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- Board Candidates' Pages (See items on pages 15-18)
- Presidents' Council results a success (See article on page 3)
- July 4th details—'Red, White and You!' (See article on page 12)

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
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RSVP for Klezmer music concert

The Villages Jewish Community is sponsoring an evening of Klezmer musical entertainment at the Cribari Auditorium 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 ones.

The evening features 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

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Villages Memorial Day service is this Monday

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.

Pastor Bill Hayden will be a speaker at this event. He has served as the Villages Community Chapel Senior Pastor for the past seven years. He is an ecumenical leader reaching people from diverse faith backgrounds by his love and passion for others. Bill also has served as the Villages Veterans Club Chaplain and has dedicated his life to a blessing to the community.

Our featured speaker will be Campbell Councilmember Dan Furtado. 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.



Dan Furtado



Bill Hayden

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

Before joining the Villages, Theresa's most recent work experience was President, 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.

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Proposed Changes to Association CC&Rs vote See page 3

Modified Golf Course Walking Schedule

Monday, May 29-Due to the Memorial Day Holiday, the golf course will be open for play all day and the golf course walking schedule will be modified. Walking on the golf course will be limited to before 7 a.m. and after dusk only.

Monday, June 5—Due to a Women's Team Play outside tournament, the golf course walking schedule will be modified. Walking on the golf course will be limited to before 8:30 a.m. and after 5:30 p.m. only.

Board Candidates' Pages See pages 15 - 18

Electricity—which choice is right for you?

Save the date! Saturday, June 10 at Foothill Center, 10 a.m. to noon.

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.

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. the villagesgcc.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.

THANK YOU

This is a belated thank you to all our friends at The Villages and to The Villages team. My husband, Ron Burke, passed away late last year and the support and love that I received from everyone at The Villages has been unbelievable and so appreciated. Ron also contributed to and raised funds for the VMA through many tournaments and putting contests over the years. I want to particularly thank the VMA and the many friends who contributed to the VMA in Ron's memory. The VMA was an important partner in providing equipment for Ron and support for me in the last months of his life.

-Patty Burke

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

My husband, Ron Burke, and I lived at the Villages for 10 years, but he lived here part time for more than 30 years, first renting a room from a friend and then staying with his mother before he convinced me to make the move. He loved The Villages and his fellow Villagers, and practically lived on the golf course and at the Bistro. Ron was always looking for ways to improve The Villages and made many suggestions to John Yu and Scott Steele—some welcome and some not! As a member of the Villages Golf Committee, his pride and joy was the Culture of Care program established to maintain the quality and beauty of the golf course that he was so proud of. The recent Memorial Golf Tournament, organized by Mary Wagle and Bill Johnston, was a perfect way to honor him and I'm so grateful to Mary and Bill and all of those who participated.

Ron truly loved the Villages— really, it was his happy place and he never wanted to "leave the gates!" The few reasons he chose to leave were for a good poker game at a local card room, visits with our grandchildren and to eat hot dogs and Italian Beef in Chicago. Other than that, everything and everyone he loved were right here in The Villages! And although I recently moved to Monterey, I will always be a Villager at heart! My thanks to all of you who brought so much joy to Ron's long and happy life.

-Patty Burke

More BOARDS & COMMITTEES, MANAGEMENT and COMMUNITY NOTICES on pages 4, 5, 7 & 18

IN MEMORIAM

Kamaluddin Ahmed Chowdhury February 10, 1932—April 26, 2023

There will be a Celebration of Life on Saturday, June 3, 2023, in the Redwood-Terrace Room in Cribari Center at 5 p.m.

(Please see obituary in the Classified Advertising section)

Miriam A. Lichtig (Mimi) July 15, 1935—May 4, 2023

Gerry Preston March 15, 1930 – May 9, 2023

There will be a lunch at the Villages Clubhouse Fairway Room following the memorial Mass on June 7, 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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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

Club and Association Presidents' Council's prompt response a success!



Back row, left to right: Association Board Vice President Diana Hallock, Assistant General Manager Julia Meadows, Club Board Vice President Judy Owen; Front row, left to right: Association Board President David Cook and Club Board President Leslie Lambert.

During the routine renewal of The Villages Association's FHA Certification, it was discovered that a recent change in Federal Housing Administration (FHA) Rules, required changes to the Management Agreement to retain this certification. FHA loans are used at The Villages by potential buyers or by current owners for reverse mortgages or to refinance.

The Presidents' Council, comprised of Club President Leslie Lambert, Vice President Judy Owen, and Association President David Cook and Vice President Diana Hallock quickly responded and worked with management, legal counsel, and their boards to amend the management agreement to comply and as a result The Villages Association has retained FHA certification.

The utmost of thanks to the Presidents' Council and their respective Boards for demonstrating leadership and partnership for this beneficial accomplishment.

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.

The ABOD is Proposing Changes to the



The Villager Article Four (of Five articles)

This article discusses five changes that help clarify what items are included in your home that are your responsibility to maintain and which ones are the Association's responsibility. The

proposed new wording does not change any of the current responsibilities, only improves clarity. The areas of the CC&RS described here: **Article 1 (Definitions)** Sections 1.51 (Unit or Villa) (d), (g), and (h); part of a list of definitions of what in a condo is owned by the Owner; and **Article 9 (Maintenance of Property)** which defines whether the Owner or the Association is responsible for maintenance of an item.

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

In each Amendment the items crossed out are being taken out. Items in **bold** are being added.

Article 1 - Definitions

Section 1.51 - Unit or Villa

Goal of the Change: To clarify what parts of a condominium are the Owner's responsibility. **Background:**

Original or approved new doorjambs are not defined as an Owner's responsibility, so this change in (d) removes the word "doorjambs".

The definition of "fixture and appliances" in (g) is clarified to explicitly state that bathtubs, sinks, toilets, and shower enclosures and how they are connected to the condo's plumbing or electrical wiring is an Owner's responsibility.

In (h) the components of an HVAC system are defined to include heating ("H"), ventilation ("V"), and air conditioning ("AC"), rather than simply calling them "air conditioners".

The Amendments:

Article 1, Section 1.51(d) ("Unit or Villa"), is hereby amended to read as follows:

(d) all interior and exterior doors, screen doors, doorjambs, and hardware and interior trim for all the foregoing;

Article 1, Section 1.51(g) ("Unit or Villa"), is hereby amended to read as follows:

(g) all fixtures and appliances that exclusively serve the Unit, whether located within such space or elsewhere, including but not limited to ranges, ovens, dishwashers, washers, dryers, bathtubs, sinks, toilets, shower enclosures, furnaces, air conditioners, water heaters, ventilation fans, registers and filters, and hoses or directly connected plumbing and/or electrical wiring for any of the foregoing;

Article 1, Section 1.51(h) ("Unit or Villa"), is hereby amended to read as follows:

(h) all **HVAC** (heating, **ventilation, and** air conditioner, **conditioning**), range, and dryer ducts, and vents from the service connection at the wall or ceiling;

Article 9 – Maintenance of Property

Section 9.1.4 – Association Responsibility for Unit

Goal of the Change: Remove the conflicting definition of who is responsible for doorjambs. Section 9.1.3 states the Association is responsible for originally installed or approved replacements.

Background: Since Article 9 Section 9.1.3 and the Article 1 Section 1.51 (see above) already state that the Association is responsible for doorjambs, it is redundant and confusing the mention them again Section 9.1.4. The proposed change removes the duplication.

The Amendment:

Article 9, Section 9.1.4 ("Association Responsibility for Unit"), is hereby amended to read as follows:

9.1.4 <u>Association Responsibility for Unit</u>. In addition to the responsibilities assigned to the Association under <u>Section 9.1.3</u> ("Unit Doors and Garage Doors"), the Association's responsibility for the Unit is limited to the following: (i) <u>Maintenance</u>, <u>Repair and Replacement of door jambs and frames for exterior doors and garage doors</u>, and (ii) Repair and Replacement of original construction utility lines to the shut-off valve connection or electrical; telephone, or cable television receptacle.

Article 9 – Maintenance of Property

Section 9.4.5 – Windows and Skylights (adding a new section)

Goal of the Change: Correct the paragraph to make it clearer that Owners are responsible for their windows and skylights. This is not a change from the current implementation, just a clarification.

Background: A new section is recommended to make it explicit, rather than implicit. **The Amendment:**

Article 9, a new Section 9.4.5 ("Windows and Skylights") is hereby added to read as follows:

9.4.5 Windows and Skylights. Each Owner shall be responsible for providing Maintenance, Repair, and Replacement of all windows and skylights in his or her Unit, whether installed by the original developer or by Owners.

MANAGEMENT

Call 911 for medical emergencies

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

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

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



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Direct:

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Coyote

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

is Vector.sccgov.org/home

directly to the county.



Report Activity

time of the sighting. Contact for Vector Control

Residents can use this to report coyote / wildlife incidents 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

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 in the article at left.

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GOVERNANCE MEETINGS

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

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The entire Board is interested in communicating the proper information

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'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 questions, 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.

More COMMUNITY NOTICES

SRS SENIOR RESOURCE SERVICES

Ways to save on your auto insurance

For a number of reasons, car insurance can be more expensive for seniors—even those with a stellar driving record.

Car insurance cost by age:

Less than age 25: Typically, car insurance for teenagers and young adults is expensive, given that they don't have much driving experience and are therefore more likely to get into a car accident. When drivers turn 25, their rates drop by 9 percent on average.

Ages 50 to 60: This age range is likely to experience lower rates than other age brackets, as middle-aged drivers have experience driving and aren't as likely to be hearing- or vision-impaired.

Ages 70 to 80: Car insurance rates typically go up, as this age bracket has an increased risk of being in an accident. Older individuals are also more prone to injuries in the event of a car accident, which can lead to expensive medical bills and other expenses.

Age 80 and up: Despite having the most driving experience, drivers in this age range are the most likely to have decreased reflexes and reaction times, which drives up their car insurance rate.

Ways to save on auto insurance:

Take a driving course: California has mandated mature driver discounts for seniors if they complete a state-approved driving course. Organizations such as AARP and AAA provide these classes.

Increase your deductible: Increasing your deductible helps reduce how much you pay for insurance. Of course, be sure you have the amount of your deductible in savings in case you need to pay it.

Maintain vehicle safety: You can qualify for savings if your vehicle is up to par with safety equipment. This can include air bags, anti-lock brakes, anti-theft systems and anti-collision technology.

Use a multi-policy discount: If you have two or more policies with the same insurance provider, you will usually receive a multi-policy discount.

Pay your policy in full: Usually paying your policy in full, rather than making monthly payments, can help you save.

Remain accident and violation free: A history of five years accident-free should give you a discount.

Shop around: Rates vary between insurance companies.

Next week SRS will discuss more on taking a driving course.

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

SRS reminder:

have the form emailed to you.

'What to Do' handout available

A frequent handout request at SRS is "What to do when your spouse or partner or parent dies." The handout lists in Group A tasks that need to be done quite quickly. On the second page in Group B, are tasks that are less urgent and will likely need to be done over the next few months. Please stop by the SRS office if you would like a copy or give SRS a call at 408-239-5253 to

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

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

Club

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

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

Homeowners

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

Contacting PG&E during a power outage

You can report or get more information about power outages during stormy weather (and under regular conditions, too) through some of the following ways:

PG&E's 24-hour Customer Service number 1-800-743-5000. To report or get more information about an outage call PG&E's 24-hour Outage Information Center at 1-800-743-5002.

You can report an outage, learn about future planned outages, get outage updates and take a look at the outage map for your locality on the PG&E website at: pge.com

For those who don't have computers, advanced phones or may be technologically challenged, PG&E customer service suggests calling the Customer Service number at 1-800-743-5000 to update your contact information so you can receive critical information when necessary. PG&E requests the following updates: Your primary home/landline number, your cell phone number, your email address and secondary contact information such as friends or family members who can receive alerts in the event contact cannot be made.

If you experience a power outage, do not be hesitant to contact PG&E and report it or to get more information about outages in your vicinity.

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.

DAR OF EVENTS

Friday, May 26

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8:30 a.m.	Jazzercise	Α
9 a.m.	Chinese Morning Exercise	Р
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED
9 a.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
9:30 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	
6:30 p.m.	9 Hole Women Golf Dinner	CH

Saturday May 27

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9 a.m.	EPC CERT Training	FC
9 a.m.	Table Tennis Practice	MMP
9:30 a.m.	Ceramics Open Studio	CER
10 a.m.	Quilters	PR
10 a.m.	Ukulele Singing	SEQ
4 p.m.	Bocce Event	GP

Sunday May 28

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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
6 p.m.	Chapel Entertainment	
7 p.m.	Chinese Club Line Dance	CR

Monday. May 29

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9 a.m.	Chinese Morning Exercise	Р
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED
9 a.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
9:30 a.m.	Ceramics Open Studio	CER
10 a.m.	Drawing Class	AR
11 a.m.	Memorial Day Celebration	Α
1 p.m.	Stitchery	PR
5:30 p.m.	Village Dancers	Α
7 p.m.	Chinese Club Al Session	FC
7 p.m.	Duplicate Bridge	RED

EVENT LOCATIONS

Auditorium

Bocce Courts

Art Room

Ceramics

AR

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CER

(Cribari)

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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	oom
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)

Tuesday, May 30

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8:30 a.m.	Tai Chi Club	Р
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED
9 a.m.	Table Tennis Practice	MMP
9:30 a.m.	Association Board Mtg	FC
9:30 a.m.	Ceramics Open Studio	CER
9:30 a.m.	Poetry in Art & Pastel	AR
10 a.m.	Ukulele Club	PR
10 a.m.	Line Dance Class	Α
11 :30 a.m.	Live Stronger Longer	Α
11:30 a.m.	Men's Golf Club Home/Home	CH
12 p.m.	Game Day	RED
1:30 p.m.	Club Board Meeting	FC
3:30 p.m.	Tennis Club	PR
6:30 p.m.	Global Village Community	
7 p.m.	Chinese Club Tech Talk	VC

Wednes	day, May 31	
8:30 a.m.	Jazzercise	Α
9 a.m.	Chinese Morning Exercise	Р
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED
9 a.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
9:30 a.m.	Ceramics Open Studio	CER
10 a.m.	Watercolor Class	AR
10 a.m.	Yoga Class	Α
11 a.m.	Chapel Meeting	PR
4 p.m.	July 4 Volunteer Meeting	PR
6:30 p.m.	Mexican Train Dominoes	MC
7 p.m.	Duplicate Bridge	RED

Thursday, June 1

	8:30 a.m.	Tai Chi Club	Ρ
	9 a.m.	Association ACC	MC
)	9 a.m.	Game Day	RED
	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
	12 p.m.	Game Day	RED
	1 p.m.	Chapel Small Group	SEQ
	1:30 p.m.	Ukulele Club	VC
	3 p.m.	Chapel Choir	CR
	7 p.m.	Italian Club Board Meeting	PR
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Villages business offices will be closed Monday, May 29 for the Memorial Day holiday.

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 Haas 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 6 at 10:30 a.m. in the Sequoia Room. Limited seating, must call to register 408-238-4029.

Back Rehab: Zoe Hurley PT, DPT from Silver Creek PT/OT will provide information on certain types of back pain and ways to rehabilitate to a more functioning state. She will explain bed mobility strategies as well as the mechanics of lifting. Thursday, June 8 at 11 a.m. in the Sequoia Room. Limited seating, please call to register at 408-238-4029.

Support Groups in May

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

Caregiver Support Group: Judith London Ph.D. will conduct the monthly group on Thursday, June 22 at 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m. in the Patio Room and via Zoom. Please contact Judy London Ph.D. for all meeting specifics at judithlondon@sbcglobal.net or call 408-784-3325. Note date change for this month only!

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

Please check out vmavillages.org



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

Fitness Center

Daily 12:00 & 6:00

Fitness

1:00 & 7:00

Mon - Sat 15 Minute Exercise

1:15 & 7:15

Mon Wed Fri & Sun **Chair Fitness**

> Tue Thu Sat **Cardio Fitness**

Candidates' Night 2023

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

Villages Scam Awareness

Daily 3:55 & 9:55

Living with Wildfires in Santa Clara County

Daily **4:30 & 10:30**



Club Events & Notices



Villages Public

Password: villages

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

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.

Coming soon: Painting with Pat Andrade and Making Wreaths with Stephanie Torres.

Ceramics Room has open studio for approved members. 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 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.

Rambler Lite Hike June 21: Katy Peretti (408-531-0917) will lead a hike to Glen Arden and Highlands. We'll walk around Glen Aden then along Caledonia to Buckhaven and back to Foothill. Meet at Foothill at 9:30 a.m.

Rambler Lite Hike June 28: Katy Peretti (408-53-0917) will lead a hike to Del Lago to walk around the five lakes. Meet at the Clubhouse at 9:30 a.m.

EVF 'tears it up' at Shredding Event

Few things are more satisfying to Villagers than de-cluttering one's garage or home office of unwanted, but sensitive, printed material. To assist in achieving that satisfaction, the Evergreen Villages Foundation (EVF) hosted a tax season shredding event Saturday morning, April 15.



The morning drive-thru proved very successful, attracting hundreds of cars and golf carts. Proceeds from the event's \$10 per box donation go to EVF's General Fund to support enhancements to Villages amenities.

According to Cliff from Red Dog Shredding, EVF's event is one of the largest recycling events in our area. It has become an anticipated Villages event every year. The EVF thanks the volunteers and all the Villagers who made this community event possible.

Projects such as this shredding event are consistent with the Evergreen Villages Foundation's mission to raise funds to enhance Village amenities for the benefit and comfort of residents. If you would like to work with the EVF and help to provide enhancements to the Villages lifestyle by contributing to the General Fund, go to its website, and become a Sustaining Member. You can do this for as little as \$5 per month. Or single one-time donations to the EVF via the website EVFSJ.org are welcome at any time.



EVF volunteers help Villagers drop off their shreddable documents.

EPC has helpful info for your pets

EPC has valuable information and recommendations available to help keep your pets safe and healthy!

- Free stickers for your windows / doors to alert emergency responders of pets in your home
- Pet Info form (think pet "Vial of Life") for your glove compartment in case of an auto accident
- Helpful information about pet care before and during an emergency

If you are interested in stickers, the Pet Info form, or general pet safety information, please contact Jean Corrigan at 408-223-8676 or JeanMCorrigan36@gmail.com



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.

THE CLUBHOUSE

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

2800 Villages Fairway Drive, San Jose CA 95135

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

WHAT'S COOKING?

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

To order Curbside Grab and Go, call 408-370-8553

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



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

Clubhouse is open for full service

The following details will be in effect at the Clubhouse:

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

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

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

How does Curbside Grab-and-Go work?

First, call in your order at **408-370-8553.** Call us again when you get to the Clubhouse curbside and we will bring it out to your vehicle. **A 15 percent Service Charge and Tax will be added to the price.**

Notice for our Curbside customers: Due to the increased volume of orders at dinner time, we are recommending that you call and place your order between the times of 3 p.m. and 4:30 p.m. We will take your order and coordinate a pick-up time later that evening. While this is not required, it should help alleviate any wait times during the peak dinner time hours of 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.



Soup of the Day

For the week of 5/29 to 6/4

Monday May 29 Meatball, Vegetable and Orzo

Tuesday May 30 Minestrone

Wednesday May 31 White Bean, Kale & Sausage

Thursday June 1 Cream of Mushroom

Friday June 2 Clam Chowder

Saturday June 3 Chef's Choice

Sunday June 4 Chef's Choice

Clubhouse Indoor, Patio Dining and Curbside Hours of Operation

Monday

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

Breakfast: 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. Lunch: 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Bistro Menu:

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

Tuesday to Friday

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

2 Angus Deej with Tomato Kensi

Southern Crab Cakes \$13.95
2 Panko Crusted with Cavenne 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. 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 Vineaar

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

Weekly

Specials

For the week of

5/29 to 6/4

Breakfast Special:

Tuesday 5/30 to Sunday 6/4
Texas Super Omelet: Chili Beans, Cheddar Cheese and Green Onion with Choice of

Brealkfast Side \$15.50

Lunch Specials:

Monday 5/30 to Sunday 6/4

11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Roasted Beet and Goat Cheese Salad: Roasted Beets, Goat Cheese, Apples, Red

Onion, Caramelized Walnuts and Arugula with a Balsamic Vinaigrette \$16.50

Linguini Palermo: Linguini, Tomato, Basil and Bay Shrimp in a Garlic Cream Sauce

\$15.95

Dinner Specials:

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

Tournedos Rossini: Petite Filet Medallion and Mushroom Duxelles on Holland Rusk

Toast with Choice of Sides

\$40.50

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, Berries

V Belgium Waffles \$10.75

Whipped Butter, Maple Syrup, Seasonal Fruits, Berries

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 Whites and Capers

Avocado Sourdough Toast \$12.50

Fried Egg, Bacon, and Tomato

Sides

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 Toast

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 Parslev

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

With Granny Smith Apple Salsa

Rotisserie Pork Roast \$27.95

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

Villager Meat Loaf \$24.95

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

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

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

GF Lemon Saffron Salmon \$27.95

Prawns Scampi \$29.95 Lemon Butter Sauce Wilton Scallions

Orange Roughy: With a Caper Beurre Blanc Sauce with Choice of Sides \$32.50

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

V Villages Nacho \$12.95

Green Onions on Butter Lettuce

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

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

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

Villages BLT Sandwich \$14.95

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

Open Faced NY Steak Sandwich \$19.50 On Grilled Brioche, Topped with Buttermilk Onion

Pesto Chicken Sandwich on Focaccia Bread

\$15.95 Provolone and Tomato with Alfalfa and Arugula

Deli Sandwich LTO \$13.50

Choice of Bread, Turkey, Ham, Chicken Salad or

1/2 Deli and Soup or Salad \$12.95

Sub Grilled Tofu for Chicken \$14.95

V Veggie Melt \$15.95

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

Naan Flatbread Pizzas-All with Red Sauce and Mozzarella

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

Combination Pizza \$14.95

Sausage, Pepperoni, Mushrooms, Onions, & Peppers,

V Veggie Pizza \$14.95

Onions, Broccoli, Zucchini, Mushrooms, Peppers and Arugula

Gluten Free Pizza Crust Available \$ 2.00

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

Single Diners' Night Let's Dine Together!

Every Wednesday at The Clubhouse



Shared Table

Bring your favorite wine to share with no corkage! Free Corkage will be applied with purchase from the Lighter Side and Dinner Entrees from the Dinner Menu.

Please make reservations and note: 'Single Diners' Reservation'

Every Wednesday at 5 p.m.

no corkage will be charged...

Wednesdays & Thursdays

Dinner Service Only

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

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

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Bistro Happy Hour

\$5 House Cocktails

\$5 House Wines

\$5 Draft Beers 16oz

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

Prices subject to service charge and tax

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.



Attention diners:

We want your opinion!

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

Thanks for taking the time to let us know what you think!

Please deposit comments directly to the locked comment card box at the Clubhouse foyer.



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

Ehrenberg Cellars 2017 Library Zinfandel

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

Email or Call Reservation to: theclubhouse@the-villages.com or 408 754 1337

** BUY ONE APPETIZER

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**BUY ONE FREE*

Appetizer Special!

2 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Monday through Friday

Promotion Expires June 30, 2023

Look for More Special Promotions

Coming Up Soon

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*Item must be of equal or lesser value.

Service charge and taxes still applied to all items.

For dine-in customers only.



Father's Day Specials Clubhouse

Saturday June 17th and Sunday June 18th 2023

Breakfast

Salisbury Steak and Eggs \$14.95
Country Potatoes or Hash Brown
Choice of Toast

Lunch

BBQ Pulled Pork Sandwich \$14.95
Coleslaw Topping on Brioche Bun
With Choice of Side

Dinner

12oz Rib Eye Steak with Sauteed Onions, Mushrooms \$45 With Choice of 2 sides.

Happy Hour Draft Beers \$5

11 am to 8 pm

Prices subject to 18% service charge and tax

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

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

Building B business hours

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

Survey Results are in: Times Available for Classes

In the recent Community Activities Survey we asked participants the following: "Community Activities sponsored classes are typically 30 minutes to one hour long. What time(s) periods would generally work best for you? Please choose all that apply." Below you will find the breakdown of responses.

Total Respondents: 62 online surveys
Respondents Who Skipped this Question: 1
Actual Responses for this Question: 61
Early Afternoon (12 p.m. to 3 p.m.) = 37
Morning (9 a.m. to 12 p.m.) = 33
Late Afternoon (3 p.m. to 5 p.m.) = 21
Early Evening (5 p.m. to 7 p.m.) = 19
Late Evening (7 p.m. to 9 p.m.) = 8



Based on these results it appears that most residents are available in the early afternoon and morning times but are less interested as the day goes on. Please note that class dates are determined by facility and instructor availability, whenever possible we will use this data for future programming. Thank you to all participants in the survey.

Sign up for Giants game

On Sunday, June 11, The Villages is going to Oracle Park to see the San Francisco Giants and Chicago Cubs go head-to-head. Seats are still available in the upper section (VR305) for \$106 per person. 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.
- 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.

Fleet Week trip cancelled

The trip to Fleet Week has been cancelled because we did not have enough registrants to cover the cost of the trip. All Community Activities trips are self-supporting. Our office has reached out to everyone who signed up. Please contact us with any questions.

More details for Red, White and You!

Get out and celebrate July 4th with friends, neighbors and family at Red, White and You! The multi-event celebration has something for everyone.

Red, White and Blue Breakfast - Clubhouse

The events start with a community red, white, and blue breakfast at the Clubhouse from 8 a.m. – 11a.m. The menu features pancakes, scrambled eggs, sausage, bacon, country potatoes, fruit pastries, orange juice cranberry juice and coffee all for the patriotic price of \$17.76 plus tax and gratuity. Reservations are required through the Clubhouse.

Freedom Fun Walks - Vineyard Center of Cribari Auditorium - Free

Two Freedom Fun Walks will be offered at 9:30 a.m. These free fun walks will take place in village Olivas and village Cribari. Those wishing to enjoy a one-hour traverse through Olivas with its hilly terrain will begin and end at Vineyard Center. This walk is led by the Hiking Club and is not a race.

Those enjoying a relatively flat walking surface will enjoy the fun walk at Cribari. The walk begins and ends in Cribari Auditorium.

Both walks require participants to pre-register at the Community Activities office beginning June 5. Participants are required to wear closed-toed walking shoes such as tennis shoes and to bring sun protection and water.

The roughly 1-mile walk is not a race.

Please no golf carts, bicycles, scooters, or skateboards. Please let us know at registration if you have questions or concerns. Participants will receive a patriotic sash before the walk and a frozen treat upon completion of the walk.

July 4 BBQ – Cribari Plaza

A classic BBQ featuring hamburgers and hotdogs, chips, soft drinks, water, and beer on sale from 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Pops Concert - Cribari Plaza - Free

A free concert featuring the 50-piece San Jose Metropolitan Band from 11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m. Musical scores include patriotic, Broadway and Hollywood favorites.

Live Music and More BBQ - Bistro Patio

Enjoy a warm afternoon and evening with friends listening/dancing to great music and eating at the Bistro Patio from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m.

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.

Shakespeare in the Park

Join us for a production of Cymbeline by the San Francisco Shakespeare Festival (SF Shakes). This epic romantic adventure is rarely produced so this might be your only chance to see it! Seating will be outdoors, and boxed lunches will be provided. More information will appear in the Fast Lane and The Villager the week of June 2.

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

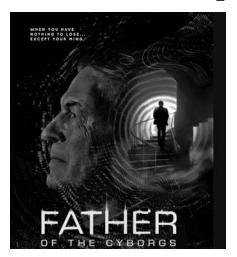
participate in our sponsored activities independently. We reserve the right to evaluate the participant's ability to participate based on each individual's physical abilities and/or demonstrated behaviors. You may always take a caregiver with you to help with your needs.

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

Join Technology Explorers for Journey into Brain-Computer Interfaces



June 5 at 1:30 p.m. via Zoom.

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

Global Village: Learn more 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.

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 dog club.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.

Bluegrass music band concert is sold out

By Ruth Keiser



The Villages Bluegrass Jam trio's concert, scheduled for Sunday, June 4 from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Montgomery Center is now **sold out** and registration is now closed.

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.

Due to limited seating, registration is required and all spots have been claimed. Questions? Contact 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!

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. From now through May 31, books can

be dropped off during daylight hours at

7679 Helmsdale Drive (corner of Portree and Helmsdale) in Village Highland. Boxes for the books will be available in the driveway. For further information, contact Joey Stern at 408-238-4890 or by e-mail at sternjo@pacbell.net.



More CLUBS

FROM THE VILLAGES LIBRARY

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

By Sherle Frost

"Prisoners of the Castle: An epic Story of Survival and Escape from Colditz, the Nazis' Fortress Prison" by Ben Macintyre. In this gripping narrative, Ben Macintyre tackles one of the most famous prison stories in history and makes it utterly his own. During World War II, the German army used the towering Colditz Castle to hold the most defiant Allied prisoners. For four years, these prisoners of the castle tested its walls and its guards with ingenious escape attempts that would become legend. But the story of Colditz was about much more than escape. Its population represented a society in miniature, full of heroes and traitors, class conflicts and secret alliances, and the full range of human joy and despair. In Macintyre's telling, Colditz's most famous names—like the indomitable Pat Reid share glory with lesser known but equally remarkable characters like Indian doctor Birendranath Mazumdar whose ill treatment, hunger strike, and eventual escape read like fiction; Florimond Duke, America's oldest paratrooper and least successful secret agent; and Christopher Clayton Hutton, the brilliant inventor employed by British intelligence to manufacture covert escape aids for POWs. Prisoners of the Castle traces the war's arc from within Colditz's stone walls, where the stakes rose as Hitler's war machine faltered and the men feared that liberation would not come soon enough to spare them a grisly fate at the hands of the Nazis. Bringing together the wartime intrigue of his acclaimed Operation Mincemeat and keen psychological portraits of his bestselling true-life spy stories, Macintyre has breathed new life into one of the greatest war stories ever told. Large Print. 940.53, World War II, 2022.

"And There Was Light: Abraham Lincoln and the American Struggle" by Jon Meacham. A president who governed a divided country has much to teach us in a 21st-century moment of polarization and political crisis. Abraham Lincoln was president when implacable secessionists gave no quarter in a clash of visions inextricably bound up with money, power, race, identity, and faith. He was hated and hailed, excoriated and revered. In Lincoln we can see the possibilities of the presidency as well as its limitations. At once familiar and elusive, Lincoln tends to be seen in popular minds as the greatest of American presidents—a remote icon—or as a politician driven more by calculation than by conviction. This illuminating new portrait gives us a very human Lincoln—an imperfect man whose moral antislavery commitment was essential to the story of justice in America. Here is the Lincoln who, as a boy, was steeped in the sermons of emancipation by Baptist preachers; who insisted that slavery was a moral evil; and who sought, as he put it, to do right as God gave him light to see the right. This book tells the story of Lincoln from his birth on the Kentucky frontier in 1809 to his leadership during the Civil War to his tragic assassination at Ford's Theater on Good Friday 1865: his rise, his self-education through reading, his loves, his bouts of depression, his political failures, his deepening faith, and his persistent conviction that slavery must end. In a nation shaped by the courage of the enslaved of the era and by the brave witness of Black Americans of the nineteenth century, Lincoln's story illuminates the ways and means of politics, the marshaling of power in a belligerent democracy, the durability of white supremacy in America, and the capacity of conscience to shape the maelstrom of events. Lincoln was not all he might have been—few human beings ever are—but he was more than many men have ever been. We could have done worse. And we have. And, as Lincoln himself would readily acknowledge, we can always do better. But we will do so only if we see Abraham Lincoln—and ourselves—whole. 920 Biography, 2022.

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

Village Dancers to revisit '80s in June!

"You make the day brighter than Doris Day!" Who knew George Michael wrote these lyr-

ics for his smash hit "Wake Me Up Before You Go-Go"? The Justfor-Fun Dancers meet Monday nights at 5:30 p.m. in the Cribari Auditorium. During the month of June the group will revisit the '80s. Learn the steps to this pop tune. Join us for some "cabbage patch," "sprinkler" and "running man" moves, while we socialize and lose ourselves in the movement of dance. Get off the couch and get on the dance floor!

Bernice Toy, the president/chore-ographer of the Village Dancers, can be reached at Bernice. Toy@gmail.com. For



Standing: Kristel Moffett, Dari Tarabini, Angela Cadile, Fred Alkakos, Carol Barikmo. Seated: Betty Wegner, Barbara Brown, Lynda McKinney, Barbara Moore and Amy Lo

photos and more information, check the Village Dancers page on the Music Society website: VillagesMusicSociety.org/Village-Dancers. The Village Dancers charges an annual \$20 membership fee to participants. All monies go toward support of the club.

See Midge Robinson's historical dolls at Arts & Crafts meeting



Midge Robinson is a lively octogenarian artist who lives in Hermosa. She will be the featured Guest Artist for the Arts & Crafts monthly membership meeting on Monday, June 5, at 1:45 p.m. in Cribari Conference Room.

Several years ago, Midge joined the "The Way of the Doll: The Art and Craft of Personal Transformation" at Berkeley. For two years, she created and crafted porcelain dolls from her personal story, from her family history and from myths. She wrote haiku, sestina poetry and stories to bring her dolls to life.

Born in Columbus, Ohio, Midge earned her M.Ed from San Jose State in Educational Counseling. She and husband Phil have four children, two grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

On June 5, Midge will show her dolls and read their stories and poems. All Villagers and their guests are welcome. You will find this new and different presentation very interesting from this artist who also quilts, paints and works in colored pencil.

Take Pastels class with Terri Ford

By Barbara Gottesman

Terri Ford, an internationally famous pastel painter who lives in The Villages, will offer a four-day Pastel Painting class. Terri is an IAPS Eminent Pastelist and a PSA Master Pastelist. The four-day class takes place on two Tuesdays, June 6 and June 13 and two Thursdays, June 8 and June 15. The time is 1 p.m. – 3 p.m. in the Cribari Center Art Room. The fee is \$75. All Villagers are welcome to take Terri's four day class.

Terri will furnish sanded pastel paper and some pastels while students are invited to bring their own supply of pastels and a photograph. You will also need a board or other hard surface to which to tape your pastel paper.

In addition to the basics, Terri will stress color temperature and the importance and power of "mark making."

You can see examples of Terri's award-winning artwork at terriart.com

Register soon for Terri's class by emailing barb.gottesman@gmail.com because the buzz is already building!

More CLUB & EVENTS on page 19 & 20

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 ac-

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 3: How do you, as a Club Board candidate, envision improving The Villages?

Howie Blumstein

First. The Villages demographics is continually changing. To stay current, I would conduct periodic surveys to keep current with community needs. Decisions by the Club Board should reflect inputs from a broader base of Villages residents.

Second. Amenities in our community should be improved without impacting Club assessments. As with the Pickleball Project, funds to pay for amenity improvements could come from the Capital Fund, Reserves, Donations and the Evergreen Villages Foundation. Currently these resources are being used to pay for improvements to the golf course bunkers.

The Club Board has approved and work will soon start on adding one or two Bocce courts. It will not be long before the Pickleball Club will ask the Club Board to approve additional courts. Upgrading the Cribari sound system is another project that would benefit a large number of Villagers.

Vote for me if the following are important to you:

- Extensive Villages experience
- Knowledge of complex issues/concerns facing the Board

Watch the recording of Candidates Night online or on Chanel 27 to help you make your candidate decisions.

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 governance

Larry Versaw

The current Board and staff have already launched several efforts that are improving The Villages' operations, fiscal management, communication and planning. I wholeheartedly endorse these efforts and would work to support this positive trend.

However, there are always opportunities to improve, and I am especially qualified through my lifetime of experience to evaluate operations and processes and to propose solutions when improvements are warranted. Specifically, I've been:

- Grover Beach Mayor/councilmember
- Cypress Ridge Homeowner's Association Board President/member
- Villages Homeowner Corporation Board director • Member of San Luis Obispo County's Economic **Development Corporation**
- Member of SLO County's water and sanitation boards/councils

As an Associate City Engineer and as founder and owner of a small business, I developed strong problem-solving skills. As a Villages newcomer, I bring fresh perspective.

That said, finding solutions to inflationary costs is a priority. Ensuring that the staff feels valued leads to better customer service. Always pursuing ways to enhance communication with residents and collaboration with the Association Board and Homeowner Corporation is fundamental. Finally, I'd like to seek one I observed in a former community.

Vote Versaw!

Richard Zahner

Programs and Activities

A unique advantage to living in The Villages are the self-organized clubs plus the many activities that Management organizes. New emphasis needs to be given to support clubs and target the trips and programs offered to all ages. I propose an update of the Satisfaction Survey to tailor programs to majority interests.

Customer Service

The Clubhouse and Pro Shop staff's goal is to ensure Villagers feel welcome and valued. Every new hire needs a formal orientation program to teach good customer service practices. An annual performance review could include comments on the employee's customer service.

Operations and Financial Management

Upgrade the software (ERP system) for finance and operations. The existing software used for our financial and personnel management is no longer supported by the vendor. In its place we will evaluate and install a modern comprehensive operations system. This change will allow zero-based budgeting each year, so we control costs and keep assessments as low as practical.

Governance

The Club Bylaws need to be updated to, at least, avenues for reaching out to house-bound residents, allow the accumulation of funds to refurbish and/ perhaps through an organized neighborhood effort like or replace aging facilities. I will champion a Board Committee to review and draft an amendment to the Bylaws.

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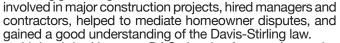
Association Board Candidates

Stephen Gilbert

8374 Riesling Way

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

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



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.

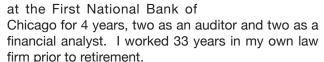
My work career was full of different experiences. After graduating from the University of California in San Diego, I went to work for Longs Drug Stores. I spent twelve years with them, rising through various management positions. While there, I was in charge of store operations, personnel management,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



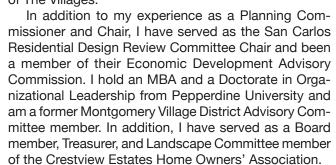
I am a Certified Public Accountant (unlicensed at this time due to retirement). I am a Lawyer (unlicensed at this time due to retirement). I was previously President of the Lakeview Condominium Homeowner's Association (412 units) located in Almaden for 2 years. I was on the Fairways DAC for a number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

On counting day, only the secret envelopes are given to the Tellers for counting. These envelopes contain no names, bar codes or other identifying marks. They reto begin the counting process

This entire process is in accordance with California Civil Code.

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 3: How do you, as an Association Board candidate, envision improving The Villages?

Stephen Gilbert

The iob of the Association Board is to care for condos and the surrounding areas. I intend to focus on our three biggest expenses: landscaping, water, and insurance.

We need to re-think the landscaping contract. Currently, landscapers mow and mow, usually with huge ride-on mowers, and their contract reflects that. Shrubbery and weeds are often neglected. As we reduce the amount grass, we need a contract that emphasizes differentiated care for our new water-wise shrubbery, and is priced accordingly.

Water is part and parcel of landscaping. We've done a great job of reducing our water usage over the past years. Unfortunately, our landscape reflects that. It's time to start rebuilding. As the chair of the Water Conservation Committee, I pushed for hiring a landscaping expert to develop a long term, water-wise landscaping plan.

Insurance has become our largest expense. Currently, we deal with a single broker, who provides us with a wide range of coverages. Our cost has been skyrocketing, due to fires, etc. I think we can save money if we restructure some of our coverages, and work with more than just one broker. I intend to take a hard look at insurance over the next year.

Michael Schwerin

can do the same.

I believe The Villages can be improved by: - Making our property safer from fire risk;

-Reducing water usage by turf reduction and hardscaping wherever possible. We can reduce water usage significantly by landscaping with drought tolerant plants and significantly less grass. My brother lives in a community in Henderson, Nevada that is hardscaped and has no grass and it's beautiful. We

-Putting solar in as many places as possible to reduce our electric bill (projected to cost \$181,000 in 23/24) because the cost of electricity goes up each and every year. I am putting solar on my house and the cost payback is about 4 ½ years. After that I am making money on the solar installation. The Villages could do the same.

Shannon Bergman

There is an old saying by Isaac Newton that says, "If I have seen further, it is on the backs of giants." I start with this because a lot is going right in this community, and I want to thank current and previous Boards and our wonderful staff for making this (in my opinion) the best place to live. The Boards and staff are juggling challenges that weren't even large considerations 10-15 years ago. Drought, flood, fire, massive insurance hikes, inflation; they have juggled all of these and still managed to keep home values equal or above the rate of inflation.

Having said all that, we must never rest on our laurels and be inflexible to better ways of doing things. How I envision improving the villages is to accept that water conservation is not temporary and we must do everything on an individual and Association basis to minimize our use (therefore cost) of water. We must change our landscaping schema to drought-tolerant plants and use efficient watering techniques. And we must do all this with the cost of minimizing assessments always in the forefront.

Patricia Reardon

The Association Board of Directors has a critical responsibility to communicate transparently and effectively with all Villagers. I applaud the board's efforts over the past few years, including adopting innovative measures such as Zoom meetings and introducing the Ask the ABOD column in the Villager. These efforts have improved communication and accessibility of information affecting our lives.

As we navigate these challenging times, effective communication is vital to our ongoing success and the strength of community. I strongly advocate for implementing Town Hall meetings to openly discuss proposed fire hardening and drought mitigation projects, where we can collaborate to plan for the safety and environmental future of our community. Furthermore, I support publishing feature articles in the Villager that highlight solutions to the various challenges we face as a community.

To communicate effectively, it's important to help the DACs connect with their residents quickly and efficiently. This could involve ABOD helping DACs conduct hybrid meetings combining in-person and Zoom and improving their digital communication with residents of their districts. As a DAC chair, I know firsthand that there are sion and planning, including decisions on the timetable challenges to achieving this.

In these rapidly changing times, by working together, we can overcome our problems and establish a more robust and secure community through effective communication and open access to ideas.

John Epperheimer

A fire safety consultant is currently inspecting all The Villages and will produce a report with specific recommendations for each district. Her initial study and recommendations took place in Valle Vista, where I am on the DAC. (I'm also a member of the Villages Fire Safety Committee.) The plan is to have a series of town hall meetings this summer to allow residents to ask questions and understand what needs to be done to better protect our community from wildfires.

This is likely to include actions such as replacing screens on dormers to keep embers from entering attics and removing decorative shrubbery and plants to create a fire break around our homes.

On a similar timetable, a landscape consultant will be making recommendations for more drought tolerant ground cover to replace turf and coming up with a palette of plantings or hardscape materials that could replace the kind of greenery that's been in place for 50+ years.

These two initiatives will address two big problems: The danger from wildfires and the cost and environmental impact of heavy water use.

This will all require a great deal of constructive discusand the sources of funding for these projects – but I can't think of any improvements that could be more crucial.

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.

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Homeowners' Board Candidate

Rob Kirschbaum

8316 Chianti Court

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



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

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

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Voting Tips:

Want Your Vote To Count?

Use both envelopes and keep the bar code intact!

Why Use Two Envelopes to Vote?

The inner one keeps your vote a secret!

The outer one registers you as a member in good standing who is eligible to vote!

Is My Ballot Secret?

Yes, if you seal both matching colored envelopes!

Why Are Ballots in Different Colors?

- Blue is for the Association election.
- Ivory is for the Club election.
- Green is for the Homeowners' election. Don't get them mixed up!

Don't Mix Up Ballot and Envelope Colors

The colors have to match for your vote to be valid!

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Update: 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, and Liz Kung. Directors with terms expiring are Bob Wilk and Richard Zahner.

There are three candidates for which nominations have been qualified for the ballot, Howie Blumstein, Larry Versaw, and Richard Zahner. Pursuant to the Club Bylaws, the two candidates receiving the largest number of votes shall be elected to serve a term of three years.

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, Michael Schwerin, Stephen Gilbert, Patricia Reardon, John Epperheimer, and Shannon Bergman 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. As of the deadline of May 1, 2023, at 5:00 p.m. there has been one candidate nominated and qualified, Rob Kirschbaum, and per Section 7.3 of the bylaws of The Homeowners' Corporation is declared elected by acclamation and will begin his term as Director on June 14, 2023, upon adjournment of the Annual Meeting.

Deadline to return ballots is Monday, June 12, 2023, at 8 a.m.

More COMMUNITY NOTICES

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.



The 1936 babies celebrate their birthday!



"87 and closer to Heaven." Standing: Madeline Naftzger, Bill Rodman, Alice Glazer, Richard Schroeder, Edie Herbst, Bill Ruona. Seated: Brigid Moreton, Barry Stein, Phyllis Mueller, Carol Trenholme, Tommi Elefant.

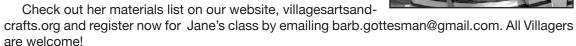
Learn Oil and Acrylic Painting with Jane Hink

By Barbara Gottesman

Now that summer is really here, you might want to learn to paint some of our beautiful California and Villages scenery. Jane Hink is an excellent teacher of oil and acrylic painting who is willing to help you reach that goal.

The primary aim of the class is to learn basic techniques and have fun while doing it.

Believe it or not, Jane has had 77 years of experience in painting, having been part of a class of fifth graders who were taught by an SJSU art professor. The class is four weeks, June 5 – June 26, in the Art Room on Mondays, 10 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. Jane demonstrates in the old masters' medium of oil, but many students chose to carry out her instructions in acrylic byecause it dries faster. The fee for the class is \$75. You can choose either medium.





VMA: Discuss 'Death, Coffee, & Desserts' with Sabine Haas

By Barbara F. Zahner



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, said, "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.

Quilters Club honors veterans with 'Quilts of Valor'

The Quilters Club made formal presentations of "Quilts of Valor" to two members of The Veterans Club at the May veterans membership meeting. Nancy Chesterton formally presented a quilt made by Joanne Brooks to Army veteran Bob Semple. Roberta Pabst presented a quilt, also made by Joanne Brooks, to Marine veteran Hal Gillette, pictured in the accompanying photo taken by Marine veteran Armand Guerrero.



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 folk-rooted songwriting to mainstream popularity. This course will feature many rare film and audio clips of the artists mentioned above as well as other giants of the folk era in music in this survey of a hugely influential and social movement.

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.

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.



Sue Lassetter, M.A., CLC, SRES

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Global Village: 'Seeking spirituality in our lives'

The Global Village Club takes great pleasure in inviting you to a



presentation by Ashwani Dhall, the Director of the Art of Living Center in San Jose. He has spoken to us previously as part of a series, "Adding Years to Life, Life to Years." His motivation is, and continues to be, the well-being of our community.

As one grows in years (as one ages), many of us crave

something more spiritual in our lives, but understanding exactly what spirituality means often escapes us. One definition of spirituality involves the recognition of a feeling or sense of belief that there is something greater than ourselves, that there's more to being human than just sensory experience, and that the greater whole, of which we are a part, is cosmic or divine in nature.

Come hear Ashwani Dhall, the Director of the Art of Living Center in San Jose, who will talk about "Who am I?" and "The mind, body, ego, and conflict." He will delve into "consciousness," which even science has difficultly in defining. His unparalleled insight and depth of understanding that only a master can offer, will assist us to look at spirituality as a way to find meaning in life events, demonstrate individual purpose, and live a life that reflects our values and beliefs.

Ashwani will skillfully weave together ancient knowledge, classic stories, and practical wisdom into a captivating talk, making the discussion an invaluable tool and a companion for the earnest seeker of truth and spirituality. Please join Ashwani and the Global Villages Club on Wednesday, June 7, from 7 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. in the Conference Room of Cribari Center for a fascinating talk and discussion. There is no fee to attend, and as per VGCC and SCC guidelines, face makes are encouraged, but not required.

It's That Time Again... Lunch Buddies Time!

Are you excited to get together with folks, who like you, look forward to good company, who want to share a funny story, talk to someone who's going through what you're going through, or just plain want to get out of the house?

Then Lunch Buddies is for you! Join us on



Wednesday, June 14 in the Clubhouse Fairway Room for lunch: a small salad or a cup of soup, a half sandwich, a drink (iced tea, lemonade, or coffee) and ice cream for dessert. Charge it to your house account—it's

still only \$11!

Call the VMA to make your reservation at 408 238-4230. Let the office know if you need a ride, and we'll pick you up at your home and return you there after lunch. Please make your reservation no later than Monday morning, June 12.

What a good time we'll have with each other! We'll talk about our grandchildren, our dogs or cats, or even what's good on TV. See you on June 14!

Understanding Artificial Intelligence and its impact on our lives

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 to-day 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 Al research. So what is Al?

The Chinese Club will bring in an expert guest speaker to tell us more about what Al 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.

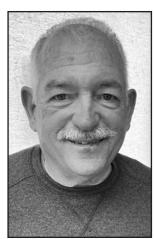
Take Multi-Media Painting with Doug Canepa

Doug Canepa is offering an interesting variation on his basic water-color class: Watercolor with Mixed Media. This new painting class is for Villagers who are interested in exploring different tools and media to enhance their basic watercolor painting skills. Doug will explore strategies by adding acrylics to make images pop. Textured paste, colored pencils and charcoal pencils will be used for texture. Burnishing and blending tools will be introduced as will pen and ink.

Join Doug for this interesting class, Wednesdays, June 7 to July 5, 10 a.m. – 12-noon in the Art Room. Fee is \$60.

Bring your own materials and Doug will furnish burnishing tools, charcoal, colored pencils, texturing paste, charcoal pencils and ink. A wide range of subject matter will be based on student interest during the class.

Join the fun and explore the possibilities by registering at barb.got-tesman@gmail.com



Join Walking/Chair Dancing and meet new friends

If you have not socialized for a while or have yet to have the opportunity to meet other Vil-



lages community members, our Walking/Chair Dancing class can help expand your social circle. By Joining LSAL Fitness Club, you can improve your health and meet likeminded members that will keep you motivated and inspire you to become physically, mentally, and emotionally fit. 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.**

Don't miss our

- Foothill Center

"Bountiful Brunch"

Register after 8:15 a.m.

Sunday, June 4, 9:30 a.m.

Call Elsa at 408-531-8874.

Sunday Mass, May 28. Questions?

RELIGION

Villages Religious Services

Weekly:

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

Contact: Leslie Bailey 408-270-9022
Sunday 10 a.m. **Community Chapel** Cribari

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Regularly Scheduled:

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

First three Fridays of each month

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

Friday 7:15 p.m. **Jewish Shabbat**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., June 12 at Vineyard Center. We are meeting on the second and fourth Monday of each month. Any questions, contact Ev-



erett Jacobson at 408-629-7210 or Ron Speer at 408-223-2025

EPISCOPAL

'On Fire for God and for Good'

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

The Christian story of Pentecost is a curious one, involving violent winds and tongues of fire, the unexpected ability to speak in heretofore unknown languages and even accusations of public drunkenness. Read about it in the second chapter of the Book of Acts. Or come to church and experience the music and delight of the festival known as the birthday of the church. Why a birthday? Because a group of Jesus-followers who had been frightened so much as to not leave their locked rooms suddenly found their voices! Which is what our Lord had been asking of his disciples all along: that they become emissaries of the same Good News he had come to bear and to share. When the church speaks out for God and for good, we are being the church—then and now.

What does that mean for us who have not been blown by violent winds or surrounded by the fire of the Holy Spirit? Perhaps we are still supposed to experience Pentecost wind and flames in the very story that the Apostles bequeathed to us. In the way we hear it, with the ears of our hearts: we can be lit up, so to speak. After all, Pentecost might be described as a miracle of hearing, as much as a miracle of speaking. In the polyglot of first century Jerusalem, disciples told of Jesus and "each one heard their own language being spoken." (Acts 2:6b). What might we hear, if we listen deeply to ancient Biblical stories?

VILLAGES JEWISH COMMUNITY

Upcoming Events

June 9 Klezmer Band Concert Cribari
June 12 Board Meeting Montgomery
June 16 Shabbat Services Foothill
June 25 Build A Bagel Vineyard



For more information, please contact Janbuff13@yahoo.com

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

'The Holy Spirit and Our Gifts'

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

On this Solemnity of Pentecost, we relive the fact that as members of the Church we are Jesus' disciples and are called by him to share our Spirit-enlivened gifts with others. The Holy Spirit we received at our Baptism enables and empowers us to be a force for unity by the good works we demonstrate.

In the first reading from the Acts of the Apostles (2:1-11) we hear that the Apostles were filled with the Spirit of Christ and immediately responded by sharing what Jesus had taught them. All who heard

them were amazed and astounded! That same godly Spirit inspires and moves us to act as well. Powerful change is possible in our lives and through our faith-filled action.

St. Paul tells the people of Corinth (1 Cor. 12:3-7,12-13) how their gifts, bestowed on them by the Spirit, are to be used for the common good of others. Such selfless generosity strengthens and builds up and unifies the members of the Body of Christ. Clearly, the actions of all of us in this same manner affect the other parts of the body, the Church.

In the Gospel (Jn 20:19-23), St. John shares how the Disciples received the peace of Christ because of the Spirit the risen Christ bestowed on them. Like the Disciples, as witnesses to Jesus' resurrection, we are to respond to Jesus' call to demonstrate the Spirit's presence in our lives by our good works for the benefit of others.

So, let us examine how we can be Christ to others: Is there someone who needs my forgiveness? Do I know someone who needs my support? Have I prayed for another as I said I would? Can I possibly participate in a ministry that I have not yet shared? Can I share a talent/gift I have with a group that could thereby be enlivened even more? These and other heartfelt thoughts can open us up to the workings of the Spirit in ways we might not have previously considered. Peace!

Homebound communions: Marilyn Rodman 408-274-4521. Mass intentions: Jean Gillette 408-270-5723. 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? Other 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 with 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 28 or contact Elsa McLaughlin: 1-408-531-8874.

COMMUNITY CHAPEL

'Why Did You Leave Me?'

By Pastor Bill Hayden

It is difficult for me to think that there is a person living today who has never experienced some form of abandonment in life. The word "abandon" as defined by Webster's dictionary is to leave completely and finally, forsake utterly, desert, to give up; withdraw from, discontinue or to give up the control of.

Abandonment can come very early in a person's life which can shape their outlook on life and their relationships. A child can feel abandoned by the death of a pet, family member, close friend or the failure of parent keeping promises. When my father left, I had to go into foster care and I felt very abandoned. It became hard for me to trust and be affectionate toward others because of the thoughts of being rejected. As a victim of childhood abandonment, I would often wonder what caused my father to leave my mother and his seven children. In retrospect the 40s and 50s, for most minority communities, were especially challenging to secure gainful employment. If you had a large family, every able-bodied person had to help with maintaining family life by finding additional income, unless you were wealthy.

Jesus wanted His followers to never succumb to the feelings of abandonment when they had to endure separation from their loved ones as His witnesses. He had promised to be with them always in Matthew 28:19-20ESV 19 Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20 teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

All believers had gathered in Jerusalem from many lands in Celebration of Pentecost which was fifty days after the Jewish Passover Celebration as part of their deliverance in Egypt. At the height of the celebration, the promise of the Comforter filled all the 120 believers who had gathered in an upper room praying and waiting. It was then that they were filled with the Holy Spirit and power to be Jesus Christ's witnesses.

This Sunday we will celebrate the Holy Spirit's abiding presence and power in every believer's life to be a witness for Christ until his return.

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

Sports News

TENNIS TALK



The Villages men met up with the Silver Creek boys tennis team for their annual match.

Our Take on the Latest Gear

By Wendy Ferguson

If you squint your eyes, you'll notice that The Villages men and Silver Creek boys in the photo have the latest gear. They battled it out last week in their annual tennis match. So if you are in search of the latest gear and are either a newbie or seriously-seasoned tennis player, trust me, this is for you. Let's check out the newest rackets and shoes to improve your game. These descriptions reside on the Tennis Warehouse website, I kid you not.

Babolat, which I cannot even pronounce but sounds like one of those overpriced drinks from Starbucks, has many interesting, intellectually-stimulating tennis weapons.

The cheapest one I found is the "Boost Drive" series for \$99. It is described as user-friendly and speedy, and has an easier path to pace, with extra plow-through. So perhaps you can also use it to dig up your garden or maybe take if for a spin around the block after drinking your morning "Babolat."

For the Rafa purist with big pockets wanting a weapon, there are dual Aeros for just \$599. A pittance for the explosive player who wants a ticket to speed without the speeding ticket. This surgical member (I guess for a doctor) has a more flexible beam when you make bigger cuts with this stick that uses flax inserts so you can fully engage with your targets. Take it for a spin on the racetrack or to shooting range, whichever you prefer.

I would love to be opposite Isner when he serves with his Babolat at 135 MPH, like a velocity seldom seen outside of a Wile E. Coyote cartoon. So call me chicken, I don't care, but in reality I'd have to hide behind the fence while someone else gets hurt. And besides, he's 5 feet taller than I am.

Now let's review must-have tennis shoes. Still on the racetrack, check out the Babolat Jet, which is a speed-oriented shoe with a Michelin rubber outsole that gives you an explosive feel. Vroom!

Meanwhile, Roger's ON shoe has 100 percent carbon fiber that supplies energy return and a more stable ride. Now we're into horses, so giddy-up.

After ordering and receiving your gear, be sure to heed the warning on the package: Do not open the box if the contents are missing or broken as this will invalidate your warranty.

After throwing away the box, ride your Babolat Jet on down to Starbucks and enjoy an iced Babolat.



SWINGERS

By Linda Schlageter



Jan Ehrhardt, May Captain's Trophy Winner - Front Nine

The PG&E warnings started to arrive early Tuesday morning. There was no power for many of our Villages. Many of us who had planned a morning of golf found our golf carts stuck in our garages because we couldn't get our garage doors open. It was disappointing, to say the least. For those who made it down to the golf course, the haze quickly burned off, and it was a lovely day for golf. There were no birdies, and the only chip-in

was Linda Schlageter on Hole #16.

The next month is a busy one. The first twilight, Mexican Fiesta, is May 26 with a shotgun start at 4:30 p.m. You can sign up as a single, a couple or a foursome. Just call the Pro Shop (408-274-3220) to register. Also, mark your calendars for the Play the

Karen Carlson, May Captain's Trophy Winner - Back Nine

Par 3 Course on June 11 which is open to all Villagers. There is a 3 p.m. shotgun start followed by cocktail time in the Bistro. Contact Mary Wagle to sign up (408-829-4021). And, of course, our much-anticipated Women's Nine Hole Invitational is on June 13. There is a lot of great golf to look forward to!

MEN'S GOLF CLUB



By Doug Moore, douglas.moore865@gmail.com

Upcoming events: The 53rd Evergreen Invitational Tournament

Currently (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. See complete info in the poster in last week's *Villager*.

June 10, 2023 Summer Open & Annual Picnic - Scramble Format, Flighted, BBQ at Gazebo - Coffee / Donuts - see poster in this edition of The Villager.

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.

Men's 18 Hole Golf Club Summer Open & Annual Picnic

When: Saturday, June 10, 2023

What: Annual Picnic, BBQ at the Gazebo,

(All Men's Golf Club Members may attend, whether playing in the Tournament or not.

Members only. Sorry, no Guest/Spouses)



Format: Scramble, Four-Man Teams, Scores Non-Postable

Sign-up: May 27 through June 8 – Sign up with the Pro Shop either as a team, or individually, and the pro shop will pair you with other players to form a team.

Handicaps: 100 percent of June 8 Handicap

Flights: Flighted, depending on the number of players

Tees: TBD • Tee Times: 8 a.m. Shotgun. Coffee and Donuts from 6:45 to 8 a.m.

Cost: \$47 – This includes green fees and sweeps

BOCCE NEWS





Cinco de Mayo Bash-Wendy Ledamun, Hosts Vince and Barbara Sunseri, and Paul Andersen.

Reminder for those members who have reservations

By Barbara Orlando

Even though the weather wasn't cooperating, the Cinco de Mayo Bash was well attended. Bash hosts, Vince and Barbara Sunseri served up some delicious chicken enchiladas and Mexican rice. Attendees appreciated all their efforts in making it a festive event. A big thank you to the hosts and members for all the festive snacks.

Bash is every Friday at the bocce courts, located adjacent to Gazebo Park from 3 to 5 p.m. It's fun, and a way to practice in a casual setting with friends. Membership isn't necessary to attend, just bring along a snack to share and your own favorite beverage. Come join us on Fridays!

to this sold-out event, the Bocce BBQ is tomorrow at Gazebo Park from 4 to 8 p.m. Your Tournament Coordinator, Ken Colaizzi is home this week, recovering from some knee maintenance. We wish Ken a speedy recovery. Check out the win/loss scores posted in the kiosk at the courts, your email, and

in issues of the Villager. A Mini Boot Camp for new beginners will take place on Thursday, June 29 from 5 to 7:30 p.m. This class will fill up fast, so if you're interested, contact instructor Helen Paris by email at helentaitparis@gmail.com. Non-members interested in learning how to play bocce are welcome. Members talk with your new neighbors and friends and let them know about the social game of bocce and that they can learn how to play. This is the last class for new beginners this year.

Also, a Skilz class for advanced players, with instructor Jim Goss is planned for July, date, and time TBD.



Jana and Roger King, and Jeanne Anne Whitacre enjoying the Cinco De Mayo Bash.

Did You Know: Be polite and courteous to your teammates and opponents. When it is your turn to throw, be ready and do not delay.

PICKLEB

By Anahid Gregg

You say you want to try Pickleball? Not surprising given it's the fastest growing sport in the country. Pickleball is great fun,

but there are a few things you need to know before you start playing at The Villages. To get started, you need non-marking "Court Shoes," commonly called Tennis Shoes. Court Shoes prevent marks on the court and more importantly, provide the proper support. Incorrect shoes are the #2 reason for falls and injuries. Number one is running back-



ward; now know the two most important tips.

- Everyone (residents and guests) must register with the Club, and sign up before using the courts. You needn't be a member; you can join as a "non-member resident." To register, visit our website - villagespickleball.vgcc.club. The first post explains the process.
- Wait to buy a paddle! The Club is very sensitive to the noise factor, and a condition of our SJ Use Permit requires the use of quiet paddles and balls. Our website is a link to approved paddles. The Sun City Grand "Quiet Paddle List" is now required by many clubs and recreational facilities around the country. USAPA paddles often do not meet the requirements! The only balls allowed on the court are Onix 2 Pure balls - the PB Club buys them in bulk, and sells them at wholesale prices. The Club also has "quiet" paddles for use by our shed.
- · While not required, we highly recommend a meeting with Mike Walias (mjw0275@yahoo.com). Mike gives demos on how to play Pickleball, he's the secret weapon of the club. You'll leave knowing the rules and basics. Once completed, he can recommend the best group for you to start meeting new players, plus he has paddles you can try before you buy!
- Have fun... Pickleball is a social game. Be prepared to laugh, trash talk and meet some of the friendliest people at The Villages!

Celebrate the Champions! Join The Bocce Club's Summer Round Robin Playoff Celebration

Wednesday, June 28, 2023 at Gazebo Park Immediately following the 10:30 a.m. playoff game! Members \$10, Non-members \$15

The Bocce Club will be serving assorted sandwiches (including veggie on request



at sign-up), coleslaw, chips, watermelon, and dessert. Refreshing lemonade & water will be available too! Call Barbara to make your reservations: (408)-300-1230 -or- email orlmuh2@comcast.net. No walk-ins! Reservations close June 18. No shows will be billed. If you can help at the event, please let Barbara know.



PINSEEKERS

By Jim White



May 19 was a beautiful day in our neighborhood, as 18 Pinseekers teed off from hole number 10. This week's top scorers were: First Place, Jim White, Net 34; Second Place was a tie with Jack Bindon and Leighton both at Net 35; Third Place, Mike Falarski with a Net 36 (par); Fourth Place was snatched by Don Lee capturing a Net 37.

As mentioned in last week's Villager, the final week of competition for our Annual Championship will be on May 26. The month of June we will be playing "Sweeps," but no Championship Points until we begin our 2023-2024 season on July 7.

The 2022-2023 Champion will be announced at our annual meeting and luncheon on Wednesday, June 14 at 11:30 a.m.

A couple of quotes from Golf Psychologist, Dr Bob Rotella: "A golfer has to train their swing on the practice tee, then trust it on the course." And "Hit

the shot you know you can hit, not the one you think you should."

Play The Par 3 Course Sunday, June 11 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.



More SPORTS

SHONIS

By Betty Hall

Looks like Spring zipped right through and summer is already here. But it's nice golf weather for our 9:30 a.m. shotguns.



Kathy Tanaka

Twenty-two Shonis and two qualifiers certainly enjoyed the nice golfing weather last week on May 16. We saw some very nice scores posted by a lot of our group. Some of us are still working on improving our Eclectic games. Just three more weeks to change those bogeys to pars or birdies.

We had our Spring Pro Clinic with Tim Flanagan after our round of golf. He worked with us on our chipping and bunker strokes. His expertise and time is always appreciated.

Pictured here is our May

Captain's Trophy winner, Kathy Tanaka. Kathy gets both trophies until June. She had a nice game on May 9 with a 37 gross and a net 19. Congratulations, Kathy.

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 18, 2023, was sunny and warm. Perfect for some golf.

Thirteen Ironmen played. **Third Place** honors were shared by Jerry Juracich and Sang Nam with net 25s; **Second Place** honors were shared by Prakash Deshmukh and Bill Travis with net 24s; **First Place** went to David Cook with a 4 under par net 23!

We had four **Birdies**: one by Al Bruno on hole 1; two by Jerry Juracich on holes 3 and 7; and one by Sang Nam on hole 9.

Closest to the Flag on hole 4 was won by David Hathaway at 11 feet, 7 inches.

The winner of **Low Gross** was Al Bruno with a 1 over par 28. Golfer of the Day recognition goes to Jerry Juracich with a third place and two birdies. Way to go, Jerry!

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:

"Golf is the ego and id in a playoff that never ends. It's a solitary wandering in the manicured wilderness, It's man alone with his own mind. It's too much time to think and too much to think about. It's more like life than life itself." - David Noonan, Australian artist

"A routine is not a routine if you have to think about it." - Davis Love Jr., American professional golfer and father of Davis Love III $\,$



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FROM THE PRO



By Scott Steele, PGA Head Golf Professional

May Golf Scheduled Events

Friday, May 26 – Twilight Mixer – 4:30 p.m. Shotgun – Last Tee Time 12:30 p.m. Monday, May 29 – Memorial Day Holiday Schedule 7:30 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 2 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.

Callaway Fitting & Demo Day—Thursday, June 15 from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Come and get fitted for one of the best golf clubs modern technology has to offer...the Callaway Paradigm. Used by some of the best touring professionals in the game such as Masters Champion John Rahm, Xander Schauffele, Sam Burns, Si Wu Kim, Talor Gooch, Yuka Saso and Madelene Sagstrom. The Callaway Paradigm boasts a 360-degree carbon chassis and provides a refined shape with high MOI and adjustable perimeter weighting. Engineered for players of all skill levels, this club promotes high launch and low spin characteristics along with a neutral ball flight. It's Callaway's best combination of distance, forgiveness, and adjustability. Call the Pro Shop to make an appointment (408) 274-3220 x1.

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.

New in the Pro Shop—Orlimar Pitch n Putt Golf Bag – Perfect for our Par-3 Course – available in multiple colors for men and women. Power Bilt Beginner Box Sets – Includes 9 clubs and a bag – Only \$299! Women's Sport Haley Apparel – New women's golf fashions for Spring and Summer. Skechers Golf Shoes – New 2023 Men's and Women's styles available now! Adidas Men's shorts – perfect for those warm summer days. Men's Villages logo suede vests in black, blue and beige – fashion, comfort and functionality. Wilson Duo Golf Balls – the lowest compression golf balls in the World – 40 compression perfect for low swing speeds.

Pro Shop Sale Items—50% off table – assorted items 50% off and more! Located outside of the Pro Shop front door. **Srixon Soft Feel Balls** – Buy 2 dozen get 1 dozen free. **Villages logo golf bags** – Buy a logo bag and receive one free round of golf.

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)

Let's All Get Together Now—Be a part of our "Culture of Care" and follow these simple

(Continued on next page)

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BRIDGE

Monday, May 15:

- 1. Louann Partridge Guest
- 2. Claude Ashen Art Lind
- 3. Ed Logg Jonna Robinson

Wednesday, May 17:

1. Ed Logg – Guest 2-4. Claude Ashen - Jane Michaels; Alan Waltho -Maureen Waltho; Jonna Robinson - Roy Tsai

Friday, May 19:

- 1. Selma Chastaine Guest
- 2. Ed Logg Jonna Robinson
- 3. Joe Henry Bonnie Taylor

MEXICAN

Wednesday, May 17		
Kitty Heston	92	
Maribeth Berlie	110	
Kit Hultquist	193	

Friday, May 19

Sylvia Rozewicz	199
Kit Hultquist	206
Eva Medeiros	263

BOCCE

3 p.m.

Spring Round Robin Tournament 2023 Week #1 Monday, May 15

10 a.m. Hot Shots 2-0 Agitators 2-0 Troppo Vino 0-2 Goombas 0-2 We Bring the Heat 1-1 Fireballs 1-1 12:30 p.m.

Happy Friends 1-1 The Rascals 1-1 Bloodbath & Beyond 2-0 Eager Rollers 2-0 Rolling on Green 0-2 Balls Away 0-2

Wednesday, May 17

Bocce Pals 1-1 La Bocce Vita 1-1 10 a.m. Pallino Pranksters 1-1 Spaghetti Meatballs 1-1 12:30 p.m. Rack Your Balls 1-1 Bocce Bowlers 2-0 Charlie's Angels 1-1 Bocce Beatles 0-2

Thursday, May 18

Bocce Rollers 0-2 Rollin' Thunder 1-1 10 a.m. Keep Em' Straight 2-0 Bocce Poachers 1-1 Baa Baa Loos 1-1 Lady Bugs Bull Frogs 2-0 12:30 p.m. Merry Bocce Band 1-1 Happy Bankers 0-2 Rolling Rock 2 1-1 The Friskies 2-0 3 p.m.

Bocce Loopies 1-1

SHONIS

Tuesday, May 16 All nets

Flight One:

- 1. Joyce Baptiste 21 2. Pauline Robertson 22
- 3. Teddy Morse 23

Flight Two:

1. Fran Schumaker 21 2. Peggy White 23

Orange & Black 0-2

3. Meg Rogers 25

Flight Three:

- 1. Manoli Kelly 19
- 2. Leslie Ingham 24
- 3. Nancy Canepa 27

Golf Course Etiquette Guidelines...We can all participate in keeping our golf course beautiful by observing these eight simple acts of care:

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

Tips from the Pro—Feel the Need for Speed. Many golfers think the key on long putts is speed and shorter putts are more about line. Actually, speed is critical on all putts. The pace of the ball dictates the size of the hole. If you hit a putt firmly, the effective width of the cup might be two inches, but if the ball is rolling slowly, the cup might play twice as wide. You want your ball rolling slowly as it approaches the cup, this is called "hole speed." To work on your hole speed, try this putting drill...

Set up an imaginary box on the putting green using four tees, three feet wide and about 18-inches deep. Drop three balls five feet from the center of the box, and try to roll all three into it the box. If a ball doesn't come to rest inside the boundaries, start over. Once you get all three, move back two feet, and do it again. Then go back another two feet, and so on, until you're about 15 feet out. Remember, a miss means you have to start over from that distance. This isn't an easy drill, but when you get good at it, you'll have distance control and hole speed...and believe me, you'll make a lot more putts. Remember a ball dying on the edge of the hole can drip into the hole from multiple directions, a ball speedily approaching the hole will often lip out.

Try the tips and let me know how they work... To sign up for a lesson with me, email ssteele@the-villages.com

MEN'S CLUB

2023 Member-Member Overall Prizes **Championship Horserace**

Bob Robles & Michael Bailey - Flight #6 Place Andy Altman & Glen Seidel - Flight #5 Show Len Townsend & Steve Tomei - Flight #3

Overall Flight Winners

Flight One:

1. 61 Points Larry Soto / Mike Guidry 2.51 Points Ted Escobar / Quincy Virgilio 3.50 Points Jim Holt / Jeff Buckingham

Flight Two:

1. 60 Points Jorge Breton / Dan Hernandez 2. 55 Points Arnold Bernal / Dennis Conway 3. 53 Points Rusty Weekes / Robert Hands

Flight Three:

1. 61 Points Len Townsend / Steve Tomei 2. 60 Points Bob Krattli / David Gutierrez 3. 51 Points Brain Sullivan / Jim Hansell

Flight Four:

Bill Johnston / Bob Fillhouer 1. 58 Points 2.58 Points Dan Murphy / Bill Drabik 3. 52 Points Jim Valenti / Fred Goff

Flight Five:

1.57 Points Andy Altman / Glen Seidel 2.57 Points Mark Garcia / Frank Loebig 3.54 Points Tae Kim / Marv Kelley

Flight Six:

1.59 Points Bob Robles / Michael Bailey 2. 56 Points Terry Barnhart / Bob Dando 3. 52 Points George Southland / Yong Kim

Flight Seven:

1. 61 Points Gary Swenson / Alan Chase 2.59 Points Shel Schumaker / Ray Blinde 3.55 Points CK Kim / Jim Danielski

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Cribari

5001-5076—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control in progress.

5077-5089, 5154-5209 and 5234-5249—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control, 5/29-6/2.

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 6/5. 5400-5459 - Painting project in progress, weather permitting. Cribari Bend – Dry rot repairs in progress.

Del Lago

3101-3134 and 3201-3243—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control in progress.

3301-3315—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control, 7/3-7/7.

Estates

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.

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 6/5. **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.

8350—Large uprooted Eucalyptus tree removal in progress. **Highland**

7500-7573—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control in progress.

7600-7660, 7711-7715 and 7880-7889—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control, 5/29-6/2.

Montgomery

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

Shrub beds, street cracks, spot weed herbicide spray throughout the district (Roundup Pro Max EPA #524579) in progress. 6272-6285—Roof preventative maintenance in progress.

6286-6297—Roof preventative maintenance scheduled to start 5/30. 6298-6311—Roof preventative maintenance scheduled to start 6/5. 6312-6326—Roof preventative maintenance scheduled to start 6/12.

6327-6339—Roof preventative maintenance scheduled to start 6/19. **Olivas**

8600-8645, 8651-8664 and Vineyard Center—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control, in progress. 8740-8752, 8769-8807 and Foothill Center—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control, 6/26-6/30. 8736—Slab leak repairs in progress.

Sonata

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

Valle Vista

9037-9047 and 9067-9072—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control in progress.

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

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

7001-7060 and 7395-7404—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control, 6/26-6/30.

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.

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 6/5. **Association**Department's general work hours are Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. If

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 cleanup 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.

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

Maintenance Project Notice:

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

Slice of Humor



Junk Science: Light travels faster than sound. This is the reason why some people appear bright until they open their mouths.

Maintenance Services

Customer Service Line: 408-223-4670

Maintenance Emergencies and/or Advice

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

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



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Karen Carlson, Andrea Nassimbene (NRO), and Judy Gergurich at Babe's BBQ in Rancho Mirage in April of 2023.

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 leases 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.

Don't feed the 'critters'

The Villages is known for its wide variety of wildlife. Many Villagers want to feed our four-legged or winged guests on a

routine basis, which can be quite detrimental to our wild friends. Most wild animals naturally fear humans and keep their distance. When animals have access to food and garbage left out by residents they keep coming back for more. When this happens, they often lose their natural fear of humans and can become aggressive. To prevent that, residents should



not leave out any food, including canned food, in a manner that may become accessible to our furry friends. Please comply with Villages Golf & County Club Rule 1.51.4, which states: "Feeding of waterfowl and other wild animals on a routine basis is prohibited for the protection of both residents and the animals."



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The Bay Area is going through some serious changes. Have you noticed the large condo or apartment structures going up all over the cities? A mobile home park across from Santana Row in San Jose has been removed and a massive multi-unit structures now towers over Hwy 280. A friend of mine lives a few blocks away. Once this building is filled, we both cannot imagine what will happen to the already congested traffic. The San Jose City landscape is sooo different from when I grew up amongst the orchards and spacious suburban housing in that area.

But we need the space! Somehow, we have a net exit of 350,000 from California, but a growing population of unhoused. The new mayor is moving like mad to build much more affordable homes for the unhoused with our taxpayer money. He is trying to keep it down to 150K per structure.

There was a fight at the Capitol (Sacramento). 2000 California Association Realtors ascended on Sacramento to stop a bill that would have made it mandatory for sellers of duplex, properties with ADU units or multi units to register with a government body that you want to sell your homes. You would then mandatorily have to first offer it to a California nonprofit organization for a period of time before you are able to sell on the open market. This idea did not go over well, and the bill did not go through.

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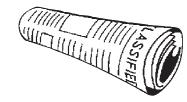
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Klezmer Concert...

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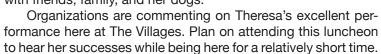
The cost is \$20 per person which will be billed to your house account. Reservations will be taken by Celia Schiffner. She can be reached at 631-678-7109 or celia.schiffner@gmail.com.

G.M. to speak...

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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.



Lunch reservations are required per the computer system referenced in the monthly Social Club newsletter.

OBITUARY

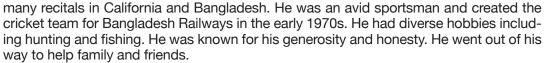
Kamaluddin Ahmed Chowdhury

February 10, 1932 - April 26, 2023

Surrounded by his loved ones, 91-year-old Kamaluddin Ahmed Chowdhury passed away peacefully on Wednesday, April 26, 2023 at San Jose Regional Medical Hospital. He was born in Bangladesh on February 10, 1932. A civil engineer by profession, Kamal worked for several years for Caltrain and BART in the 1990s.

Kamal was a devoted husband to Mahmuda Chowdhury (Shelley), his beloved wife of 70 years. He was a loving father to Nasreen Rahim and Naser Mahmud Chowdhury and beloved father-in-law to Hasan Zillur Rahim and Marsha Chowdhury. He was a cherished grandfather to Nahareen Rahim, Sabrina Chowdhury Mansur, Ayesha Rahim Nassar, Tara Chowdhury Fulton, and Ariq Hasan Rahim, and great-grandfather to Kieran Mansur, Amari Mansur, Luca Fulton, and Aydin Rahim Nassar.

Kamal lived a full life. He was passionate about Indian Classical Music and a renowned Sarod player. Affiliated with Ali Akbar School of Music in San Rafael, CA, he gave



Kamal's funeral service was held on Friday, April 28, in Masjid-An-Noor in Santa Clara, followed by a private burial in the Five Pillars Muslim Cemetery in Livermore, CA. His family and friends will be 'Celebrating his Life' on Saturday, June 3, 2023, in the Villages Cribari Center at 5 p.m. Kamal and his wife Shelley were the first couple from the Bangladesh, India and Pakistan sub-continent to settle in the Villages Golf and Country Club in San Jose, California in April 19, 1991.

Rest in peace, Kamaluddin Chowdhury. We love you and you will always be in our hearts forever.



Gerry Preston

March 15, 1930 - May 9, 2023

Long-time Villages resident Gerry Preston passed away on the morning of May 9 in Sunnyvale at the age of 93.

Gerry grew up in Seattle, Washington on Beacon Hill, where she met and married Stephanie and David's father, Edward Dean, in 1949. In 1956 they moved to Redwood City, California where Gerry's husband Eddie passed away in 1957. Gerry proceeded to raise her two children, ages 7 and 2, in Redwood City as a single mom, often working 2 jobs with the help of her parents, Mary and Joe Campagna. She worked principally in the microwave communication industry. After David and Stephanie were grown, Gerry married Bill Schafer with whom she retired to Del Lago in The Villages in 1985. After Bill passed away in 1993, Gerry married her neighbor, her beloved Ray Preston in 1995.



Gerry was an expert pianist, an avid golfer and bridge player, and an active member of her Catholic Community at The Villages. She directed the choir for many years, chaired the 18 Hole Women's Golf Club, and loved her dogs Marty (who awaited her at the Rainbow Bridge) and Marco. Gerry was full of life with many friends and a loving family, a take charge kind of gal. She was diagnosed with Alzheimer's Disease in 2020 and moved to Sunrise Senior Living in January 2022.

Gerry is survived by her husband Ray, her brother Joseph Campagna, her children Dave and Stephanie Dean, Ray's daughter Roxann, and grandchildren Jena and Joe Dean. A memorial Mass will be held at St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church on June 7, 2023 at 11 a.m. followed by lunch at the Villages Clubhouse Fairway Room.

Instead of flowers, donations in Gerry's name to the Villages Medical Auxiliary would be appreciated.



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