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Celebrate Craft Month at Crafters Club Boutique

Did you know that March is National Craft month? It's true. In 1994, the Craft & Hobby Association created National Craft Month in an effort to help spotlight the benefits and joys of crafting. And what better way to celebrate than to join us at the Crafters Club Boutique on **Saturday, March 23** at Cribari Center from **10 a.m. to 2 p.m.**! There you will find three rooms full of accomplished crafters showcasing a variety of hand crafted items. Our roster of talented artisans include fabric artists, woodworkers, jewelers, paper crafters, ceramicists, experts in knitting and crochet, holiday decor specialists, flower and wreath designers and mosaic artists. We also have one-of-a-kind specialties such as homemade biscotti, unique succulent gardens, books, poetry, soothing lavender products and fine art. Many of our artists are happy to create personalized products upon request. All of our crafters demonstrate the qualities of fine craftsmanship that the National Craft month seeks to showcase. When you purchase a hand crafted item, you are not only buying a work of art, you are getting a work of heart. Come celebrate National Craft month with us on March 23 and share our love of crafting and creating! We'll be waiting for you at Cribari Center with hot coffee, cookies and lots of new and irresistible treasures!



Last year's Holi celebration

Fairway Drive paving repair completed



Rain or shine—workers finish the paving repair to Villages Fairway Drive Monday, March 11.

Roll up your sleeves for Trail Maintenance Day!

By Gordon Carbonetti

The Hiking Club's Annual Trail Maintenance Day is **Saturday, March 23** from **8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.** Meet at the Foothill Center at 8:30 a.m. where you can join one of the work parties. We'll start with a brief planning session and description of the work to be done. The Villages Maintenance Department will supply two "mules" and drivers to transport us to the trail work locations, and to bring us back to Foothill. Tools will be provided, however, you can bring some of your own favorites if you'd like. Work gloves, boots or sturdy shoes and a bottle of water are recommended.

Also, there will be a free lunch for workers served at Foothill starting at 11:45 a.m. If you have questions relating to the trail maintenance, please contact Gordon Carbonetti at 425-442-7743, carbocrew@yahoo.com, or Dan Kato 408-300-0759, danieljkato@msn.com. Please note, much of the coordination for this effort is being done in advance by Dan Kato, so a big thanks goes to Dan!

Let's be prepared for a great day of improving and celebrating our wonderful Villages trail system. All are welcome to volunteer to work as you need not be a member of the Hiking Club to participate.



General Manager Theresa Ostrander helping out on last year's Trail Maintenance Day.

Celebrate Holi at Villages!

Global Village Community Club invites you and your guests to join us in the Celebration of Holi on **Sunday, March 24** at Vineyard Center from **noon to 4 p.m.** All residents and their guests are welcome. Register ASAP (there is a limit of 40) by sending a text to 650-336-3310 or email to globalvclub@gmail.com

Holi is a very popular Indian wet festival of colors. We will be celebrating it dry and indoors. The festival celebrates the god Krishna, and is popularized as a festival of dance with Krishna's hundreds of devotees (Gopi) in a celestial dance form called "Raas Garba" to experience the divinity. We have invited dancers who will describe the significance of this dance and invite us to learn the steps and join them. An authentic drum player will join, and with prerecorded music and dandiya (fancy sticks) this dance will be performed. Please join us in the potluck of authentic Indian savories and cultural program.

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 email and the subject line must read PULSE LETTER.

2 Pulse letters received this week.
1 Pulse letter not meeting Pulse Letter Requirements.
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. Pulse letters not meeting Pulse Letter Requirements are not shared with anyone outside the CAC, management or Club Board and staff liaisons for the reason of confidentiality.

In regard to the conversation about distribution of *The Villager* electronically. May I suggest a trial period of at least four issues distributed in both digital and print form so residents may have "hands on" experience if it ever comes to a vote.

—George Beck

Something new for your FastLane delivery and submissions

Now FastLane will show up in your inbox at 8 p.m.—and that's every edition! Release of the Pro Shop edition is now on Mondays and the Clubhouse edition comes to you on Sundays, with no FastLane e-delivery on Tuesdays.

The following FastLane editions are now released at 8 p.m. on the following days:

- Monday:** Pro Shop—new day
- Tuesday:** no delivery
- Wednesday:** Open (general info, including Board-approved club events, notices, etc.)
- Thursday:** Community Activities
- Friday:** Boards, committees, BrightView
- Saturday:** Public Works notices
- Sunday:** Clubhouse—new day

FastLane new contact person: Please submit all your FastLane materials to Mariam Ibrahim at mibrahim@the-villages.com. Sign up for the FastLane to keep up to speed on what's happening at The Villages!

Note: Due to content pertaining to all Villagers, Friday and Saturday editions remain automatic opt-in.

Welcome to the Villages Library!

By Sherry Arias, Sherle Frost and Kristie Kayser

Kids today rely on Google for information and amusement. But here at The Villages we can rely on our very own library. New books arrive monthly in regular and large print, chosen from among all the bestsellers. Just turn left when you come through the front door. And if reading has become a bit of a challenge for you, the audio books are behind the front desk. There's also a wall of mystery, fiction and non-fiction large print editions in the backroom. While you're there, take a look through the biography section. Use the computer. And don't forget the puzzles! Some folks just come in for the puzzles.

Haven't found what you want yet? Check out our large paperback area and the regular stacks. Or come to the book sales on Wednesday and Saturday mornings from 10 a.m. to noon. We receive many donations of current bestsellers that are priced well below retail.

Our many devoted library volunteers are always available to assist you. We're open **Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.** Hope to see you there!

Attention Content Contributors: *The Villager* represents the voice of its residents, maintaining the tone of the community as well as the accuracy of all articles. *The Villager* staff works diligently with content contributors to uphold this standard, and in doing so, reserves the right to refuse any content written by Artificial Intelligence (AI) technology and/or deemed factually incorrect—in whole or in part. We request that club articles be submitted with bylines.

DEADLINES

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

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POLICIES

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

The Villages Communications Advisory Committee develops operational plans, reviews rules and policies, and advises the General Manager and Club Board on issues pertaining to *The Villager*, including Pulse letters, Channels 26 and 27, FastLane and the website. Residents having relevant concerns may attend meetings or call committee members by phone: Chair Nick Yannaccone at 408-219-9296, and Co-Chair Debbie Champion at 408-960-6994.

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

Message from the Homeowners' Corporation Board Homeowners' Corporation President's Message

As you look toward spring and perhaps upgrading your front yards to a more water-efficient landscaping, painting your house, etc., remember that you need approval from the Architectural Control Committee to make these upgrades. It's an easy process and your neighbors on the committee turn the applications around quickly. Contact Elissa Caruso at 408-754-1344 for more information.

One other item we want to mention to you is that by leaving your key or entrance code on file with Public Safety, you can assure that in an emergency, entrance to your home is available to emergency personnel. A couple of examples we've seen recently include someone falling in their home and emergency personnel needing to enter to assist them. And there was a fire in one of our homes when the owners were out. Luckily, our general manager was out walking and saw the smoke and another stroke of luck was that the back door was unlocked. Animals inside were rescued and the fire was put out before it was able to spread beyond the kitchen area of the home. We never expect something to happen in our homes, but life happens and we are fortunate to have Public Safety to assist in emergencies. Call Public Safety Administration at 408-239-5246 —option 2 for additional information on leaving your key or entrance code with them.

As we write this, it's cloudy, windy, cold, and rain is expected any minute. However, spring is just around the corner with a lot of wonderful outdoor activities available to us at The Villages. Enjoy!

—Homeowners' Corporation Board

President *Teddy Morse*
 Vice President *Rob Kirschbaum*
 CFO/Treasurer *Brooks Fuller*
 Secretary *Morton Cordell*
 Director *Glen Seidel*

As we look toward the upcoming board elections, it is with a heavy heart that we announce the passing in February of former board director Greg Stewart. Greg served on the board for six years, including president of the board in FY2019-2020. I personally had the privilege of serving five years with Greg. As an insurance broker, Greg's expertise, along with that of former director Julian Rodriguez, was invaluable as the Homeowners' Corporation grappled with the yearly insurance renewal. Greg will be sorely missed by all of us.

Speaking of elections, it's that time of year again when we prepare to vote in May for board directors on all three boards. For the Homeowners' Corporation we have three vacancies with three directors eligible to run again, Brooks Fuller, Morton Cordell and Glen Seidel. Because one position is to complete the term of former director Larry Versaw who is now on the Club Board, there are two, three-year term positions and one, one-year term position. To apply, provide written notice of intent to run to me theodoramorose@outlook.com or Secretary Morton Cordell, morton@silkradassociates.com no later than 5 p.m. on May 1, 2024.

I've served on the Homeowners' Corporation Board for eight years now and I can tell you that it is a rewarding experience. Yes, it demands some commitment to attend meetings (quarterly business meetings of the board, occasional special meetings and three-board meetings). However, I still have time to play golf three times a week. And board service is where you can be a part of taking The Villages into the 21st century and beyond.

The annual meeting is scheduled for June 12 and at that time we'll report on our accomplishments for the year. In the meantime, I hope you'll consider attending not only our quarterly business meetings but Club Board meetings to keep abreast of what's happening in The Villages. Board meeting attendance is how you can participate in continuing The Villages' tradition of being the best place to live for active seniors in the Bay Area.

—Teddy Morse, Homeowners' Corporation Board President

Club Nominating Committee seeks candidates

The Villages Golf and Country Club Board Nominating Committee is actively seeking candidates for election to the Club Board of Directors. The Club Board is responsible for the management of Club operations including, but not limited to, all recreational, social, and cultural events in operation at The Villages, as well as the community centers and adjoining swimming pools, the Clubhouse/Pro Shop complex, the two golf courses, tennis courts, etc.

The Club governing documents provide that there shall be seven directors, and an election will be held during May and June for three director positions to serve three-year terms, and one director position to serve a term of one year. (The one-year term is the final year of a three-year term of a former director due to resignation.)

It's a rewarding experience to participate in the governance of this vibrant community. The Nominating Committee urges all Villages' property owners to consider involvement in the community decisions through service on The Villages Golf and Country Club Board of Directors.

If you are interested in being a candidate, and/or need additional information please contact any of the Club Nominating Committee Members: Vivian Brown vivianbrown1328@comcast.net; Beverly Poellot bpoellot@gmail.com and Julie Wash jwash191@yahoo.com

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



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Thanks, Residents of The Villages. I love being here to help in a community where people are making a difference every day. Thank you for all you do.



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MANAGEMENT

What's it going to take?

By Arlene Versaw

We get it. In general, folks don't like to think about bad things happening. Or they don't believe bad things will, in fact, happen to them or their community. That's denial and complacency in their most basic form. But they can be our worst enemy. Such as when either of them keeps us from taking the necessary steps to keep ourselves safe. Such as when they have us turn a blind eye to warnings that The Villages really does sit on a confluence of earthquake faults. Such as when procrastination is far more attractive and far easier.

But letting denial or complacency get the upper hand is dangerous. Taking action takes effort, but not a lot. And it generally only takes a single one-time effort—to sign up for the Villages Alert System, to check the EPC website for a list of items for a Go-Bag, to determine what route you might take in an evacuation and where you will go to after you evacuate, to plan for how you will deal with your furry family members.

So, what's it going to take? Just one day of commitment. One day that can provide peace of mind that you are ready to face the inevitable. Denial and complacency are much more enticing. Ignoring the steps needed to ensure safety is far easier. But it is not in your best interest nor that of your community.

Visit thevillagesepc.com to get started. It has all the information you need to take this important step. And if you need assistance, we can help. Contact EPC Co-Chair Diane Finley at epc.diane@gmail.com. Act now!



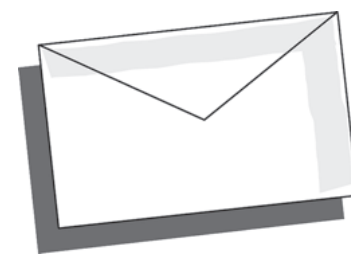
POST OFFICE NOTICE

Post Office services at The Villages

The Villages Post Office is open Monday to Friday from 9 a.m. to noon in the Cribari Center. The Villages Post Office is a contract station operated by The Villages management, not the United States Postal Service.

Due to our Contract Station status and limited storage capacity, we **do not** provide the following services: Boxes other than Priority Mail boxes, envelopes other than Priority Mail envelopes (however, we do carry Priority supplies which are free to our customers), COD services, Express Mail, overseas parcels requiring a customs declaration, registered mail, and foreign parcel post weighing over 1 pound.

The above services are available at any regular U.S. Post Office. The closest are:



- Hillview Station at 2450 Alvin Ave (near 101 and Tully Road)
- Blossom Hill Station at 5706 Cahalan Ave (off Blossom Hill Road)
- Eastridge Station located inside the mall next to JCPenney's first floor
- Passport processing is available at Willow Glen Station at 1750 Meridian Ave.

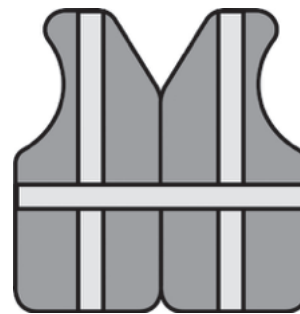
Report Coyote Activity

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

- Public Safety at mhidalgo@the-villages.com and include in email the location day and time of the sighting.
- Contact for Vector Control is Vector.sccgov.org/home. Residents can use this to report coyote / wildlife incidents directly to the county.

Pedestrians: It's good to be seen!

Walking is such a major and needed activity here in The Villages. Let's make sure we keep it that way. When lighting is at a minimum, (dawn or dusk) make sure you are wearing reflective clothing so that drivers can readily see you!



The VMA has yellow/green reflective vests that are free to Villagers and are stored at the VMA office in Cribari. Pick up your complimentary vest during business hours 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Monday to Thursday.

One size fits all. One per household. Go get a vest! Don't be a statistic!

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

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

WHAT I LOVE ABOUT THE VILLAGES

Comcast Appointments for 2024

Continuing in 2024 The Villages' Comcast representative Deisy Gomez, will be hosting 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** from **10 a.m. to 2 p.m.** For access to online calendar use this link: <https://calendly.com/deisygomez1326/the-villages>

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.

Also in 2024, onsite **Wednesday** visits from Comcast/Xfinity at The Villages are listed below.

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| April 10, noon to 2 p.m. | Sequoia Room, Cribari Center |
| May 8, noon to 2 p.m. | Sequoia Room, Cribari Center |
| June 5, noon to 2 p.m. | Sequoia Room, Cribari Center |

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GOVERNANCE MEETINGS

AC NOTICE

Association applications for Owner Alteration Requests for the month of April are due to the Architectural Committee on or before March 22, 2024. Call Elissa at the Corporation Yard office to obtain an application. **Meeting date is scheduled for Thursday, April 4, 2024 at 9 a.m. at Montgomery Center.**

Association AC Landscape meeting deadline date is **March 22, 2024.**

THE DACs

Glen Arden DAC to meet March 18

Glen Arden will hold a DAC meeting on **Monday, March 18 at 4 p.m.** in Montgomery Center. Note the different location and date.

More COMMUNITY NOTICES

(SRS) SENIOR RESOURCE SERVICES

Want to change your Medigap health plan?

By Douglas Campbell, HICAP counselor

This past fall, October 15 through December 7, was the Medicare Annual Enrollment Period (AEP). For Villagers in Traditional Medicare, the important thing to do during AEP is to check through Plan Finder on the Medicare.gov website to be sure that you are in the appropriate Part D drug plan. I talked with many Villagers during AEP in 2023. Many of you switched to D plans that saved significant money on premiums and drug costs.

For a general description of the AEP please visit cahealthadvocates.org/the-basics and click on **Annual Enrollment Period (AEP)**.

Persons in Original (also termed Traditional) Medicare usually also sign up for a Medigap supplement plan in addition to a Part D drug plan. The Medigap plans come in 10 different varieties and price range and cover many if not all of the “gaps” that Medicare does not pay.

A frequent question I am asked: “If and when am I able to change my Medigap supplement plan?”

In California the time to do that is specified by **The Medigap Birthday Rule**. This rule permits a person to change to any equivalent level or lower level Medigap plan on the day of one’s birthday and for the subsequent 60 days. One will not be required to go through health screening in changing plans; you have what is termed **Guaranteed Issue**. So if you are unhappy with your Medigap plan for any reason, for example a steep premium increase, contact us at Sourcewise HICAP and we will send you information and guide you in selecting an appropriate Medigap plan. If you are happy with your Medigap plan, you need to do nothing. The plan will automatically continue as long as you pay the premium each month.

My contact information is dcampbell@mysourcewise.com. If you prefer to leave a phone message rather than email, my direct number at Sourcewise is **408-610-8059**.

HICAP (Health Insurance Counseling & Advocacy Program) is a non-profit volunteer-based counseling program to help senior citizens needing education and assistance with the complexities of Medicare, supplemental health insurance and Health Maintenance Organizations. HICAP is organized under the County’s group called Sourcewise, which provides services for seniors and low-income residents. The HICAP volunteers are overseen by paid County employees.

For information about Medigap plans in California, go to the following link for details beyond what I have time to discuss in this article: cahealthadvocates.org/medigap/

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 villagersrs@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 Reminder:

Get ready for higher RMDs for 2024

Last year’s strong market performance means this year’s Required Minimum Distributions (RMDs) are likely to rise for many. For some, that’s good news. For others, not so much.

RMDs are the amount of money people 73 and older must withdraw from their tax-deferred retirement accounts by year’s end. These distributions are calculated by dividing a retirement account’s value at the end of 2023 by a factor from an IRS distribution table based on the age of the account holder at the end of 2024.

For Villagers who use their RMDs to help pay for living expenses, this year’s increase is a bonus. The higher distribution signifies that your retirement accounts have recovered a good amount of the assets they withdrew the prior year.

But the extra income can also be a problem. It could push you into a higher tax bracket and it might force a surcharge on future Medicare premiums, which are based on past income.

BOARD MEETINGS

Association

• The Villages Association Board of Directors Monthly Board hybrid meeting is **Tuesday, March 26 at 9:30 a.m.** in 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 Regular Meeting is **Tuesday, March 26 at 1:30 p.m.** in Foothill Center and on Zoom. Meeting ID: 961 5036 4740; Passcode: 260616; Dial: 1-669-900-6833

ENCROACHMENTS

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


- 5094 Cribari Place—Walkway.
- 5096 Cribari Place—Walkway.
- 5456 Cribari Green—Handrail.

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

ABOVE & BEYOND

An enormous thank you to the person who dropped off a donation anonymously in my mail tube. Your gift will be used to purchase socks as part of the Pickleball Shoe Collection program for the homeless. You are an amazing person, and are making a difference!


—Anahid Gregg



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COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

The following events are sponsored by The Villages. Please call 408-223-4643 for additional information.

Leave for Marin Adventure with Craig Smith!

Join us for a trip **Thursday, May 9** to some highlights of Marin County led by our longtime tour guide, Craig Smith. We will leave from Cribari East Parking Lot at **8:30 a.m.** with an estimated return time of 4:30 p.m. We will meet Craig at the Ferry Building in San Francisco. From there a short ferry ride through the bay takes us into Downtown Sausalito. Sausalito is a tranquil artist community on the coast with a "small village feel." Craig will give a brief walking tour before giving you time to explore the galleries, boutiques and boardwalks on your own.

Lunch will be at the Sausalito Seahorse which features traditional Tuscan coastal cuisine. Beverage choices are iced tea or water. We will enjoy a three-course meal including:

- Bruschetta (diced tomato, garlic, and basil on homemade toasted bread)

- Rigatoni Semplici (tube pasta, sweet tomato, and basil)

- Half Galletto al Mattone (roasted game hen, potatoes, and mushrooms)

- Tiramisu

After lunch we will head to the Bay Model Visitor Center. The Bay Model is a working hydraulic model of San Francisco Bay, the only one of its kind in the world! The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers built it in 1957 to study impacts on the bay and related waterways. It is now used to educate on tidal flow, water pollution and other bay-related issues. Before heading home, you will stop at the Marin Headlands. This part of Golden Gate National Park has spectacular views of the city and the Golden Gate Bridge.

Activity Level: Moderate (partial bus, boat and walking tour). Due to the Bay Area weather, attire is casual and warm. Gratuity for the driver and guide is included in the price. Additional tipping is at your discretion. Register in Building B during office hours beginning Monday, March 18. Registration ends Friday, April 5 or sooner if spots fill up. The cost is \$113 per person and includes round trip transportation, meal, ferry ticket and escort.



Save date for 2024 Club and Committee Expo

We are thrilled to invite you to The Villages' highly anticipated 2024 Club and Committee Expo, a fantastic opportunity for board recognized organizations and board appointed committees to showcase their organization to our entire community. It's also a great chance to connect with new potential members and recruit fresh talent to your group.

With over 80 community groups at The Villages, you are sure to find an activity, committee, or club that sparks your interest or fuels a newfound passion. Whether you're looking to engage more deeply with our community, meet like-minded individuals, or embark on a new adventure, the Expo promises a wealth of opportunities to connect, explore and grow.

Mark your calendars for **Saturday, May 4**, at Cribari Center and stay tuned for more information. We can't wait to see you there!

Win big with trip to Graton Casino & Resort

On **Tuesday, April 9**, join us for a chance to win big at the Graton Casino and Resort in Sonoma County. We will depart from the Cribari East Parking Lot at **7:30 a.m.** with an estimated return time of 7 p.m. Activity Level: Light activity (mostly seated, long bus ride).

Graton is the largest, most elegant casino in the region. It holds 3,000 state-of-the-art slots, over 100 table games and a live poker room. Non-smoking areas are also available. When not playing, you can enjoy a variety of casual and fine dining options. Fine diners can partake in restaurants like 630 Park Steakhouse, Tony's of North Beach (Italian) and the Boathouse Asian Eatery. More relaxed dining options can be found at the Marketplace, including pizza, a grill, Starbucks, and more.

If interested, a no-cost special rewards membership is an offer where you can get \$25 free slot play. This membership entitles you to a discount at the gift shop among other perks. Additionally, on Tuesdays, people aged 50 and up earn an extra \$10 reward after earning 100 rewards points.

Participants must show valid photo IDs to sign up for a rewards membership and to claim any winnings. If you are unsure if your ID will be accepted, please contact Recreation Services at 408-223-4643. Gratuity for driver is included in price, additional tipping is at your discretion.

The cost per person is \$63 and includes round trip transportation and escort. Register in Building B during business hours. The deadline is Friday, March 15 or sooner if spots fill up.

Take Intro or Beginner-Plus Line Dancing with Nanci

Nanci Pritchard will be teaching two different line dancing classes in Cribari Auditorium on **Tuesdays, April 16 to May 28** (six dates)! Choose from one of the following:

- **Intro to Line Dancing** - These fun line dances to traditional and more popular music will introduce you to basic moves and footwork. This class is held **10 a.m. to 11 a.m.**

- **Beginners-Plus line dance class** - These fun line dances will increase your skills with more advanced moves to faster music. This class is held **9:30 a.m. to 10 a.m.**

Please note: there is no class on April 2 or 9 between sessions and we are skipping May 14.

The total cost is \$25.50 per resident for each six-week class. Register in Building B during business hours beginning Monday, March 18. The deadline is Friday, April 5 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.

Get cooking with Dayna!

Join us for a cooking class on **Monday, April 15**, from **2 to 6 p.m.** in Montgomery Center with chef Dayna Pawlowski of SimpleCIOUS! No experience required. Dayna will provide the ingredients and materials needed to prepare your delicious dishes. The menu for this class will be:

- Brie Persillade with Apricot and Pecan

- Chilled Watermelon, Cucumber and Feta Salad

- Moroccan Crusted Flank Steak with Black Olive Couscous

Once the appetizer is complete you can nosh on it while continuing cooking. Enjoy the rest of the meal family style while clean up takes place. When the class ends, you will be given the recipes you learned to practice more at home for your friends and neighbors. Please note this class is four hours long, but time flies when having fun!

Register in Building B during office hours beginning Monday, March 18. Registration ends Friday, April 5 or sooner if spots fill up. The cost per attendee is \$120 (ingredients and other materials included).

Dayna began simpleCIOUS in 2008 as a catering business and expanded soon after to provide cooking instruction to all ages. Before opening her business, she taught early childhood education. She has a passion for nourishing bodies and souls. She also enjoys showing you how to create good, wholesome food at home. Sign up early as space is limited!

'Funny Girl' trip coming

Join us **Wednesday, May 22** for a trip to the Orpheum Theater to see "Funny Girl"! This is a bittersweet musical comedy that tells the tale of the tough and determined Fanny Brice. Fanny is a girl from the Lower East Side of New York City who dreams of a life on the stage. Will she make it big on Broadway? More information will be in the FastLane and *The Villager* the week of March 22.

RESIDENT EXCURSION PARTICIPATION GUIDELINES

Recreation Services 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 responsible for*

the cost of the activity. All sales are final.

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

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

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

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

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

Let's visit the city to see Fashioning San Francisco and Irving Penn Exhibits

Explore the history of San Francisco through fashion with two amazing exhibits at de Young Museum! On **Wednesday, April 17**, join us for one of the most iconic collections of 20th- and 21st-century women's clothing in the United States. The first major presentation of de Young's costume collection in over 35 years, plus local loans of high fashion and haute couture. It showcases designs from pillars of the fashion industry such as Christina Dior, Alexander McQueen, Comme des Garcons and more. Many items have never been shown before!

Also, you can try on some amazing looks from the collection using the Snapchat Augmented Reality Mirrors. Step right up for this virtual experience and get a good look at your fabulous self in a Yves Saint Laurent piece or Valentino gown!

But wait, there's more! Fashion fans will also enjoy an exhibit of Vogue's longest-standing contributor, Irving Penn's revolutionary fashion photography in the postwar era. He is widely recognized as one of the 20th century's greatest photographers. Using neutral backgrounds, he emphasized models' personalities through their gestures and expressions. The exhibition includes about 175 photographs spanning Penn's nearly 70-year career.

Activity Level: Light to Moderate Activity (benches may or may not be available).

We will depart from Cribari East Parking Lot at 8:30 a.m. with an estimated return time of 3 p.m. The cost is \$80 per person and includes admission, escort, and round-trip transportation; \$46 for Fine Arts Museum of San Francisco (FAMSF) Members.

Admission for the Fashioning San Francisco exhibit, Irving Penn exhibit, Snapchat Augmented Reality Mirrors, and general collections is included in the price. An optional self-guided audio tour for both exhibits is available for an extra \$6. Lunch options include the museum café and outdoor food stands in the area. Gratuity for driver is included in price, additional tipping is at your discretion.

Register in Building B during business hours. Registration deadline is Friday, March 22 or sooner if spots fill up.

New 'Building Your Immunity' class!

Join Natsuko Tsuji on **Wednesday, April 3 from 10 to 11:15 a.m.** in the Sequoia Room for "Building Your Immunity!" Are you getting sick more frequently? Would you like to strengthen your immune system? This class will cover what the immune system is, which nutrients play a role in supporting it, the differences between prebiotics and probiotics, and three ways to boost your defense system through diet. You will also learn cooking and menu planning tips. At the end of the class, Natsuko will share her favorite immunity-boosting recipes.

The cost is \$41 per person. Register in Building B during business hours. Registration deadline is Friday, March 22 or sooner if spots fill up.

Natsuko Tsuji, MS, RDN is a registered dietitian nutritionist and holds a master's degree in Nutritional Science. You may know her as our current Pilates instructor.

St. Patrick's Day Activity: Clover Creations

Shamrocks and clovers are both symbols of St Patrick's Day and Ireland. Shamrocks always have three leaves and can come in colors besides green. Clovers usually have three leaves, but a four-leafed clover is a rare occurrence.

What you will need to make your accessories:

- Green felt
- Scissors
- Gold Ribbon
- A clothing item with buttons

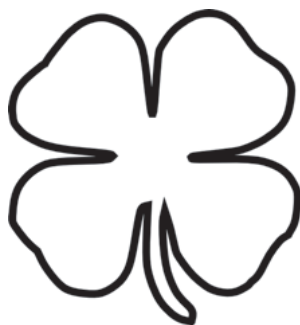
Instructions for Button Cover:

- 1) Use the provided template to draw a clover onto the green felt. Then cut out the shape.
- 2) Fold the clover in half and cut a vertical slit based on the length of your button.
- 3) Button your garment as usual. Slip the clover over the button so it lays behind the button but in front of the fabric.

Instructions for Bracelet/Choker:

- 1) Use the provided template to draw a clover onto the green felt. Then cut out the shape.
- 2) Fold the clover in half and cut two vertical lines according to the width of your ribbon.
- 3) Slide the ribbon through the slits and tie around your wrist or neck. Adjust the length of the ribbon based on how you want to wear it.
- 4) Alternative: Instead of using a ribbon thread a shoelace through the slits before lacing your shoes.

Please send a picture of your creation to The Villages' Recreation Services at recreation@the-villages.com as we would love to see how you wear them. A sample is available for viewing in Building B.



Try new U-Jam Fitness!



Instructor Dominique Martin

Sign up for U-Jam Fitness, a new class being offered on three **Mondays, April 8, 15 and 22** from 10 to 11 a.m. in Cribari Auditorium.

The cost for this class is \$35 (no equipment needed). Register in Building B during business hours. The deadline is Friday, March 29 or sooner if the class fills up.

Taught by Dominique Martin, U-Jam Fitness is an urban dance workout that makes you sweat while having a dance party. The class's world beats, and smooth dance moves will leave you wanting more! No

equipment needed, wear workout-appropriate shoes.

Dominique Martin has had the pleasure of teaching U-Jam since 2010. From small group classes to large events, she enjoys bringing dance fitness with a splash of spunk to all participants! We are trying this new fitness class for a three-class session, let us know what you think

Sign up for new Yoga class!

Sign up for Yoga on **Wednesdays, April 10 to May 15** (six classes) from 10 a.m. – 11 a.m., taught by Mariko Dugay in Cribari Auditorium. The cost is \$68.50 per person (equipment purchased independently as needed, see below).

Register in Building B during business hours. The signup deadline is Friday, March 29 or sooner if class is filled.

This class combines simple sequences to improve body/breathing awareness, flexibility, and range of motion. Standing poses will help strengthen muscles, joints and bones and provide an opportunity to practice balance, flexibility, and mobility. You will also do seated, prone (lying on stomach, face down) or supine (lying on back, face up) postures on the mat. The class offers changes (easier and more advanced). Movement will be done mindfully at a slow pace.

Participants should feel comfortable moving up and down from the mat. This class is appropriate for beginners to seasoned practitioners. A yoga mat must be purchased independently before the first class.

Mariko Dugay is a registered yoga teacher with Yoga Alliance and will soon complete her 500-hour certification. She teaches Gentle Yoga, Mindful Flow Yoga and alignment base Hatha Yoga.

Game Day schedule update

Due to the March 23 Crafters Boutique event, the Redwood Room and Terrace Room Lounge will not be available after **11 a.m., Friday, March 22**. The regular Game Day schedule will resume **Monday, March 25**.

Game Day is the time for drop-in game playing in the Redwood Room and Terrace Room Lounge at Cribari Center. No games materials are provided, but groups are known to play bridge, Mah Jong, poker and more in these spaces. The normal game day schedule is Monday through Thursday from 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. and Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Outside of Game Day drop-ins, these rooms are available by reservation only.



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

Soup of the Day



For the week of 3/18 to 3/24

Monday, March 18

Lentil

Tuesday, March 19

Chicken and Rice

Wednesday, March 20

Cream of Mushroom

Thursday, March 21

Chicken and Corn Chowder

Friday, March 22

Seafood Chowder

Saturday, March 23

Chef's Choice

Sunday, March 24

Chef's Choice

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

The following details will be in effect at the Clubhouse:

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

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.

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.

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.

To access all Clubhouse menus, hours of operation, reservation information, specials and special offers, please scan this QR code with your phone



Take your cell phone, press the camera icon and frame the QR code to access the Clubhouse web pages



**Or see all menus on the Resident Portal:
thevillagesgcc.com**

Weekly Specials

For the week of 3/18 to 3/24

Breakfast Special:

Tuesday 3/19 to Sunday 3/24

California Eggs Benedict: Two Poached Eggs, Avocado, Bacon and Cheese on an English Muffin with Hollandaise Sauce with Choice of Breakfast Side **\$14.95**

Lunch Specials:

Monday 3/18 to Sunday 3/24—11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Tempura Prawns: Batter Dipped Prawns and Broccoli with a Pineapple Sauce served over Rice **\$16.95**

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

Dinner Specials:

Tuesday 3/19 to Sunday 3/24—5 p.m. to 8 p.m. (Last Seating)

Five Point Salad: Prosciutto Wrapped Asparagus, Hearts of Palm, Bay Shrimp and Goat Cheese over Greens with Balsamic Vinaigrette **\$28.95**

Seared Scallops: In a Garlic Bordelaise Sauce with Choice of Sides **\$27.50**

Clubhouse Indoor, Patio Dining and Curbside Hours of Operation

Monday

Lunch:

11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Bistro Menu

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

Tuesday to Friday

Breakfast:

8 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Lunch:

11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Bistro Menu:

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

Dinner Menu:

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

Saturday and Sunday

Saturday Breakfast:

7 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Sunday Breakfast:

7 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Lunch:

11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Bistro Menu:

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

Dinner Menu:

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

Main phone line: 408-223-4687

Reservation: Press #1, Curbside Order and Pick-up: Press #2

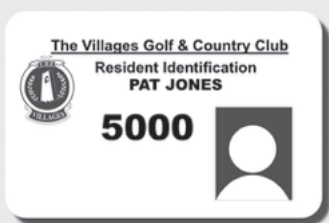
Manager on duty: Press #4, Events and Catering: Press #5

Online

Reservation or Curbside Order: Clubhouserreservation.com

Email: theclubhouse@the-villages.com

Please remember to bring your Villages ID Card with you whenever ordering services at the Clubhouse or Curbside Services. This will help us serve you faster and eliminate inaccurate charges. Thank you.




Whole Rotisserie Chicken

Order between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. For pickup between 5 and 7:30 p.m.

New Price \$9.95 plus Service Charge & Tax

408.223.4687 opt 2 or online at clubhouserreservation.com

Click for more information

Clubhouse Special Offers

No corkage will be charged Wednesdays & Thursdays—Dinner service only.



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

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

Single Diners' Night



Let's dine together every Wednesday at 5 p.m.

Shared table. Bring your favorite wine to share with no corkage! Free corkage will be applied with purchase from the Lighter Side and Dinner Entrées from the Dinner Menu. Please make reservations and note: "Single Diners' Reservation"



Buy One Appetizer*, Get One Half-Off!

Appetizer Special in effect 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. Monday - Friday

* Item must be of equal or lesser value.

Service charge and taxes still applied to all items.

For dine-in customers only.

5 5 5 Bistro Happy Hour

2 to 5 p.m. Tuesday to Sunday, All Day on Monday



\$5 House Cocktails

\$5 House Wines

\$5 Draft Beers 16 oz.

Price subject to service charge and tax

Online Meal Ordering

A fast and convenient way to order meals from the Clubhouse—Phone/Tablet/Desktop



To help streamline the process of ordering, the Clubhouse will now have, in addition to phone orders, an online meal ordering system. The system will be a fast and easy way for guests to choose meals and pickup times for their orders. This will also be a great way for golfers to order a meal from their phones while still on the course.

Happy St. Patrick's Day

Join Us at the Bistro

Saturday March 16 & Sunday March 17
11 a.m. to Close

\$4 specials

Guinness Draught

Irish Whiskey Specials



Corned Beef and Cabbage

Lunch Portion \$21.95

Dinner Portion \$25.95



Leprechaun Dessert Specials \$4

Also Available for Curbside Pick Up

HAPPY Easter



Clubhouse – Sunday, March 31, 2024
Two Seatings — 10:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.

Easter Brunch Buffet Menu

Breakfast Pastries Station

Croissants, Danish, Fruit, Nut Loaves, Scones
Assorted Donuts, Mini Muffins & Mini Beignets

Display Stations

Fruit Kabobs and Fresh Fruit Display
Domestic and Imported Cheese Display
Easter Egg Candies

Salad Stations

-Baby Spring Mix, Baby Arugula, Romaine Leaves and Baby Spinach
-Assorted Cherry Tomatoes, Assorted Radishes, Cucumbers, Sprouts
Beets, Red Onions, Herbed Croutons, Strawberries, Artichoke Hearts,
Mandarin Orange Segments, Chopped Walnuts,
Feta Goat Cheese, Shaved Romano Cheese and Tri Color Peppers

Seafood Display

-Smoked Salmon with Capers, Cream Cheese, Bermuda Onions,
Egg Whites and Mini Bagels.
Bay Shrimp Gazpacho Shooters, Peel and Eat Prawns

Carving Stations Featuring

Bone-In Virginia Ham and Prime Rib

Under the Chafers

Scrambled Eggs
Country Fried Potatoes
Pork Links, and Hickory Smoked Bacon
Eggs Benedict and Cheese Blintz
Salmon with Creamy Dill Sauce
Rosemary and Thyme Braised Leg of Lamb
Wild and Herb Rice Pilaf
Vegetable Medley

Desserts Display

Assorted Cakes, Pies, Fruit Tarts, Mini Macaroons, Eclairs,
Assorted Churros, Petite Cheesecakes and Petit Fours

Beverages

Orange, Cranberry and Apple Juice, Lemonade, Coffee and Tea
Includes One Glass of Champagne or Mimosa

\$67.95 plus service charge and tax per person
Children 5-12 - \$24.95 plus service charge and tax per person
Children 4 and under free

**RESERVATIONS REQUIRED – call 408-754-1339 or
e-mail: theclubhouse@the-villages.com**

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Friday, March 15

| | | |
|------------|--------------------------|-----|
| 8:30 a.m. | Jazzercise | A |
| 9 a.m. | Catholic Mass | CR |
| 9 a.m. | Chinese Morning Exercise | P |
| 9 a.m. | Game Day | RED |
| 9 a.m. | SRS Tax Prep Service | VC |
| 9 a.m. | Table Tennis Practices | MMP |
| 10 a.m. | Art&Craft Member Studio | AR |
| 10 a.m. | Line Dance | A |
| 10 a.m. | Quilters | PR |
| 10:30 a.m. | Tennis Club USTA A | TS |
| 12:30 p.m. | Bridge Club | RED |
| 2 p.m. | Open Studio | AR |
| 3 p.m. | Handbell Ensemble | CR |
| 6 p.m. | Line Dance | VC |
| 6:30 p.m. | Mexican Train Dominoes | MC |
| 7:15 p.m. | Jewish Shabbat | FC |

Saturday, March 16

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| 9 a.m. | Table Tennis | MMP |
| 9 a.m. | Tai Chi | CR |
| 9 a.m. | Prescott Tennis Tourn. | TS |
| 10 a.m. | Quilters | PR |
| 10 a.m. | Saturday Sing Along | SEQ |

Sunday, March 17

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| 7:30 a.m. | Catholic Choir | CR |
| 8:15 a.m. | Catholic Mass | A |
| 9 a.m. | Community Chapel Choir | SEQ |
| 9 a.m. | Episcopal Church Service | MC |
| 9 a.m. | Table Tennis | MMP |
| 10 a.m. | Community Chapel | A |
| 10 a.m. | Quilters | PR |
| 2 p.m. | Chinese Club Demo | MC |
| 7 p.m. | Spring Show Rehearsal | A |

Monday, March 18

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|------------|--------------------------|-----|
| 8:30 a.m. | Jazzercise | A |
| 9 a.m. | Chinese Morning Exercise | P |
| 9 a.m. | Game Day | RED |
| 9 a.m. | Table Tennis Practices | MMP |
| 10 a.m. | Art&Craft Member Studio | AR |
| 10:30 a.m. | VMA Grief Support | SEQ |
| 1 p.m. | Stitchery | PR |
| 2 p.m. | Open Studio | AR |
| 2 p.m. | Language Assistance EPC | SEQ |
| 2 p.m. | Spring Show Rehearsal | A |
| 4 p.m. | Glen Arden DAC | MC |
| 5:30 p.m. | Village Dancers 1 | A |
| 5:30 p.m. | Older Wine Lovers (OWLS) | FC |

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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| 7 p.m. | Duplicate Bridge | RED | 6:30 p.m. | Village Voices Rehearsal | FC |
| 7 p.m. | Chess Study Group | SEQ | 7 p.m. | Duplicate Bridge | RED |
| | | | 7 p.m. | Wellness & Spirituality | CR |
| | | | 7 p.m. | Village Dancers 3 | VC |

Tuesday, March 19

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| 8 a.m. | Tai Chi Group 1 | CR |
| 8:45 a.m. | Tai Chi Group 2 | CR |
| 9 a.m. | Game Day | RED |
| 9 a.m. | Table Tennis | MMP |
| 9:30 a.m. | Line Dance | A |
| 10 a.m. | Art Class | AR |
| 10 a.m. | Intro to Line Dance | A |
| 10 a.m. | Mat Pilates | CR |
| 10 a.m. | Ukulele Club | PR |
| 10 a.m. | VMA Health Program | MC |
| 10:30 a.m. | Lay Board Meeting | F |
| 11:30 a.m. | LSAL Fitness | A |
| 2 p.m. | Open Studio | AR |
| 2 p.m. | Piano Open Studio | A |
| 2 p.m. | Senior Academy | FC |
| 2 p.m. | Spring Show Rehearsal | VC |
| 3 p.m. | FLaME Cmte. | SEQ |
| 3 p.m. | Study Group Board | F |
| 3:30 p.m. | Village Voices Board | PR |
| 4 p.m. | EVF Flights & Bites | CH |
| 6 p.m. | Desi Social Hour | SEQ |
| 7 p.m. | Camera Club | FC |
| 7 p.m. | Concert Band Rehearsal | A |

Wednesday, March 20

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| 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 |
| 9:15 a.m. | VMA Board | MC |
| 10 a.m. | Art Class | AR |
| 10 a.m. | Yoga | A |
| 11 a.m. | Friends of SJSU Lunch | CH |
| 2 p.m. | Open Studio | AR |
| 2 p.m. | Spring Show Rehearsal | A |
| 5:30 p.m. | Village Dancers 2 | A |
| 6:30 p.m. | Mexican Train Dominoes | MC |

Thursday, March 21

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| 9 a.m. | Tai Chi Group | CR |
| 9 a.m. | Game Day | RED |
| 9 a.m. | Table Tennis | MMP |
| 9:30 a.m. | Hiking Club Board | F |
| 10 a.m. | Art Class | AR |
| 10 a.m. | Line Dance | CR |
| 10 a.m. | LSAL Fitness | A |
| 10 a.m. | VMA Parkinson's Support | SEQ |
| 10:30 a.m. | VMA Health Program | PR |
| 11:30 a.m. | 18 Hole Wm.Golf Lunch | CH |
| 1 p.m. | Bible Small Group | SEQ |
| 1:30 p.m. | Opera Lovers | MC |
| 1:30 p.m. | Senior Academy Board | F |
| 1:30 p.m. | Ukulele Club | VC |
| 2 p.m. | Open Studio | AR |
| 3 p.m. | Community Chapel Choir | CR |
| 4 p.m. | EVF Flights & Bites | CH |
| 4:30 p.m. | Sustainable Villages | SEQ |
| 7 p.m. | Catholic Choir | VC |
| 7 p.m. | Spring Show Rehearsal | A |

Friday, March 22

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| 8:30 a.m. | Jazzercise | A |
| 9 a.m. | Chinese Morning Exercise | P |
| 9 a.m. | Game Day | RED |
| 9 a.m. | SRS Tax Prep Service | FC |
| 9 a.m. | Table Tennis | MMP |
| 10 a.m. | Art&Craft Member Studio | AR |
| 10 a.m. | Line Dance | A |
| 10 a.m. | Quilters | PR |
| 10 a.m. | Bridge Club | RED |
| 1 p.m. | Bocce Club | MC |
| 2 p.m. | Open Studio | AR |
| 6 p.m. | Line Dance | VC |
| 6:30 p.m. | Mexican Train Dominoes | MC |

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Upcoming 2024 Programs

For these events, register online at vmavillages.vgcc.club or call 408-238-4029.

Hearing Aid Clean and Check – Hearing Life will offer free checks of your hearing aids on **Tuesday, March 19** from **10 a.m.** to **noon** in Montgomery Center. Please call to register for a time.

Clear Captions – Pizza & Learn, Elli Tehrani will show how one can see captions of what your caller is saying, on the phone, at no cost to qualified users. Join her for pizza **Monday, March 25** at **1 p.m.** in the Sequoia Room.

How Can I Help? Bonnie Grim, Service Coordinator for the VMA will offer an in-depth look at how she helps link Villagers and their families to community resources and social service providers on **Thursday, March 28** at **1 p.m.** in the Sequoia Room.

Support Groups

Grief Support Group: Chaplain Dale Poland, M.Div, BCC - from Hospice of the Valley-Sutter Health. The group will have a two-week break and resume **Monday, March 18, 10:30 a.m.** to **noon** in the Sequoia Room. Please call 408-238-4029 with any questions.

Caregiver Support Group: Judith London Ph.D. conducts the monthly group where caregivers meet to share, listen and learn. **Note date change: Thursday, March 21** at **10:30 a.m.** to **noon** 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 who are caring for those with Parkinson's. Meetings take place the third Thursday of every month. The next one is **March 21** at **10 a.m.** in the—note room change—Sequoia Room. No need to register, all welcome.



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

**Fire Safety
Town Hall (2023)**
Daily
12:00 & 6:00

**The Villages
Landscape &
Functional Turf
(2023)**
Daily
1:45 & 7:45

**Aerial Views of
The Villages (2015)**
Daily
2:30, 5:30, 8:30 & 11:30

**Avoiding Senior
Scams (2014)**
Daily
3:00 & 9:00

**Welcome to
Our Website (2021)**
Daily
5:15 & 11:15



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resident.thevillagesgcc.com

CLUBS & EVENTS

Explore sports photography: shoot the pros and your grandkids!

By Rich James

Sports are everywhere in our Bay Area and what better way to capture the moments but through taking photos of your grandkids or friends? Find out how to get the best out of your images at the Villages Camera Club program on **Tuesday, March 19 at 7 p.m.** at Foothill Center.



Our presenters will be Brandon Vallance and Sean Penello. Brandon is a freelance photographer based in the Bay Area who primarily photographs sports of all types. In addition, Brandon also specializes in portrait and illustration features. Brandon currently works with the Santa Cruz Sentinel newspaper and has been featured in local news outlets throughout the greater Bay Area. His passion is driven by the freedom to be creative while out in the field.

Sean Penello is a graduate of San Jose State University's photojournalism department and an award-winning photographer from both his college and newspaper career. Currently, Sean shares his passion for storytelling as San Jose Camera and Video's special project coordinator. He organizes events and classes for San Jose Camera's community of photographers and storytellers so that they can share and expand their passion for visual storytelling.

Whether you use a smartphone or professional camera, we invite anyone who wants to explore the world of sports photography. If you are not a member of the Camera Club and wish to attend, please contact Sy Gelman at s.gelman@gmail.com.

Opera Lovers to present 'Otello'

On **Thursday, March 21 at 1:30 p.m.** in Montgomery Center, The Villages Music Society's Opera Lovers will present "Otello" by Giuseppe Verdi.

Legendary Italian director Franco Zeffirelli and renowned tenor Placido Domingo unite their mighty talents for this gorgeous production of composer Giuseppe Verdi's classic opera based on Shakespeare's timeless, tragic masterpiece "Othello."

Victorious general Otello (Domingo) returns in triumph to his adopted city of Venice after vanquishing its foes at sea. However, not everyone is poised to give him a hero's welcome. Even as his beautiful wife Desdemona (Katia Ricciarelli) lavishes him with affection, Iago (Justino Diaz), a disgruntled ensign, plots his downfall. And, when Iago uses Otello's own madly jealous nature against him, he drives an irreparable wedge between husband and wife—with devastating consequences.

Filmed in Heraklion, Crete, the setting is unbeatable, and Placido Domingo, in one of his signature roles, is at his glorious best vocally. The drama is heavy but the music soars.

All Villagers are welcome to attend; no registration is required. For additional information, please call Mary Stradner at (408) 887-3293. Also visit VillagesMusicSociety.org for information about VMS events.

If you need a ride to and from this event, please contact The Villages Medical Auxiliary at (408) 238-4230 as soon as possible to schedule your transportation. Please tell them that this opera lasts 2 hours 10 minutes.



Macintosh Users Group to meet March 20



The Macintosh Users Group will have a Zoom meeting at **3 p.m.** this **Wednesday, March 20.** (Please note: a recent FastLane contained an incorrect date.) We will be meeting by Zoom for at least six months when possible. Contact Larry Roben, club treasurer, if you wish to be given the link to join our meetings. Give Larry your address, phone number and email address. His phone number is 408-218-0851 and email is larryroben21@gmail.com.

See what your phone caller is saying

By Barbara Zahner

"Sorry, could you repeat that number?" Try as you might, you miss numbers, dates, moments, and messages in your phone calls. Elli Tehrani, a specialist for ClearCaptions, wants to treat you to pizza and let you know about a free service for those who qualify: real-time captioning as you speak on the telephone. With this feature on your cell and home phone, you can:

- Stay connected and read (and re-read) the words of your loved ones.
- Have clearer phone conversations catching every word.
- Maintain your independence and not need help with phone calls.

In short: in real time, you will see what you say and what your caller says. You will also have an emergency weather alert system from FEMA.

Join "VMA Presents: Lunch & Learn" hosted by Elli Tehrani from ClearCaptions on **Monday, March 25** in the Sequoia Room from 1 to 2 p.m.

ClearCaptions is free for customers who are qualified through Title IV of the Americans for Disability Act. These laws were created so people with hearing loss disabilities can access their phone calls. Telephone companies and internet providers contribute to the fund to help service providers, such as ClearCaptions make this service available to you.

Ready to learn more and enjoy pizza? Join Elli Tehrani on March 25. Reserve your spot now online by visiting VMAvillages.vgcc.club or calling 408-238-4029.



Montgomery Ladies Luncheon Saturday, March 23 from 11:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

Clubhouse Fairway Room

\$35 per person. One guest welcome per Montgomery resident

Choice of:

Chicken Crepe, Wild Rice, Asparagus with Red Bell Pepper Garnish
Spinach, Mushroom and Cheese Crepe, Wild Rice,
Asparagus with Red Bell Pepper Garnish
Vegetable Quiche with Fruit Cup
All entrees include Butter Lettuce with Mandarin Oranges
& Almonds Salad and Creme Brulee
Complimentary Mimosa

Life Coach Kim Silverman will give a presentation on "Transforming Your Mindset: Practical Tips for Positive Change" Kim will guide us through four crucial steps to shift from negative self-talk to a more positive and balanced way of thinking.

RSVP with entrée choice by **March 19** to Celia Schiffner at montgomeryvillagefun@gmail.com
Include names of all attendees, house number for payment, and phone number.

No refunds after March 15.

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Join Movie Study Group's monthly film discussion



Every month, join The Villages Study Groups Club's "Movie Study Group" as a member of "The Movie Study Group" volunteers to both select the movie and lead the discussion.

At its recent meeting on Friday, February 24, there were over 40 in attendance, including several new members and one prospective member. The discussion centered on the movie

"Where The Crawdads Sing" and was led by Barbara Berman. Her stimulating questions brought forth a lively response from the attendees.

In addition to the movie group, The Villages Study Groups Club has many other groups that are available to our members. For further information on these great groups check our website at studygroups.vgcc.club

Correction: Last week's Villager featured an incorrect photo with the Movie Study Group. The correct photos appear this week.



VMA to present 'How Can I Help?' with Bonnie Grim

By Barbara Zahner

What happens behind Bonnie's closed door in the VMA office? On **Thursday, March 28**, from **1 to 2 p.m.** in the Montgomery Center, VMA Service Coordinator Bonnie Grim, MS will present "How Can I Help?" She will discuss the ins and outs of her 25-hours-per-week position. Bonnie notes her job has three primary functions:



- Information and Referral for residents and families
- Advocate and counselor for individuals, families, and concerned friends of residents
- Program Developer for education and well-being of our residents

"I love working with the residents of The Villages. I love the positivity of the community and of our VMA volunteers," Bonnie said. "It is gratifying to see how we work as a team, so residents remain safely and independently in their homes, for as long as possible."

The VMA initiated service coordination for residents in 1992. Bonnie holds degrees in Sociology and Dietetics and Nutrition.

Previously, Bonnie worked for Jewish Family Services, home health care agencies, and as a Geriatric/Life Care Manager.

Join Bonnie Grim to answer your questions about the assistance of our Resident Services Coordinator. In one hour, Bonnie will explain how she works with our residents, how she ensures confidentiality, and her insights into independence and interdependence in living in The Villages.

Register now for "How Can I Help?" by visiting VMAvillages.vgcc.club or calling 408-238-4029.

Get James Taggart's prints at Art in the Park

By Tere Barbella and Diane Finley

We live in one of nature's most beautiful areas in California and are blessed to have some exceptionally talented people who can capture that beauty through their art. James Taggart is one of those. As a new member of the Villages Arts and Crafts Association, James shares his love and talent for photography with others. He grew up watching his dad dabble in illustration and then became a fine arts major in college. His fascination with photography grew when he got his first camera and realized that he had a knack for capturing images on film. His photos are a mix of travel pictures and local wildlife. He also experiments with abstraction as he is inspired by 20th century art and the Abstract Expressionists in particular.

James will be selling his professionally produced prints on archival paper and metal and his pieces range from notecards to large prints. You won't want to miss an opportunity to bring some Bay Area beauty into your own home through his unique work!

Mark your calendars for this very popular *free* event: Art in the Park on **Saturday, April 20** from **10 a.m. to 2 p.m.** at Gazebo Park. All Villagers and their guests are welcome. Sorry—no pets, please.



Learn about Heli-Hiking in British Columbia

The Hiking Club's March 25th speaker is Villages resident and Hiking Club member Nancy Hooton. Nancy will share her amazing



mountain adventures while Heli-hiking with Canadian Mountain Holidays in British Columbia. She will share her helicopter trips to pristine, crowd-free locations led by experienced,

professional guides. Photos will be shown of mountain vistas, glaciers, wildflowers and wildlife. Her evenings included relaxing and recuperating in amenity filled lodges and fine dining.

The Hiking Club meeting will be held on **Monday, March 25 at 7 p.m.** (new start time for 2024) at Foothill Center. The program will follow a short business meeting and a break for socializing with snacks and beverages. The meeting is free and all Villagers are welcome to attend.

Cat and dog owners—come learn about vet network

By Bette Loomis

Cat and dog owners are invited to come and learn about MedVet Silicon Valley at the Cat Club meeting on **Monday, March 25, from 2 to 3 p.m.** in the Foothill Center. MedVet is the leading veterinarian-owned network and family of veterinary specialists, emergency and urgent care practices. Think of it as an extension of your family veterinarian; even when your regular practice is closed, MedVet is open at all hours. Come hear from a team on the fourth Monday in March. There is limited seating. Secure your seat by emailing villagescatclub5@gmail.com



Are you a member yet?

Are you a member yet? What are you waiting for? Join today.



The Villages Study Groups Club is open to all Villages residents. It is designed for you to make new friends, join new activities, and most importantly have a good time! The club offers the members many varied study groups, such as current events, day trips, reading groups, chess group, movie group

and more to come.

For more information about our exciting club, and to join, visit our website at studygroups.vgcc.club

Please contact the study group facilitator for any study groups you are interested in.

For general questions, contact Judy Rogers at judy.rogers488@gmail.com or 408-223-9020

For study groups questions, contact Josephine (Joey) Stern at sternjo@pacbell.net or 408-238-4890



THE VILLAGES STUDY GROUPS CLUB
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www.studygroups.vgcc.club

Calling all watercolorists

Ciel Duke will be teaching a four-week Intermediate Watercolor class, on **Wednesdays, April 3, 10, 17 and 24**, from **10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.** “Springtime is an excellent time of year to paint watercolors,” said Ciel. “The colors of the sky, the hills, trees and mountains just beg to be painted!”



Each 2.5 hour class includes a brief lecture on a new watercolor technique followed by a demonstration. Students then use the new technique to complete their own painting. Emphasis will be placed on establishing your own artistic style, which is something that just “happens naturally” with more and more painting experience, according to Ciel. Since watercolor is a spontaneous, fairly fast process, students will complete one or possibly two

paintings per class. At the conclusion of each class, paintings are displayed for comments. This process always produces unexpected benefits, as students see the many ways others have interpreted the same subject along with the thrill of receiving sincere compliments on their own work!

Prerequisite: Prior experience in watercolor, either in Ciel’s Beginning Watercolor class or elsewhere. The cost is \$120 and includes all materials and supplies. If you have a favorite brush, feel free to bring it. For more variety in brushes, visit <https://a.co/d/OZxExns>

Ciel’s popular classes always fill up quickly, so don’t delay in contacting Barb Gottesman, Art Classes Coordinator, at barb.gottesman@gmail.com to register.

Calling all artists!

Are you an artist? Are you a crafter? Do you make things? Join us to show and sell your items at Art in the Park. It’s a fun art sale at Gazebo Park where artists set up on the picnic tables as hundreds of Villagers and their friends and families come out to shop. Sponsored by the Villages Arts & Crafts Association, Art in the Park is scheduled for **Saturday, April 20** at Gazebo Park from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Event contracts are available online at villagesartsandcrafts.org
For more information, contact Diane Finley at dianefinley1@gmail.com

Musical Celebrations for Holy Week

You are invited to attend the Villages Community Chapel’s musical celebration services for Holy Week. Plan to begin your observance of Holy Week by attending the Chapel’s Palm Sunday service on **Sunday morning, March 24** at 10 a.m. in Cribari Auditorium. This service remembers and honors Christ’s triumphal entrance into Jerusalem on the back of a donkey where he is proclaimed as King of the Jews.

Our second musical celebration service will be on **Maundy Thursday, March 28** at 7 p.m. in Cribari Auditorium. This service acknowledges the night of the Last Supper and Christ’s betrayal by Judas in the Garden of Gethsemane. Our musical offerings also focus on Christ’s trial and crucifixion on the following day which is called Good Friday.

Easter Sunday morning, March 31 will be celebrated at 10 a.m. in Cribari Auditorium with a very special Easter Cantata titled “The Easter Story.” Written by Tom Fettke and Thomas Grassi, it tells the complete Easter story in narration and song. Our musical soloists will be Madeline Yannaconne, Caroline Baker, and Chris Leisy. Narrators will be Nick Yannacone and Diana Hallock. In addition, our special Easter offertory soloist will be Kathryn Nymoan.

Please put these dates on your calendar and plan to join your neighbors and friends in Cribari Auditorium as we observe Holy Week and conclude it with a joyous musical celebration of Easter.



Save the Date:

Hermosa/Heights presents
Mardi Gras Party
Saturday, April 27, 5:30 p.m.,
Foothill Center
Food catered by Poorhouse Bistro

Mardi Gras Fun Fact:

Did you know that Mardi Gras stands for “Fat Tuesday” in French? “Mardi” means Tuesday and “gras” means fat.



Senior Academy’s second quarter just around the corner

By Arlene Versaw

We hope that you have enjoyed the programs we’ve presented so far this year. As we slip into the next quarter of 2024, it’s time to release the Senior Academy calendar for April to June. As always, our presentations are diverse and designed to entertain, educate and inform. Here’s what’s in store for the next three months:

April 10 brings you wildlife photographer Joan Sparks with her introduction to brown bears in Alaska and the “warlords of the sky”—the impressive raptors—owls, hawks, falcons, eagles and vultures. Villager John Trudeau will return on **April 19** with a repeat of his popular discussion of Patagonia that was so well-attended we had to close attendance and could not accommodate all who wanted to come.

In May, we’ll bring you a discussion of Artificial Intelligence (**May 12**) by a San Jose University associate professor of computer science who will touch on ethical considerations, its relationship to healthcare for seniors and cognitive assistance, for example. We’ll also present an Evolution of Silicon Valley (**May 29**), a look at the Valley of the Heart’s Delight and how the community’s sense of place evolved in the transition from rural, agricultural lands to a major technological center.

June is all about foreign places: A brief history of exploration in Antarctica—Follow the explorers, sealers and whalers to this remote region and learn about what they discovered (**June 6**) and experience an inside look at the culturally rich Buenos Aires (**June 18**).

And, of course, each month, Technology Explorers will present intriguing topics from the worlds of science and technology (**April 1, May 5 and June 3**).

So, watch this space for details and guidance on how to register, and plan on joining us.

VAT to produce ‘Man of La Mancha’

By Nancy Keane

The Villages Amateur Theatre group is excited to bring to the stage this musical production of “Man of La Mancha.”



“Man of La Mancha” is a 1965 musical with a book by Dale Wasserman. It tells the story of the “mad” knight, Don Quixote, as a play within a play, performed by Cervantes and his fellow prisoners as he awaits a hearing with the Spanish Inquisition. The work is not and does not pretend to be a faithful rendition of either Cervantes’ life or Don Quixote.

Don Quixote is an elderly gentleman from the region of La Mancha in central Spain. Obsessed with the chivalrous ideals touted in books he has read, he decides to take up his lance and sword to defend the helpless and destroy the wicked.

At its heart, “Man of La Mancha” is about the 1960s, and by extension, about any time of political unrest—including today—and it is about

the responsibility of each of us to make the world a better place than we found it. The beautiful song, “The Impossible Dream” is central to this theme and will bring tears to your eyes with the inspiring lyrics.

Please mark your calendars for **Friday, April 26 at 7:30 p.m.**, and **Saturday, April 27 and Sunday, April 28 at 2:30 p.m.** in Cribari Auditorium. Tickets will be on sale in the Redwood Room on Saturdays, April 13 and 20 from 9 a.m. to noon.

Ways to recycle plastic bottles

By Toni Thunen, Sustainable Villages Community

In the spirit of best recycling practices with a bit of an additional benefit, you might consider taking your plastic bottles to the local CVS located at San Felipe and Yerba Buena Road. Count the number of plastic bottles and place them in a paper bags. The manager at CVS says that 50 bottles in a bag is what they usually take. You will be able to get back the CRV redemption amount charged when the items were purchased. Generally you can expect \$1.32 per pound (24.3 bottles).

While most of us are familiar with aluminum can recycling efforts of the VMA here at The Villages, plastic bottles/containers are currently not part of that effort. Those items should be placed into the recycling bin whose contents are then sorted. While the recycling effort by the City of San Jose attempts to make the best effort, many plastic items are likely missed amidst the millions of pounds of “our” recycled items each week.

CRV recycling sites may be difficult to come by, so our local CVS is very convenient for Villagers. (Go to the calrecycle.gov web site for more information.)

For more information about the Sustainable Villages Community, visit our website at sustainablevillagescommunity.org



RELIGION

JEWISH COMMUNITY

Friday night Shabbat Services will be held at **7:15 p.m. on March 15** at Foothill Center. We will have Bob Lapidus and new member Charine Lucas lead our services, followed by a discussion led by member Tony Berg who will give us a very interesting talk on AI which is very important in all of our lives and will continue to become more interesting. All Villagers are welcome. We will have our usual Oneg following service with time for socializing.

If you are interested in membership in the Villages Jewish Group, please contact Bob Lapidus at 408-693-9498.

March Events

16 Shabbat Services Foothill 7:15 p.m.
24 Purim Celebration Foothill 5:30 p.m.

What is Purim?

By Barbara Tommaney

The holiday of Purim is a joyous one that celebrates the preservation of the Jewish people in the ancient Persian empire during the 3rd Century BCE. The story of Purim has all the ingredients of a modern day melodrama. There is a villain, Haman, who wants to kill all the Jews in Persia in a single day. A misguided King Ahashuerus who has his Queen Vashti executed for failing to follow his orders. And finally the brave heroine of the story, Esther, who wins a beauty contest to become the next Queen. But she concealed her religious identity leaving the King unaware that she was Jewish.

When Queen Esther heard about Haman's evil plan, she stood up before the King, told him she was Jewish and begged him to spare her and her people. Because King Ahashuerus loved her, he did all she asked.

On Purim we celebrate Esther's bravery with gusto. Many people wear costumes and when the story of Purim is read, Haman is booed and we cheer for Esther. It is traditional to serve the most famous Purim delicacy, the hamantaschen, a three-cornered pastry, shaped like Haman's hat, filled with fruit, chocolate, or poppy seed.

EPISCOPAL

'The Sainly Shamrock'

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

Perhaps best known in contemporary times as the patron saint of green beer and mid-March revelry, Saint Patrick is also the patron saint of Ireland and its national apostle. Born to a prominent family in Roman Britain in the 5th century, Patrick was reputedly kidnapped by Irish raiders at 16. He escaped captivity in Ireland, but ultimately returned to the site of his enslavement. Where he was credited—apocryphally—with miracles like banishing snakes from the island. And also with bringing Christianity to its people. This claim may too have been exaggerated: a Roman bishop named Palladius was already ministering in Ireland. Nevertheless, Patrick's personal experience of finding freedom in Christ—alongside his knowledge of Ireland's language and customs—facilitated his work in converting and baptizing Druid priests, chieftains and aristocrats by the thousands.

Would that we all brought such joy and authenticity to our work as evangelists! Not to mention creative use of local resources, like Patrick's employment of the three-leaved shamrock to explain the doctrine of the Holy Trinity. Whatever else may be true of the saintly Patrick's history and character, it's certain that he loved the emerald island of his enslavement, and came to understand all of its people and plants as signs and symbols of God's love. Does something growing in your garden tell a story of God? Has something in your past made you stronger for telling God's story of abiding love and freedom? Lift a glass to the saint who showed the way!

COMMUNITY CHAPEL

'When You Know Jesus Is Lord'

By Pastor Bill Hayden

Why all the worry when you know the results beforehand? If you and I live in a broken world governed by broken people, things will always go wrong! So, with confidence, as inscribed on all our currency... "In God We Trust," make that your motto! There are too many variables in life to put our trust and hope in unstable and inconsistent systems and people.

A double-minded person who lives life by the dictates of men will seldom be at peace. Proverbs 29:2 NKJV "When the righteous are in authority, the people rejoice; but *when a wicked man rules, the people groan.*" A perfect world will never be acquired by following vain and selfish desires that do not exalt the righteousness of God or show respect for all people.

When you know and truly believe to the core of your being that God is in control of the affairs of your life... you will possess the peace of God! **Jeremiah 29:11** "For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." There is peace and joy in walking in this knowledge.

I long for the people of this land to pray to our God, who has numbered our days to raise men and women for justice and the godly way of life. May our prayers keep our hearts tender in our development of character, conduct, and favor with God through obedience.

Prayer may seem insignificant in the eyes of the world and the unbelieving, but it is crucial in God's movements and plans concerning our lives. In countless instances throughout history, great leaders of integrity have called upon the people to pray when difficult situations were at an impasse. To everyone's amazement, there was a breakthrough in most cases, and the people rejoiced while other nations revered them.

I leave you with **Psalm 37:1-2** *Fret not yourself because of evildoers; be not envious of wrongdoers! 2 For they will soon fade like the grass and wither like the green herb.*

God is at work in every detail concerning this life and the promise of eternal life to those who love His son, Jesus.

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 or villagescommunitychapel.vgcc.club

SEARCH THE SCRIPTURES

We are currently studying the Book of Jeremiah. Have you ever wondered about this astounding Old Testament Book? Come join us!

We meet every second and fourth Monday of each month. Our next meeting is at **10 a.m., March 25 at Vineyard Center.**



CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

'New Covenant Relationship with God and our Community'

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

Nearing the end of Lent, we seek a deeper appreciation of Christ's salvific passion and death for all peoples. We can be comforted by our covenant relationship with God and ever grateful for Christ's life in us, which inspires us to be like Christ in every aspect of our lives.

The prophet Jeremiah (31:31-34) inspires the people of Israel and Judah while they were exiled in Babylon with the comforting words that God establishes a new covenant relationship with them. God writes his law on their hearts and not on tables of stone, promising to forgive their offenses and forget their evil deeds. In a similar fashion, Jesus establishes a new covenant relationship with us through his suffering and death. We experience this relationship every time we participate in the Eucharist and when we carry our Jesus' call to strengthen our relationships with others by deeds of forgiveness and love.

The author of the Letter to the Hebrews (5:7-9) further explains Jesus' saving passion as the source of and cost for our salvation. Jesus' entire life is presented as a salvific offering to God for us; he offered prayers to the Father and learned obedience through suffering for us. This can inspire us to be ever grateful for Jesus' generous life, selfless suffering, and tragic death—all done for our salvation.

In the Gospel, St. John (12:20-33) uses the analogy of grain dying and producing fruit to motivate the disciples to serve God selflessly through generous acts of love, thereby revealing Christ to the world. Just as Jesus was the model of a life of love to the disciples, so we are called to reveal God's love to others, thus demonstrating that Christ's new covenant relationship with us is alive and well.

SPORTS NEWS

WOMEN'S 9-HOLE

By Pam McCarthy

Forty-six ladies under many, many compound layers of golf and winter clothing were ready to compete for the March 5th Captain's Trophy. At least one Stay Puft marshmallow character, disguised as a golfer, was in every foursome. This beautiful winter morning could not have been more spectacular! This valley's surrounding gorgeous shamrock-colored hills were sprinkled with countless graceful patches of brilliant mustard flowers. The intermittent breezes were consistent and cold enough to convince all of us that the Stay Puft marshmallow characters were the smartest competitors on the golf course.

Our Captain's Trophy and all the accolades go to Kathy Pennington who shot a 34 on the Front 9. This is second time Kathy has won Captain's Trophy since she joined the Swingers a few years ago. There were two chip-ins, both on hole #5: Anka Hoek and Giselle Barber. Sadly, there were no Birdies. But the good news is ...every time a golfer makes a Birdie, they must subsequently make two Triple Bogeys in order to restore the universe's fundamental equilibrium. No worries about that scenario this week.

Daylight Saving Time arrived Sunday, March 10. We can look forward to sunnier, longer, warmer spring days and long rolls on the fairways soon!

P.S. Kathy's Stay Puft marshmallow suit is not for sale

PINSEEKERS

By Jim White

First, a correction to last week's article: While wishing for clear skies and gentler winds I errantly mentioned "... for the next few Thursdays." The Pinseekers play on Fridays! However, we did get our wish and the weather was perfect, the greens and fairways were amazing.

March 8 saw 13 Pinseekers tee off on number 10. After nine holes, the results were: First place with a Net 2 under par 34, Jim White; in second place with one over par, Net 37, Martin Hoek; Third place was a tie for Mike Falarski and Lawrence Chin at Net 38; the fourth spot was also a tie between Don Lee and Leighton Horio with a Net 39.

While the weather forecast says that some light rain may be arriving early in the week, our Friday contest appears to be safe from any rainout. Early forecasts also predict clear to partly cloudy for March 22. Stay hopeful.



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PICKLEBALL

Pickleballers take trip back to the '70s

By Anahid Gregg

For more information, visit our website at vil-lagespickleball.vgcc.club

The Pickleball Club is rockin' again! After a hiatus during the pandemic, the Pickleball Club hosted its first Clubhouse Event since 2019. Sherry Benz and Michelle McQuay led an able team of volunteers to make the event a smash!

We took a trip back to the '70s with popular Bay Area band Phil 'n The Blanks. Most of the attendees dressed up, ranging from laid back hippie to disco diva. With wild wigs and outfits, many were unrecognizable! The decorating committee led by Diane Finley & Tina Parsley did an incredible job of transforming the Clubhouse into '70s haven, including the cutest photo booth ever!



We enjoyed a delicious dinner menu from way back when, and an amazing burnt almond cake for dessert. But the focus of the party was on the dance floor. Phil 'n The Blanks got a break long enough for us to raffle off door prizes, but other than that people were dancing non-stop. We heard a few people had to cancel their court reservations because their feet were so sore!

This event kicks off our fun-filled schedule for 2024. Make sure to click the Calendar link to see all our events – monthly Friday Dink & Drinks starting in April, both internal and external Tournaments, BBQ Bocce event at the Gazebo and our 3rd annual Taco Party! Pickleball is great fun on and OFF the courts!



Next week is our annual Charity Tournament. This year we are supporting the Hospice of the Valley. I'm sure this organization is close to many of our hearts. This organization helps families enjoy life to the fullest and honoring their wishes. Thank you, Holly McGowen and Diana Hallock for all their work to making this wonderful tournament. We will see the results next week.

18-HOLE WOMEN

By Chris Leisy

It seemed like it was groundhog day, as it was Captain's Trophy day again. It was a cold and dreary day, but Millie Ann Schwerin was able to win the Captain's Trophy with a net of 70. She also won low putts along with Kerry Besmehn with 30 putts. Congratulations to you both.

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Kerry Besmehn has been organizing our first Women's Saturday golf day. It's an 8:30 shotgun on March 16. If you are interested, contact Kerry.

March 21 is a no sweeps day as they will be aerating. Just sign up on Chelsea and enjoy a casual game of golf.

On March 28, it's time to Fling into Spring for our first guest day. You can invite any woman who has an official 18 hole handicap. It could be your invitational partners or a neighbor that is thinking of joining our group. There will be two flights—a member and guest flight.

It's not too late to sign up for the Partners Ecclectic. Find a friend and give Lo Rube \$5 for each player. We are a very busy group and we have many more fun events planned for the year so stay tuned.



Millie Ann Schwerin

MEN'S GOLF CLUB



By Kurt Pagnini kurt.pagnini@gmail.com, villagesgolfers.com

Upcoming events:
2024 Spring Open
 - Stableford, 2BB, 4-Man Teams, Flighted 4/13 Shotgun 8 a.m. Registration: March 30 through April 11. Signup with the Pro Shop either as a team, or individually, and the Pro Shop will match you with other players to form a team.



2024 Men's Club Member/Member Golf Tournament— Two-man, match play

and horserace tournament. May 3, 4, and 5 – Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. Flights consist of six 2-man teams – format - four-ball match play - 1 net best ball. Each team will play 9 hole matches with the other five teams. Registration starts Saturday, March 2. **Sign up at the Pro Shop in person, no phone tee time reservations!**

2024 Home & Away - Registration for the season closed March 10. If you would like to be on the 2024 Team, please complete the application (sent earlier this month) and return to Mike Tuft.

Remember if you record a **Hole In One, an Eagle, or if you Shoot Your Age**, please notify Donald Chaisson at dachaisson@comcast.net. We want to make sure to get you posted in the Villager and on the Men's Club website.

Executive Committee Meeting: The Men's Golf Club Executive Committee meets the first Tuesday of the month at 8:30 a.m. in Montgomery Center, MGC members are always welcome to attend.

Also, remember to visit our website at villagesgolfers.com for the latest Men's Golf Club information.

Men's Club Member/Member Golf Tournament



Two-Man, Match Play And Horserace

May 3, 4, and 5 – Friday, Saturday, and Sunday.

Flights consist of Six 2-Man Teams – Format - 4-Ball Match Play - 1 Net Best Ball. Each team will play 9-hole matches with the other five teams in your flight.

- Friday, Day 1 - 2 nine-hole matches and Team Virgilio's putting contest after matches
- Saturday, Day 2 - 2 nine-hole matches
- Sunday morning, Day 3 – 1 nine-hole match on to determine the Flight Champion
- Sunday morning, Day 3 – HorseRace – Following nine-hole match - All Flight Champions will compete in the Championship Horserace.

Added Bonus: If your Flight Champion finishes in the top position, everyone in that flight will be paid! On Sunday, after the Horserace, a Catered Taco Bar Lunch at Foothill Center to celebrate all the winners and Virgilio's Door Prize drawings. Included in entry fee: Coffee and Donuts served each day, Snacks and Beverages in between matches, Taco Bar Lunch and Awards at Foothill Center on Sunday after the Horserace.

Entry Fee: \$90 per player plus green fees (3rd day is 9-hole rate)

- Prizes:** - Match Play - 1st, 2nd, & 3rd place in each flight
 - Championship Horserace Day 3: "One for all, All for One !!"
 - Pays - Win/Place/Show

Registration: Starts Saturday, March 2. Sign up at the Pro Shop *in person*, no phone tee time reservations. **Registration ends** Tuesday, April 30. Field limited to first 48 teams, so get your partner *now!*

BOCCE NEWS



Spring Mixer to start 2024 Bocce Season!

By Tom Hunt

As the buds begin to bloom, it's time to roll into the season with an event that promises fun, camaraderie, and a healthy dose of friendly competition—the Bocce Spring Mixer! Our first tournament of 2024 is set to bring together players of all levels for unforgettable Bocce action, and get new players involved in the game of bocce.



Bocce, often referred to as the "sport of kings," is a classic Italian lawn game that has gained popularity worldwide for its simplicity and accessibility. All you need is a set of bocce balls, a smooth playing surface, and a desire to have a good time. And here in The Villages, we've got plenty of that!

The Spring Mixer is a celebration of this timeless game, where teams will be formed with players of varying skill levels. Whether you're a seasoned pro or a complete novice, there's a spot for you on one of our teams. It's all about coming together as a community, making new friends, and enjoying the thrill of competition in a relaxed and welcoming atmosphere.

Before you hit the court, be sure to attend our Bocce Boot Camp which is designed to give players a crash course in the fundamentals of the game. Learn the ins and outs of bocce strategy, practice your throwing technique, and get tips from experienced players to help sharpen your skills. Whether you're a newcomer looking to learn the ropes or a seasoned player looking to refine your game, the Bocce Boot Camp is the perfect way to prepare for the Bocce season ahead.

For the latest updates on dates for these exciting events and other Bocce Club activities we encourage you to stay informed by visiting the bocce website, villagesbocce.vgcc.club. We're looking forward to seeing you on the courts soon!

SHONIS

By Betty Hall

Brr, March is supposed to be a little bit warmer. But last Tuesday, 20 die hard Shonis plus a qualifier came out to golf our Captain's Trophy game. So, the weather must have agreed with Donna Erickson as she won both the Captain's Trophy for a low gross of 37 and a low net of 17. She is a relatively new Shoni, and this is her first Captain's Trophy win. Congratulations, Donna.

We had a couple of interesting golf shots last Tuesday. Peggy White hit her drive on Hole 3 and it hit on the far edge, popped up and landed about 18 inches from the pin. She promptly sunk it for birdie.

While over on Hole 2, Meg Rogers flubbed her drive, then flew her second shot through the left-hand side trees towards the Hole 1 green on the long course. So over she went and proceeded to chip in about 100 feet (on a 62-foot hole!) for a very nice par.

And that was our day of amazing golf shots.

Happy St Paddy's Day to everyone. Enjoy.



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TENNIS TALK

By Sherry Benz

They say there is no “free lunch.” But here is something fun and free for all Villagers. The Tennis Club presents our annual Open House on **Tuesday, March 26** from **1 to 3:30 p.m.** at the courts. Our Villages Tennis Professional, Brett Foreman, is planning an exciting afternoon. He describes it as “Tennis Olympics with a Carnival Theme.” Intriguing? Join to meet the challenges he has created for us, namely drills, skills and thrills. Tennis Anywhere in Los Gatos will provide demos of some of the newest racquets for you to try. Come shod in tennis shoes for “on the court” fun. There will be prizes, games and strawberry shortcake! No reservations required. Questions: Contact Lolivic Shaw (Lolivicshaw02@gmail.com) or Jamie Dickson (runman001@aol.com)

Jump Start kicks off at the Tennis Club Open House. Whether you are a beginner or just “rusty”, our Villager “experts” are ready to help you learn and improve your strokes. Jump Start will meet on successive Tuesday afternoons beginning April 2 for 10 weeks at 5 to 6 p.m. Don't have a racquet? No worry, we have racquets donated by our members and would love to give you one. This is a wonderful opportunity to learn, meet others at your playing level and...all free of cost! Questions? Contact Sherry Benz (408-223-6882 or sabenz@sbcglobal.net.)

Don't forget ... the Prescott tournament is March 16 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. and the courts will be busy with this fun, round robin event. All registration fees and donations benefit the VMA which provides much needed services to our residents. Questions? Contact Cheryl Diltz (capecod0415@yahoo.com) or Joy Rem (jkr1787@gmail.com). Cheerleaders welcome in the stands!

The VTL (Villages Tennis League) is off to a great start. Thanks to Roy Pennington, Jim Murphy and Peggy Seidel for organizing this program. It has been such fun to be on the courts with lots of different players. If you are interested in being a sub, give Roy Pennington a call (505-410-3449 or rpenn1700@aol.com).

Betty Olsen's 6.5/7.0 team is underway. Our next home match is at 10:45 a.m. on Friday, March 15. We sure could use you support!

IRONMEN

By Bill Travis and Jerry Juracich

The Ironmen are in afternoon play, gathering every Thursday afternoon at 1 p.m. with a shotgun start, sweeps, birdie pool, and closest to the pin.

Thursday, March 7, 2024, was partly sunny/cloudy with very mild temperatures. Another great day for some golf. Nine Ironmen Played.

Victor Hong and Mike Schwerin tied for **Third Place**, each with a net 27; Jerry Juracich won **Second Place** with a net 24; and Tibor Fabry won **First Place** with a net 20.

There were two **Birdies** today, both by Mike Schwerin on holes 1 and 8.

Mike Schwerin won **Closest to the Flag** on hole 6 at 4 feet, 9 inches.

Mike Schwerin also won **Low Gross** with a 29.

Golfer of the Day honors go to Mike Schwerin with low gross, a third place finish, and closest to the flag. Way to go Mike.

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:

“My favorite golf shots are the practice swing and the conceded putt. The rest can never be mastered.” - Lord George Robertson, member of the House of Commons and Secretary of State for Defense for the United Kingdom.

“Life is not fair, so why should I make a course that's fair.” - Pete Dye, American golf course designer

Remember someone with a memorial gift to VMA

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

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ARTS & CRAFTS CALENDAR

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

Monday and Fridays: Open Studio in the Art Room with Jane Hink beginning at 10 a.m. All Villagers and all media welcome!

March 28: Advisory Board Meeting, Thursday, 4 p.m., in the Art Room.

April 1: Monthly Membership Meeting: Monday, 1:45 pm. Free Art Demonstration: Cheryl Peterson, Mosaics. President Mandy Book. Program Chair: Michael Sunzeri.

Register for all Art Classes at barb.gottesman@gmail.com

April 3-24: Intermediate Watercolor with Ciel Duke. Wednesdays, 10:30 am – 1 p.m. \$120. All materials furnished.

May 1-29: Watercolor Plus Mixed Media with Doug Canepa, Wednesdays, 10 a.m. – 12 noon. \$70.

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

Stitchery Group on Mondays: Patio Room from 1 – 3 p.m. Call Roberta at 408-218-8372. Meeting location schedule at villagesartsandcrafts.org. 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 Tuesday, March 19: Gordon Carbonetti (425-442-7743) will lead a hike along Alamitos Creek in Almaden Valley. We will start the hike from Lake Almaden by accessing the Lake Almaden Trail via a parking lot, with a restroom, at 5949 Winfield Blvd on the east side of the lake. We will hike to the south (trail becomes the Los Alamitos Creek Trail) to Camden Blvd and return back to our starting point the same way. The hike will be about 3.5-4.0 miles and is mostly flat with sun and shade. In order to get to the parking lot on Winfield, follow Blossom Hill to Winfield Blvd and turn left. The parking lot will be on your right past Coleman Ave. We will meet at the Cribari Bell at 8:45 a.m. for a 9 a.m. departure. Round-trip mileage is about 22 miles.

Rambler Lite Hike March 20: Katy Peretti (408-531-0917) will lead a hike through Cribari starting at the west side. Meet at the Clubhouse at 9 a.m.

Rambler Hike March 27: Wate and Johanna Bakker will lead a 3-4 mile hike in Henry Coe state park, starting at the park main entrance. The hike is relatively flat, has some ups and downs, but provides beautiful views. We invite the long hikers to join us for a longer hike along the middle ridge, which requires crossing a stream with steep slopes and possibly crossing a creek. Dress seasonably. Gather at 8.45 a.m. for a 9 a.m. departure. Bring water and a light lunch. Coffee at Peet's afterward is suggested. Travel distance about 15 miles one-way.

Rambler Lite Hike March 27: Katy Peretti (408-531-0917) will lead a hike through south and north Verano and into Highland. Meet at Vineyard at 9 a.m.

COMPASS

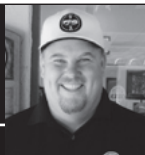
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FROM THE PRO



By Scott Steele, PGA Head Golf Professional

Daylight Savings Time Golf Schedule

Monday – 1 p.m. Open Play Shotgun – Driving Range Closed at 3 p.m.
 Tuesday – Swingers 8:45 a.m. Shotgun – 11:30 a.m. Open Play Tee Times – Shonis 9:30 a.m. Par-3 Course
 Wednesday – Men’s Club Preferred Tee Times 7 a.m.-11:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Open Play Tee Times
 Thursday – 18-Hole Women 8:20 a.m. Shotgun - 11:30 a.m. Open Play Tee Times – Ironmen 10 a.m. Par-3 Course
 Friday – 7 a.m. Open Play Tee Times – Pinseekers 9-Hole Men 12 p.m. (Five Tee Times)
 Saturday, Sunday, Weekends – Open Play Tee Times
Last Available Tee Time 5 p.m. through March – Last Available Tee Time 6 p.m. April-September
Pro Shop Closed 5:30 p.m. through March (4:30 p.m. Mondays) – Pro Shop Closed 6 p.m. April-September

Ping Fitting Day—Friday, March 29 from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Come and get professionally fitted for your new Ping G430 clubs! To sign up for a fitting from a Ping professional club fitter, call the Pro Shop front counter.

Spring Aerification Schedule

- **Monday, March 18:** Back Nine and Montgomery & Vineyard Chipping Greens closed all day. Front-9 open for a 1 p.m. Shotgun. Putting Green remains open.
- **Tuesday, March 19:** All golf facilities closed for aerification completion.
- **Wednesday, March 20:** Par-3 Course closed for the day.

Tips from the Pro— Playing Golf vs Practicing Golf

“Why do I do so well when I practice, and then it all falls apart when I play?” Golf is the only sport that you do not practice and play on the same “field.”

Practice

- Controlled environment – no bad lies – usually don’t practice in poor weather conditions
- Repetitive – a pile of balls
- No repercussions – not keeping score – focus is quality shots vs score
- Narrow focus – alone with your thoughts – practice at your own pace
- Minimal distraction – you are the only one there

Playing

- Only one try – golf is very dynamic and never repetitive
- On “stage” – you rarely play alone and everyone in your group is watching you
- Multiple distractions – four-some dynamic / rules to follow / other golfers / pace can be slow or fast / etiquette
- Self-imposed pressure – emotional reactions / embarrassed / nervous / anxious / score is the basis of success
- Varying conditions – bad lies / uneven lies / wet turf / bare turf / slow or fast greens / weather, wind, rain

How to play better golf...play golf like you practice

- Be prepared – show up on time, have everything you need
- Have fun! Keep it light – stay relaxed
- Play with people that you are comfortable with
- Don’t focus on score – let it happen then tally score at the end – one shot at a time
- Know your game & tendencies – play to your strengths and avoid your weaknesses

If you are in a competition that is more serious...Try to re-create the “environment” that allows for your maximum performance that you are able to find when you practice... so, on the golf course create a controlled environment, repetition, focus and freedom.

How? Develop a **pre-shot routine** cadence-rhythm / decision making-strategy / visualize success / feel the club / relax / execute.

Let us know if these tips help. To sign up for a lesson with Scott, email him at sssteel@the-villages.com

Daylight Savings Golf Course Pedestrian Walking Hours

Please remember that the golf course is strictly for golfers only during all golfing hours; and pedestrians and pets are not allowed on the golf course during times of golf play.

Here are the allowable times for pedestrians during DST months starting March 10:

- Monday – Before 1 p.m. and after 5:30 p.m.
- Tuesday – Before 8:45 a.m. and after dusk
- Wednesday – Before 7 a.m. and after dusk
- Thursday – Before 8:20 a.m. and after dusk
- Friday – Before 7 a.m. and after dusk
- Saturday – Before 6:42 a.m. and after dusk
- Sunday – Before 7 a.m. and after dusk



Please be safe! Thank you for your cooperation.

SCOREBOARD

MEXICAN TRAIN DOMINOES

Wednesday, March 6

| | |
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| Sylvia Rozewicz | 227 |
| Shirley Bellavance | 250 |
| Dennis Webb | 298 |
| Maribeth Berlie | 313 |

Friday, March 8

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| Maribeth Berlie | 137 |
| Bev Waller-Wharton | 188 |
| Joan Maxwell | 414 |

BRIDGE

Monday, March 4:

1. Bosh Singh - Bonnie Taylor
2. Selma Chastaine
- Sylvia Rozewicz
3. Hank Koransky - Art Lind

Wednesday, March 6:

1. Mary LeGrand - Lorrie Scott
2. Claude Ashen – Guest
3. Alan Waltho
- Maureen Walltho

Friday, March 8:

1. Selma Chastaine
- George Welch
2. Carol Reid - Bosh Singh
- 3/4. Louann Partridge
- Bonnie Taylor
- 3/4. Mary LeGrand - Guest

SHONIS

Tuesday, March 5

All Nets

Flight One:

1. Meg Rogers 22
2. Tied - Manoli Kelly,
Teddy Morse and
Barb Orlando 26

Flight Two:

1. Donna Erickson 19
2. Leslie Ingham 25
3. Judy Rogers 26

Flight Three:

1. Tahera Khalil 22
2. MaryAnn Haggerty 23
3. Tied -
Sabrina Malcolmson
and Deborah Strauss 24

18-HOLE WOMEN

Thursday, March 7

Captain's Trophy winner:
Millie-Anne Schwerin Net 70

Low Putts tied with 30:

Millie-Anne Schwerin
and Kerry Besmehn

Flight One

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|-------------------------|----|
| Low Gross: | |
| Helen Varenkamp | 88 |
| Low Net: | |
| 1. Millie-Anne Schwerin | 70 |
| 2. Jane Hong | 74 |

Flight Two

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| Low Gross: | Marky Olsen 98 |
| Low Net: | |
| 1. Nancy Keane | 73 |
| 2. Suzanne Fazzio | 75 |

Flight Three

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|---------------------|-----|
| Low Gross: | |
| Donna Quartaro | 104 |
| Low Net: | |
| 1. Mazie Rice | 76 |
| 2. Auralie Citrigno | 76 |
| 3. Inge McQuiddy | 76 |

2 Tees Flight One

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|--------------------|-----|
| Low Gross: | |
| Kathy Apgar | 100 |
| Low Net: | |
| 1. Sheryl Driskell | 74 |
| 2. Gisele Barber | 76 |

2 Tees Flight Two

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| Low Gross: | |
| Barbara Nilsen | 108 |
| Low Net: | |
| 1. Mary Jo O'Neill | 77 |
| 2. Jean Beattie | 78 |

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LANDSCAPE & MAINTENANCE

MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE

Cribari

5250-5319 and 5384-5399—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control in progress.

5364-5383 and 5433-5488—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control, 3/18-3/22.

Seasonal maintenance—Plum tree fruit spray reduction in progress.

Del Lago

3301-3315—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control, 4/8-4/12.

Seasonal maintenance—Plum tree fruit spray reduction in progress.

Estates

8876- 8897—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control in progress.

8809-8875—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control, 4/29-5/3.

Common Areas—Treatment for voles, moles, gophers and squirrels (Rozol Vole Bait, Talpirid, Gopher Coetter Type 2 Bait, Rodent Bait Diphacinone .005% and .01%), scheduled for 3/18.

Fairways

4001-4024—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control, 4/1-4/5.

Glen Arden

7698-7752 and 7753-7787 (odd)—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control, 3/18-3/22.

Roof replacement throughout the district, in planning.

Heights

8480-8505 – Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control, in progress.

8464-8479 and 8506-8509 – Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control, 3/18-3/22.

Turf pre-emergent herbicide—crabgrass and broadleaf control (Site Pro 0.42% prodiamine plus fertilizer) EPA REG No.53883-29759759, in progress.

Common Areas—Treatment for voles, moles, gophers and squirrels (Rozol Vole Bait, Talpirid, Gopher Coetter Type 2 Bait, Rodent Bait Diphacinone .005% and .01%), scheduled for 3/18.

Hermosa

8005-8032, 8100-8121 and lower Chardonay Lake area—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control in progress.

8065-8088, 8096-8099, 8122-8125, 8334-8349, 8388-8399 and around Chardonay Lake area—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control, 3/18-3/22.

Common Areas—Treatment for voles, moles, gophers and squirrels (Rozol Vole Bait, Talpirid, Gopher Coetter Type 2 Bait, Rodent Bait Diphacinone .005% and .01%), scheduled for 3/18.

Highland

7574-7598, 7661-7701 and Findhorn Ct.—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control in progress.

7500-7573—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control, 4/22-4/26.

Seasonal maintenance—Plum tree fruit spray reduction in progress.

Montgomery

6079-6126 and 6137-6183—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control in progress.

6246-6336—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control, 3/18-3/22.

6043-6045 (Fire Incident)—Waiting for permits prior to schedule repairs.

Turf pre-emergent herbicide—crabgrass and broadleaf control (Site Pro 0.42% prodiamine plus fertilizer) EPA REG No.53883-29759759, in progress.

Olivas

8740-8752, 8769-8807 and Foothill Center—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control, 4/1-4/5.

Common Areas—Treatment for voles, moles, gophers and squirrels (Rozol Vole Bait, Talpirid, Gopher Coetter Type 2 Bait, Rodent Bait Diphacinone .005% and .01%), scheduled for 3/18. Seasonal maintenance—Plum tree fruit spray reduction at various locations, in progress.

Sonata

2000-2024 and 2032-2064—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control, 4/1-4/5.

Turf pre-emergent herbicide—crabgrass and broadleaf control (Site Pro 0.42% prodiamine plus fertilizer) EPA REG No.53883-29759759, in progress.

Seasonal maintenance—Plum tree fruit spray reduction in progress.

Valle Vista

9001-9014 and 9034-9036—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control,4/1-4/5.

Seasonal maintenance—Plum tree fruit spray reduction in progress.

Verano

7001-7060 and 7395-7404—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control, 4/1-4/5.

Gutter cleaning in progress throughout the district.

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 ongoing throughout the Villages.

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 ongoing throughout the districts.

Annual Crape Myrtle tree pruning in progress throughout the districts.

Landscape drainage repairs in progress in various districts.

Turf pre-emergent herbicide—crabgrass and broadleaf control (Site Pro 0.42% prodiamine plus fertilizer) EPA REG No.53883-29759759, throughout the districts, in progress.

Traffic Survey, in progress 3/14, 3/15 and 3/19.

Club Centers

Buildings A, B, C and D—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control, 3/18-3/22.

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

Turf pre-emergent herbicide—crabgrass and broadleaf control (Site Pro 0.42% prodiamine plus fertilizer) EPA REG No.53883-29759759, in progress.

Upper and lower gardens—Electric perimeter fence weed clearing in progress.

Cribari Center—Sound and lighting replacement, in planning.

Montgomery Pool and Spa—Replastering project, in progress.

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.

Rain Gutter Cleaning Schedule

Cleaning of rain gutters throughout The Villages is in progress.

Verano March 11 through March 23

Highland March 25 through April 6

Gutters for Club facilities to be cleaned April 6 to April 13.

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.

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Report Irrigation Issues

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

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

The Villages Association Solicitation of Candidates Form

The deadline for nominations for The Villages Association Board of Director candidates for this year's election is **March 26, 2024, at 5 p.m.**

Pursuant to California Civil Code §5105(a)(3), The Villages Association Bylaws Section 6.1.2, and The Villages Association Election Rules Section 3.2.1, any Member who satisfies the qualifications and is not otherwise prohibited from running for the Board may place their name in nomination by completing this "Solicitation of Candidates Form" and submitting this form to the President (Diana Hallock) or Secretary (Patricia Reardon) of the Board before the above posted deadline.

STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY

2024 Election of Directors

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

Member's Name

Property Address(es) within The Villages Association.

Mailing Address, If Different

Daytime Telephone Number

E-mail Address

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

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

The deadline for nominations for The Villages Association Board of Director candidates for this year's election is **Tuesday, March 26, 2024, at 5 p.m.**

Candidates' statements must be *received* no later than April 26, 2024, in order to be included in the official voting materials. Candidates' statements may be sent to The Villages Association c/o Julia Meadows, Senior AGM—Chief of Staff, 5000 Cribari Lane, San Jose, CA 95135, or jmeadows@the-villages.com.

NOTICE

The Villages Association

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Call 911 for medical emergencies

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

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

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

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THE VILLAGES ASSOCIATION ELECTIONS RULES

ARTICLE 3: Candidates for the Board and Nomination Procedures

3.1 Qualification of Candidates.

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

3.1.1 The nominee is not a Member.

3.1.2 The nominee does not reside within The Villages condominium project.

3.1.3 If the nominee, if elected, would be serving on the Board at the same time as serving on the Board of The Villages Golf and Country Club.

3.1.4 If the nominee, if elected, would be serving on the Board at the same time as another owner of the same separate interest and the other person is either properly nominated for the current election or is an incumbent director.

3.1.5 If the nominee, at the time of nomination, is delinquent in the payment of regular and/or special assessments. A nominee shall not be considered "delinquent" if the delinquency relates to the payment of fines, fines renamed as assessments, collection charges, late charges, or costs levied by a third party and/or if the nominee: (a) has paid the regular or special assessment under protest; (b) has entered into a payment plan for repayment of the delinquent assessments and is not delinquent in payments due under the plan; or (c) the nominee has requested and has not been provide an opportunity to engage in internal dispute resolution.

3.1.6 If the nominee has been a member of the Association for less than one year.

3.1.7 If the nominee discloses, or if the Association is aware or becomes aware of, a past criminal conviction that would, if the Member was elected, either prevent the Association from purchasing the fidelity bond coverage required by Civil Code section 5806 or terminate the Association's existing fidelity bond coverage.

3.2 Nominations.

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

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

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|------------|---------------------------|--------------|------|------|-------------|-----|-------------|--------------|------------|
| Active | 7506 Deveron Court | 1,751 | 2 | 2 1 | \$995,000 | 35 | | \$568.25 | |
| Active | 2033 Folle Blanche Drive | 1,629 | 2 | 2 0 | \$899,000 | 41 | | \$551.87 | |
| Active | 7622 Stoneshire Court | 1,509 | 2 | 2 0 | \$898,000 | 19 | | \$595.10 | |
| Active | 7783 Beltane Drive | 1,804 | 2 | 2 0 | \$850,000 | 55 | | \$471.18 | |
| Active | 6340 Whaley Drive | 1,496 | 2 | 2 0 | \$775,000 | 5 | | \$518.05 | |
| Active | 8411 Chenin Blanc Lane | 1,571 | 2 | 2 0 | \$765,000 | 104 | | \$486.95 | |
| Active | 7018 Via Cielo | 1,406 | 2 | 2 0 | \$757,018 | 10 | | \$538.42 | |
| Active | 7774 Beltane Drive | 1,490 | 2 | 2 0 | \$728,000 | 2 | | \$488.59 | |
| Active | 8371 Riesling Way | 1,370 | 2 | 2 0 | \$698,888 | 163 | | \$510.14 | |
| Active | 5141 Cribari Place | 1,240 | 2 | 2 0 | \$599,000 | 110 | | \$483.06 | |
| Active | 5364 Cribari Crst | 1,223 | 2 | 2 0 | \$510,000 | 121 | | \$417.01 | |
| Active | 5546 Cribari Circle | 1,223 | 2 | 2 0 | \$498,000 | 2 | | \$407.20 | |
| Contingent | 8759 Mccarty Ranch Drive | 2,205 | 2 | 2 1 | \$1,249,989 | 33 | | \$566.89 | 4/1/2024 |
| Contingent | 3325 Lake Albano Circle | 1,835 | 2 | 2 1 | \$948,000 | 13 | | \$516.62 | 4/5/2024 |
| Contingent | 7781 Beltane Drive | 1,804 | 2 | 2 0 | \$938,000 | 43 | | \$519.96 | 4/12/2024 |
| Contingent | 6202 Gerdts Drive | 1,526 | 2 | 2 0 | \$759,950 | 12 | | \$498.00 | 4/2/2024 |
| Contingent | 8451 Traminer Court | 1,571 | 2 | 2 0 | \$639,900 | 283 | | \$407.32 | 3/21/2024 |
| Contingent | 5216 Cribari Dale | 1,240 | 2 | 2 0 | \$545,000 | 13 | | \$439.52 | 3/25/2024 |
| Contingent | 5419 Cribari Court | 1,223 | 2 | 2 0 | \$499,999 | 13 | | \$408.83 | 3/15/2024 |
| Contingent | 5322 Cribari Glen | 1,223 | 2 | 2 0 | \$495,000 | 128 | | \$404.74 | 3/15/2024 |
| Pending | 8604 Vineyard Creek Court | 1,675 | 2 | 2 1 | \$1,080,000 | 18 | | \$644.78 | 3/22/2024 |
| Pending | 7668 Helmsdale Drive | 1,509 | 2 | 2 0 | \$949,000 | 1 | | \$628.89 | 3/28/2024 |
| Pending | 8441 Sauvignon Court | 1,571 | 2 | 2 0 | \$899,950 | 97 | | \$572.85 | 3/14/2024 |
| Pending | 3418 Avernus Court | 1,457 | 2 | 2 0 | \$898,000 | 18 | | \$616.33 | 3/14/2024 |
| Pending | 7635 Buckhaven Drive | 1,509 | 2 | 2 0 | \$815,000 | 17 | | \$540.09 | 3/15/2024 |
| Pending | 7720 Kilmarnok Drive | 1,490 | 2 | 2 0 | \$749,000 | 143 | | \$502.68 | 3/28/2024 |
| Pending | 8463 Traminer | 1,646 | 2 | 2 0 | \$700,000 | 31 | | \$425.27 | 3/15/2024 |
| Pending | 5505 Cribari Bend | 1,240 | 2 | 2 0 | \$480,000 | 150 | | \$387.10 | 3/11/2024 |
| Sold | 5556 Cribari Circle | 947 | 1 | 1 0 | \$499,000 | 126 | \$465,000 | \$491.02 | 2/21/2024 |
| Sold | 5567 Cribari Circle | 947 | 1 | 1 0 | \$475,000 | 4 | \$470,000 | \$496.30 | 2/21/2024 |
| Sold | 6060 Montgomery Bend | 1,127 | 2 | 1 0 | \$665,000 | 22 | \$660,000 | \$585.63 | 2/22/2024 |
| Sold | 6301 Blauer Lane | 1,340 | 2 | 2 0 | \$748,950 | 16 | \$775,000 | \$578.36 | 2/23/2024 |
| Sold | 8519 Montgomery Lane | 1,803 | 2 | 2 0 | \$845,000 | 59 | \$800,000 | \$443.70 | 2/2/2024 |
| Sold | 8099 Cabernet Court | 1,803 | 2 | 2 0 | \$938,000 | 121 | \$920,000 | \$510.26 | 2/29/2024 |
| Sold | 3328 Lake Albano Circle | 1,679 | 2 | 2 0 | \$925,000 | 6 | \$1,025,000 | \$610.48 | 2/20/2024 |
| Sold | 2058 Folle Blanche Drive | 1,969 | 3 | 3 0 | \$1,200,000 | 25 | \$1,130,000 | \$573.90 | 2/28/2024 |

| | AVERAGES NUMBER OF SALES | TOTAL SQ. FT. AVERAGES | LIST PRICE AVERAGES | DOM AVERAGES | SALE \$ AVERAGES | \$/PER SQ.FT. AVERAGES |
|-----------|-----------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------|-----------------|---------------------|---------------------------|
| Active | 12 ↓ from 15 | 1,476 | \$747,742 | 56 ↑ | | \$503 ↓ |
| Cont/Pend | 16 ↑ from 9 | 1,545 | \$790,424 | 63 ↑ | | \$505 ↓ |
| Sold | 8 ↑ from 6 | 1,452 | \$786,994 | 47 ↑ | \$780,625 | \$536 ↓ |

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