12

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### **MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE**

#### Cribari

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

5001-5076—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control. 5/22-5/26.

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

Cribari Place—Jet mulching in progress. 5364-5432—Painting project in progress, weather permitting. 5433-5459—Painting project scheduled to start 5/22.

Cribari Bend-Dry rot repairs in progress.

#### **Del Lago**

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

3101-3134 and 3201-3243—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control. 5/22-5/26.

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 5/22.

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

8876—2 Irrigation controllers pedestal cabinet replacement in progress.

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

#### **Fairways**

4001-4024—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control, 6/26-6/30.

#### Glen Arden

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

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.

#### Highland

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

#### Montgomery

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

M. Corner and M. Bend—Jet mulching in progress.

Shrub beds, street cracks, spot weed herbicide spray throughout the district (Roundup Pro Max EPA #524579), 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 5/22. 6272-6285 — Roof preventative maintenance scheduled to start 5/22.

6286-6297—Roof preventative maintenance scheduled to start 5/30.

6298-6311 — Roof preventative maintenance scheduled to start 6/5. **Olivas** 

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

8600-8645, 8651-8664 and Vineyard Center—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control, 5/22-5/26. 8736—Slab leak repairs in progress.

#### Sonata

2000-2024 and 2032-2064—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control, 6/26-6/30.

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 5/22. **Valle Vista** 

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

9037-9047 and 9067-9072—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control, 5/22-5/26.

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

#### Verano

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

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, spot 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 in progress throughout the Villages.

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

Turf Fertilization application throughout all the districts (Best NK select - 34-0-6), in progress.

#### **Club Centers**

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

Turf Fertilization application throughout all Club Properties (Best NK select - 34-0-6) in progress.

Stables, Creekside and lower Gardens—Fire Fuel weed clearing management in progress.

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### Villagers and friends celebrate the Coronation from the comfort of home



Shown left to right: Judy Stein, Guest of Honor Madge Lee and Margaret Kimball.

The Coronation of King Charles and Queen Camilla on May 6, 2023 inspired Margaret Kimball, a Cribari resident, to hold a Coronation Ball at her home.

Guests were highly pleased to put on their best gowns and to be crowned at the entrance with a new tiara or black top hat! None of the men wore tuxedos, perhaps they heard Margaret was looking for a butler/bartender, too!

The Guest of Honor, was 'Dowager Duchess, Madge,' who is 98 years old, and loved getting ready for two weeks! Madge wore a two-piece, Easter purple, shimmering gown and declined the white net fascinator for the pick of the tiaras. Madge sparkled in a platinum tiara and shared delighted smiles with us! Margaret's sister Colleen came from Arizona, and was a wonderful co-hostess, and enjoyed seeing old friends!

Twenty people gathered, ages 65 to 98, the men, in suits and nice attire, for a fun afternoon of watching the celebration on a large screen TV.

Two Villager neighbors helped, the best success was from Kate, who is a British subject. Kate gave Margaret her favorite British recipes that she makes daily! Each idea was presented in a lovely buffet with which we served our guests from. Another neighbor, May, lent the hostess a table for the day, and that was most appreciated!

After being seated at dedicated chairs and tables, a menu of finger treats, such as cucumber sandwiches, Coronation chicken on white bread, sliced salmon on pumpernickel, eggs with dill and cream cheese sandwiches, and petit fours and decadent finger pastries-some soaked in rum to cap off the day. Tea and coffee was served, we forgot to pour the Champagne and ciders!

Having adult children serving and honoring their parents while in their finest was a pleasing sight, and it created a warmth and the glow of longevity in several 40-plus year relationships, so like the old days of friends who are truly family!

We collectively offered our warmest Congratulations to King Charles III and Queen Camilla, and very much enjoyed our own involvement in honoring them with the people of the United Kingdom and Commonwealth countries.



Shown left to right: Rebecca, Mark and George Fulvio.

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A group of the 18 Hole Ladies went on a golfing trip to Kauai at the end of April. Great friends and great fun in the sun. Shown left to right: Suzanne Fazzio, Cheryl Heusser, Mazie Rice, Vivian Brown, Pam Schramm, Gizelle Barber, Marianne Diridon, Lyn Strong, Sue Daughtrey, Kathy Apgar and Donna Quartaro.

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### **OBITUARY**

### Robert L. Reese (Bob)

November 7, 1926 - April 23, 2023

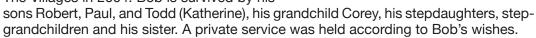
Robert L. Reese (Bob), 96, passed away peacefully in his sleep on April 23rd, 2023. Born in

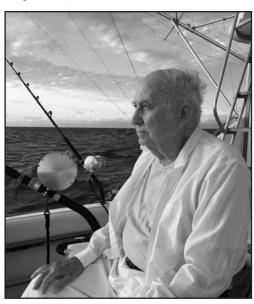


Amarillo, TX in 1926, Bob grew up in Redwood City, CA. He served as Corporal in the United States Army 82nd Airborne Division and was honorably discharged in 1946.

In 1955 he moved to Sunnyvale, CA with first wife Trula Reese (deceased 1987). His long career as a licensed Civil Engineer with Mackay & Somps spanned 40 years and he worked on some of Santa Clara Valley's largest residential sub-divisions, finishing his career as the Project Engineer for the Silver Creek Valley Country Club.

Bob and his second wife Zoraida Reese (deceased 2014) moved from Sunnyvale to The Villages in 2004. Bob is survived by his





### **UBITUARY**

### Richard E. MacFarlane

November 23, 1941 - April 20, 2023



Richard E. MacFarlane was born on November 23, 1941 and died on April 20, 2023. He is survived by his Wife Shirley MacFarlane, Son Stacy

MacFarlane, Daughter in Law Kathleen Brown, Daughter Wendy Johnson, Son in Law Chris Johnson and grandsons Patrick and Bryan MacFarlane.

Richard Served in the US Marine Corps, was a business owner of several businesses and a beloved husband, father and friend.

He will be greatly missed.



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

For more info, please contact Kory Tran at ktran@thevillages.com or 408-754-1341 or Scott Hinrichs at shinrichs@ the-villages.com or 408-223-4655.

### From the Library...

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serves the Empire's quest for colonization. For Robin, Oxford is a utopia dedicated to the pursuit of knowledge. But knowledge obeys power, and as a Chinese boy raised in Britain, Robin realizes serving Babel means betraying his motherland. As his studies progress, Robin finds himself caught between Babel and the shadowy Hermes Society, an organization dedicated to stopping imperial expansion. When Britain pursues an unjust war with China over silver and opium, Robin must decide: Can powerful institutions be changed from within, or does revolution always require violence? Fiction, 2022.

"Give Unto Others" (Commissario Brunetti #31) by Donna Leon. Brunetti is forced to confront the price of loyalty, to his past and in his work, as a seemingly innocent request leads him into troubling waters. What role can or should loyalty play in the life of a police inspector? It's a question Commissario Guido Brunetti must face and ultimately answer. Brunetti is approached for a favor by Elisabetta Foscarini, a woman he knows casually, but her mother was good to Brunetti's mother, so he feels obliged to at least look into the matter privately, and not as official police business. Foscarini's son-in-law, Enrico Fenzo, has alarmed his wife (her daughter) by confessing their family might be in danger because of something he's involved with. Since Fenzo is an accountant, Brunetti logically suspects the cause of danger is related to the finances of a client. Yet his clients seem benign: an optician, a restaurateur, a charity established by his fatherin-law. However, when his friend's daughter's place of work is vandalized, Brunetti asks his own favors - that his colleagues Claudia Griffoni, Lorenzo Vianello, and Signorina Elettra Zorzi assist his private investigation, which soon enough turns official as they uncover the dark and Janusfaced nature of a venerable Italian institution. Mystery, 2022.

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### **CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING GUIDELINES**

To submit ad copy, renew, cancel, or make changes to your ad: Contact Adrienne at 408-223-4657 areed@the-villages.com; or contact Scott at 408-223-4655; fax to 408-223-2843; or mail to: Villager Classified Ads, Building B

5000 Cribari Lane, San Jose, CA 95135. (Downloadable forms available on the Resident Portal at thevillagesgcc.com. Ad copy is not taken over the telephone.

### Payment:

All ads are to be paid in advance by cash, check or money order.

Make checks/money orders payable to:

Call Adrienne or Scott to verify receipt of fax.)

**The Villager**. Villages residents may charge ads to their Villages accounts. Take payments to the Villager office in Building B or mail to the address above.

#### **Deadlines:**

Ads are due Mondays by 4 p.m. for publication in Friday's paper. Deadline also applies to renewals, cancellations and changes. Exceptions are only for holiday deadlines, details of which will be published in advance.

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Classified ad copy is due by Monday by 4 p.m.

## The Villager Classified Ad Form

Name:Address:		websites, and symbols (&, +, @, etc.) are counted as one word. Hyphenated words are counted as two words. Please print clearly. See other side for pricing information and specific details for your ad. For more information, please contact Adrienne at Areed@the-villages.com or 408-223-4657.	
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Select Category:  REAL ESTATE NOTICES PERSONALS CARS & CARTS HELP WANTED WANTED ITEMS FOR SALE FREE STUFF OBITUARIES LOST & FOUND SERVICES Appliances Automotive Repair Senior Care Facilities Senior In-Home Care Computers Electrical Landscape Errands/Odd Jobs Health & Beauty Heating & A/C Flooring	□ OTHER CATEGORY (Please specify) □ VILLAGES BUSINESS DIRECTORY (Must fit in two lines)  Additional Options: □ Single Line Box (\$15 in addition to ad) □ Premium Box (\$20 in addition to ad) □ Housecleaning □ Legal/Professional □ Plumbing □ Moving/Storage □ Painting □ Pet Care □ Repair/Handyperson □ Window Cleaning □ Tax/Finance/Insurance □ Transportation	Amount per week: \$ # of weeks:	
☐ Remodeling	X	Total Amount: \$ Bill:	

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### Leash rule for pets

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

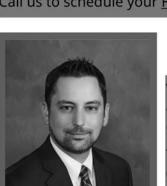
An increase in coyote aggression has created problems with small dogs, especially those that are unleashed. Please always leash your pets. And keep leashes short; the Division of Wildlife recommends a leash no longer than 6 feet.

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

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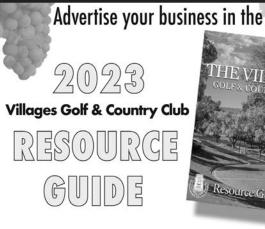
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We have many family members, friends, and clients who call The Villages their home. We can accommodate COVID-19 concerns with telephonic or video consultations and social distanced or no-contact document execution.

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