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Here it comes again...the EPC Drill

By Arlene Versaw

Some things come around every year—your birthday, the holidays, income tax deadlines—and the EPC Annual Drill. Not as much fun as birthdays and holidays, but not nearly as taxing as filing your annual returns. That's because your role in this annual exercise is easy and takes a minute or two, but it is an important role nonetheless.

All you have to do is post your OK sign in a window so it can be seen from the street, and take it down when the drill is over. That's not asking much, is it? And yet it is key for the Villagers who volunteer for the Emergency Preparedness Committee, because it enables them to conduct their drill, train new volunteers and gather lessons learned. And that enables them to be more productive and helpful in responding to a future emergency.

This year the EPC Annual Drill is Monday, October 16. Do you know where your OK sign is? If not you can get one at Public Safety in Building C, Community Activities in Building B, or on the EPC website at thevillagesepc.com



Fire Safety Workshop

at the Clubhouse
Thursday, September 28
4 to 6 p.m.

(See ad on page 3 for more information)

Visit gift boutique during 'Inside the Gates' Home Tour

By Sherry Benz

There are six spectacular homes on the Tour this year scheduled for Saturday, October 7 from 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. We know you will be wowed and inspired! Between viewing the homes, stop by the Clubhouse. A yummy lunch is planned for you.

Anytime during the Tour, you can visit the boutique at the Clubhouse which features a host of high-quality vendors. New this year is Tuesday Soap. The business owner, following in her grandmother's footsteps, uses only natural ingredients creating glycerin that naturally attracts moisture to your skin leaving you feeling fresh and rejuvenated. The packaging of these items is incredibly classy and will make a truly special gift. Gems and Silver is a returning vendor with beautiful jewelry—earrings, rings set in silver as well as loose stones at an extremely affordable price. The owner says that "My jewelry is here to celebrate life with you!"

VMA is again providing two gift baskets. All ticket holders will receive an opportunity drawing ticket and additional tickets may be purchased at the Clubhouse. The baskets include some wonderful items totaling \$250 including a \$100 bill and \$50 gift card to BevMo!

Home Tour tickets may be purchased on the VMA website, vmavillages.org or directly from <https://rebrand.ly/hometour>. Tour tickets are \$30 and luncheon tickets are \$30 (deadline October 3 for lunch tickets) and the charges will be billed directly to your house number. Tour tickets are \$40 the day of the event.

Inside the Gates Home Tour benefits the Villages Medical Auxiliary. The mission of the Villages Medical Auxiliary (VMA) is to assist residents to live independent, active and healthy lives as long as possible. If you have questions, contact Penny Barcellos at 408-531-9582 or Melinda Dobbs at 408-666-9713. For information about the luncheon, contact Pam Watson at 408-270-6210 or Sheryl Ruth at 408-348-5449.



VAT to present 'The Sunshine Boys'

On October 20, 21 and 22 the Villages Amateur Theater (VAT) is excited to present "The Sunshine Boys" by Neil Simon. Winner of a Tony Award in 1972 and starring Walter Matthau and George Burns in the movie version, it showcases the very best of Vaudeville humor and antics.

Neil Simon began his career writing comedy for some of radio and television's top talents in the 1940s. Turning to the stage, he enjoyed his first major hit with "Barefoot in the Park" in 1963, and later scored Tony Awards for "The Odd Couple" (1965), "Biloxi Blues" (1985) and "Lost in Yonkers" (1991). In addition to his numerous Tony and Academy Award nominations, Simon in 1983 became the first living playwright to have a Broadway theater named in his honor.



Neil Simon

Tickets for this VAT production will go on sale on Saturdays, October 7 and 14 from 10 a.m. to noon in the Terrace and Redwood Rooms at Cribari Center.

COMMUNITY NEWS

PULSE

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

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

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

Letters may be submitted electronically through the Pulse Submission Form on the Resident Portal: resident.thevillagesgcc.com/pulse, or emailed to Villager Managing Editor S. Hinrichs: shinrichs@the-villages.com. E-mailed letters must include the text within the body of the e-mail and the subject line must read PULSE LETTER.

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

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

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

I respect Gretchen's opinion from the *The Villager* - Pulse of 9/7/23. What I find unfortunate is that residents are not exercising their "right to vote." To my knowledge, I have not missed a vote starting with high school, voting for Student Council & Student Body President. At a very young age, my parents would exercise their "right to vote" and take me with them to the polling booth. At age 21, the legal age to vote at that time, I was able to vote for the first time in a Presidential election and also to choose a Congress member and Senator. I was excited and proud.

To many, you remember those days, as well as I. If you have already voted in the recent Villages Election, I am "preaching to the choir." If you have not voted, please do so. Let us not normalize, not voting.

—Allan S. Eckmann

BOUQUETS

A virtual bouquet of the most colorful flowers is extended to everyone who helped make the Swingers' Charity of Choice event, the Play for P.I.N.K. golf tournament on September 12, a great success! Under our new captain's leadership, so many contributed in every way—from monetary donations to benefit the Breast Cancer Research Foundation (BCRF), to crafting and making donations of gifts-in-kind for door prizes, to many hours of hard work that included publicity, organizing the golf game, handling the accounting and financial aspects, decorating for the luncheon, assembling tee prizes or goody bags, and so much more!

Scott Steele and company, John Yu/Albert Saucedo and company, Scott Hinrichs/Kory Tran, and the McCarthys are all due special mention.

—Betty Garcia and The Planning Committee of Play for PINK (PFP)

Lots of Happy Shoppers—We were open and ready at 10 a.m. and you didn't disappoint! Thank you, Villagers for coming to our Crafters Club Fall Boutique sale this past Saturday.

Your support and patronage of our hard work and talents is always deeply appreciated. It was wonderful to see so many familiar faces and meet so many newcomers as well! Lots of happy shoppers wandered through several rooms of crafts and a lobby where Halloween was already happening! Thank you for all the nice comments about the items for sale and the quality of our crafts. We can promise you that there is even more to come at our next show—Saturday November 25—just one month before Christmas! Watch the *The Villager* for future articles, which will give you a sneak peek at what to expect! You won't want to miss our holiday sale for all your shopping needs.

—Tere Barbella, Crafters Club

THANK YOU

I am so grateful to the Villages Medical Auxiliary (VMA) for all they did for me when I suffered a painful leg injury. They delivered a wheelchair, a walker, a transfer chair and a shower chair to my front door, and that's not all! Victor, a volunteer driver, took me to a hospital appointment and patiently waited over three hours for all the tests to be completed. Jenna, another volunteer driver, made sure I could get to the Expo where I had promised to be at a table for the Ukulele Group. We are so lucky to have the VMA here at The Villages!

—Carol Baker

IN MEMORIAM

Adine Claire (Cassidey) Paradis
October 23, 1922—August 20, 2023

(Please see obituary in the Classified Advertising section)

In Memoriam notices are run free of charge.

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

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

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.

Sports: Sports copy is acceptable after deadline only by permission of the Managing Editor, 408-223-4655.

Classified Ads: Classified ads, renewals, cancellations and changes are due by 10 a.m. on the Monday before publication. Holiday deadlines differ. All classified ads must be in writing. You may fax classified ads to 408-274-2843 or e-mail to: areed@the-villages.com or ktran@the-villages.com. For more information, please call 408-223-4657, 408-754-1341 or 408-223-4655.

Display Ads: Display ad rates and placement may be arranged by calling Adrienne at 408-223-4657. Display advertising information is available on The Villages web site at: www.thevillagesgcc.com.

Delivery: *The Villager* is published on Thursday and distributed to all residents Friday morning. Extra copies of the latest editions are usually available in *The Villager* office and in the Library.

Call 408-223-4655 to report missed deliveries.

POLICIES

Publication of advertising in *The Villager* does not constitute endorsement. Licensed real estate professionals advertising in *The Villager* are required to name themselves as agent or broker, or list the name of the brokerage for whom they work as part of their ad. This is in compliance with Real Estate Law Section 10140.6.

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

The Villages Communications Advisory Committee "To inform and connect Villagers" develops operational plans, reviews rules and policies, and advises the General Manager and Club Board on issues pertaining to *The Villager*, including Pulse letters, Channel 26, Fast Lane and the web site. Residents having relevant concerns may attend meetings or call committee members by phone: Chair Nick Yannaccone at 408-219-9296, Sue Callahan 408-238-2413, Jeanette Campa 408-661-0203, Debbie Champion at 408-960-6994, Barbara Clurman at 347-451-5309, Thomas Moore at 408-887-5322, and Janis Silver at 408-274-6605.

HOURS

The Villager editorial and classified advertising hours are Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. 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 Board seeking Interested Villagers to serve on Nominating Committee

The Club owns, operates, and maintains the non-residential common area property, including the golf course, tennis, bocce and pickleball courts and other recreational amenities, Clubhouse Restaurant and Bistro, and undeveloped open space and streets.

The Club provides member services including Business Office Administration, Community Activities and Public Safety. The Club Board of Directors is responsible for the management of Club business and governance and provides management agent services by agreement to The Villages Association and The Villages Homeowners' Corporation.

The Club Board President, with approval of the Board, shall appoint a standing Nominating Committee each year. The purpose of the Nominating Committee, a standing committee, is to identify and solicit candidates for election to the Club Board of Directors.

If you are interested in serving on this most important committee, to help identify The Villages future leaders, please contact Club Board President Leslie Lambert at Leslie_cbod@yahoo.com or 408-440-4421.

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

Homeowners' Corporation President's Message

September 14 the Homeowners' Corporation Board began its review of the governing documents. This includes the covenants, conditions and restrictions (CC&Rs) and the bylaws. I expect this process will take several months as we conduct open workshops to go through the documents page by page. The last updates were completed in 2017. Though I don't expect significant changes, it is good practice to conduct a review every five years or so. We will continue to publicize the workshop dates and encourage single-family homeowners to attend.

Any updates to our governing documents require a vote of the membership, so we'll keep you informed as we go through the process and welcome your input.

Just like the Association and Club are working with management and consultants to switch from high-water-use landscaping to landscaping that is better suited for our climate and limited water supply; individual single-family homeowners are making changes, too. As you drive through Hermosa, Highland and Verano villages you'll see low-water-use landscapes in many of the front yards.

The Estates nestled in the heart of Olivas Village is taking steps to determine what they want to do with their yards now that the results of the water restrictions left them with brown, and in many cases, dead grass yards. The Estates District Advisory Committee, like the Association and Club, has been working for months with management and landscaping consultants to present a proposal to homeowners for a vote on Phase 5 of the water feature and the Estates' front yards.

We continue our goal of welcoming new neighbors and helping our long time homeowners enjoy Villages' life. Please call or email us (contact information in the telephone directory) if you have questions or concerns.

—Teddy Morse, Homeowners' Corporation Board President

(See Homeowners' Corporation Voting Record on page 5)

Councilmember Domingo Candelas
invites you to a



FIRE SAFETY WORKSHOP

Thursday, Sept. 28, 2023
4:00 PM - 6:00 PM

The Villages Clubhouse

Join us to learn about fire safety issues and fire prevention tips from our state and local agencies!

RSVP AT:
bit.ly/VillagesFireSafety



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CC&Rs Voting Deadline Extended!

The Villages Association Board has approved to extend the ballot deadline for vote for the Third Amendment to the CC&Rs. The new deadline is Monday, September 25 at 8 a.m.

If you have not voted already, please Vote Now! If you need a replacement ballot please contact Julia Meadows at 408-223-4674 or jmeadows@the-villages.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.



MANAGEMENT

2024 Telephone Directory updates

It is time for input for the 2024 Villages Telephone Directory. If you want to update your information, please contact Public Safety Administration (Building C) at 408-239-5246, option 2, as soon as possible. **The deadline for changes for the 2024 Telephone Directory is Friday, September 22.**

LANDSCAPE & MAINTENANCE
on pages 23 & 24




VMA Bingo & Dinner

Wednesday October 18, 2023

Reservations Now Open

No Host Cocktails at 5:30pm
Two Course Served Dinner:
Assorted Rolls & Butter
Chicken Marsala
Mashed Potatoes & Seasonal Vegetables
Dessert:
Pumpkin Pie
(Veg Option: Vegetable Stir Fry over Rice)

\$24.94 Plus Service Charge & Tax per guest
An Additional \$1 is Then Added for VMA

Come join us for Bingo & Dinner
at the Clubhouse on Wednesday October 18.
Reservations can be made by calling The Clubhouse Special Event Line
at 408-754-1337 or e-mail at theclubhouse@the-villages.com. Reservations
for all size parties are accepted with a maximum of 8 guests per
table. If you wish to organize a table of friends, only one person needs to
call but must furnish the guest names and house numbers for all players.
Bingo cards will be sold (three for \$5 or \$2 each) in the reception area
starting at 5:30 p.m.

A message from the Comcast Community Representative:

Dear Villagers,
We hope this email finds you well. We are writing to address the intermittent service issues Villagers in certain neighborhoods recently experienced. We apologize for the inconvenience this certainly caused for those who were impacted and appreciate the grace and patience we received from residents, the board, and staff while we worked to resolve this. After becoming aware of these issues, we started a process of elimination by replacing field equipment to minimize the impact of service issues while trouble shooting. We moved impacted neighborhoods to a new fiber line completing this work the morning of August 31st resulting in resolution of this issue.

We are currently working to find the underlying cause to the original fiber link and have a real time device monitor on the original fiber and plan to run specific tests during the times where our customers had experienced the most issues. We understand the importance of uninterrupted service and are committed providing the best quality of service.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to reach out to me, your Comcast Community Account Representative Deisy Gomez at Deisy_Gomez@comcast.com. I will be supporting The Villages with weekly Virtual events on Fridays, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and will be hosting in person events at The Villages monthly. **Please see those events dates in the article below.** This is the Calendly link for the event if you want to sign up, <https://calendly.com/deisygomez1326/the-villages>.

Thank you for your understanding.

Deisy Gomez
Community Account Executive – South Bay
XFINITY CommunitiesTM – California
Mobile: 925-758-5999 | Email: Deisy_Gomez@comcast.com

Comcast appointments are coming

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

Sessions will be available on Fridays beginning Friday, September 15 from 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. For access to online calendar use this link: <https://calendly.com/deisygomez1326/the-villages>

To report service issues and outages, please contact Deisy Gomez at: Deisy_Gomez@comcast.com or 925-758-5999.

As part of your Villages amenities, you also have access to a dedicated Xfinity Support team when you call Comcast/Xfinity at 855-307-4896.

Onsite visits from Comcast/Xfinity at The Villages are listed below.

Dates for upcoming Wednesday Comcast in-person events:
September 27, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sequoia Room, Cribari Center
October 11, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sequoia Room, Cribari Center
November 8, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Redwood Room, Cribari Center
December 6, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sequoia Room, Cribari Center

The William Jefferies co.

Lisa Gault

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Villager Real Estate agent



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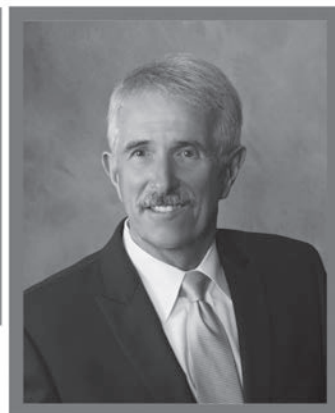
We have many family members, friends, and clients who call The Villages their home. We can accommodate COVID-19 concerns with telephonic or video consultations and social distanced or no-contact document execution.

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EPC: Two minutes of your time could save your life

By Arlene Versaw

Morocco, a recent 6.8 quake. The Philippines, on September 12, experienced a 6.3 earthquake. Chile, September 11, a 5.4 quake. Real-life, recent demonstrations of the reality of natural disasters. We who live at The Villages sit on an earthquake fault. We cannot stop these threats, but we *can* be prepared for them. Have you signed up for The Villages Alert System (NIXLE) yet? About 1,500 of your fellow Villagers have to-date.

It's easy, it's free and it is a critical component of your emergency preparedness planning. If you are technologically connected, by cell phone, simply text 333111 or go to the Emergency Preparedness Committee (EPC) website at thevillagesepc.com.

The sign-up link is on the home page. That's it! You can still participate if you only have a landline. Alert messages would come to that phone. To enroll, contact Public Safety at 408-239-5246.

These headlines are real. So is our vulnerability to natural disasters. Act now.



GOVERNANCE MEETINGS

Attention DAC publicity chairs:

To get the word out to your membership you may list your DAC meetings in The Villager, on Channel 26 and in Fast Lane e-mail blasts.

For two advance notices of your meeting in The

Villager, please get your notice in at least three weeks prior to the meeting date.

You may e-mail your meeting notices to Associate Editor Kory Tran at: ktran@the-villages.com (For questions, call Kory at 408-754-1341).

Channel 26 and Fast Lane notices may be e-mailed to Communications Coordinator Ken Patterson at: kpatterson@the-villages.com (For questions or more information, please call Ken at 408-223-4681.)

You may also submit your articles and electronic notices on the Resident Portal: www.thevillagesgcc.com

More COMMUNITY NOTICES

(SRS) SENIOR RESOURCE SERVICES

Free special-needs phones

A free phone? Yes! Really!

You have seen the ads on television telling you how seniors can get a free telephone. And you think it must be a scam. Guess what? It's for real! It's a program sponsored by the California Public Utilities Commission.

If you are hearing impaired, have low vision, or mobility difficulties you qualify for a free telephone equipped with special features designed to assist you. And unlike many programs, this program is **not income based** and **not age based** to qualify for a free phone. The only requirement is that there must be a medical need.

A medical professional must certify you are deaf, hard of hearing, speech impaired, blind, cognitively impaired, have low vision, or have restricted mobility. The professional must be a licensed medical doctor, physician assistant, nurse practitioner, audiologist, optometrist, or licensed hearing aid dispenser.

To apply for the program, there is a simple two-page application form. You complete the first page – which is basically your name, address, phone number and preferred language. The medical professional completes the second page – which is also very short. If you wish to print the form, it is available at caconnect.org. Click on "Apply now". The form is also available at the Senior Resource Services office.

Upon approval of your form by the California Telephone Access program (CTAP), you have a choice to either contact the CTAP by phone or to visit a CTAP Service Center. Either way, you will be assisted in selecting the best phone for your needs.

Curious to see the equipment? Go back to caconnect.org. The phones are organized by five categories: Specialized Devices for People with Difficulty... Hearing; Vision; Mobility; Speech; Memory

As an example, one of the telephones for those with hearing difficulties allows for volume up to 55 decibels and the ringer volume can be set to 95 decibels.

More BOARDS & COMMITTEES

BOARD MEETINGS

Association

• The Villages Association Board of Directors Monthly Board hybrid meeting is Tuesday, September 26, at 9:30 a.m. at Foothill Center and on 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, September 26, at 1:30 p.m. at Foothill Center and on Zoom.

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

Homeowners

• The Villages Homeowners' Corporation Board of Directors Governing Document Review Workshop is Thursday, November 2 at 9 a.m. in Foothill Center.

One of the telephones for those with seeing difficulties is a talking keypad that announces each number as it is punched.

It is important for all of us to keep in contact with our family and friends. Make sure your telephone is user-friendly for you. Or use this information to help your parents or other family members.

Note: The Senior Resource Services (SRS) office hours for drop-in assistance are Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 10 a.m. to noon. The SRS office is in the Cribari Center across from the Post Office. You may also leave a message at 408-239-5253 or e-mail SRS at villagesrs@sbcglobal.net. The web site is www.thevillagesgcc.com/srs. 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 Notice:

DMV and new California residents

The California DMV has announced that individuals moving to California from out of state who need to take a driver's license knowledge test are now eligible to complete the requirement at home before visiting a DMV office.

After filling out the online driver's license application and paying the application fee, chose the remote exam option. You may take the online multiple choice knowledge test or choose to take the interactive eLearning course with seven interactive modules. Short quizzes are included after each module.

After completing the online exam or eLearning course, you must still visit a DMV office to provide required identity and residency documents, take a photo, provide a thumbprint, complete a vision screening, and be issued a licensing document.

Homeowners' Corporation Board Voting Record for September 14, 2023

Homeowners' Corporation September 14, 2023 Quarterly Meeting Voting Record								
	Agenda Items	TM	RK	MC	BF	GS	Comments	Costs
1	Architectural Control Committee (ACC) Appointment	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	The Board approved the appointment of Bette Loomis as an associate member of the ACC.	\$0
2	Approve Shake Roof Replcment Letter for Owners in Verano and Hermosa	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	The Board approved the proposed roof replacment letters to Owners in Verano (1) and Hermosa (1).	\$0
3	Possible Increase in Charges for Unauthorized Exterior Home Improvements	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	The Board approved increase of \$100 in the fee for an ACC Retroactive Application from \$120 to \$220. A retroactive application is one that is submitted after the alteration has been completed and that has not yet gone through the ACC alteration process nor has yet been approved by the ACC.	\$0
4	Quarterly Review of Accounts per Villages Homeowners' Bylaws Section 9.2.5	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	The Board approved to ratify acceptance of the quarterly review of accounts as presented.	\$0
5	Ratify Corporate Officers	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	The Board approved resolution ratifying Theresa M. Ostrander as Executive Secretary and Julia Meadows as Assistant Secretary-Treasurer as the corporate officers for The Villages Homeowners' Corporation.	\$0
Total APPROVED Expenditures this meeting								\$0
A = Absent AB = Abstained N = No Vote (does not vote in favor) Y = Yes Vote (votes in favor) N/A = Not Applicable C = Consensus R = Recused								
*TM = Teddy Morse RK = Rob Kirschbaum BF = Brooks Fuller MC = Morton Cordell GS = Glen Seidel								

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

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

Thank you to all at first Club and Committee Expo

On Saturday, September 9, forty-three passionate organizations and committees participated in the first Club and Committee Expo at Cribari Center. Enthusiasm ran rampant. Those attending to find out about opportunities said they were amazed at the diverse selection of clubs to belong to and committees to serve on. Most committees and clubs recruited new members.

Kudos to the Communications Committee, Emergency Preparedness Committee, Swimming Pool Committee, VGC Six Clubs Committee, Cribari DAC, Highland DAC, Amateur Radio Club, Bridge Club at The Villages, Catholic Group, Chinese Club At The Villages, Crimson Charmer's Red Hat Club, Democratic Club at The Villages, Duplicate Bridge, The Evergreen Villages Foundation, Friends of San Jose State, Hiking Club, Jazzercisers, Live Stronger and Longer Fitness Club, Music Society, P.E.O. Club, Quilters, Recreational Vehicle Club, Republican Club, Senior Academy for Education, Senior Resource Services, Sustainable Villages Club, Tai Chi Club, Tennis Club, Ukulele Club, Veterans Club, Village Readers, Villages Amateur Theater, Villages Arts and Crafts Association, Villages Bocce Club, Villages Camera Club, The Villages Community Chapel, The Villages Crafters Club, Villages Dog Club, Villages Jewish Community, Villages Macintosh Users Group, and Villages Medical Auxiliary. Job well done.

Salute to Veterans Week update

A series of events is being planned to honor residents who served. There will be a special tribute in *The Villager* on November 9, a Quilts of Valor display on November 8, and on November 9 a representative from the Veterans Outreach Services will be on site to share information on services and benefits available to veterans. The Veterans Club will be sponsoring a special tribute program on November 11.

For the special edition of *The Villager* please let us know how you contributed to the war effort. Those in a branch of service and those that may have not been in a branch of service but served just the same such as Red Cross, USO, media as examples are encouraged to contact us. Please submit your name, branch of service or organization that placed you in service, rank if applicable and dates served, electronically to Mary Tatum at mtatum@the-villages.com no later than October 27.

We are also looking for personal photos from residents with an interesting caption chronicling the war effort you were involved in. Please submit them to Mary Tatum by October 20.

See 'The Lion King' at Orpheum Theater

On Wednesday, November 29, watch the Serengeti come to life through awe-inspiring visuals, unforgettable music, and theatrical storytelling in Disney's "The Lion King" at the Orpheum Theater. This production won the Tony Award for Best Musical and features the work of Tony Award-winning director Julie Taymor, Tony Award-winning choreographer Garth Fagan, and music from Tony Award-winning artists Elton John and Tim Rice. So much talent, it is hard to believe!

We will depart from Cribari East Parking Lot at 10:45 a.m. with an estimated return time of 7:30 p.m.

After the performance we will dine at MoMo's, an American bar and grill located on the lively South of Market waterfront. All meals will come with a house salad to start and a Brioche Bread Pudding with caramel and vanilla ice cream to finish. We will cover all beverages up to \$4, drinks that cost more will be charged to the participant. You will need to choose one of these entrees at registration:

- Fish Tacos (Pacific rock snapper, serrano-cilantro slaw, Pico de Gallo, guacamole)
- New York Strip Entrée (10 oz. choice cut, crispy French fries, seasonal vegetables, bordelaise, herbed butter)
- Spinach Gnocchi (house made bruschetta sauce, parmesan crumbles, asiago toast)

Activity Level: Light (mostly seated)

Register in Building B during business hours beginning Monday, September 25 and ending Friday, October 13 or sooner if tickets sell out.

The cost per person is \$238, which includes ticket, meal, escort, and round-trip transportation. Gratuity for driver is included in price, additional tipping is at your discretion.

Due to the weather of the Bay appropriate attire is casual and warm. Join us and see the Lion King for the first time or re-experience the magic!



2024 Master Calendar is being processed

Attention all Boards, Committees, and Board Recognized Organizations (BROs), we are currently processing the Master Calendar 2024 facility requests. In the first week of October an email will go out to all organizations who made facility requests to pick up your confirmation packets. You will then have the month of October to review the confirmations and make any changes before the calendar is opened up to private residents. Please be patient, we know you are excited to see what we were able to do.

Last chance for Giants vs. Dodgers tickets

On Sunday, October 1, The Villages is going to Oracle Park for an afternoon watching the San Francisco Giants and Los Angeles Dodgers go head-to-head. We will depart from Cribari East Parking Lot at 10:30 a.m. with an estimated return time of 7 p.m.

Tickets are still available for the Upper Seats—Section VR305. The cost is \$119.50 per person, which includes entry ticket, escort, and round-trip transportation. Lower section is sold out.

This trip has not met the minimum required to pay for itself and the tickets are non-refundable; however, our loss would be greater if we did not go. Therefore, the trip will continue as planned and we will accept registration in Building B until Friday, September 22.

Activity Level: Light Activity (mostly seated, some walking in stadium)

Please note the following about Oracle Park:

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

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

RESIDENT EXCURSION PARTICIPATION GUIDELINES

The Community Activities office offers a wide variety of activities for the enjoyment of the Villages residents. *Please check your personal calendars prior to committing to an event, class or trip. Once registered for an activity, you are respon-*

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

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

Management assumes residents and guests are able to participate in our sponsored

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

Employees are not permitted to provide physical assistance to participants. If personal assistance or a wheelchair is needed, the participant must arrange for a caregiver with paid reservation to accompany him/her.

Employees, residents and their guests represent the Villages Golf and Country Club off site. It is expected that all participants will conduct themselves in a dignified, cooperative and congenial manner.

Pilates class to have substitute instructor

Community Activities would like to update you regarding the current Pilates session. Our instructor Natsuko will be unavailable to teach on October 23, but we have been provided with a qualified substitute in Danni Luo. Danni is aware of Mariko's class style but may bring her own techniques and personality into the mix.

We appreciate our vendor for helping us offer the class uninterrupted. The class is currently sold out; registration for the next session will be at the beginning of October. Please contact Community Activities for any questions about our classes at 408-223-4644 or rdreitlein@the-villages.com.

Last chance to sign up for Core & More class

Dr. Jennifer Sylvester will be teaching a six-week Core & More class that uses foundational techniques in precision strength and motor training to improve alignment, balance, and mobility for lifelong health.

This new class will be held Wednesdays, October 4 to November 8 (six weeks) from 8:30 a.m. – 9:15 a.m. in Cribari Conference Room.

The price is \$121 per person (equipment purchased independently as needed, see below). Register in Building B during business hours by Friday, September 22 or sooner if spots fill up.

You will need to be physically able to get up and down from the floor unaided. The class requires a yoga mat to be purchased independently prior to the first class. You may also bring stretch bands and/or weights up to 2 lb., but these are not required.

Dr. Jen is a Doctor of Physical Therapy. Her passion is to share how she improved her own arthritis and chronic pain through healthy living and improved movement. She is highly in demand and only in our area for a short time. Space is limited, please sign up early!

Learn Intro to Line Dancing with Nanci

Nanci Pritchard will be teaching a seven-week introductory line dance class. The fun line dances to traditional and more popular music will introduce you to basic moves and footwork.

Sign up for this class taking place Tuesdays 10 a.m. – 11 a.m. October 3 to November 14 (seven dates—one more than our last class!) in Cribari Auditorium.

The cost is \$30 per resident for this seven-week class. Register in Building B during business hours by Friday, September 29 or sooner if class fills 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 who have varying levels of experience.

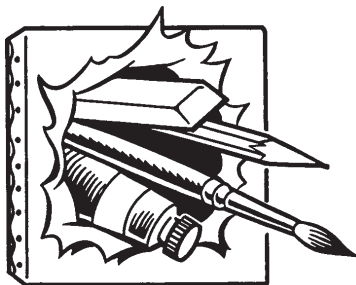
Learn Intermediate Line Dancing with Nanci

Nanci Pritchard will be teaching a seven-week intermediate line dance class. These fun line dances will increase your skills with more advanced moves to faster music. Don't be shy, give it a try!

Sign up for this class taking place Tuesdays 9:30 a.m. – 10 a.m. October 3 to November 14 (seven dates—one more than our last class!) in Cribari Auditorium.

The cost is \$30 per resident for this seven-week class. Register in Building B during business hours by Friday, September 29 or sooner if class fills up.

What's Happening in ARTS & CRAFTS?



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

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

October 5 – October 27: "Creative Collage Inspired Painting" with Wendy Fitzgerald. Thursdays, 10 a.m. – 12 noon. \$35. All materials furnished. Register at barb.gottesman@gmail.com

Holiday Faire contracts now available on our website, villagesartsandcrafts.org

villagesartsandcrafts.org

Coming soon: Nicole's Paint Night!

Wanted: Drawing teacher. Call 408-531-9402.

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

Stitchery Group on Mondays: Patio Room from 1 – 3 p.m. Call Roberta at 408-218-8372. You can learn knitting here!

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 September 27: Rich and Wendy (408) 499-1789 will lead a 3.9 mi. on the Monte Toyon Vista Loop Trail in the Forest of Nisene Marks in Aptos. The entrance fee is \$8, exact change is required at self-pay at the entrance station. An optional lunch stop at Aptos Street BBQ is planned. Round trip mileage is ~90 miles. We will carpool. Please arrive at Cribari Center at 9 a.m. for a 9:15 departure.

Rambler Lite Hike September 27: Katy Peretti (408-531-0917) will lead a hike along the southern perimeter of Olivas and down through the lakes and gnomes. Meet at Vineyard at 9 a.m.

Rambler Hike October 4: John Petrin will lead a 4-mile rambler hike from the parking lot on Silver Creek Valley Rd (on the right just before HWY 101). We will hike north to the picnic area by Cottonwood Lake and take a break. Bring water and a snack. The R/T hike is about 4 miles and is mostly shaded. There are restrooms at the parking lot and by the picnic tables near Cottonwood Lake. We will meet at Cribari Center at 8:30 a.m. and depart at 8:45. R/T mileage is 9 miles. For those interested we will stop for coffee on the way back at Starbuck's, across Silver Creek Valley Road next to the Shell Station.

Rambler Lite Hike October 4: Katy Peretti (408-532-0917) will lead a hike to Valle Vista and the lower Joe Marsh Trail. We'll walk around the Village View Loop and up to the end of the circle to the shorter lower Joe Marsh Trail. The trail has a gradual hill which some of us may walk a bit slower than others. We'll end up at the garden and then walk back to our cars. Drive up the hill to Valle Vista and turn right on the first street "Village View Loop" and park. **Meet at 9 a.m.** Use of insect repellent and poles advised.

Rambler & Rambler Lite Hikes October 11: Cancelled due to fall outing.

Rambler Hike October 18: Gary Lohr (408) 912-5124 will lead a hike along Alamitos Creek in Almaden Valley. This trail is the continuation of the Lake Almaden trail and is accessed from a parking lot on Camden Ave. The hike will be about 3.5 miles with sun and shade and mostly flat. We'll meet at 8:45 a.m. at Cribari Center.

Rambler Lite Hike October 18: Katy Peretti (408-531-0917) will lead a hike along the southern perimeter of Olivas and down through the lakes and gnomes. Meet at Vineyard at 9 a.m.

Rambler Hike October 25: Jim Koski (408) 313-4848 will lead a 3 mile hike at Big Basin State Park. The park was heavily impacted by the August 2020 CZU Lightning Complex Fire but is recovering with new growth. We'll hike the Dool Trail, Middle Ridge and Gazos Creek Roads. Reserved parking is no longer necessary but encouraged due to the limited amount of first-come, first-served parking available. The parking fee is \$6 per vehicle plus a \$2 reservation fee on the Big Basin State Park website or \$10 per vehicle without a reservation. We'll stop for lunch after the hike. Meet at the Cribari bell at 8:45 a.m. for carpooling and a 9 a.m. departure. Approximately 90 miles round-trip.

Rambler Lite Hike October 25: Katy Peretti (408-531-0917) will lead a hike through Cribari starting at the west side. Meet at the clubhouse at 9 a.m.



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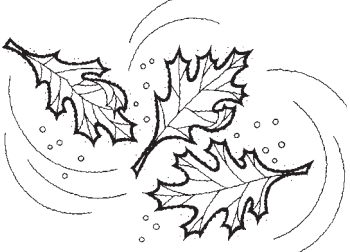
WHAT'S COOKING?

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.

**Welcome to
Autumn**



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

Clubhouse is open for full service

The following details will be in effect at the Clubhouse:

Restaurant Main Dining Room: Reservations are strongly suggested by emailing, calling or making an online reservation.

Email: theclubhouse@the-villages.com, Phone: **408-223-4687**, Online: clubhouserreservation.com

- **Patio 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.
- Credit cards and house charges will be accepted.
- Cash will not be accepted for payment but can be left as a tip.

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 9/25 to 10/1

Monday	September 25 Split Pea
Tuesday	September 26 Chicken Fiesta
Wednesday	September 27 Minestrone
Thursday	September 28 Corned Beef and Cabbage
Friday	September 29 Salmon and Corn Chowder
Saturday	September 30 Chef's Choice
Sunday	October 1 Chef's Choice

Clubhouse Indoor, Patio Dining and Curbside Hours of Operation

Monday	Tuesday to Friday	Saturday and Sunday
Lunch: 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Bistro Menu 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. <i>(last seating)</i>	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. <i>(last seating)</i> Dinner Menu: 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. <i>(last seating)</i>	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. <i>(last seating)</i> Dinner Menu: 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. <i>(last seating)</i>

Main phone line: 408-223-4687
Reservation: Press #1, Curbside Order and Pick-up: Press #2
Manager on duty: Press #4, Events and Catering: Press #5

Online
Reservation or Curbside Order: Clubhouserreservation.com
Email: theclubhouse@the-villages.com

Bistro Menu 2 p.m. — 8 p.m.

Appetizers

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

Wings BBQ, Teriyaki, or Buffalo Sauce 6Pc \$13.95
Celery and Carrots, Ranch Dressing

V Villages Nachos \$12.95
Tortilla Chips with Cheddar, Jalapenos, Sour Cream, Black Olives Black Beans and Tomatoes Topped with Green Onions Add Beef or Chicken \$4

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

V Fried Green Beans \$8.95

V Samosas \$13.95
Potato and Vegetables with Citrus Lime Dipping Sauce

Grilled Prosciutto Wrapped Prawns \$15.95
3 Prawns on Grilled Pineapple Wedge

Angus Beef Sliders \$9.95
2 Angus Beef with Tomato Relish

Southern Crab Cakes \$13.95
2 Panko Crusted with Cayenne Remoulade

Calamari \$13.95
Lightly Dusted Rings, Tentacles and Parmesan Parsley

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

Entrée Caesar Salad \$11.95
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

Seared Ahi Tuna Niçoise Salad \$16.95
Green Beans, Potatoes, Black Olives, Cherry Tomatoes, Hard Boiled Egg and Lemon Wedge on Mixed Greens

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

Mongolian Beef Over Rice \$16.95
Green Onions, Red and Green Bell Peppers, Onions

V Quesadilla \$13.95
Pico de Gallo, Sour Cream, Guacamole, Add Chicken or Beef \$4

Fish and Chips \$14.95
Batter Dipped Cod, Tartar Sauce, Fries, Cole Slaw and Malted Vinegar

Street Tacos \$13.95
Tofu, Cod, Beef or Chicken with Cilantros, Onions, Cabbage and Radish with Salsa on mini-Corn Tortillas

Sides \$5.50

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

Sandwiches

Gluten Free Breads Sub \$1.50

Jumbo all Beef Hot Dog \$11.95
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

Chicken Club on Focaccia Bread \$15.95
Roasted Chicken, Bacon, Swiss Cheese and LTO

Reuben \$14.95
Grilled Rye, Corned Beef, Sauerkraut, Swiss Cheese, 1,000 Island dressing

Naan Pizza Crust Red Sauce with Mozzarella

V Cheese Pizza \$11.95
Pepperoni Pizza \$12.95
V Margherita Pizza \$12.25
Naan Combination Pizza \$14.95
Sausage, Pepperoni, Mushrooms, Onions, & Peppers

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

BBQ Chicken Pizza \$14.95
Sweet BBQ Sauce, Onions, Cheddar and Mozzarella

Gluten Free Pizza Crust Sub \$2

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, Cup of Seasonal Fruits

V Short Stack Pancakes \$9.75
Whipped Butter, Maple Syrup, Cup of Seasonal Fruits

V Belgium Waffles \$10.75
Whipped Butter, Maple Syrup, Cup of Seasonal Fruits

Bagel BLT and Egg \$10.75
Bacon, Lettuce and Tomato with Cream Cheese

Breakfast Burrito \$10.75
Scrambled Egg, Potatoes, Cheese, Salsa
Choice of Bacon or Sausage

Montgomery Muffin \$10.25
Scrambled Eggs, Bacon or Ham, 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

Chicken and Waffle \$13.95
2 Piece Chicken Tenders and Belgian Waffle
Served with Seasonal Fruit

Sides
Egg \$2.75, Breakfast Meats \$4, Hash Browns or Country Potatoes \$3, Toast \$2

French Roast 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

The Villager \$12.95
2 Eggs Any Style with Sausage, Ham or Bacon. With Potatoes or Fruit, Choice of Toast

Three Egg Omelet \$12.95
Choice of Peppers, Mushrooms, Spinach or Tomatoes Ham, Bacon, Sausage, or Cheese, Add. \$3 each, Bay Shrimp \$4.
Served with Potatoes or Fruit and Choice of Toast

Skillet Scrambler \$12.95
Choice of Peppers, Mushrooms, Spinach or Tomatoes Ham, Bacon, Sausage, or Cheese, Add. \$3 each, Bay Shrimp \$4,
Served with Potatoes or Fruit and Choice of Toast

Ralph's Special (Loco Moco) \$14.95
2 Eggs, Potatoes or Rice, and Ground Sirloin Patty with Gravy, Choice of Toast

Huevos Rancheros \$12.50
Fried Corn Tortillas Topped with Lettuce Tomatoes, Sour Cream, Black 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 Potatoes 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, House Made Seasoned Hash. Served with Potatoes or Fruit and Choice of Toast

Non-Dairy Creamer Available Upon Request
GF Gluten Free Bread Available \$1.50 Extra

Weekly Specials

For the week of
9/25 to 10/1

Breakfast Special:
Tuesday 9/26 to Sunday 10/1

Villager Breakfast Slam: Eggs Any Style, Bacon and One Pancake **\$15.50**

Lunch Specials:
Monday 9/25 to Sunday 10/1
11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Pastrami Sandwich: Grilled Pastrami, Caramelized Onions and Provolone Cheese on Sourdough with Choice of Side **\$15.95**

Spaghetti and Meatballs: In Marinara Sauce **\$16.50**

Dinner Specials:
Tuesday 9/26 to Sunday 10/1
5 p.m. to 8 p.m. (Last Seating)

Grilled Steak Salad: Grilled Steak, Onions, Peppers, Roasted Potatoes and Asiago over Greens with Balsamic Vinaigrette **\$28.75**

Surf and Turf: Grilled Strip Sirloin and Prawns in a Garlic Butter Sauce with Choice of Sides **\$33.95**

Dinner Menu

Tuesday - Sunday 5pm to 8pm Last Order

Starters

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

Small Caesar Salad \$6.75

Calamari \$13.95
Lightly Dusted Rings and Tentacles with Parmesan Parsley

V Fried Breaded Green Beans \$8.95

Southern Crab Cakes \$13.95
Crusted with Cayenne Remoulade

V Samosas \$13.95
Potato and Vegetables with Citrus Lime Dipping Sauce

Grilled Prosciutto Wrapped Prawns \$15.95
3 Prawns on Grilled Pineapple Wedge

The Lighter Side

Served à la carte

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

Penne Pasta Bolognese \$14.95
Creamy Red Meat Sauce
Add Meat Balls 2 Pieces \$2

V Eggplant Parmesan \$16.95
Eggplant breaded in Crispy Panko Crumbs, Layered in Marinara Sauce, Parmesan and Provolone

V Pad Thai Spaghetti \$16.95
Stir Fried Pasta with Crushed Peanuts, Bean Sprouts, Garlic, Green Onions and Scrambled Eggs.
Served with Peanut Sauce
Add Chicken, \$4 or Prawns \$5

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

Chicken Fried Steak and Gravy \$26.95
Pan Fried Breaded Steak Cutlet with Country Gravy

Rotisserie Half Chicken and Gravy \$26.95

Grilled Flat Iron Steak \$32.50
Chimichurri Sauce

Grilled Lamb Chops \$33.95
3 Chops with House made Mint Sauce

Country Breaded Bone In Pork Chop \$28.95
Smothered with Gravy

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

Stuffed Sole with Bay Shrimp \$26.95
with Spinach, Sundried Tomatoes and Ricotta Topped with Mornay Sauce

Honey Garlic Salmon \$27.95
Sesame Ponzu and Citrus

Prawns Provençal \$29.95
Crusted with Lemon Butter Breadcrumbs and Grated Parmesan with Lemon Wedge.

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

V Fried Breaded Green Beans \$8.95

V Samosas \$13.95
Potato and Vegetables with Citrus Lime Dipping Sauce

Grilled Prosciutto Wrapped Prawns \$15.95
3 Prawns on Grilled Pineapple Wedge

V Villages Nachos \$12.95
Tortilla Chips with Cheddar, Jalapenos, Sour Cream, Black Olives Black Beans and Tomatoes Topped with Green Onions.
Add Beef or Chicken \$4

Angus Beef Sliders \$9.95
2 Angus Beef with Tomato Relish

Southern Crab Cakes \$13.95
2 Panko Crusted with Cayenne Remoulade

Calamari \$13.95
Lightly Dusted Rings and Tentacles with Parmesan Parsley

Soup of the Day 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 \$3, 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

Sandwiches and Such with choice of Sides Included

Gluten Free Breads Sub \$1.50

Sides \$5.50

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

Jumbo All Beef Hot Dog \$11.95
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

Philly Cheesesteak Sandwich \$14.95
Grilled Onions, with Melted Provolone on Hoagie

Melts: Tuna Salad, Bay Shrimp or Patty \$14.95
Grilled Sourdough, Cheddar Cheese Caramelized Onions. Substitute Impossible Patty Add \$1.00

Seared Ahi Tuna Niçoise Salad \$16.95
Green Beans, Potatoes, Black Olives, Cherry Tomatoes,
Hard Boiled Egg and Lemon Wedge on Mixed Greens

V Santa Fe Salad \$14.75
Mixed Greens, Black Beans, Corn, Avocados, Tomatoes
and Green Onions Topped with Toasted Tortilla Strips
Add Grilled Chicken or Beef \$4 Cilantro Lime Dressing

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

Mongolian Beef Over Rice \$16.95
Green Onions, 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

Chicken Fajitas \$15.95
Refried Black Beans and Spanish Rice with Flour
Tortillas.

Fish and Chips \$14.95
Batter Dipped Cod, Tartar Sauce, Fries, Cole Slaw and
Malt Vinegar

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With Potato Salad or White Rice

Street Tacos \$13.95
Grilled Tofu, Cod, Beef or Chicken with Cilantro,
Onions, Cabbage and Radish with Salsa on Mini-Corn
Tortillas

Reuben \$14.95
Grilled Rye, Corned Beef, Sauerkraut, Swiss Cheese,
1000 Island Dressing

Breaded Sole Hoagie \$15.95
Panko Breaded Sole with Tartar LTO

Chicken Club on Focaccia Bread \$15.95
Roasted Chicken, Bacon, Swiss Cheese and LTO
Sub. Grilled Tofu

Deli Sandwich LTO \$13.50
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Tuna Salad

½ Deli and Soup or Salad \$12.95

V Veggie Melt \$15.95
Herbed Garlic Aioli, Grilled Veggies, including Bell
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Naan Flatbread Pizzas All with Red Sauce and Mozzarella

V Cheese Pizza \$11.95 Pepperoni Pizza \$12.95 V Margherita 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

BBQ Chicken Pizza \$14.95
Sweet BBQ Sauce, Onions, Cheddar and Mozzarella

Gluten Free Pizza Crust Available \$ 2.00

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

The Clubhouse

Appetizer Special!
2 p.m. to 5 p.m.
Monday through Friday

*Item must be of equal or lesser value.
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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.



Dessert Menu

\$6.95

House Made Vanilla Crème Brule with Berries
Creamy Custard Topped with Glazed Caramelized Sugar

Chocolate Salted Caramel Soufflé Cake (Warm)
Chocolate Cake with Creamy Salted Caramel Center

Tiramisu
Espresso-Soaked Lady Fingers and Mascarpone Cream,
Dusted with Cocoa Powder

Pear Tart
Puff Pastry Covered with Almond Cream and Pear Slices

New York Style Cheesecake
Raspberry Coulis and Berries

\$5.25

Flavors of the Day

Sherbet, Ice Cream, Sorbet, Milk Shakes

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The Villages Post Office employees extend their apologies for our disruption in service due to a malfunction in our meter machine. We are once again up and running with a new machine and eager to serve our loyal customers. We hope that you will visit us soon!



OPEN MIC NIGHT

Monday, September 25th

Join Ed Knott and the Talents of the Villagers

Welcome Singers, Dancers, Comedians, Poets or Whatever Talent You May Have, Or Just Come and Cheer.

5 to 6:30 Dinner Buffet

Rolls and Butter

Salad Bar

Blackened Salmon and Chicken Dijonnaise

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6 to 9 Open Mic

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Bistro Happy Hour

\$5 House Cocktails

\$5 House Wines

\$5 Draft Beers 16 oz.

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Tuesday to Sunday

All day on Monday

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Friday, September 22

8:30 a.m.	Jazzercise	A
9 a.m.	Chinese Morning Exercise	P
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 Class	A
10 a.m.	Quilters	PR
1 p.m.	Bridge Club	MC
3 p.m.	Bocce Bash	GP
3 p.m.	Handbells	CR
6 p.m.	Chinese Club Line Dance	FC
6:30 p.m.	Mexican Train Dominoes	MC
7 p.m.	Twilight Golf Dinner	CH

Saturday, September 23

9 a.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
9:30 a.m.	Ceramics Open Studio	CER
10 a.m.	Quilters	PR
10 a.m.	Saturday Singing	SEQ
4 p.m.	Chinese Club	
	Mid-Autumn Festival	GP
5 p.m.	Italian Club Mystery	CH

Sunday, September 24

6:30 a.m.	Catholic Choir	CR
8:15 a.m.	Catholic Mass	A
9 a.m.	Chapel Choir	SEQ
9 a.m.	Episcopal Services	MC
9 a.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
10 a.m.	Community Chapel	A
10 a.m.	Quilters	PR
4 p.m.	Jewish Comm. Services	FC
5:30 p.m.	Catholic Comm. Dinner	CH

Monday, September 25

8:30 a.m.	Jazzercise	A
9 a.m.	Chinese Morning Exercise	P
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED
9 a.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
9 a.m.	Jewish Comm. Services	FC
9:30 a.m.	Assoc. Rules Committee	PR
9:30 a.m.	Ceramics Open Studio	CER
10 a.m.	Search the Scriptures	VC
10 a.m.	Drawing Class	AR
10 a.m.	Line Dance Class	A
10 a.m.	Repub. Club Board Mtg.	F
10:30 a.m.	Grief Support	SEQ

1 p.m.	Stitchery	PR
2 p.m.	Theater Rehearsal	A
5 p.m.	Arts & Crafts Advisory	AR
5 p.m.	Open Mic Night	CH
5:30 p.m.	Village Dancers	A
7 p.m.	Duplicate Bridge	RED
7:30 p.m.	Hiking Club	VC

Tuesday, September 26

7 a.m.	Bandini Coffee & Donuts	GP
8:30 a.m.	Tai Chi Club	P
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED
9 a.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
9:30 a.m.	Assoc. Board Meeting	FC
9:30 a.m.	Ceramics Open Studio	CER
9:30 a.m.	Poetry in Art & Pastel	AR
10 a.m.	Ukulele Singing	PR
10 a.m.	Line Dance Class	A
10 a.m.	Mat Pilates	CR
10 a.m.	High Twelve	MC
11:30 a.m.	Live Stronger Longer	A
11:30 a.m.	Chapel Women's Brunch	CH
1:30 p.m.	Club Board Meeting	FC
2 p.m.	Senior Academy Lecture	VC
2 p.m.	Piano Open Studio	A
3:30 p.m.	Tennis Club Board	PR
6 p.m.	Concert Band	A
7 p.m.	Theater Rehearsal	MC

Wednesday, September 27

8:30 a.m.	Jazzercise	A
9 a.m.	Chinese Morning Exercise	P
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED
9 a.m.	Table Tennis Practice	MMP
9:30 a.m.	Ceramics Open Studio	CER
10 a.m.	Comcast On Site	SEQ
10 a.m.	Watercolor Class	AR
10 a.m.	Yoga Class	A
10:30 a.m.	VMA Change/Cope	VC
11 a.m.	Israeli Folk Dance	CR
2 p.m.	Theater Rehearsal	A

2:30 p.m.	History of Israel	MC
6 p.m.	Democratic Club	VC
6:30 p.m.	Mexican Train Dominoes	MC
7 p.m.	Duplicate Bridge	RED
7 p.m.	Village Voices	FC

Thursday, September 28

8:30 a.m.	Tai Chi Club	P
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED
9 a.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
9:30 a.m.	Acrylic Classes	AR
9:30 a.m.	Ceramics Open Studio	CER
10 a.m.	Line Dance Class	CR
10 a.m.	Live Stronger Longer	A
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
1:30 p.m.	Opera Lovers	MC
3 p.m.	Chapel Choir	CR
4 p.m.	Fire Safety Townhall Mtg	CH
7 p.m.	EPC Area Reps	FC
7 p.m.	Folksters	VC
7 p.m.	Theater Rehearsal	A

Friday, September 29

8:30 a.m.	Jazzercise	A
9 a.m.	Chinese Morning Exercise	P
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 Class	A
10 a.m.	Quilters	PR
1 p.m.	Bridge Club at Villages	MC
3 p.m.	Bocce Bash	GP
3 p.m.	Handbells	CR
6 p.m.	Chinese Club Line Dance	FC
6:30 p.m.	Mexican Train Dominoes	MC
7 p.m.	Theater Rehearsal	A



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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

CC&R Town Hall

Daily
2:00 & 8:00

Landscape & Functional Turf

Daily
2:45 & 8:45

Fire Safety at The Villages

Tue Thu Sat
3:30 & 9:30

Villages Scam Awareness

Daily
4:55 & 10:55

Aerial Views of The Villages

Daily
5:30 & 11:30



Club Events & Notices



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More information online at the Villages Resident Portal:
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EVENT LOCATIONS		
A	Auditorium	(Cribari)
AR	Art Room	(Cribari)
BC	Bocce Courts	
CER	Ceramics	(Cribari)
CH	Clubhouse	
CR	Conference Rm.	(Cribari)
F	Forum	(Cribari)
FC	Foothill Center	
FHP	Foothill Pool	
GP	Gazebo	
L	Lobby	(Cribari)
SEQ	Sequoia	(Cribari)
MC	Montgomery Center	
MMP	Montgomery MP Room	
RED	Redwood	(Cribari)
P	Patio	(Cribari)
PC	Pickleball Courts	
PR	Patio Room	(Cribari)
TR	Terrace Room	(Cribari)
TS	Tennis Stand	
VC	Vineyard Center	
VR	Voyage Room	(Montgomery)

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The Villages Medical Auxiliary

Upcoming Programs

Adapting to Change: Chaplain Dale Poland, M.Div., BCC - from Hospice of the Valley-Sutter Health will offer keys to accepting change and growing from it! As the author John Maxwell once said, "Change is inevitable. Growth is optional." Wednesday, September 27 at 10:30 a.m. - noon in the Vineyard Center. Please register online at vmavillages.org or call 408-238-4029.

Oversee Your Healthcare Decisions - How and Why! - Amy Wang, FNP-C, PA-C and founder and owner of Ready 2 Nurse will help you start a discussion on advance care plans and outline some of the risks and benefits of CPR, tube feedings and more. She will share real life cases and how decisions were made. Join us Tuesday, October 10 at 1 p.m. in the Sequoia Room. Please register online at vmavillages.org or call 408-238-4029.

Death, Coffee and Desserts - With Grace Hospice will again offer an open forum to discuss the next stage of our existence. Come join the discussion with coffee and desserts in the Conference Room on Tuesday, October 17 at 10:30 a.m. Please register online at vmavillages.org or call 408-238-4029.

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CLUBS & EVENTS

Theresa Ostrander to speak at Hiking Club meeting

The Villages Hiking Club is meeting at Vineyard Center on Monday, September 25 at 7:30 p.m. This month's speaker will be Theresa Ostrander, The Villages General Manager. Theresa will speak on topics of interest to the Hiking Club members including hiking and maintaining the Hill Lands and walking within The Villages. Items she may cover will be Hill Lands grazing, trail plans awaiting permitting, maintenance and incident reporting and adverse weather warnings.

The meeting is free and all Villagers are welcome. The program will commence after a brief business meeting and a break for socializing with snacks and beverages. Please note we're meeting at the Vineyard Center rather than the usual location.



Senior Academy: See Patagonia—The Edge of the World with John Trudeau



Patagonia encompasses the vast southernmost tip of South America. It is shared by Argentina and Chile, with the Andes Mountains as its dividing line. Join the Senior Academy's lecture and see this amazing region through the eyes of John Trudeau, a Villages resident who's explored the region.

John's tour of southern Patagonia, including parts of Argentina and Chile, will start with a short visit to Buenos Aires, then head for the Argentine

pampas, the Andes mountains, the Chilean fjords, all the way south to Cape Horn. We'll see a lot of wilderness areas, and some flora and fauna unique to this region of South America, along with penguins, sea birds, and dolphins. The landscapes will provide us with views of rugged mountain peaks, different kinds of glaciers, and glacial lakes and lagoons, all amid some very active weather.

We'll visit the towns of El Calafate, Puerto Natales, Punta Arenas, and Ushuaia, where we'll visit with locals and native populations. And, of course, we'll hike up to the weathered monument to seafarers on the southernmost island of Cape Horn. We will end with a side trip to the northeast corner of Argentina, where it borders with Paraguay and Brazil, for a visit to the immense Iguazu Falls. Buckle your seatbelts—we're going to cover a lot of territory!

John Trudeau is an active Villager, a frequent hiker, and an enthusiastic traveler. He gets considerable enjoyment from photographing nature and the great outdoors on his travels. He has presented travel lectures here at The Villages, at various Bay Area libraries, and at UC Santa Cruz and UC Santa Clara.

This event will be Tuesday, September 26, from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. at the Vineyard Center. Please register on the Senior Academy website at VillagesSA.org or call Mattie Alesi at 408-239-0513. Come away with us!

VMA workshop: 'Adapting to Change'

Author John Maxwell once wrote, "Change is inevitable. Growth is optional." Life deals us change. Sometimes change is welcomed. Other times it is unwanted and resisted. Change can come from the death of loved one, unexpected and/or chronic illness, loss of a relationship, ending a job (volunteer or paid), retirement, moving to a new home, children and grandchildren growing up, decline in physical ability or mental acuity as we age. Change may birth an uneasy sense of loss of purpose, meaning, and connection. Change often tries us to our core to adapt.

Dale Poland, chaplain at Hospice of the Valley with a background in philosophy and psychology will present "Adapting to Change," a thoughtful and sensitive workshop on Wednesday, September 27 from 10:30 a.m. to Noon at Vineyard Center.

Dale will tease out answers to these vexing questions:

- How do you cope in a healthy way with the changes that come along in life?
- What are the keys to accepting change and growing from it?
- What is resilience? How does resilience play a role in adapting to change?
- What are things you can do now to prepare for change?

Someone once said, "No one likes change, except babies. Even they cry in the process." Come cry, smile, laugh, and connect with Chaplain Dale Poland as you expand your skills in this VMA-sponsored workshop. Handouts will be available at the free workshop.

Registrations strongly encouraged, as there is limited seating. To register online: visit vmavillages.org. Click on "Register for Programs." Follow the prompt. To register by telephone: Call 408-238-4029. To register in person: Visit VMA office in Cribari Center (next to post office), Monday through Thursday, 9:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Questions? Contact Bonnie Grim MS, The Villages Service Coordinator at bgrim@sequoialiving.org.



Dale Poland

Supervisor Cindy Chavez to speak on safeguarding democracy

By Tony Berg

Join the Villages Democratic Club on September 27 at 7 p.m. at Vineyard Center to hear from Supervisor Cindy Chavez and get a chance to ask her questions on how our hard-earned taxes are being put to work on our behalf. Register for this event on our website VillagesDemClub.com.



Chavez will speak on the risk posed by authoritarian leaders who seek to undermine democratic values, and the importance of defending the rule of law and holding leaders accountable for their actions. She will also speak on championing the freedom of the press, stressing that an independent media is essential for a well-informed citizenry. She will emphasize the investments being made in civic education to empower individuals to navigate the complexities of our democratic system.

In this concise but powerful speech, Cindy Chavez will discuss the importance of standing united against efforts to suppress votes and manipulate elections, and how to take action to safeguard our democracy and protect the freedoms that define our nation.

All Villagers are invited to meet and hear from Supervisor Cindy Chavez at 7 p.m., Wednesday, September 27 at Vineyard Center.

Opera Lovers: 'The Marriage of Figaro'

On Thursday, September 28 at 1:30 p.m. in Montgomery Center, Opera Lovers will present "Le Nozze di Figaro" by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart.

Mozart's "The Marriage of Figaro" is widely considered one of the greatest operas ever written. It is packed with famous arias and is always a hit with opera goers.

This highly entertaining comic opera tells how the servants Figaro and Susanna succeed in getting married, foiling the efforts of their philandering employer, Count Almaviva, to seduce Susanna. In the process, the Count is taught a well-deserved lesson in fidelity.

Our DVD presents a classic production, with the inimitable Bryn Terfel as Figaro. Perhaps you saw Mr. Terfel sing in Welsh at King Charles III's Coronation earlier this year.

We look forward to welcoming you on September 28—at our new location, Montgomery Center. For more information, call Mary Stradner at 408-887-3293 or visit VillagesMusicSociety.org.

We hope that you will enjoy the new location. If you are unable to drive, don't let that stop you from attending. Please contact the Villages Medical Auxiliary at (408) 238-4230 to schedule transportation to our event. Please remember to tell them that the opera lasts three hours.



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Arts and Crafts Membership Meeting to feature calligraphy demo

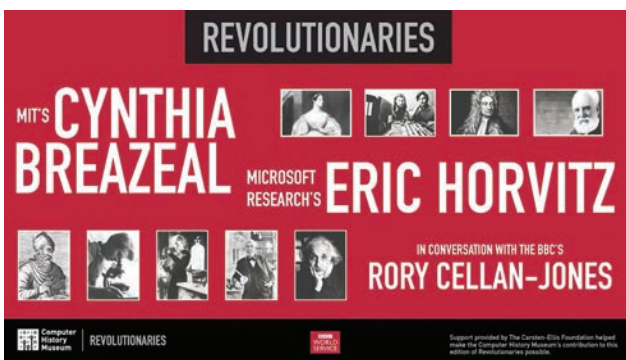
By Michael Sunzeri

On Monday, October 2 in the Cribari Conference room at 1:45 we will be presenting an artist who will demonstrate her seldom seen kind of artwork. Calligraphy dates back to ancient Chinese with carving on bone or tortoise shell. It was and probably should still be a very high art form.

Your attention to this art should be riveting because it is highly stylized according to how it is presented. It may be for a poem, a reliving of a time in your life, wedding invitations, or even presented with graphics to depict nature or an emotion. Please join us as we discover together the ideas behind what style of lettering is used to get the message across. Francesca Pulis has been doing this art form for many years and captivates you with her talent and technique. More about Francesca next week. Please join us October 2. Our meeting will start with a bit of general business information from Arts and Crafts including upcoming and current events and classes. All Villagers are welcome. We have room for you. Ed Knott will be presiding with projection of the demonstration for better viewing.



Senior Academy: 'Artificial Intelligence is Remaking Our World'



Join Senior Academy's Technology Explorers, on Monday, October 2 at 1:30 p.m. via Zoom, to view an interview of two top Artificial Intelligence (AI) experts by a BBC journalist at the Computer History Museum (CHM). This Zoom meeting is free for all Villagers. Register at VillagesSA.org.

They will explore the possible perils of machine "superintelligence" and the huge potential both see for machines to enhance our lives and to positively impact humanity, in addition to their own projects.

Dr. Eric Horvitz is a Distinguished Scientist and Managing Director of Microsoft Research. He funded a century-long study of the effects of artificial intelligence on society: the Stanford 100 Year Study of AI, or AI100.

Cynthia Breazeal is a professor of media arts and sciences at MIT, where she founded and directs the Personal Robots group at the Media Lab. She is the MIT dean for digital learning. She is also the Director of the MIT-wide Initiative on Responsible AI for Social Empowerment and Education.

Mark your calendars for Monday October 2 at 1:30 p.m. via Zoom.

Brian Edwards to speak at VMFSC meeting

On Tuesday, October 3, Brian Edwards will be the guest speaker at the Villages Men's Fun Social Club meeting. Guests are welcome to come for the speaker portion starting at 12:25.

Brian Edwards is the owner of Hapa's Brewing Co. and is a South Bay native having grown up in Los Gatos. After graduating from Los Gatos High School he went back East to study and play football at Harvard University. After finishing his studies, he moved back to California and began his professional life at the sports agency IMG. Four years later he shifted industries and began working in tech at Salesforce. After Salesforce he spent a few years at Google before following his passion and becoming a full time brewer. He honed his craft at Dempsey's in Petaluma before he and Derek opened up Hapa's Brewing Company in 2017. He will bring three separate types of newly canned beer for the tasting. John Yu will have his bartenders selling the beer at our meeting for a fair price while our members enjoy a bratwurst lunch and Octoberfest music.



Ceramics Class coming in October

Back by popular demand, Diane Finley is starting another beginning ceramics class in October. Come join the fun and play with clay in the ceramics room. Learn the basics of hand-building, slab work, molds and glazes. No experience necessary. Space is limited for this very popular ceramics class starting Wednesday, October 18.

The class dates will be Wednesdays from 3 p.m. – 5 p.m., October 18, 25, November 1, 8 and 15. Check your calendar as there are no make-up classes. The cost for this five-week class is \$120, with all materials supplied. To sign up, send an email to Diane at dianefinley1@gmail.com.



Villagers and pets invited to Animal Blessing

Come to the Animal Blessing ceremony on October 7 at 10 a.m. at the Villages Stable.

Whether you're an animal lover or not, The Villages Dog Club and The Villages Riding Club will be hosting the annual blessing for animals of all shapes and sizes. The blessings will be given by Pastor Bill Hayden from The Villages Chapel. Our event will be held at The Villages Stable and is open to everyone and their pets. Cats, birds and other small animals need to come in a carrier or cage. Dogs must be on leash and under control. There will be a short ceremony and individual blessings beginning at 10 a.m. sharp. If you are unable to bring a pet for a blessing because the pet is ill or has passed on, bring a photograph of the pet to be blessed.



Walking/Chair Dancing can help you feel healthier and happier



Our Walking/Chair Dancing class offers you the chance to connect with others and make new friendships. LSAL Fitness Club offers you the chance to exercise, socialize, laugh and have fun with fellow club members, which may make you feel healthier and happier.

Join us every Tuesday from 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. and Thursday from 10 a.m. – 11 a.m. in the Cribari Auditorium! 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. So, bring a friend and join the fun. **Visitors are always welcome.**

Save The Date—November 5, 2023

Golf Tournament
9 Hole Scramble

**Friends of San Jose State
And SJSU Women's Golf Team**



First tee off time approximately 1:30 p.m.
Enjoy having SJSU Women's Golf team
drive for you on a hole.

Dinner 5:45 p.m.

Non-golfers are welcome for dinner.
See next Villager for more details.

Know a Veteran who would like to be honored with a Quilt of Valor?

By Nancy Chesterton

The Villages Quilters have joined with the Quilt of Valor Association to honor our Villages vets during "Salute the Veteran Week," November 6 to 11. We will be presenting Quilts of Valor on Wednesday, November 8. We believe that there is a want and need to recognize these veterans' service and sacrifice, particularly by those of us who did not serve. So far, the Villages Quilters have awarded 12 Quilts of Valor since 2019.

We just need help finding these vets in The Villages. Do you know someone who is proud to have served, but who may or may not talk about it?

One recipient told me recently, after receiving his quilt, that he didn't realize how much it meant to his family for him to be recognized. It opened up communication between him and his grandchildren. Our children, let alone our grandchildren do not understand what it meant (and still) means to put your life on hold because your country needed your skills.

If you know these vets, please encourage them to pick up an application form and let the Villages Quilters honor our own. Vets can apply themselves, or be nominated by a friend, spouse, child, neighbor, etc. but they must consent to being honored. We are not allowed to surprise them.

Application/nomination forms are available from the Villages Quilters (Fridays, most Saturday and Sundays in the Patio room), the Chaplain's office or through the Villages Resident Portal.

Do you know anyone who would like a quilt of Valor? Are you a vet? Would you like one?



Afternoon Bingo is October 4

There is more fun and winning to be had on Wednesday, October 4. Afternoon Bingo is held the first Wednesday of every month.

Everybody had a great time at the last event, especially the folks that won! Don't be mad at the winners, simply show up next time and be a winner yourself!

All money paid to purchase cards is returned to the players. Cards are \$1 each or 6 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 October 4 at the Cribari Center Auditorium. Doors open at 3 p.m. with free coffee, tea, and treats.



Cribari's Dance Night

Come one, come all...

Theme: Saturday Night Fever
When: Saturday, September 30
Time: 6 p.m. – 9 p.m.
Where: Cribari Auditorium
Dress: 70's look encouraged
Info: Snacks provided, BYOB
Cost: \$10pp charged to house#
RSVP: cribaridac@gmail.com



Contests!

Best John Travolta look-alike
Best couple dancing to "More Than A Woman"

Create Abstract Art with Wendy



Wendy Fitzgerald is offering a rare and unusual study group class with her expertise in collage and mindful drawing.

If you wish to create abstract art but struggle to get started, this is the class for you. Wendy will teach you multiple ways to create abstract art by incorporating collage pieces as inspiration. The metaphor of collage triggers magical responses in your brain and unexpected creativity will surprise you as a result.

Join Wendy on Thursdays in October in the Cribari Center Art Room, October 5 – 26, 10 a.m. to noon. All materials furnished. \$35. Limited to 8 students. Register by emailing barb.gottesman@gmail.com

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Hermosa hosts Hawaiian picnic at Gazebo



On September 16, Hermosa hosted a successful picnic at the Gazebo for residents, including those of the Heights; 150 people attended. Betty Wegner and her team of talented, creative members successfully provided a fun day for all.

It turned out to be a lovely day for an outdoor event at the Gazebo. Hawaiian music by the Island Wave Band

continued throughout the day. The Villages Dancers arrived in costume and started with the Hula. Many Villagers joined in with them for the Hula and line dancing. Games were played including bocce, along with corn hole, a scavenger hunt, and a hula hoop contest. Dozens of prizes were given for the games and just attending.

The potluck was excellent with the addition of many Hawaiian recipes. A bartender was in residence to pour Mai Tais with and without rum provided by Pam Schramm. Donations mounted up for the Maui Relief Fund, with a 100 percent fund match from a generous donor.



VMA to present 'Oversee Your Healthcare Decisions'

By Barbara F. Zahner, VMA Health Programs Coordinator

"Hey, Mom, this Advance Care Planning (ACP) is stark," sighed my 53-year-old daughter. Margot is preparing documents for a four-month trip to Portugal and Malawi, Africa. Now sandwiched in her backpack, along with her passport and her Malaria records, are her desires regarding use of CPR, Ventilator, Artificial Hydration, and Tube Feedings.

Stark—yes. Necessary—yes. Permanent—no. Freeing—yes.

In "Oversee Your Healthcare Decisions—How & Why," Amy Wang, NP, and Founder of Ready2Nurse Home Health Agency will dialogue with participants on these key questions:

- Why do I need to have an Advance Care Plan in place?
- What are the primary components of an Advance Care Plan?
- What are the risks and benefits of CPR? Ventilator? Artificial Hydration? Tube Feeding?
- What if I change my mind about my first decisions?
- How do I face my own mortality and the mortality of my loved ones?

Using case histories of two actual patients, Amy will illustrate how each person made their decisions and created their Advance Care Plans. Amy will also answer your questions about who needs to hold your Advance Care Plan, so your wishes and health care rights are protected. Whether you tuck your ACP in your backpack or in your Important papers home file, you will experience relief that you completed your ACP. Stark—yes. Real—yes. Ready now to check out and follow through—yes!

Come to "Oversee Your Healthcare Decisions—How & Why" on Tuesday, October 10 in the Sequoia Room, from 1 to 2 p.m. **This event is free, but there is limited seating.** To register: Go to vmavillages.vgcc.club and click on Events. Follow prompts. To call: Bonnie Grim, MS The Villages Service Coordinator at 408-238-4029. In person; VMA Office, Cribari Center (next to the Post Office.) Monday to Thursday, 9:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.



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Cat Club formation update

By Bette Loomis

What a great response to last week's article (page 16 of *The Villager*, September 14 edition).

I am pleased to report that we are well on our way to creating a new **Cat Club** in The Villages. Now the next step will be to create bylaws and other regulations that meet the Villages' club requirements. Stay tuned for more updates. *Please* continue to email or call if you haven't already shown your interest. **And please encourage other cat friendly Villagers to respond.**

Sign up and learn how best to care for your cats. Find a "cat" neighbor to share care while away.

Contact me, **Bette Loomis** at 408-234-9798 or dbloomis@sbcglobal.net.



Global Village: 'Breathe Away Stress, Part II'

The Global Village Community Club will present "Breathe Away Stress, Part II" with Intuitive Healer and Life Coach, Kim Silverman on Wednesday, October 4. Please join us from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. in the Conference Room.

If you enjoyed relaxing and soothing your body and mind at Kim's "Breathe Away Stress" presentation at the VMA's Health Fair in April, then you'll have another opportunity to return to that relaxed state at Kim's upcoming event with the Global Village Club. All are welcome and you don't have to have attended Part I.

Sometimes busy minds need a vacation. Kim will be guiding you into a deep relaxed state that may be both nourishing for your body and healthy for your soul. Kim will also share ways that you can achieve that deep relaxed state in the privacy of your own home.

The Global Village Community hopes to see you there. Please note that space is limited for this event and it is first come, first seating.

For more information about the club, visit the GVC Club website at <https://sites.google.com/view/gvcclub/home> or email globalvcclub@gmail.com.

Save the date: Juried Art Show

By Michael Sunzeri

Guess what? We are having a second Juried Show this year.



We will jury on Friday, October 20, in the Art Room. Our usual show is in October, but we also did one earlier this year because we wanted a live one after our online one in 2022. You should now prepare to have your best work ready to be juried on the 20th. Contracts are available on our website and hard cop-

ies can be found in the Cribari Conference Room, Art Room, and Ceramics Lab. You can enter in up to two categories out of the five categories. Only two pieces maximum will be accepted within those categories. Example: One Oil painting or one Dry media work. The five categories are: Oil/Acrylics, Watercolor, Dry Media (pastel, charcoal etc.), Collage/Mixed Media, and 3D. We encourage Ceramics participants to enter. On the following Monday, October 23 we will be showcasing all the entered artwork in Cribari Conference from 1 – 3 p.m. There will be a reception with wine and appetizers and all Villagers are welcome. Attending will be the artists, our jurist Julia Cline, and yourselves. Over the next few weeks, we will highlight a few artists who have entered the event. Please mark your calendars for this anticipated Exhibit. Chair is Michael Sunzeri at twosunzeris@comcast.net.

Save the Date for Holiday Faire



It's coming! Yes, the Villages Arts and Crafts Association's biggest event—our annual Holiday Faire! Mark this on your "not to be missed" calendar—Saturday,

November 4 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Cribari Center. This is our traditional holiday arts and crafts show chock full of talented vendors working in wood, ceramics, jewelry, fabrics, painting, photography, paper crafts, culinary delights, holiday and home decorations, wearables, children's items and so, so much more! We showcase both residential artists and select outside crafters who offer unique high-quality items. As always, we will be hosting our delectable bake sale which offers an array of fresh home baked goodies. Keep watching for future articles which will provide a sneak peek at our participating artists! Start making your holiday shopping list now and plan to join us on November 4!

RELIGION

VILLAGES JEWISH COMMUNITY CATHOLIC COMMUNITY



High Holidays — Schedule of Services

Yom Kippur, Sunday, September 24
Candlelighting and Evening Service, Foothill Center, 7 p.m.

Yom Kippur, Monday, September 25
Morning Service, Foothill Center, 10 a.m.
Afternoon Service Neilah and Yiskor, Foothill Center, 4:30 p.m.
Break the Fast, Foothill Center, 6:30 p.m.

The 10 days starting with Rosh Hashanah on September 15 and ending with Yom Kippur on September 24 are known as the Days of Awe. It is a period for serious introspection. Jews are called on to reflect in their actions and behavior over the past year and seek to make amends. It is a time to ask for forgiveness from those we have wronged and to forgive those who have wronged us. Yom Kippur, begins this year at sundown on Sunday, September 24. It is considered the holiest day of the year. It is a day for fasting, prayer, and repentance. On this day Jews ask God to forgive their sins and hope to be inscribed in the "Book of Life" for a good year.

Our services, led by Rabbi Annette Koch, will be held at Foothill Center. On Sunday, September 24, Candlelighting and Kol Nidre, the prayer sung at the beginning of the service, starts at 7 p.m. Monday morning services begin at 10 a.m. and the afternoon service which concludes with Yiskor, the Jewish Memorial Service, starts at 4:30 p.m. Immediately following the close of the afternoon service, at 6:30 p.m., we invite all worshipers to join us for a traditional Break-the-Fast, also held at Foothill Center. If you are planning to attend, email Diane Rubin drubin25@aol.com with your house number and number attending.

EPISCOPAL

'Making the Most of Matthew'

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

In this year when all of our churches are reading the Gospel of Matthew—and in a week when we remember him as a saint of the church—I find myself thinking of the unique contribution of this evangelist. The Bible and Christian tradition teach that he was one of Jesus' 12 apostles. After the death and resurrection of Jesus, Matthew went on to preach to the Jewish community in Judea and then traveled—possibly as far as Ethiopia—where he may have been martyred. The stories of Matthew's evangelistic journeys are ancient traditions and they don't always agree on the particulars. But we can say with confidence that Matthew was on fire to share the extraordinary good news he had witnessed and experienced for himself.

His gospel tells us that Matthew was a tax-collector for the Roman empire, which made him one of the more despised members of the Jewish community. And yet, his Gospel reveals his deep love for the Jewish tradition in the midst of a young church that was becoming increasingly gentile. He tells Jesus' story in ways that are similar to Mark and Luke, but gives particular attention to the aspects that parallel those of Moses and the Hebrew people in the first five books of the Hebrew scriptures. What a joy it must have been for this marginalized son of the Mosaic covenant to find freedom, in Jesus, from the shame of his vocation. And then go on to preach that freedom to others!

Please join us for worship on Sundays at 9 a.m. at Montgomery Center. All are welcome to attend.

'Everywhere? Yes, Everywhere!'

By Rusty Weekes

The first of the three readings for this coming Sunday is from Isaiah 55 6-9. The reading speaks to looking for the Lord. Isaiah says, "Seek the Lord while he may be found, call him while he is near." I hear you Isaiah, but where do I look? When looking for God many of us were taught to respond in unison, "God is everywhere." OK, I've got it, but really, where? There is evidence of Our Lord in our life all the time. When you laugh, when you smile, the feeling that embraces you after an act of kindness, when you see a friend, when you see something that makes you feel good, when we are moved to tears. These moments are clarion calls to experience God's presence. Squire Rushnell the author of *When God Winks*, refers to them as Godwinks. If you listen you will hear them, and if we look you will see them. The signs are everywhere, and they are there all the time. As I am writing, a commercial blares, "God is Joy." It is a Godwink. Here is the formula I use to see God in my life. Every time there is a coincidence, or I see a baby smile or hear a laugh, or see the reaction to a compliment, or having someone say I'm sorry, I credit God for being in my life. Then I smile, and say, "I know you are there, thanks." Pay close attention to what Isaiah writes in the refrain of the Responsorial after the first reading "The Lord is near to all who call upon him." When you get your next Godwink be sure to say thanks. Godwinks happen, and they are everywhere. They are evidence of God in our life.

This reflection was authored by Rusty Weekes. Rusty, a Bellarmine College Prep and Santa Clara University graduate taught high school religion, CCD Confirmation and Baptism. Rusty recently served as a delegate for the diocese of San Jose and can still recite some elements of the Latin Mass learned on bended knee as an alter server in the second grade. A deep religious experience happened as a border at BCP where I served Mass every day in high school primarily so that I could get to breakfast first.

SEARCH THE SCRIPTURES

Search the Scriptures is meeting at **10 a.m., September 25 at Vineyard Center**. We are meeting on the second and fourth Monday of each month. Any questions, contact Everett Jacobson at 408-629-7210 or Ron Speer at 408-223-2025



COMMUNITY CHAPEL

'The Promises We Make'

By Pastor Bill Hayden

As we experience life, there are certain events or relationships that lend themselves to people making promises to others. We seldom think about the cost of keeping those promises that we make to each other. Every promise made to someone is usually contingent upon what we believe will occur to allow us to fulfill that promise. Often, challenges that we didn't anticipate seem to really examine where we stand on the promises we made.

A couple stand in front of their Celebrant to get married with relatives and close friends, promises are made and witnessed by many. Their hearts are open and willing with acceptance and eagerness to forbear... because of love. Those who know them believe that they have a good foundation to build a lasting relationship. The couple have the best of intentions to fulfill their commitments to each other, with love-filled eyes and deep desires. It never occurs to them that they would soon be tested by the promises made that day.

It's hard to imagine a strong couple who pledged their love to remain together in the good times as well as the tough times would give up! During these days, a couple who face hard time in their relationship will usually look for the nearest exit! Where is the love that once covered each other's brokenness in the beginning? They had promised to love and be devoted to one another for the rest of their lives.

When working in the corporate world, my company's marketing department came up with a slick mission statement to garner more business. The mission statement was "We Never Make A Promise That We Can't Keep." This statement would put the company at risk. When the outside world learned of the slogan it created a monster for the company, customers and employees. The company learned a very valuable lesson about promises and commitments. The lesson was: they were not all knowing as God. There were unpredictable mishaps from manufacturing to distribution.

There is one person who we can depend upon to keep promises and commitments. Jesus Christ will never make a promise that He will not keep.

"As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Now remain in my love. If you keep my commands, you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commands and remain in his love. I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete" (John 15:9-11, NIV).

"Love has a lot to do with keeping your promises."

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

SPORTS NEWS

PICKLEBALL

Our bodies love Pickleball

By Joyce Kludt

As it turns out, our fabulous sport of pickleball is getting us in shape. Well, isn't that great news?!



Studies have shown that Pickleball is a moderate-intensity workout, along with yoga, hiking, and water aerobics. Picklers also saw improvements in their general health. Other health benefits of playing Pickleball include:

- Improved flexibility since Pickleball involves the movement of the whole body while playing.
- Improved balance and stability.

It's no wonder our bodies seem to say, "Thank you for playing Pickleball, buddy!"

Correction to last week's article: Our final Dink N Drink will be held on Sunday, October 22. We hope you'll sign up!

18 HOLE WOMEN

By Loanne Rube

It's week two of the 18 Hole Women's Club Championship. This is a three-week cumulative gross score competition, so you have to play well consistently in order to win. No easy feat. Leading in the Championship flight is Monica Saneholtz with a total gross score of 168. Leading in flight one is Marky Olsen with a total two round score of 192. Flight two leaders are Betty Sharps and Nancy Keane with scores of 200. It will come down to keen and sharp play to the finish. The two tees flight leader is Gail Tuft with a score of 190. Congratulations, ladies!

It was a great day of golf under sunny skies. Saving putts with a chip in today for today were: Michelle Chung #9, Alice Glaze #5, Mary Jo O'Neill #18, Gloria Landry #1. Singing the birdie tune are Vicki Krattli #18, Helen Varenkamp #4, Michelle Chung #9, Alice Glaze #15, and Susie Q Conklin #2.

The Ladies Hole in One Party was held on Thursday, September 21, at 4 p.m. at Foothill Center. We celebrated those talented ladies who had a hole in one this past year, and we picked the teams for the Village Challenge which will be played on October 10, 17 and 24. Coming up we also have Captain's Trophy on September 28 and the Halloween Tournament on October 26 organized by Debbie Moore and Mary Wagle. Don't miss out. Contact Pam Schramm our membership chair to find out more about this outstanding club for women golfers here at the Villages. Pam can be reached at 925-336-7535 or pschramm77@gmail.com. Come join us in the fun.

WOMEN'S 9 HOLE



Swingers checking into Play for PINK.



Joy Rem and Nikki Noce.

By Betty Garcia

Amid an air of excitement and a sea of pink, 53 women golfers teed off in a shotgun start on Tuesday, September 12. They were vying for coveted trophies provided by the Play for PINK organization. This was the day we had been waiting for, the event to raise funds that benefit the Breast Cancer Research Foundation (BCRF).



Song Cho, Suzy Kim, Joyce Mukuno, and Flo Southland.

Linda Curyea had great fun as she chipped in on Hole 5. Meanwhile, Cynie Jackson could be heard celebrating her birdie on Hole 11. Her drive landed 1 foot, 3 1/2 inches (that would be 1' 3.5") from the cup, giving her the distinction of being closest to the pin on Hole 11, then scoring the birdie when she tapped in. At luncheon, she received a golf towel with the PFP logo embroidered on it for being closest to the hole. On the course, though, she also then went on to chip in on Hole 17. A great day!

On the front nine, with a net of 27, the first-place step-aside scramble tournament winners were Pam Leonard, Bev Murphy, Judy Gergurich, and Karen Carlson. Second-place winners, with a net of 28, were Linda Curyea, Nancy Carson, and Anka Hoek.

Kitty Ohtaka took Closest-to-the-pin honors on Hole 4, being 9 feet 5 1/2 inches or 9' 5.5" inches from the hole! She, too, now has a limited edition Play for PINK towel.

On the back nine, with a net of 29, first place was earned by Flo Southland, Song Cho, Joyce Mukuno, and Suzy Kim. Second place winners, with a net 31, were Carol Haupt, Kathleen Kyne, Pat Smith, and Lynn Peters. Congratulations to all who now have pink ribbon Play-for-PINK picture frames in which to display their favorite photo of the day!

The tournament was followed by a hybrid luncheon meeting, combining the Charity of Choice and Fall General Meeting where we voted on the nominations of Captain, Co-Captain, Secretary and Treasurer (the Executive Board) for the following year. They are Gisele Barber, Sheryl Driskell, Sally Nichols, and Delma Juarez. Accomplished women all, and we are happy to report that their nominations were confirmed by a resounding Yes vote of the members present.

Accompanying photos tell a better job of what a great day we had. Most importantly, we raised funds to benefit and advance the work of the Breast Cancer Research Foundation. The grand total will be announced soon. For the next couple of weeks, we will have hat clip ball markers available for \$10 each. Let Betty Garcia know if you want one by emailing bettybeep001@gmail.com. Or look for a volunteer offering them at your sign-in table.



Emmy Brown, Linda Schlageter, Jane Smith and Madeline Naftzger.

Photos by Pi Silverstein.

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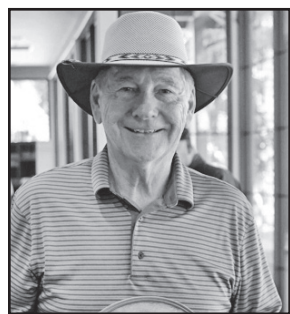
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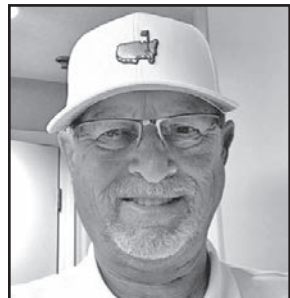


By Doug Moore



Terry Barnhart

Country Club, Sharon Heights Country Club (next year), Castlewood Country Club, Green Hills Country Club



Dave Dimmick

Terry Barnhart made easy work of #16 on August 23. He was able to get his ball to drop for an Eagle 3. You're awesome, Terry! We hope you get to replicate that feat many times over! Nice plaque Terry, well done!



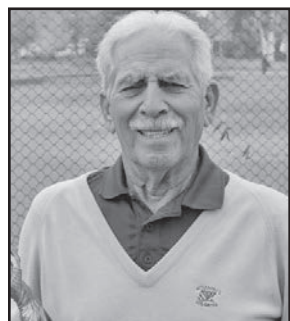
Larry Angel

The following day **Chulho Kim (CK)** registered an 84. CK is always so gracious when he goes low, "beverages all around!"



Bill Johnston

Yes, **Larry Angel** will be the first to let you know you are "outta bounds" and that he shot his age again. That is exactly what Larry did on the 2nd with a 79. He did it again on the 9th with an 80. And look who's back... **Pres Miranda**. Pres scorched an 84 on the 8th. You're most awesome Pres! You were the coolest thing about August.



Jim Valenti

Home & Home 2023— Kyle Finley could not have said it any better... We would like to give a *big* shout out to **Michael Tuft** for the amazing job he has done for the 2023 Home & Home season we had this year! Mike, you did a great job with setting up and organizing the events! Because of the great work you do, we get the benefit of playing some of the most amazing "private" golf courses in the Bay Area: Black Horse/Bayonet, La Rinconada Country Club, Almaden Country Club, San Jose Country Club, Silver Creek Country Club, Oakhurst Country Club, Los Altos Hills Country Club, Palo Alto Hills

Country Club, Sharon Heights Country Club (next year), Castlewood Country Club, Green Hills Country Club
Believe me, Mike does a lot of work to set up these great venues, and is looking for even more great venues next year! Please extend a heartfelt "Thank You" to Mr. Tuft when you see him! Mike, you're the best!

Regards, the 2023 Home & Home Team (beneficiaries)

2023 Men's Golf Club HIO, Eagles and Age Shooters for August

No Hole in Ones... but you know they're coming!

Eagle Shooters for August! The weather was hot and humid and so were these guys. Take a look at what these gentlemen did last month!

Age Shooters for August!
Yes **Dave Dimmick** did it again! Double "D" shot his age again on 8/1 with a blistering one under 71. And when he was away from the compound, he was at courses eagling everything in sight. (When he knows you have money on you, it seems to bring out the best in him)

Yes, **Larry Angel** will be the first to let you know you are "outta bounds" and that he shot his age again. That is exactly what Larry did on the 2nd with a 79. He did it again on the 9th with an 80.

And look who's back... **Pres Miranda**. Pres scorched an 84 on the 8th. You're most awesome Pres! You were the coolest thing about August.

Bill Johnston came back from the desert and brought some lucky sand with him and shot a 78 on the 14th. Cool shirt too!

This man is a regular for sure! **Mike Singleton** is always doing this. He penciled an 85 on the 26th. Way to go, Mike!

And saving the best for last...**Jim Valenti!** On August 26, Mr. Jim Valenti shot his age or better for the 400th time! (Yes that is a 4 with two zeros after it)

George Olson had his regular Saturday game with 16 full foursomes with fabulous weather to witness this historic event, and we were not disappointed.

The guest of honor, Mr. Jim Valenti, did shoot his age again with an 83 completing his four hundredth age shooting round! Jim, what can we say? You are truly amazing and we are lucky to have you at the Villages and it is an honor and a privilege to have you as a Men's 18 Hole Golf Club member.

Welcome to the Men's 18 Hole Golf Club: Please welcome Jayme Dickson of 2075 Mataro Way to the Men's Golf Club. Be sure to introduce yourself and ask him to join you on the golf course when you can.



Dave Gonzalez



Chulho (CK) Kim



Pres Miranda



Mike Singleton

BOCCE NEWS



First Place Winner, Village Cribari

By Barbara Orlando

Congratulations 2023 Village Challenge Winners! It was a long day, filled with 11 Villages competing with a strong will to win in the annual Village Challenge. The final two villages going head-to-head were Village Cribari and Village Sonata. Winning by one point was Cribari, who were defending their win from last year. Village Cribari's team was led by Captain Jeanne Anne Whitacre, along with Paul Andersen, Roger Dahlberg, Marcia Britton, Barbara Orlando, Terri Vivoli and Deborah Strauss. Village Sonata's was led by Captain Donna Wamsley, with teammates Sandy Fernandez, Gloria Fernandez, Barbara Travis, Clarice Baughn and Eric Wamsley.

Members and friends enjoyed donuts and coffee, followed by a barbecue lunch, all provided by the Bocce Club.

A special thank you to tournament coordinator Michael Sunzeri, Jean Corrigan, Jeanne Anne Whitacre, Susan Sunzeri, Paul Andersen, Wendy Ledamun, referees, captains, and volunteers who helped make the day run so smoothly.

If you are interested in taking a leadership role in the club's future, you can nominate yourself for the bocce board of directors. Voting for the new board vacancies takes place on Sunday, November 5 at the annual Membership/Elections Meeting held at Foothill Center from 3 to 5 pm. If you are a member of the bocce club, please plan on attending this *members only* event. If interested in being on the ballot, contact Wayne Weiler at 404-431-8936 or Jana King at 408-270-2331 or email to janaking@me.com for questions or more information.

Did You Know? A subbed-out player cannot return to play for the remainder of that game but may play in the second game. During a game each player may only play from one end of the court, but may switch to the other end for the second game.



Second Place Winner, Village Sonata

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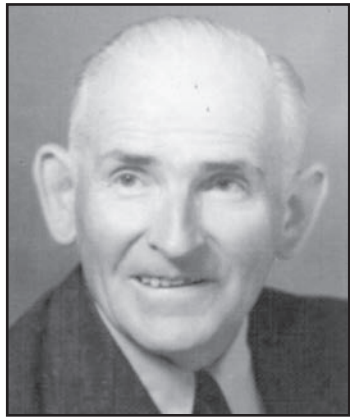
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CLYNE SOLEY TOURNAMENT

Clyne Soley's Secrets for a Better Golf Game

Dr. Russell "Clyne" Soley, scientist and engineer at IBM and United Technology, dedicated golfer, golf book author, Villages Golf Club Champion in 1968, and longtime Villager, didn't really make a secret of his golf techniques that led to his 86 Holes-in-One (81 on the Villages Par 3 course, and two on the Villages 18-hole course).



Dr. Soley's philosophy on improving your golf game had four basic steps: 1) Play the Par 3 course as much as possible; 2) Practice short chips frequently (his research indicated that success at chipping into the hole was relatively independent of your handicap level); 3) Practice only 3 foot to 9 foot putts (under 3 foot are rarely missed and those over 9 feet are rarely made; also on long putts being close short is better than being 6 feet past the hole), and 4) be sure and use enough club on par 3 tee shots and long course approach shots (his research showed that 9 out of 10 shots come up short). He noted that most people spend time on the driving

range where improvement of 1-2 strokes per round may be gained, but improving your short game can get improvements of 6-9 strokes per round.

Dr. Soley spoke from experience – he played many more rounds on the short nine (Par 3) course than the long course, on the order of 5700 rounds vs. 2600 rounds over his 25 years of residence at the Villages. His rationale was that it improved and maintained his game at a higher level for a longer period of time.

This year's Clyne Soley Tournament will be played on Saturday, September 30 with two tee times: 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. A luncheon and awards ceremony will follow at noon in the Vineyards Center. Entrance fees are \$50 for residents and \$60 for guests. Prizes will be awarded to the top three men and top three women based on lowest net scores. Registration opens on September 1 and closes on the 23rd and is limited to the first 72 entrants (as of September 14, there are 40 entrants registered). Contact Dave Hathaway at dave.hathaway@comcast.net or 256-655-9416 to register. This event is sponsored by the Shoni and Ironmen golf clubs.

TENNIS TALK

By Betty Olsen

Things are happening at the Tennis Club that you don't want to miss. Results of the mixed doubles tournament will be in next week's Tennis Talk.

Now it is on to the Men's and Women's Doubles club tournament, Saturday and Sunday, **September 30 and October 1**. Please sign up with your partner using the magic button sent to you by the club's communication director or go to "Your Courts" and find the magic button. We will have four draws: Men's A and Men's B, Women's A and Women's B. If you need a partner, we will try to help. Questions, contact Karen Hillis at 209-602-4388 or hisknoggen@yahoo.com.

Then we top off the club tournament with a festive Awards Dinner, Sunday, **October 1 at Foothill**. Please sign up early so that we can let Art's BBQ know our dinner count. Bring family and friends and set up your own table. Buffet menu is ribs, chicken, potato salad, roasted vegetables, green salad, cornbread with honey butter, ice cream for dessert, wine, beer, lemonade to drink. All for the price of \$32. Questions? Contact Betty Olsen at 801-3661-5591 or betty_olsen@yahoo.com.

Roy Pennington, Peggy Seidel, Jim Murphy have been organizing the Fall inter-league roster which begins around October 15 with four teams lasting seven weeks. Don't be left out of the fun and sign up with Roy, Peggy or Jim.

On Friday, September 15, the Women's 6.5 team traveled again to Morgan Hill for a match and the results were the same as the first match with Morgan Hill. We lost all 3 games, but two lost in the third set tie-break, sooooo close!

VMA Spotlight...

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Support Groups

Grief Support Group: Chaplain Dale Poland, M.Div, BCC - from Hospice of the Valley-Sutter Health. The group will be taking a three-week break and resume sessions on Monday, September 25 at 10:30 a.m. -12 p.m. in the Sequoia Room. Please call 408-238-4029 with any questions.

Caregiver Support Group: Judith London Ph.D. will conduct the monthly group on Thursday, October 19 at 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m. in the Patio Room and via Zoom. Please contact Judy for all meeting specifics at judithlondon@sbcglobal.net or call 408-784-3325.

Parkinson's Caregiver Support Group: Meet with other caregivers of those with Parkinson's on Thursday, October 19 from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. in the Forum Room.

VMA has made it easy to register!

Go to vmavillages.org and click on "Register for Programs" and sign up! You will get an immediate confirmation! Also, any changes to room, time or speaker will also be noted there as well as the paper.

Please check out vmavillages.org

SHONIS

By Betty Hall

The Shonis started their three-day Club Championship last Tuesday, the 12. Last year's champion was Jini Kang but she has joined the 18-hole ladies and is no longer eligible. More chances for the rest of us, LOL.

We have 18 Shonis doing their best to get their three lowest gross scores over these three weeks. Our low gross winner for this first week was Betty Hall with a 35. Let's see what happens for next week as we have some great golfers out there on the Par 3.

Remember, the Clyne-Soley Par 3 tournament is happening Saturday, September 30. This tournament is hosted by both Par 3 clubs, the Shonis and the Ironmen. There are two tee times, 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. followed by lunch and awards at 12:30 p.m. at Vineyard Center. It's open to everyone in the Villages and their guests. If you are interested in playing or being a volunteer, please contact Marty Blinde at mblinde@msn.com. It's always a fun event.

Coming in October is the first Bocce Challenge. As Shoni captain, I issued a challenge to the Swinger captain for a Bocce Challenge between our two golf groups. It will be a best of three game bocce challenge on Saturday, October 28 (Halloween colors encouraged.) Rolling time will be noon to 4 p.m. followed by a celebration at Gazebo Park until 6 p.m. I have my team already and other Shonis who will be cheerleaders and we're ready to start practices in October. There will be more info coming but if anyone, Shoni or Swinger is interested in being a roller or a cheerleader, please contact me, Betty Hall at eahall49@yahoo.com. It should be great fun and hopefully become an annual tradition. Reputations are at stake. Haha.

PINSEEKERS

By Jim White

On September 15, only 10 Pinseekers braved the damp grass and moderate late summer temperature to chase a little white ball for a little more than a half mile (assuming we're able to hit every ball straight, stay out of the rough, the sand traps, the ponds. or hit it out of bounds.) A tall order for most of us. The reality is that the average distance walked in a nine hole round is about 2 miles. This week's results are:

- First Place, Jim Keene, Net 35.
- Second Place, John Mueller, Net 37
- Third Place, Frank Garcia, Net 38
- Fourth Place, Leighton Horio, Net 40

A few interesting (?) facts about golf:

- Worldwide, about 1.2 billion golf balls are manufactured in any year. An estimated 300 million of those balls are lost each year, in the U.S. alone.
- History says, Golf was invented in Scotland, circa 1457.
- It's estimated that only 20 percent of golfers can break 90.
- Tiger Woods made his first hole in one at the age of 8.
- The highest course in the world is at 14,335 feet above sea level, located in Morocochoa, Peru.

Keep a smile on your face when you are playing this game we all love. If you hit a bad shot or get a bad bounce, remember, your most important shot is the next shot.




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More SPORTS

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, September 14, 2023, was sunny and warm. It was the second week of our annual three-week Ironmen Club Tournament Championship.

Fourteen Ironmen played. The results are as follows:

David Cook won **Third Place** with a net 28; Second Place was a two-way tie between Chuck Benjamin and Jim White with net 27s; and Al Bruno won **First Place** with a net 26.

There were four **Birdies**: one each by Chuck Benjamin on hole 2; Al Bruno on hole 3; Dave Hathaway on hole 4; and Doug Herring on hole 7.

Jack Bindon won **Closest to the Flag** on hole 2 at 4 feet, 10 inches.

Al Bruno won **Low Gross** with a 27.

Golfer of the Day honors go to Al Bruno with low gross, first place and a birdie. Way to go, Al!

Today's Ironmen Club Championship results can be found on the Scoreboard page in this week's Villager.

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: I guess there is nothing that will get your mind off everything like golf. I have never been depressed enough to take up the game, but they say you get so sore at yourself you forget to hate your enemies. Will Rogers, American author and humorist

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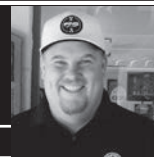
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FROM THE PRO



By Scott Steele, PGA Head Golf Professional

2023 Couples Member/Guest Invitational—Sunday, October 1. Enjoy a great day of golf, friends, food & drink! Invite your favorite couple from another club and showcase the Villages' great golfing experience. **Sign up in the Pro Shop now.** All Participants must have a valid USGA Handicap Index – GHIN #s must be provided when you sign up. Entry Fee: \$195/Couple (\$390/Team). Includes: All Green Fees, One Cart for Guests, Tee Prizes, Four Dinners at Banquet, Prize Money for Winning Teams.

Fall Aeration Schedule

September 14-30—Teas Aeration

Monday, October 2—Back Nine *closed* all day for greens aeration. Front Nine – 9 a.m. Swingers 9-Hole women – 1 p.m. Open Play Shotgun. Par-3 Course - 9:30 a.m. Shonis Shotgun – 1 p.m. Open Play

Tuesday, October 3—All Golf facilities *closed* all day – including all practice greens, driving range and Pro Shop

Wednesday, October 4—Par-3 Course *closed* all day for Greens aeration

Monday, October 9 through end of Month—Fairways aeration 18-Hole and Par-3 Course (weekdays only)

September Golf Scheduled Events

Saturdays, September 16, 17, 23, 24 – Men's Club 2023 Club Championship – 8 a.m. tee Times

Friday, September 22 – Twilight Nine & Dine – 4:30 p.m. Shotgun – Last tee Time 12 p.m.

Friday, September 29 – 8 a.m. Open Play Shotgun – 12:30 p.m. St John Vianney Tournament – *course closed*

Saturday, September 30 – Clyne Soley Memorial Tournament – Par-3 Course – 10 a.m. and 12 p.m. Shotguns

Villages Golfers – Be a part of our "Culture of Care"—We can all participate in keeping our golf course beautiful by observing these **simple acts of care**:

1. Follow the 90-degree rule (longer hitters) or the Entrance gates (shorter hitters) when entering the fairway

2. Avoid driving on the mounds surrounding our greens

3. Respect any roping and cart directional signs and please *exit* every hole through the *Exit Gates*

4. Park your golf carts behind the Yellow Lines 30-feet in front of each green

5. Repair your pitch marks on the greens

6. Fill your fairway divots with our sand mix provided on Hoe #1, #10, #6, #15

7. Smooth out the sand in the bunkers with the rake & knock the sand off your shoes before walking on the green

8. Do not drive on or too close to the #2 & #1 forward tees

Driving your golf carts properly helps to create consistent and predictable wear patterns making things easier to maintain. Driving carts on the greenside mounds breaks down the rough turf in these important areas that we chip from. Not fixing ball marks on the greens leaves a divot, which when mowed the next day causes scalping and a scar on the green. Not filling your divots or raking the bunkers leaves divots and footprints affecting the conditions for following golfers. Let's all make it a goal to leave our golf course in better shape than we found it, EVERY time we play...Thank you!

Tips from the Pro – Five Reasons Why Practice is Good

I find it ironic when giving a lesson to an avid golfer and I ask them if they ever practice, and nine times out of ten, the answer is "no". I need to let that person know that practice will help, it always does, but the key is to make that practice count. I will say this – do not expect to improve if you do not practice – unless you are playing 4 or more times per week, at that rate of play you can learn a lot and improve also. So here are 5 good reasons to practice:

1. Self awareness – the only way to learn about yourself and your tendencies is off the course when the focus is not on score. For instance, when you practice, make lots of full swings and see where the club brushes the ground most of the time so you can learn your swing radius and predict ball contact more effectively. When hitting balls determine your natural ball flight – is it left to right or right to left – once determined you can apply that knowledge on the course where it matters.

2. Confidence – what goes on between the ears matters in golf as much as the physical act of golfing. Your mind can either lead you in the right direction or send you spiraling. Practice will help you attain success. Repeated success results in confidence. And then that confidence in turn leads to more repeated success. The first aspect to this matrix is practice.

3. Yardages – golf is a game of managing distance and direction. Practice will help you understand your game better. The more you practice, the better you know your clubs and your limitations. That leads to proper decision making on the golf course which leads to lower scores. So the next time you hit balls, always aim at a target and always pay attention to how far your ball goes.

4. Check & Roll – if you practice your short game properly, you should use the same golf ball that you use on the golf course. This will help you understand your game and how your

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From The Pro...

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ball reacts when you chip and pitch. Every short game shot has an element of check and roll, and it's necessary to be able to predict how much your ball will check and how much it will roll. For instance, we tested a Titleist ProV1 versus a Titleist Velocity, and on the same mid-length pitch, the Velocity rolled and average of 7 feet more than the ProV1. Practice can result in interesting and useful data, if you pay attention.

5. Repeat-Repeat-Repeat – we all know that the best way to become good at something is to do it often. Golf is no different. So in order to become a good golfer, one needs to golf often. That means playing golf, and also practicing golf by hitting balls, chipping, pitching, hitting bunker shots and putting; all of this done in small increments can make huge differences. Spending 20 minutes pitching and chipping will do wonders for your short game, and help you learn a lot about yourself in the process. Spend 10 minutes putting with only one ball. Spend 5 minutes in the backyard swinging and learn where the club brushes the ground relative to your stance. All of these small additions to your golf regime will result in major improvements over time. To sign up for a lesson with me, email sssteel@the-villages.com

Villages Culture of Care — Adopt A Green Initiative

At The Villages we pride ourselves in maintaining excellent golf course playing conditions. And the greens are a major focus of course conditions.

Toward that end, we have an "Adopt a Green" initiative for all resident golfers as a part of our continuing Culture of Care initiative.

The premise is simple – each resident golfer will be assigned a green(s) according to the first letter of their surname. Whenever you play, you will be asked to repair as many ball marks as possible on the green(s) to which you are assigned.

And remember to always repair your personal ball marks on every green played as well.

We encourage you to start repairing your assigned green(s) as soon as possible. We thank you for your efforts...This will make golf at The Villages more enjoyable for all!

Surname	Hole #
A	1 & 4
B	2
C	3 & 15
D	1 & 4
F	5 & 6
G	5 & 6
H	7
I	1 & 4
J	8 & 11
K	10
L	12
M-Mc	9 & 17
N	8 & 11
O	8 & 11
P	12
Q	13 & 16
R	14
S	13 & 16
T	14
U	15
V,W,X,Y,Z	18



SCOREBOARD

BRIDGE

Wednesday, September 11:

1. Sumi Minami - Roy Tsai
2. Selma Chastaine - Sylvia Rozewicz
- 3/4. Mary LeGrand - Hank Koransky
- 3/4. Alan Waltho - Maureen Waltho

Wednesday, September 13:

1. Jonna Robinson - Roy Tsai
2. Ken Brady - Art Lind
3. Mary LeGrand – Guest

Friday, September 15:

1. Hank Koransky - Jonna Robinson
2. Selma Chastaine - Carol Reid
3. Joe Henry - Roger Lassen



WOMEN'S 9 HOLE

Play for Pink Tournament Winners

Front Nine

First Place Net 27

- Pam Leonard
Bev Murphy
Judy Gerguich
Karen Carlson

Second Place Net 28

- Linda Curyea
Nancy Carson
Anka Hoek

Closest to the pin Hole 4

- Kitty Ohtaka
– 9 ft 5 1/2 inches

Back Nine

First Place Net 29

- Flo Southland
Song Cho
Joyce Mukuno
Suzy Kim

Second Place Net 31

- Carol Haupt
Kathleen Kyne
Pat Smith
Lynn Peters

Closest to the pin Hole 11

- Cynie Jackson
– 1 ft 3 1/2 inches

SHONIS

Tuesday, September 12

All Nets

Flight One:

1. Betty Hall 21
2. Teddy Morse 26
3. Tied – Sue Park and Marty Blinde 28

Flight Two:

1. Lesley Robinson 24
2. Tied - Jonna Robinson and Johanna Bakker 27
3. Fran Schumaker 29

Flight Three:

1. Donna Erickson 16
2. Rose Loy 21
3. Jan Trusso 28

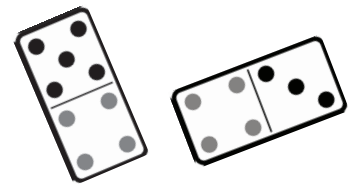
MEXICAN TRAIN DOMINOES

Wednesday, September 13

- Kit Hultquist 198
Shirley Bellavance 212
Sylvia Rozewicz 229
Sandy Gardiner 261

Friday, September 15

- Kit Hultquist 113
Tony Rivera 164
Maribeth Berlie 200
Shirley Bellavance 264



IRONMEN

2023 Ironmen Club Championship

Name	9/7	9/14	Total Net
Flight One:			
1. Al Bruno	27	26	53
2. Sang Nam	23	32	55
3. Victor Hong	26	29	55
4. Dave Hathaway	26	29	55
5. Dave Cook	28	28	56
6. Doug Herring	28	32	60
Flight Two:			
1. Jim White	29	27	56
2. Chuck Benjamin	30	27	57
3. Roger Pyle	28	30	58
4. Jack Bindon	28	31	59
5. Prakash Deshmukh	32	31	63
6. Jerry Juracich	35	34	69
7. Bob Lapidus	34	--	--

BOCCE

Fall Round Robin Week #1

Monday, September 11

10 a.m.	Agitators 1-1	Ball Busters 2-0
	Happy Friends 1-1	Bocce Loopers 0-2
12:30 p.m.	Goombahs 1-1	Charlie's Angels 2-0
	Bocce Rascals 1-1	Bocce Rollers 0-2
3 p.m.	Bloodbath & Beyond 1-1	2B Reckoned With 1-1
	Eager Rollers 1-1	Friskies 1-1

Tuesday, September 13

10 a.m.	La Bocce Vita 1-1	Bocce Pals 2-0
	Team Deboccery 1-1	Troppo Vino 0-2
3 p.m.	GG Bocce 0-2	Bocce Bowlers 1-1
	Bocce Beatles 2-0	Straight Shooters 1-1

Thursday, September 14

10 a.m.	Lady Bugs/Bull Frogs 2-0	Yankee Doodles 2-0
	Baabalooos 0-2	Pallino Pranksters 0-2
3 p.m.	Chewbocce 0-2	I'll Drink to That 1-1
	Rolling Rock 3 2-0	Pallino Seekers 1-1

LANDSCAPE & MAINTENANCE

MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE

Cribari

5077-5089, 5154-5209 and 5234-5249—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control in progress.

5250-5319 and 5384-5399—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control, 9/25-9/29.

Cribari Glen through Cribari Circle—Final front door painting in progress.

Del Lago

3301-3315—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control, 10/23-10/27.

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

Common Areas—Treatment for voles, moles, gophers and ground squirrels (Rozol Vole Bait, Talpirid, Gopher Coetter Type 2 Bait, Rodent Bait Diphacinone .005% and .01%), scheduled for 9/25.

Estates

8809-8875—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control in progress.

8876-8897—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control, 9/25-9/29.

Turf herbicide—broadleaf (Turflon Ester EPA #62719-566), spot weed herbicide spray, scheduled to start the week of 9/25.

Fairways

4001-4024—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control, 10/16-10/20.

Glen Arden

7698-7752 and 7753-7787 (odd)—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control, 10/2-10/6.

Heights

8480-8505—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control, 9/25-9/29.

8499—Water remediation in progress.

8501—Hydro flush and videotaping in planning.

Hermosa

8005-8032, 8100-8121 and around lower Chardonay Lake area—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control, 9/25-9/29.

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

8436—Walk path sinkhole repairs on hold.

Highland

7600-7660, 7711-7715 and 7880-7889—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control in progress.

7574-7598, 7661-7701 and Findhorn Ct.—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control, 9/25-9/29.

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

Montgomery

6001-6068 and 6127-6136—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control in progress.

6079-6126 and 6137-6183—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control, 9/25-9/29.

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

Common Areas—Treatment for voles, moles, gophers and ground squirrels (Rozol Vole Bait, Talpirid, Gopher Coetter Type 2 Bait, Rodent Bait Diphacinone .005% and .01%), scheduled for 9/25.

6043-6045—Exterior repairs in progress.

Olivas

8740-8752, 8769-8807 and Foothill Center—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control, 10/16-10/20.

8713-8716 and 8753-8768—Jet pro chip mulching in progress.

Turf herbicide—broadleaf (Turflon Ester EPA #62719-566), spot weed herbicide spray, scheduled to start the week of 9/25.

8736—Slab leak repairs in progress.

Sonata

2000-2024 and 2032-2064—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control, 10/16-10/20.

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 9/25.

Valle Vista

Parks and Banks—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control in progress.

9001-9014 and 9034-9036—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control, 10/16-10/20.

Verano

7001-7060 and 7395-7404—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control, 10/16-10/20.

Association

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

Irrigation repairs throughout the Villages, in progress.

Shrub beds, cement cracks, random (Roundup Pro Max EPA-524-579), spot weed herbicide spray throughout the districts, ongoing.

Turf herbicide - broadleaf (Turflon Ester EPA #62719-566), spot weed herbicide spray throughout the districts, ongoing.

-Due to ongoing watering restrictions, weather conditions, etc., the turf mowing and edging operation schedule to all Association property areas, will be completed every other week, to avoid/reduce further damage to current severely stressed turf situations.

Club Centers

Shrub beds, cement cracks, (Roundup Pro Max EPA-524-579), spot weed herbicide spray throughout Club Centers, ongoing.

-Due to ongoing watering restrictions, weather conditions, etc., the turf mowing and edging operation schedule to all Club Property areas, will be completed every other week, to avoid/reduce further damage to current severely stressed turf situations.

For Pesticide information on pest control or landscape, please contact Customer Service at (408) 223-4670 or visit the Corporation Yard at 3401 The Villages 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.

Notify Public Safety after the death of a spouse or household member

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

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FROM THE VILLAGES LIBRARY

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

“Romantic Comedy” (Reese’s Book Club) by Curtis Sittenfeld. Sally Milz is a sketch writer for “The Night Owls,” a late-night live comedy show. With a couple of heartbreaks under her belt, she’s long abandoned the search for love, settling instead for the occasional hook-up, career success, and a close relationship with her stepfather to round out a satisfying life. But when Sally’s fellow writer Danny Horst begins dating Annabel, a glamorous actor who guest-hosted the show, he joins the not-so-exclusive group of talented but average-looking and even dorky men at the show—and in society at large—who’ve gotten romantically involved with incredibly beautiful and accomplished women. Sally channels her annoyance into a sketch called the “Danny Horst Rule,” poking fun at this phenomenon while underscoring how unlikely it is that the reverse would ever happen for a woman. Enter Noah Brewster, a pop music sensation, who signed on as both host and musical guest for this week’s show. Sally hits it off with Noah instantly, and as they collaborate, she begins to wonder whether there might actually be sparks flying. But this isn’t a romantic comedy, it’s real life. And in real life, someone like him would never date someone like her...right? Fiction, 2023.

“Saturday Night at the Lakeside Supper Club” by J. Ryan Stradal. Mariel Prager needs a break. Her husband Ned is having an identity crisis, her spunky, beloved restaurant is bleeding money, and her mother Florence is refusing to leave the church where she’s been holed up for more than a week. The Lakeside Supper Club has been in her family for decades, and while Mariel’s grandmother embraced the business, Florence never took to it. When Mariel inherited the restaurant, it created a rift between mother and daughter that never healed. Ned is also an heir—to a chain of home-style diners—and he knows his family’s chain could provide a better future than his wife’s fading restaurant. In the aftermath of a devastating tragedy, Ned and Mariel lose almost everything, and the hard-won victories of each family hang in the balance. With their dreams dashed, can one fractured family find a way to rebuild despite their losses, and will the Lakeside Supper Club be their salvation? Large Print, Fiction, 2023.

“City of Dreams” (Danny Ryan #2) by Don Winslow. On the losing side of a bloody East Coast crime war, Danny Ryan is now on the run. The Mafia, the cops, the FBI all want him dead or in prison. With his little boy, his elderly father and the tattered remnants of his loyal crew of soldiers, he makes the classic American migration to California to start a new life. A quiet, peaceful existence. But the Feds track him down and want Danny to do them a favor that could make him a fortune or kill him. And when Hollywood starts shooting a film based on his former life, Danny demands a piece of the action and begins to rebuild his criminal empire. Then he falls in love. With a beautiful movie star who has a dark past of her own. As their worlds collide in an explosion that could destroy them both, Danny Ryan has to fight for his life in a city where dreams are born. Or where they go to die. Fiction, 2023.

“Earth’s the Right Place for Love” by Elizabeth Berg. Nola McCollum is the most desirable girl in Arthur’s class, and he is thrilled when they become friends. But Arthur wants far more than friendship. Unfortunately, Nola has a crush on the wrong Moses—Arthur’s older brother, Frank, who is busy pursuing his own love interest and avoiding the boys’ father, a war veteran with a drinking problem and a penchant for starting fights. When a sudden tragedy rocks the family’s world, Arthur struggles to come to terms with his grief. In the end, it is nature that helps him to understand how to go on, beyond loss, and create a life of forgiveness and empathy. But what can he do about Nola, who seems confused about what she wants in life, and only half aware of the one who loves her most? Fiction, 2023.

The Villages FY 23/24 Asphalt Project Schedule

Montgomery

- **Concrete Repairs**
All Streets – September 21 through September 22
- **Asphalt Repair, Mill & Pave**
Montgomery Corner, Wehner & Gerdts September 25 through September 27; grinder on September 25
Montgomery Bend & Place September 28 through September 29 & October 2; grinder on September 28
- **Asphalt Cold & Hot Crack Fill**
Blauer & Whaley – October 5
Montgomery Lane north – October 11
Montgomery central – October 12
Montgomery south - October 13
- **Asphalt Seal Coat**
Montgomery Corner, Bend, Court & Lane north – October 17
Montgomery Place, central Lane & Wehner/Gerdts – October 19
Whaley Drive – October 23
Blauer Lane – October 25
- **Asphalt Striping**
All Streets – Coat 1 – October 27
All Streets – Coat 2 – November 3


Seal Coat Schedule

Highlands

- **Hot Crack Fill**
Highlands west (Deveron Court, Morevern Circle, Helmsdale Court, Tayside Court, Caledonia Drive west) – October 9
Highlands East (Halladale Court, Moorfoot Court, Buckhaven Drive, Falkirk Drive, Helmsdale Drive east, Galloway Drive) – October 10
- **Asphalt Repair, Mill & Pave**
Morevern Circle – October 3 through October 4; grinder on October 3
- **Asphalt Seal Coat**
Moorfoot Court, Deveron Court, Morevern Circle, Portree Drive south – October 16
Portree Drive north, Helmsdale Court, Tayside Court, Caledonia Drive west – October 18
Caledonia Drive east, Findhorn Court – October 20
Galloway Drive west, Helmsdale Drive, Falkirk Drive, Buckhaven Drive, Halladale Court, Stoneshire Court – October 24
Galloway Drive to Kilmarnock Drive – October 20
- **Asphalt Striping**
All Streets – Coat 1 – October 27
All Streets – Coat 2 – November 3

Glen Arden

- **Hot Crack Fill**
Prestwick Circle, Beltane Drive – October 5
- **Oil & Sand Preparaton**
Upper Prestwick Circle – October 6
- **Asphalt Repairs**
Upper Prestwick Circle and corner of Beltane Drive & Prestwick Circle – October 3 through October 4
- **Asphalt Seal Coat**
Kilmarnock Drive – October 20
Beltane Drive & Prestwick Circle – October 26
- **Asphalt Striping**
All Streets – Coat 1 – October 27
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In 1995 Adine and her husband Jim Paradis moved to The Villages, where Jim preceded her in death in 2017. In lieu of flowers, friends wanting to express condolences are welcome to donate to Villa Siena, Atten: Staff Christmas fund, 1855 Miramonte Avenue, Mountain View, CA 94040.

A funeral service will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Friday, September 29 at Saint Francis of Assisi Church, 5111 San Felipe Road, San Jose, CA.

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