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Villagers turn out for 2024 Club and Committee Expo





More than 150 Villages residents turn out for the second annual Club and Committee Expo. At left: Bill DeVincenzi of the Sustainable Villages Club and Tom Carson of Villages Amateur Theatre chat up attendees. At right: Jeff Rose, Ling Yu, Wesley Tanaka, and Mary Robinson represent the Tai Chi Club.

By Rebecca Dreitlin and Clay Curtin, Recreation Services

Thanks to all Villagers and organizations who attended Club and Committee Expo 2024 on Saturday, May 4, despite the rain! We're excited to report we had 37 exhibitors, many of which gained new interest in their activities and programs. See these photos of the amazing displays and the hardworking volunteers who showcased their organizations!

Participants were invited to complete a Bingo card for a chance to win a prize. Congratulations to June and Mark Donner from Cribari Village for winning the \$100 gift card to the Clubhouse and Pro Shop. During the event, attendees had fun with various prompts on the Bingo card such as Favorite Table Decoration (A tie between Villages Golf Committee Six Clubs and the Democratic Club) and Favorite Exhibitor Outfit (Tai Chi Club).



Junior Golf Camps are back!

Back by popular demand, The Villages will be hosting Junior Golf Camps this summer.

June 24-27 Monday-Thursday, 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

July 15-18 Monday-Thursday, 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

July 29-August 1 Monday-Thursday, 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

The cost is \$380 per junior per camp. Junior Camps will be limited to 12 juniors per session, first come first served.

Registration is open. Call the Pro Shop at 408-274-3220 extension #1 to sign up.



Veterans Club to sponsor Memorial Day Tribute

By R.S. Semple

Ronald Reagan, in a speech he gave at Arlington Cemetery, said that those who lost their lives in fact died twice—they lost the life they were living and they lost the life they would have lived.

Thus, on **Memorial Day, Monday, May 27** at 11 a.m. in Cribari Auditorium, all Villagers, everyone, are invited to attend and participate in the Veterans Club's tribute to fallen and missing military service members. The chorus will be comprised of Village Voices and the chapel choir, directed by Aileen Reid. Prayer and context will be given by Pastor Bill Hayden.

Our speaker will be First Sgt. Leonardo Gomez, USMC (Ret.), a highly decorated Marine who had three combat tours in Iraq. In one of the tours, he was designated a Platoon Commander when he was a Staff Sergeant. He is an inspiration. Join us for this special event.



First Sgt. Leonardo Gomez, USMC with his platoon in Iraq.

Boards of Directors Candidates: See pages 14-17

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.tresident.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.

- 0 Pulse letters received this week.
- 0 Pulse letters not meeting Pulse Letter Requirements.
- 0 Pulse letters published this week.

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

All Pulse letters that are published are retained by the Communications Advisory Committee (CAC) for a period of 12 months. 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.

Meet the Candidates video on Resident Portal

A recording of the Candidates Night event on Tuesday, May 7 is now available on The Villages Resident Portal at resident.thevillagesgcc.com/resource-files/videos/

New Community Battery Recycling Pilot Program coming soon

Sustainability Services is excited to announce a pilot community-wide battery recycling program beginning in June. Common household alkaline and lithium batteries will be accepted during designated drop-off times. These include A, AA, AAA, 9-Volt, C, D and button batteries. Please watch for details.

Attention Pulse authors!

When you write your Pulse letters, don't forget to:

- Include your name, address and telephone number at the end of your letter. Your contact information is important in case the Communications Committee members have questions or need to verify your identity.
 - · Sign your letter if you are bringing a paper copy to the Pulse mailbox in Building B.
 - Put the word count of the letter at the end of the letter—Remember, it's 200 words or fewer.
- Put "PULSE" in the subject line of your email if you are sending it in electronically. (Email your Pulse letters to: shinrichs@the-villages.com)

Forgetting to follow the Pulse guidelines may result in your letter being delayed.

Note: The Communications Committee verifies the authorship of submitted Pulse letters. If a Pulse Letter is dropped off in Building B, we will call the author to make sure that person wrote and submitted the letter. If we cannot reach that person we will hold the letter until we can reach them. This means we may reject the letter for a week or more if we are unable to verify the authorship.

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.

IN MEMORIAM

In Memoriam notices are run free of charge.

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

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

DEADLINES

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

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

Classified Ads: Classified ads, renewals, cancellations and changes are due by 4 p.m. on the Monday before publication. Holiday deadlines differ. You may fax classified ads to 408-274-2843 or e-mail to: ktran@the-villages.com. For more information, please call 408-223-4657, 408-754-1341 or 408-223-4655. Display Ads: Display ad rates and placement may be arranged by calling 408-223-4657. Display advertising information is available on The Villages website at: www.thevillagesgcc.com.

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

Call 408-223-4655 to report missed deliveries.

POLICIES

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

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

The Villages Communications Advisory Committee 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 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

Association/Homeowners documents available via email

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

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

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

Forms of owner's written consent are available in Business Administration Building A and on The Villages web site at the villagesgcc.com (click on *Resident Info* and then Click on *Resource Files*).

Questions for the Club Board?

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



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

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

'Ask the ABOD'

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



any questions, please email them to Liz Ramos at LRamos@ the-villages.com or drop them in the drop-box in the parking lot of Building A.

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

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

2024 Club Bylaws gives Villagers ability to keep home value, renovate and comply with laws

We live in a beautiful community in a rare 1,200-acre Bay Area location—set against our east foothills and within a short drive from family and local friends. We're grateful. Our amenities provide the opportunity for us to remain active and socialize with our Villages friends, all within a short walk or drive from our comfortable homes. We have it good here at The Villages. But there's an impending action we must take to keep what we have.

The Club, of which we're all members, is governed by outdated bylaws. Our bylaws were last revised 18 years ago. These bylaws severely restrict our money management. Completing projects to maintain and enhance this community in 2006 came at a fraction of the price it is today. For those who followed the development of our third Bocce court know that this small addition came painfully as the Club Board worked to uncover ways to finance it. The Club has the Capital, yet the bylaws have Capital spending capped at a staggering low amount.

Action—we must drop the limits on collecting, holding, and spending Capital funds (commonly referred to in the Club Budget as the Facility Fund). This move will allow us to continue to build and maintain what was started in 1967. Today, when you



walk around the grounds or come to hear Assistant General Manager (AGM) Ryan Bell speak of the expensive projects to replace or refurbish older buildings and the decaying underground utility lines, you understand just how tired our dated buildings and infrastructure are. We have hired and organizationally aligned the right people with the right skillsets in the right seats to move us from where we are to where our community desires to go. We need to take action and approve our new bylaws so that we continue to have a beautiful, thriving place to live.

There's more to consider. Price tags on pool upgrades, stable enhancements, center modernization—not to mention simply maintaining 1,200 acres—total in the millions. It's staggering, yes, but a reality we face. The Club has sought counsel and we've come to this wisdom over and again—to retain home values we must invest in our facilities and amenities. Over 20% of our home value rests in this fact. To bridge the financial deficit—our "burn rate"—we have three choices: significantly increase dues, impose an unfortunately necessary resident special assessment, or enact an initiation fee to new home purchasers. The Club is suggesting number three. To accomplish this, we need to approve this revision of the Club bylaws this August.

Thank you for your time and consideration on this important vote for our future!

Upcoming Get-Togethers!

Look for future dates when the Club Board with guests from the GM office will host meet and greet get-togethers as your opportunity to learn more about the bylaws revisions and ask questions. Refreshments will be served.

Contacting PG&E during a power outage

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

PG&E's 24-hour Customer Service number 1-800-743-5000.

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

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

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

If you experience a power outage, contact PG&E and report it or to get more information about outages in your vicinity.

Missed your Villager?

If you missed delivery of your weekly copy of *The Villager*, please call 408-223-4655 after 11:30 a.m. to report it. You may pick up a replacement copy of your paper at the newsstand at the entrance of Building B or go online to the Villages website—*thevillagesgcc.com*—and download the current and past editions to your computer.

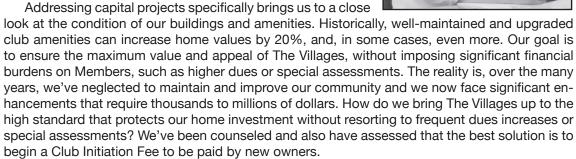
MANAGEMENT

MESSAGE FROM THE GENERAL MANAGER

Club Bylaw Revisions

Villagers have asked why we need to update the Club Bylaws now. To put it simply, we need to ensure our governance reflects best practices within the Country Club industry. Our bylaws were last updated in 2006. The aim is to streamline our bylaws and address procedures in policies and rules. This effort allows flexibility in managing club finances and removes limits on capital funds, including reorganizing sections of our Club Bylaws to mirror the updated code structure, so it's straightforward for future reference and ensuring compliance.

A common concern is the impact that these bylaws changes will have on club dues or association assessments. Club Bylaws do not directly affect club dues or association assessments. They do, however, provide the Club board more flexibility to collect, manage and allocate funds for future capital projects.



The Club Board and Management are committed to transparency, and welcome feedback. We will be scheduling small group and clubhouse meetings in May, June and July and welcome written feedback anytime. We encourage every member to participate in this process, ensuring our bylaws serve the best interests of our community. Get ready to vote—the ballots will go out in July. Copies of the draft are available at Building A, at upcoming gatherings, or on our beta version of The Villager Online at news.thevillagesgcc.com/club-bylaws-essentials/1384/

Thank you for engaging with us on this important matter, and we look forward to continued discussions.



Because of rapid and frequent developments in our world that directly affect our community, keeping informed is essential. And now more than ever, it is important to be up on the latest developments in your community. Get those vital updates by signing up for FastLane, The Villages email newsletter. It is both quick and easy and you can do it online or over the phone.

To sign up or get more information, contact Communications Coordinator Mariam at 408-223-4681 or mibrahim@the-villages.com, or visit the Villages Resident Portal at resident.thevillagesgcc.com



Five tips for living with our coyotes—Pup Season is here!

Coyotes are an important part of our local ecosystem. By understanding their behavior and taking simple precautions, we can peacefully share our neighborhoods with these fascinating creatures.

- **1. Keep Pets Secure.** Coyotes may see small pets as prey. Always keep your pets on a leash when outside, especially during dawn and dusk when coyotes are most active.
- **2. Secure Trash and Food Sources.** Remove any potential food sources from your yard, such as pet food, bird feeders, or unsecured garbage cans. Securely store trash to avoid attracting coyotes and other wildlife.
- 3. Educate Your Neighbors. Spread awareness about coyote behavior and the importance of coexistence. Encourage your neighbors to follow these tips to minimize conflicts and promote harmony between humans and wildlife.
- 4. Scare Tactics. If you encounter a coyote, make yourself appear larger by waving your arms and making loud noises. Carry a whistle or walking sticks when in areas frequented by coyotes. This can help deter them from approaching.



Photo by Frank Langben

5. Report Aggressive Behavior. While coyotes are typically shy and avoid human contact, report any aggressive or unusual behavior to Public Safety. Do not attempt to handle the situation yourself.

Together, we can create a community where humans and coyotes coexist peacefully. Let's respect and protect our shared environment!

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.
- Vector Control at vectorinfo@cep/sccgov.org or 408-918-4770. Residents can use this to report coyote / wildlife incidents directly to the county.

Vehicle Bar Code Reminder

Are all your vehicles registered and bar coded? Just a friendly reminder that all resident vehicles are required to be registered and must have a resident bar code sticker on them. Please contact the Public Safety Administration office at 408-239-5246 option 2, or you may email: mhidalgo@the-villages.com to register your vehicle.

If you registered a vehicle that had a temporary plate at the time of registration, but have not provided the permanent license plate number, please contact Public Safety Administration to update your registration with the current license plate number.

Golf Cart Registration Reminder

Have you recently purchased a golf cart? Just a friendly reminder that all Golf Carts must be registered no matter if they are for leisure use or golf course use. Please contact the Public Safety Administration at 408-239-5246 option 2, or you may email: mhidalgo@the-villages.com to register your cart.

GOVERNANCE MEETINGS

THE DACs

Cribari DAC needs you!

If you are a condo owner in Cribari, please consider volunteering to be a member of the Cribari DAC (District Advisory Committee) for a term of two years.

The primary purpose is to provide communication to and from the ABOD (Association Board of Directors) and Cribari residents. You will be able to represent Cribari on important projects like Landscape Plans, Firewise Fire Safety Project, or Maintenance/Updates needed. Meetings are quarterly.

To apply, please fill out the DAC Application on the Portal. For more information, please contact Maria Hernandez at mehernandez@the-villages.com.

Date change—Hermosa DAC to meet June 6

The Hermosa DAC will be meeting at Foothill Center on Thursday, June 6 from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. Cookies and coffee will be provided.

More COMMUNITY NOTICES

SRS SENIOR RESOURCE SERVICES

Act now to get senior exemption for school district parcel tax

In February, SRS published how to get this senior exemption. Yet every summer and fall, SRS gets requests for the exemption application. You must do this before June 30. Here are the instructions again. This is your reminder.

You may file for an exemption from the annual \$125 Evergreen School District parcel tax on your principal residence if you are at least age 65 or will be age 65 by May 31, 2024. If there are joint owners of your principal residence, only one owner needs to be age 65.

If you had the exemption from the parcel tax for 2023/2024, your exemption will be automatically renewed by the School District. There is nothing more you need to do. This article is about new exemption requests.

If you would like to apply for the exemption for the 2024/2025 tax year, you may file online at www.eesd.org. Click on "Community" and then click "Senior Parcel Tax Exemption." You will need to upload documents to prove three things.

- 1. Proof of ownership: Your current property tax bill
- 2. Proof of residence: Your current PG&E bill (within 45 days)
- 3. Proof of birth date: Your driver license, passport, or birth certificate

You may also apply in person for the exemption at the School District Office at 3188 Quimby Road, Monday – Friday from 8 to 4 p.m. through June 30, 2024. No appointment is required. Hint from the office: There is a lot of traffic during 8 to 8:30 a.m. and 2 to 2:30 p.m. (These are drop off and pick up times for students at Quimby Middle School).

If you are new to The Villages and the address on your driver's license does not match your property tax statement, bring your Villages residency card and a second bill showing your address to substantiate your residency.

Also, if you do not yet have a property tax statement, take your escrow purchase statement and related papers to the district office. Before you go, search at www.sccassessor.org and enter your address in the Property Record Search box to find the Assessor's Parcel Number (APN). The district needs the APN for your application.

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

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

Deadline for editorial materials is the Thursday before the date of publication. Please email your copy to: ktran@the-villages.com

BOARD MEETINGS

Association

 The Villages Association Board of Directors Monthly Board hybrid meeting is Tuesday, May 28 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,
 May 28 at 1:30 p.m. in Foothill Center and on Zoom.

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

AC NOTICE

Association applications for Owner Alteration Requests for the month of June are due to the Architectural Committee on or before May 24, 2024. Call Elissa at the Corporation Yard office to obtain an application. The meeting date is scheduled for Thursday, June 6 at 9 a.m. at Montgomery Center.

Association AC Landscape meeting deadline date is May 24, 2024.

SRS Reminder:

One more year for Real ID!

The DMV is reminding Californians there is now just one year remaining before the U.S. Department of Homeland Security begins enforcing the REAL ID requirement. Starting May 7, 2025, a REAL ID, or other federally approved identification, will be necessary to board domestic flights and access certain federal facilities.

A few Villagers have told us they don't plan to ever fly again, so they will not make the effort to get a REAL ID. However, many Villagers have children and grandchildren out of state. One Villager was asked by a friend that if her daughter in Maryland died and her son-in-law requested her presence, would she go? She changed her mind and now has a REAL ID.

The application process can be started online at REALID. dmv.ca.gov. Documents can be uploaded before visiting a DMV office to complete the application. This streamlined process is quick and efficient while significantly reducing the amount of time for an office visit.

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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UNITY ACTIVITIES

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

Building B business hours

The Recreation Services office in Building B is open Monday to Friday 8:30 a.m. - noon and from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Get cooking with Dayna!

Join chef Dayna from SimplelCIOUS on Monday, June 17, from 2 to 6 p.m. for a fun cooking class. No experience needed. Dayna will bring all 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 You'll start by making the appetizer. Then, enjoy it while preparing the rest of the meal. We'll eat the main course together, family style while we clean up. Dayna will share the recipes at the end, so you can practice at home for your family, friends and neighbors. The class lasts four hours, but it's a blast!

Register in Building B during office hours beginning Monday, May 20. Registration ends Friday, June 7 or sooner if spots fill up. The cost per attendee is \$120 (ingredients and other materials included).

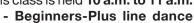
Dayna launched SimplelCIOUS in 2008. Originally a catering service, it soon added cooking classes for all ages. Before that, Dayna taught early childhood education. She loves nourishing both bodies and souls. Sign up early as space is limited!

Take Intro or Beginner-Plus Line Dancing with Nanci!

Nanci Pritchard will be teaching two different line dancing classes in Cribari Auditorium on

Tuesdays, June 11 to July 16 (six dates)! Choose from one of the fol-

 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.



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

Please note: there is no class on June 4. After this series, Nanci will take a break for personal reasons. We anticipate her return in the fall.

The total cost is \$25.50 per resident for each six-week class. Register in Building B during business hours. The deadline is Friday, May 30 or sooner if the classes fill up.

Nanci has been teaching country line dance for the last 20 years. She instructs classes across the Bay Area, including some of the largest country nightclubs and winery venues. She loves working with dancers of all ages and levels.

See Choral Project' perform 'Earthsongs: Rise'

Sign up for our trip to see The Choral Project present "Earthsongs: Rise" as their season finale on Sunday, June 23. This show highlights minority issues through music and movement. It aims to foster unity with themes of hope and love. Notable pieces by Steven Sondheim, Freddie Mercury, and Bob Dylan will be on the list. The group is recognized worldwide for their choral performances.

We will depart from Cribari East Parking Lot at 3:45 p.m. with an estimated return time of 8 p.m.

The concert will take place at Mission Santa Clara de Asis, founded in 1777. It later became the heart of Santa Clara University. The mission features beautiful interiors and exteriors, which include paintings, artworks, a gilded altar, statuary and gardens.

The cost per person is \$55 and includes admission, escort and roundtrip transportation. Register in Building B. The deadline is Friday, May 31 or sooner if tickets sell out.

For attendees, the Clubhouse restaurant will offer a 10% dining discount on dinner the night before (Saturday, June 22). To claim the discount, book the main dining room for Saturday night and show your registration. Note, the discount doesn't apply to alcohol and can't be combined with other offers. The driver's gratuity is included, but additional tipping is optional.

Zumba party in the pool and get fit, too!

Sign up for our new Aqua Zumba class at Foothill Pool! Taught by Elena Rodriguez Flores, Aqua Zumba is like "a dance party in the pool." It's a fun, low-impact and high-energy fitness class that mixes aqua aerobics with Latin moves. Aqua Zumba will be offered 3:45 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. on **Mondays, June 3 to July 15** (six dates, skipping July 1) or Wednesday, June 5 to July 17 (six dates, skipping July 3). Update: The Monday class is now sold out.

Register in Building B. Registration deadline is Friday, May 24 or sooner if spots fill up. The cost is \$68.50 per person. (Equipment recommendations are listed below.)

The water's resistance makes it easy on your joints. Water shoes are recommended, but not required. You'll keep your head above water, but a swim cap and goggles are suggested. Wearing appropriate swimwear is a must!



Elena Rodriguez Flores

Elena Rodriguez Flores has taught fitness for nearly 10 years. She's certified in Aqua Zumba, as well as Zumba Gold for seniors, and Zumba for kids, step, and toning. Elena's enthusiasm shines in every class. She uses her passion to inspire her students to meet their health and fitness goals.

See 'Mrs. Doubtfire' on Orpheum stage

We are going to see "Mrs. Doubtfire" at the Orpheum on Wednesday, July 10! Don't miss this chance to see the return of this Scottish nanny to San Francisco! The classic film that inspired the musical just celebrated its 30th anniversary. It's a heartwarming and funny story about a devoted dad who goes to great lengths for his children. Join Tony nominee Rob McClure, alongside his real-life wife, Maggie Lakis, in this heartwarming tale of family bonds both onstage and off!

We will depart from the Cribari East Parking Lot at 9:30 a.m. with an estimated return time of 5 p.m. After the show, enjoy a delicious lunch at Max's Opera Café with a slice of Ultimate Chocolate Cake for dessert and your choice of coffee, iced tea or soda. When you register, select your entrée from these great options:

- · Grilled Chicken Cobb salad (Danish blue cheese, avocado, tomatoes, mushrooms, bacon, egg, tossed in balsamic vinaigrette)
- Max's Famous Reuben (corned beef with sauerkraut, Swiss cheese, 1000 island dressing, on grilled rye, served with fries)
- Roasted Vegetable Wrap (feta cheese, portobello mushrooms, roasted peppers, caramelized onions, avocado, spinach, hummus, with tzatziki on the side, served with arugula salad)

Activity Level: Light (mostly seated). Due to the Bay Area weather, attire is casual and warm. The cost per person is \$177 and includes tickets, meal, escort and round-trip transportation. The driver's gratuity is covered, but tip extra if you'd like.

Register in Building B. Registration deadline is Friday, May 17 or sooner if spots fill up.

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

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

the cost of the activity. All sales 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.

Surprise Nike Missile site visit



What an unexpected treat on May 9 for Marin trip participants! Tour guide Craig Smith worked his magic and secured a visit to the Nike Missile Site in the Golden Gate National Recreation Area. Though originally unavailable, Craig's quick thinking and collaboration with park rangers made it possible.

Experience the 'wild side' at the San Francisco Zoo!

On **Thursday, June 13**, join us at the San Francisco Zoo for a day of fun! Nestled against the Pacific Ocean, it houses over 2,000 exotic, endangered and rescued animals from 250+ species. You'll also see peaceful gardens with native and exotic plants. Enjoy incredible exhibits such as the



African Savanna, Grizzly Gulch, Lemur Forest, Penguin Island, and Gorilla Preserve. The zoo also offers daily feedings, enrichment activities, and zookeeper chats.

We will depart from Cribari East Parking Lot at 8:30 a.m. with an estimated return time of 4 p.m.

Dining choices include a grill, seafood, pasta, and sweets. The Wildlife Connection Shop features many animal-related gifts that support conservation programs. There are also more snack and gift stands throughout the zoo.

Activity Level: Variable (you control how much walking and sitting you do).

Register in Building B during business hours. The signup deadline is Friday, May 24 or sooner if event sells out.

The cost per person is \$72 and includes admission, escort and round-trip transportation. The driver's tip is included in the price. Additional tipping is optional. We hope you have a roaring good time!

Facility Reservations update: New system coming July 1

Heads up! The online tool to view our facility availability is offline as we prepare for a new reservation system. Come July 1, this new reservations and billing system is designed to make your life easier.

If you need to check facility availability in the meantime send an email to recreation@thevillages.com, call us at 408-223-4643, or stop by our office in Building B. The Villages' Recreation Services staff is here to help.

We're sorry for any inconvenience this might cause. We're excited about what this new system will bring, including reservations and calendar functions straight to your smartphone. These improvements will make for a better experience when booking events and Club facilities.

See 'Rose—A Mother's Story' in Cribari

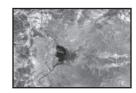
Writer and actress Kathy Estevez-Bates is coming back with "Rose – A Mother's Story" on **Saturday, June 8** from 11 a.m. to noon. This performance highlights Rose Kennedy, JFK's mother. It delves into her life and key historical moments. The show has earned high praise at The Villages and beyond, leading to us to move this performance to a larger venue—Cribari Auditorium. If you haven't seen it yet, please join us!

Kathy excelled at San Jose State University, majoring in Theater Arts and Music, and graduating with honors. She worked in Southern California for 30 years as an actress, writer, and musician. Now, she directs the South Bay Singers in Morgan Hill. For Kathy, sharing this program is a great honor. She finds it a privilege to share Rose's story and has even written a play, "The Color of Rose" about Mrs. Kennedy.

Activity Level: Light activity (seated event). There is no cost for this event, but pre-registration is required, as it ensures we meet the minimum number of attendees. Register in Building B during business hours beginning Monday, May 6. The deadline is Friday, May 24 or sooner if spots fill up. Walk-ins are not allowed.

Foothill Pool access update

Due to the Aqua Zumba class offered by The Villages, access to Foothill Pool will be restricted to class participants only from 3:45–4:45 p.m. on Mondays and Wednesdays throughout June, July (excluding July 4th week), and August. The pool deck and spa will remain available for resident use.



For more information, please contact Recreation Services at recreation@ the-villages.com or 408-223-4643.

Dance your way to fitness with U-Jam

Sign up for U-Jam Fitness in Cribari Auditorium on **Mondays, June 3** to **July 8** from **10** to **11 a.m.** (six classes). Taught by Dominque Martin, U-Jam Fitness is an urban dance workout that combines sweat and fun. It features world beats and smooth dance moves that will leave you wanting more! Plus, no equipment is needed.

The cost per person is \$68.50. Register in Building B. The signup deadline is Friday, May 24 or sooner if class is filled.

Dominque Martin began teaching U-Jam in 2010. She loves adding a bit of spunk to dance fitness for groups.

How to access the Fitness Center

The Fitness Center is accessible to residents who have attended the required Equipment Demonstration and thus have had their Villages ID Card activated to use as a key. When wanting access make sure to hold your ID up to the door sensor with your photo facing yourself. You may need to move the ID around a little so that the sensor can locate and read the microchip embedded in your card. Once the chip is read there should be a green light, some beeps, and you will have four seconds to open the door.

If the light does not turn green it could be because:

a) You have not attended the required demo. You can register for one online by logging on to the Resident Portal and using the "Reservations" menu option, or register via phone by calling the Community Resource Center (CRC) at 408-223-4643.

b) You have attended the required demo but not yet submitted the paperwork given to you after the session. If so please read and sign that paperwork and bring it to

Building B so we can process it. There should be two pages.

c) You have attended the required demo but moved out of The Villages and have since moved back in. You will need to re-establish your facility access by taking the Equipment Demonstration

d) The microchip in your card has been damaged in some way and your card must be replaced. Please contact the Public Safety Administration office at 408-239-5246, Option 2 for assistance.

For more information on accessing the Fitness Center or to register for a demo please call the Recreation Services at 408-223-4643.

Post Office services at The Villages

The Villages Post Office is open Monday to Friday from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. 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 Post Office. The closest are:

Hillview Station located at 2450 Alvin Ave (near 101 and Tully Road)

Blossom Hill Station located at 5706 Cahalan Ave (off Blossom Hill Road)

Eastridge Station located inside the mall next to Macy's first floor

Passport processing is available at Willow Glen Station located at 1750 Meridian Ave.

THE CLUBHOUSE

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

2800 The Villages Fairway Drive, San Jose CA 95135

All Clubhouse & Bistro menus can be found at the villagesgcc.com

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

Soup of the Day



For the week of 5/20 to 5/26

Monday, May 20

Chicken and Vegetable Barley

Tuesday, May 21 White Bean, Kale and Sausage

Wednesday, May 22

Chicken Tortellini

Thursday, May 23 French Onion

Friday, May 24

Seafood Chowder

Saturday, May 25

Chef's Choice

Sunday, May 26

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: clubhousereservation.com
 Patio Dining reservations for the patio are for 6 or more persons.
- The Bistro alcove can be reserved for parties of 8 to 10 people.
- The kitchen will still close at 8 p.m., last seating at the Bistro, Patio, curbside takeout and Restaurant main dining room is 7:30 p.m.
- · Bistro Bar closes at 9 p.m. Last call is at 8:30 p.m.
- Dress code for the main dining room will be enforced. During summer months, dress shorts and dress sandals will be allowed.
- 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 dinnertime, 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 dinnertime 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.

The Villages Golf & Country Club

Dear Customer—As of March 2024, a 3% service charge will be applied to all credit card purchases.* This surcharge helps The Villages manage costs associated with credit card transactions more responsibly and fairly.

You may avoid this extra fee by paying with check or using your house account.

* Only debit cards with the Visa or Mastercard symbol can be accepted.



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 5/20 to 5/26

Breakfast Special:

Tuesday 5/21 to Sunday 5/26

Country Fried Steak and Eggs: Breaded Pan Fried Steak and Country Gravy with Two Eggs Any Style with Choice of Breakfast Side \$17.95

Lunch Specials:

Monday 5/21 to Sunday 5/26—11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Turkey Pot Pie: \$15.95

Open Face Shrimp Salad Sandwich: Served on an English Muffin with Cheddar Cheese with Choice of Side \$15.95

Dinner Specials:

Tuesday 5/21 to Sunday 5/26-5 p.m. to 8 p.m. (Last Seating)

Grilled Steak Salad: Grilled Steak, Onions, Peppers, Roasted Potatoes and Asiago over Greens served with Balsamic Vinaigrette \$28.95

Poached Salmon: Slow Simmered Filet of Salmon with a Béarnaise Sauce with Choice of Sides \$28.95

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: Clubhousereservation.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.





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.

555 Bistro Happy Hour

2 p.m. 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 now has, in addition to phone orders, an online meal ordering system. The

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.

Use reuseable water bottles to reduce the impact of single-use plastics

With summer just around the corner, it's crucial to keep hydrated for good health. Sustainability Services urges residents to opt for reusable water bottles when on the go. While some events may offer bottled water, let's work together to minimize plastic waste and encourage community members to bring their own water. Water refill stations are conveniently available throughout The Villages. At the Cribari Center, you can find a water refill station in the lobby and the Fitness Center. Additionally, all centers with kitchens have faucets suitable for filling reusable water bottles.

For event planners who still wish to provide bottled water, please offer it only upon request from the patron. Let's keep our community and environment healthy!



Sustainability Services helps you to unravel recycling resources



Sustainability Services is working to find local resources that residents may use for recycling items that are unable to be recycled in their trash enclosure recycle bin.

Residents cannot always rely on merchant/vendor website information as it

may not be up to date. Reminder, Household batteries may not be placed in the Green Team Garbage or Recycling Bins. Common household batteries such as alkaline (A, AA, AAA, C, D, 9 volt), silver oxide button cell batteries (hearing aids, watches, car fobs, etc.), lithium batteries and carbon zinc batteries all need to be recycled at a vendor/merchant that accepts batteries for recycling.

Free Household Battery Drop Off Sites near 95135

Ace Hardware Rockery, 2927 S. King Road, San Jose. Small quantities only (one Ziploc baggie/person)

Outdoor Supply Hardware, 1751 E Capitol Expressway, San Jose – Alkaline batteries only (A,AA, AAA, C, D, 9 Volt)

Santa Clara County Hazardous Waste Drop Off Site, Las Plumas Avenue, San Jose - call for drop off appointment at 408-299-7300

Many businesses have discontinued offering recycling services for batteries and other items. Please verify with a vendor/merchant in advance before taking items to be recycled.

Remember - Recycle Right!



ENDAR OF EVENTS

Friday May 17

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8:30 a.m.	Jazzercise	Α
9 a.m.	Catholic Mass	CR
9 a.m.	Chinese Morning Exercise	Ρ
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED
9 a.m.	Table Tennis	TTF
10 a.m.	Art&Craft Member Studio	AR
10 a.m.	Line Dance Club	Α
10 a.m.	Quilters	PR
10 a.m.	Mem. Day Choral Rehrsl	SEQ
12:30 p.m.	Bridge Club	RED
12:30 p.m.	Estates DAC	F
2 p.m.	Open Studio	AR
3 p.m.	Bocce Bash	GP
3 p.m.	Handbell Ensemble	CR
6 p.m.	Chinese Club Line Dance	VC
6 p.m.	Tennis Club Planning Mtg	
6:30 p.m.	Mexican Train Dominoes	MC
7:15 p.m.	Jewish Shabbat	FC

Saturday, May 18

8:30 a.m.	Tai Chi	Р
9 a.m.	Table Tennis	TTF
10 a.m.	Quilters	PR
10 a.m.	Ukulele Sing Along	SEQ
1 p.m.	VGC 18-H Golf Lunch	MC

Sunday May 19

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7:30 a.m.	Catholic Choir	CR
8:15 a.m.	Catholic Mass	Α
9 a.m.	Community Chapel Choir	
9 a.m.	Episcopal Church Service	MC
9 a.m.	Table Tennis	TTF
10 a.m.	Community Chapel	Α
10 a.m.	Quilters	PR
2 p.m.	Chinese Club Cooking Demo	MC
2:30 p.m.	EPC Orientation	SEQ
2:30 p.m.	Concert Band Performance	Α
4 p.m.	Ballroom Dancing	FC
4:30 p.m.	Concert Band After Party	VC
6:30 p.m.	Dragon Boat Dance Rhrsl	CR
7 p.m.	Chinese Club KTV Karaoke	SEQ

Monday, May 20

Auditorium

Jazzercise	Α
Chinese Morning Exercise	Ρ
EPC Round Table	PR
Game Day	RED
	Chinese Morning Exercise EPC Round Table

EVENT LOCATIONS

(Cribari)

AR	Art Room	(Cribari)
BC	Bocce Courts	
CER	Ceramics	(Cribari)
CH	Clubhouse	
CR	Conference Room	(Cribari)
F	Forum Room	(Cribari)
FC	Foothill Center	
FHP	Foothill Pool	
GP	Gazebo	
L	Lobby	(Cribari)
MC	Montgomery Center	
Р	Patio	(Cribari)
PC	Pickleball Courts	
PR	Patio Room	(Cribari)
RED	Redwood Room	(Cribari)
SEQ	Sequoia Room	(Cribari)
TR	Terrace Room	(Cribari)
TS	Tennis Stand	
TTF	Table Tennis Facility	(Montgomery)
VC	Vineyard Center	
VR	Voyage Room	(Montgomery)

9 a.m.	Table Tennis	TTF
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
5:30 p.m.	Village Dancers 1	Α
7 p.m.	Duplicate Bridge	RED
7 p.m.	Camera Club	FC
7 p.m.	Chess Study Group	SEQ

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8:30 a.m.	Tai Chi	Р	10 a.n
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED	11:30
9 a.m.	Table Tennis	TTF	1 p.m.
10 a.m.	Art Class	AR	1 p.m.
10 a.m.	Intro to Line Dance	Α	1 p.m.
10 a.m.	Mat Pilates	CR	1:30 p
10 a.m.	Ukulele Club Intermediate	PR	2 p.m.
10 a.m.	VMA Health Program	MC	3 p.m.
11:30 a.m.	L-SAL Fitness	Α	4 p.m.
2 p.m.	Open Studio	AR	4 p.m.
2 p.m.	Piano Open Studio	Α	5:30 p
4 p.m.	EVF Flights & Bites	CH	6 p.m.
5:30 p.m.	Desi Social Hour	SEQ	
6 p.m.	Jewish Comm. Game Nite	FC	Erid
7 p.m.	Tennis Club Board	PR	Fria
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Wednesday May 22

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8:30 a.m.	Jazzercise	Α
9 a.m.	Chinese Morning Exercise	Ρ
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED
9 a.m.	Table Tennis	TTF
10 a.m.	Art Class	AR
10 a.m.	Yoga	Α
1 p.m.	Landscape DAC Mtg	CH
2 p.m.	Open Studio	AR
2 p.m.	Senior Academy	FC
5:30 p.m.	EPC Orientation	SEQ

6:30 p.m. 7 p.m. 7 p.m. 7 p.m.

Mexican Train Dominoes MC **Duplicate Bridge** Wellness & Spirituality CR Village Dancers 3

Thursday. May 23

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8:30 a.m.	Tai Chi	Ρ
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED
9 a.m.	Table Tennis	TTF
10 a.m.	Art Class	AR
10 a.m.	Line Dance	CR
10 a.m.	L-SAL Fitness	Α
11:30 a.m.	18-H Women's Golf Lunch	СН
1 p.m.	Bible Small Group	SEC
1 p.m.	CHP Age-Well Program	Α
1 p.m.	VMA Health Program	FC
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	СН
4 p.m.	18-H Wmn Golf Inv. Cmte	SEC
5:30 p.m.	Men Golf THU Team Dinner	СН
6 p.m.	Folksters	VC

Friday May 24

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8:30 a.m.	Jazzercise	Α
9 a.m.	Chinese Morning Exercise	Ρ
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED
9 a.m.	Table Tennis	TTF
10 a.m.	Art&Craft Member Studio	
10 a.m.	Line Dance - Advanced	Α
10 a.m.	Quilters	PR
10 a.m.	Memorial Day Choir Rhrsl	SEQ
12:30 p.m.	Bridge Club	RED
2 p.m.	Open Studio	AR
3 p.m.	Bocce Bash	GP
3 p.m.	Handbell Ensemble	CR
6:30 p.m.	Mexican Train Dominoes	MC

Villages Medical Auxiliary • Since 1976 Office: 408-238-4230

Hours: Monday to Thursday, 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Service Coordinator: 408-238-4029



Register online at: vmavillages.vgcc.club or call: 408-238-4029

May Programs

Hearing Life will be offering hearing screenings on Tuesday, May 21 from 10 a.m. to noon. Please call 408-238-4230 to schedule your time.

High Cholesterol Lab Results - Dietary Recommendations & Myth - Amy Wang, RN, FNP, PA-C, founder of Ready 2 Nurse will explain the functions of cholesterol, the impact of animal fats and what foods lower cholesterol on Thursday, May 23 at 1 p.m. at Foothill Center. Register online or call the office.

Support Groups

Grief Support Group: Chaplain Dale Poland, M.Div, BCC - from Hospice of the Valley-Sutter Health meets with those facing any loss in their lives. Group reconvenes Monday, May 20 at 10:30 a.m. - 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 on Thursday, June 20 at 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m. in the Patio Room and via Zoom. Please contact Judy for all meeting specifics at judithlondon@sbcglobal.net or call 408-784-3325.

Parkinson's Support Group: This monthly group is for all people interested in Parkinson's. Meetings take place the third Thursday of every month. The next one is June 20 at 10 a.m. in the Forum Room. No need to register, all welcome.

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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



Club Events & Notices



Villages Public

Password: villages

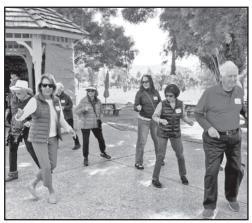
More information online at the Villages Resident Portal: resident.thevillagesgcc.com

Clubs & Events

Olivas and Estates celebrate Cinco de Mayo Tai Chi Club holds membership



Nancy Dawn, Gay Stuart, Kathy Douglass, Linda Lance, Nenette Gallaway, Judy Hecht and Jana King. Photos by Jim Koski





Olivas/Estates held their Cinco de Mayo event on Sunday, May 5 at Gazebo Park. Fortunately, the rain was gone, and although the wind was cold, fun was had by all.

Hands up for Village Voices and Village Dancers!



Village Dancers and Village Voices share joy while dancing and singing in the rain with smiles on their faces. **Photo by Louise Connors**



Village Voices members sway with their hands up at "Spring On To Broadway!"

Photo by Tim Zahner

By Barbara F. Zahner

Village Voices and Village Dancers shared zest with a sold-out house for "Spring On To Broadway!" last weekend. Hearts connected as Porgy and Bess' "Summertime" and selections from "Les Misérables" floated in the air. Toes tapped and audience members swayed in time with the music, as accompanist Tammy Welsh played songs from "La La Land." During intermission, folks gathered to sing along with Villager pianist Larry Broderick. In the second half, eyes widened as a Beast complete with fangs and claws tromped 'round startled folks. Never fear: Beauty prevailed, and peace descended. As a closing song, past and current members of the Village Voices gathered to sing a blessing, "We Wish You Music."

Mark September 4 on your calendars. Village Voices will gather again to make joyful noise and lasting connections—and to practice for the Winter Concert.

Save date for Fun Trivia Night



Save the Date for a Fun Trivia Night, including prizes-Sunday, June 2 at Foothill Center. Doors opens at 6:30 p.m. Trivia starts promptly at 7 p.m. This event is sponsored by the Villages Study Groups Club. Club Members get in for free. Guests are \$5 per person, collected at the door.

Bring your family, friends, neighbors for a team of 8 or join a table.

We supply light snacks, and water. BYOD (no alcohol please). Make reservations by May 28 to Yvette Katz at ykatz256@gmail.com. Please write "Trivia" on the subject line.

meeting and party



Enthusiastic members of the Villages Tai Chi Club met for a membership meeting and party on Wednesday, May 1 at Vineyard Center. Once the adoption of by-laws and election of officers was completed, everyone shared in a feast, with entrees provided by the club and side dishes and desserts brought by members. Several beautiful demonstrations of Tai Chi forms, including exciting fan and sword exercises, were performed. To top it all off, the group played some fun games to get to know each other better.

The Tai Chi Club is open to Villagers of all experience and fitness levels. Tai chi can improve balance, stability, strength, cognition and mood. Members have even reported big improvements in blood pressure! Practice is on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays in Cribari Plaza from 8:30-9:30 a.m. Dues are just \$7 per year. Come by for a practice and see if Tai Chi is for you!

What is your Sustainable Practice?

By Dianne Doughty



The purpose of our Sustainable Villages Club is to educate residents on important issues such as sustainable practices, climate change, electric vehicles, and other related topics, such as renewable sources of energy, water and energy conservation, sustainable landscaping and recycling.

Villages Club It is always uplifting when many of our Villagers share sustainable practices that they've done over the years and continue this sustainable practice. Or, a practice that has not yet been discussed but is both beneficial and sustaining,

This is an opportunity for you to share these practices to the rest of The Villages. Please send me your practices with your name and contact information so we can share them in future articles. Email doughtydianne@gmail.com.

Remember that we all can help in the fight for Climate Change for our children, grandchildren and our planet. For more information, visit sustainablevillages.vgcc.club.



Senior Academy to present 'AI: Friend or Foe?'

By Arlene Versaw

Although Artificial Intelligence was born in the 1950s, it has only recently gone mainstream, and in the process, has generated a host of emotions across the human spectrum: fear, intrigue, denial, excitement. But few of us truly understand what Al and Machine Learning actually are, or why we should be experiencing such diverse responses.

Here to help us cut through it all is Dr. Fabio Di Troia, San Jose State University assistant professor of computer science. In a Senior Academy presentation at Foothill Center on Wednesday,

May 22 at 2 p.m., Dr. Di Troia will not only introduce the topics, but make them "real" by discussing the impact to our daily lives, and how it is being in used in senior healthcare, independent living, and in cognitive assistance and social engagement. Importantly, he will discuss the ethical considerations involved and future technologies.

Dr. Fabio Di Troia has spent his entire career in computer science, machine learning, and software engineering. He has played a pivotal role in organizing conferences and the delivery of courses and projects focused on the relationship of machine learning and cybersecurity. He is widely published and his commitment to excellence has been recognized though several awards.

Please register for this event at VillagesSA.org or by calling Mattie Alesi at 408-239-0513.

RSVP for Senior Academy: 'The Transformation of Silicon Valley'

By Arlene Versaw



It is sometimes said, "That was then, this is now." In our current context, then was Santa Clara Valley's halcyon days as the largest fruit-producing region—to now, where it is considered the technology capital of the world. How did we get here? How did this major transformation take place? And what impact does

it have on our sense of place and our relationship with the surrounding environment?

Find out at Senior Academy's presentation on Wednesday, May 29 from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. at Foothill Center from Anne Marie Todd, the Dean of the College of Social Sciences and a professor of Communication Studies at San Jose State University. Anne Marie is well-versed on this subject and has written a book on the topic. She has won numerous awards for teaching and research, including SJSU's Outstanding Professor Award.

Register at VillagesSA.org or by calling Diane Taylor at 408-912-5594.

Get tickets for 'Celebration of Music Anniversaries' at Cribari Auditorium

The Villages Concert Band will present "A Celebration of Music Anniversaries" in Cribari Audi-

torium on Sunday, May 19 at 2:30 p.m. The doors open at 2 p.m. with tickets selling for \$20. Need a ride?



Call VMA (Villages Medical Association) at 408-239-4230.

The concert, conducted by Melson Varsovia, will feature music from "The Lion King" in honor of the 30th anniversary of the animated release. It will also mark the 60th anniversary of the release of the "All Summer Long," a collection by the Beach Boys, and "A Hard Day's Night" by the Beatles. Music from both albums will be played. The concert will also celebrate the one-year-old collaboration of the Villages Concert Band with Pariter Vocal Ensemble, a tenor and bass ensemble which is directed by Albee Mabeza. This portion of the concert will feature a selection of Filipino and Korean folk songs. To honor romantic and wedding anniversaries, Pariter will sing "O Love" by Elaine Hagenberg. This piece will feature Sunni Gibbons, a fellow Villager, on solo cello.

The Villages Concert Band is part of The Villages Music Society, Inc., which includes music groups involving dancing, singing and playing an instrument. Its goal is to enrich the lives of Villagers. See VillagesMusicSociety.org for more information.

Etch your art on a copper sheet



Carol Norden has eight 12"x24" copper sheets that have been etched by nature and natural process. The etchings are random and can be turned into interesting new works of art by the addition of acrylic paint or collage items. Gemstones and beads can be added to make an assemblage. Your imagination has no limit.

Join this workshop on Tuesday, May 28, 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. in the Art Room at Cribari Center. The fee is \$125 with all materials included. Register by emailing barb. gottesman@gmail.com. Checks are due May 21.

Carol won a ribbon in the Juried Show for her collage creation on copper, "Mediating Goddess." One of her students painted a coiling dragon flying out of the natural etching.

Your finished work will be absolutely unique to you and no one else, since the natural etching on the sheet is different each time. Your artwork can be framed with a standard sized 24 by 12 frame from Michael's or other art source.

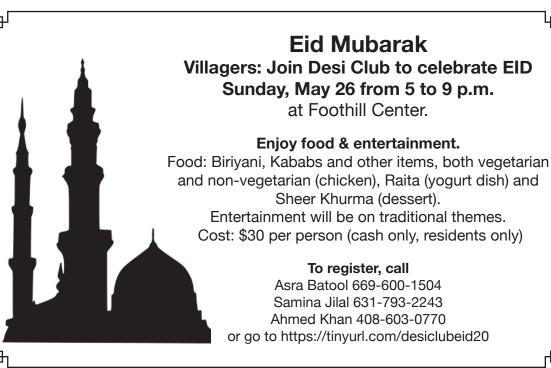
Carol will help you begin your artwork with a two-hour introduction and guided practice. After a lunch break, you

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can spend the afternoon completing your work or take it home to finish.



408-661-0203







Cribari puts on rockin' fiesta

On Saturday night, May 11, Cribari hosted a Mexican Fiesta with 105 attendees. The food was plentiful with a buffet to make your own taco salad and/or nachos, along with various treats and desserts. Music was provided by Ed Knott who kept the dance floor busy until the party was over.

It took many wonderful Cribari volunteers to pull this off including Ro Miller, Penny Johnson, Michele Phillips, Joanne Robinson, Louise Conners, Tony Orlando, Bud Near, Deb Gordon and Chuck Tennies who kindly bussed the tables!

Several friends from other Villages like Jaye Miguel, Jan Trusso, Susie-Q Conklin and Helen Ware also helped make our Fiesta a great success. Thank you all!

It was a fun evening with lots of laughter, lots of dancing, plenty of good food and good conversations all around.

VMA: 'Dental Implants: Bite Hype Or Healthy Help?'

By Barbara F. Zahner, VMA Health Education Coordinator



Graciela Shimizu Oliva DDS. MSD

Dig deep into our dental past for what we humans used to replace missing teeth. You will find bamboo pegs, animal teeth, and even seashells as the stand-in for our natural ivories. Nowadays, titanium posts often replace absent teeth. Yet, removable dentures continue to hold a place in oral health. What are the differences in cost, time, and benefit between dentures and dental implants? Graciela Shimizu Oliva DDS, MSD will lead an interactive, educational discussion Tuesday, June 4 at Vineyard Center from 11 a.m. to noon on "Benefits of Dental Implants vs. Dentures." Dr. Shimizu will cover:

- 1. Benefits of Dental Implants
- 2. Preserving Bone Structure
- 3. Improved Function for chewing and food tasting
- 4. Cosmetic and Self-Esteem Benefits
- 5. Cost, Insurance, and Time for Dental Implants vs. Dentures
- Dr. Shimizu practices with Clear Choice Dental Implant Center. She earned her MA and prosthodontic surgery from Indiana University School of Dentistry. Patients appreciate her calming presence and comforting demeanor. Dr. Shimizu finds purpose in her calling to dentistry as a

way to create healthy smiles and to transform lives. Save your spot now. Register online by visiting vmavillages.vgcc.club and clicking "Register for Programs." Follow prompts. You can also call 408-238-4029 to register.

Do you want to join a book group?

A meeting of The Village Readers Club will be held at 2 p.m. on Wednesday, May 29 at the Montgomery Center. Any Villager who would like to join an existing group or to form a new group is invited to attend. There are currently 13 book groups, each with 8 to 10 members. Each book group is managed independently and functions differently, from the genre of books read to the snacks provided. Groups usually meet once a month in members' homes. If you love to read, want to make new friends, and enjoy interesting book discussions, please attend. Please contact Trudy Nicholls at trudy nicholls@hotmail.com with any questions.



Game Night is this Tuesday

This Tuesday, May 21 from 7 to 9 p.m. at Foothill Center, bring your friends and your favorite games! Think canasta, bridge, mahjong, Mexican train, poker or board

games.

Enjoy a fun evening and we ask each table to bring a dessert to share. Contact Sandi Rosenblum at 408-440-4940 for reservations and additional details. We welcome all Villagers to join us. Space

is limited; reservations get priority.

This event is sponsored by the Villages Jewish Community.

Villages Dog Club invites all to winery outing

By Barbara Sunseri

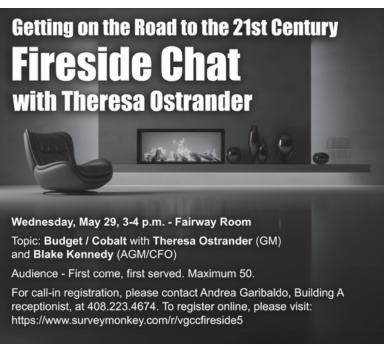
See Gigi here as she reminds all Villagers to come to the Tuscan House Vineyards for a private wine tasting. This will be a social "Pawdy" put on by the Villages Dog Club and everyone is invited on Saturday, June 1 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at 2900 Soma Way in Gilroy. Bring your own snacks and four-legged friends. You do not need a dog to belong to the Villages Dog Club. There will be charcuterie food



for your purchase. This is exclusive to the Villages Dog Club and friends! Woof if you like wine!

Bring a friend and RSVP to tinaparsley@ymail.com before May 28!





Club Board Candidates

Diana Hallock

7352 Via Laguna

Diana Hallock is a multi-generational California native and attended Branham High School, San Jose State and Santa Clara University, earning advanced degrees in librarianship, instructional technology, and school administration. Diana completed her 40-year educational career as an elementary school principal.



Since moving to The Villages in 2011 with her husband, Hal, Diana has served in many capacities including: 2023 ABOD President, 2020-22 ABOD Vice President, 2018-19 ABOD Treasurer, Chairman of the Verano DAC, Evergreen Villages Foundation Vice President, and the 18 Hole Women's Golf 2021 Captain. She also plays bridge, mahjong, has a garden plot, and assists the Villages Community Chapel. Her service to The Villages and her commitment to volunteerism led Diana to accept the nomination for director position on the Club Board.

As the ABOD President, Diana has consistently voted for initiatives that reduce current costs while maintaining our safe, beautiful community. Diana has also voted for preventative measures to save money in the future like aggressively repairing dry rot, caulking gaps more frequently, and sealing our flat roofs. Diana also recognizes that many of our governing documents are out of date, reducing the flexibility The Villages needs to address the drastic changes in insurance, wages, construction and utility costs.

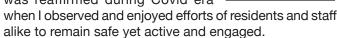
Diana's priorities will be to balance a fiscally conservative budget with the desires of residents, to ensure the safety of our residents, to enhance the amenities available to our residents, and to address the concerns of individual residents while serving the collective needs of our entire community. Diana's continued approach will be to collect accurate data, consider multiple points of view, and support transparency in all decision making.

Diana currently serves on the Governance Council, which ensures Villages Boards work together in an informed, cooperative way. While we live in different districts and enjoy different activities, we are one community with one pool of resources. We need to explore possibilities and arrive at solutions together, for the benefit of all Villagers, current and future.

Judy Owen

8445 Chenin Blanc Lane

The Villages is a unique community of beautiful surroundings, array of amenities, and caring, active residents. I moved here in May 2018 from San Jose's Rose Garden. This is my forever home now. I find it to be a lifestyle not simply a neighborhood. The decision to move here was reaffirmed during Covid era



Born and raised in Oregon, I earned my undergrad and MBA from Oregon State, and moved to San Jose in 1979. Over my 35 year career I worked for five companies, the last 20 years being HP and Agilent Technologies as Federal Contracts Manager. I demonstrated an ability to work effectively across internal organizations and negotiate complex contracts with Aerospace/Defense and federal agencies.

Golf is what drew me to the Villages and the Women's 18 Hole Club welcomed me. Currently I serve as Captain for Team Play. Also, I am the Secretary of the Senior Academy and volunteer as a driver for VMA, and a member of Swingers Golf Club, Italian Club and Bocce club.

For the past three years I have been a director on the Club Board, the last two as Vice President. This is a very exciting time to be involved with the Club Board working with the GM to bring the Villages into the 21st century. It is important to plan for improvements and additions to amenities to attract future residents which enhances our property values. The Board constantly balances the needs of current residents while planning for the future of the Villages.

Michelle Breslin

7344 Via Laguna

I am a second-generation Villager, and I care deeply about this community. My mother was the original owner of my home. I have always loved being in the community. Over 30 years ago I became a widow and the sole surviving parent of two boys 6 & 8 years old. The Villages was a refuge for us. We



would spend Saturdays climbing the hill, swimming and finally playing what they called mini golf on the short course. Since moving here, I have served on several boards from Treasurer of the VMA to three years as the Social Director for the Hiking Club. I have volunteered at SRS for the last 10 years. Recently, I have been advocating for the Club Board to return grazing to the hill lands.

Graduating from San Jose State University with a degree in Business Administration, Finance concentration and later earned an MBA from Santa Clara University. I also completed an executive series on Supply Chain Management at MIT - well before supply chain was hip.

In my career at Hewlett-Packard and later as a consultant, I worked with many groups to find solutions that resolved process issues for various functions. My skill is to build end-to-end solutions to drive costs out of processes. All constituencies received solutions that satisfied their business requirement. A board member needs to do the same - provide solutions, parity, and a plan for anticipated needs.

Question 1: What are the most important issues for the Club Board to consider and how are you pr

Diana Hallock

I believe the CBOD is facing three critical issues: rising costs for necessities like insurance, staff, and utilities, outdated governing documents, and aging facilities.

I applaud the CBOD and staff for their commitment to insurance cost savings through the three-board insurance committee. Every staff position has been examined for effectiveness and cost saving changes to employee benefits. The CBOD continues to explore water savings through turf reduction. As a Board member, I will weigh each decision against the cost to residents and the return on investment.

The last major revision of the CBOD governing documents was in 2006. While our articles of incorporation and bylaws serve to protect the rights of residents, if they are not kept current, they can reduce the flexibility the Board requires to address changing conditions. I believe frequent reviews, resident input, and thoughtful revisions are a necessary part of service on the CBOD.

Finally, to fulfill the CBOD mission of "providing a safe, attractive community that offers an enriching lifestyle for its residents," our facilities and the infrastructure to support those facilities must also be safe and attractive. For example, Cribari Center is used every day with activities from bridge to woodworking and church services to Jazzercise. It also houses our library, post office and guest rooms. Now fifty plus years old, it needs HVAC, electrical, plumbing, ADA upgrades and a much needed facelift. Doing the necessary repairs and upgrades must be accomplished at the lowest price possible while ensuring the best work which will stand the test of time.

Judy Owen

Club Board needs to set strategy for the Villages that addresses a vision for the future, that includes plans to upgrade, remodel, and refresh existing amenities, with input from GM and staff. This should include providing a vision on new amenities to enhance the property values of the homeowner. CBOD and staff will need to ensure that adequate funding is available to maintain, renew, and in some cases perhaps replace facilities. The Board identified for the new GM the need to modernize the systems used by the staff and looking with a critical eye at the organization structure. I have been on the board for three years and have been part of the Finance Working Group that has focused on the financial health of The Villages. This included supporting staff as they have worked to implement new financial systems and improve accounting practices. We have also focused staff to find efficiencies and cost reductions. Future projects will include broadening our investment strategies to be flexible in changing economic conditions to ensure we are getting the best return within prudent

Michelle Breslin

Generate additional revenue to offset expected increases in expenses—both insurance and utilities are increasing dramatically as a result of climate change and increasing demand for more power.

Update facilities to meet the needs and expectations of the 21st century. Cribari Center was built in the '60s and is challenged to meet the expectations of current residents, especially the theatre and musical participants. Additionally, home values are dependent on how VGCC compares to the competition. The golf course is the crown jewel but the other facilities show their age.

As facilities are updated the Club should investigate creating resilience/flexibility in the community to weather the extremes—storms, heat, service interruptions, technology changes/upgrades. This may mean purchase of generators or installing solar and batteries to supply power. Incentives are available and should be investigated.

My years in management have taught me to weigh options and choose a path forward. Additionally I have learned to prioritize. Focus is the key to executing well and years of project management have taught me how to keep projects on track.

Andy Altman

7119 Via Portada

My wife Christy and I moved to the Villages about 5 years ago from The Woodlands Country Club in Falmouth, Maine. After 17 years of living and raising our three children in Monte Sereno, we went to Maine for a career opportunity. Upon retirement, in the fall of 2018, we wanted to escape another brutal New England winter and get back home



to CA to be close to our children and year-round golf. Since becoming a Villager, I have been an active golfer, bocce player, RV Club member and participant in the Senior Academy. I currently serve on the Club Board as Vice President. I have just concluded a 4 year term as President of Congregation Shir Hadash, in Los Gatos.

I was raised in Murfreesboro, Tennessee and received my undergraduate and graduate degrees in Biochemistry from UC San Diego, and my MBA from Stanford.

Professionally, I provided the tools and resources needed to advance life science research. I began as a sales rep and progressed to VP/General Manager roles with Varian, Thermo-Fisher and IDEXX. All of those roles had global responsibility. The hallmarks of my success have been enhancing the customer experience while driving operational efficiency.

My focus as a Director is to enhance the Villager experience. We need to move to a culture of "yes", finding ways to make our community better. Doing so will make our lives richer while increasing the value of our properties. I appreciate your support.

Help Us Keep Your Vote a Secret

By Claudia Evans Nicolai

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

This entire process is in accordance with California Civil Code.

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

The Inspectors present the election results to the Boards of Directors at the annual membership meeting on June 12. Mark your calendar now and plan to attend!

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

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

Meet the Candidates video on Resident Portal

A recording of the Candidates Night event on Tuesday, May 7 is now available on The Villages Resident Portal at resident.thevillagesgcc.com/resource-files/videos/

epared to handle them?

Andy Altman

The most important issues facing the Board are how to improve the Villager experience while optimizing the deployment of our resources. Improving the Villager experience starts with getting to a culture of "yes." Ideas for improvement should be welcomed by our management team with an eye toward execution, not immediate dismissal. Public safety, food and beverage, recreational/sporting venues, and maintenance services each represent an opportunity for an improved Villager experience. I have many ideas that come from my years of living in a Country Club community and I'm sure that you have great suggestions. Let's talk about them! We need to remember that we, the residents, are the owners of this Club.

As owners, we need to be mindful of our budget. Inflation has a never-ending impact on costs. Nowhere is this more evident than in the impact rising insurance rates have had on our HOA fees. To keep these HOA fee increases in check we need to look at every opportunity for operational efficiency. As a Director, I will constantly challenge our management team to do so.



Association Board Candidates

David Dimmick

3119 Lake Albano Circle

My wife Valerie and I love living at The Villages. We bought our home in del Lago in 2017 and since then we have both gradually become more involved in various clubs and associations. At present, I am the DAC Chair for del Lago and also serve on the VGC and the water conservation com-



My vision for the future is for The Villages to continue to be the premier retirement community in the Bay area. I see this happening through the maintenance of the great amenities that currently exist while managing the escalating costs in a responsible manner. In the past year I have seen a greater attention to cost control and to resident interests. My mission as an ABOD member will be to work with staff to further the attention in these areas. I am also a big proponent of transparency and will assure that resident interests are top of mind and 2-way communication is continuous.

My work career was in the development of medicines first in Southern California and then beginning in 2001 here in the Bay area. I retired just a couple of years ago but also continue to do periodic consulting for past clients. During my career I directed Quality Assurance organizations in the Pharmaceutical industry, at times managing global organizations with as many as 500 employees under my direction.

My past organizational management experience includes roles as Director in various golf clubs including the role of President in what was at the time the largest men's golf club in the state with over 4,000 members.

I would be honored to have your support.

Deb Gordon

5305 Cribari Heights

I have lived in the Bay Area for most of my life, primarily in Santa Clara where we raised our three daughters and where I completed my BSBA. After 32 years at Hewlett-Packard, I decided to retire. While at HP, I worked in many distinct positions from user training to change management



to program and people management. I traveled the world investigating how to improve HP's sales systems and managed teams of local and international professionals.

adjustment at first, so I chose to become involved. I took classes in art and ceramics and joined sports activities like Bocce and swim aerobics. I volunteered to be the Cribari Social Committee chairman and managed years of events and dances. Two years ago I became the Cribari DAC chairman which has taught me a lot about the Villages and has been a good experience. By walking my little gray/white dog around the Cribari Lane circle every day, I have gotten to meet many residents and helped resolve various concerns.

Joining the ABOD will allow me to learn about and participate in decisions that will affect all condo residents. I will strive to be focused and vigilant in carrying out the Villages Association Mission to Protect, Enhance, and Maintain our collective assets in a fiscally responsible manner. I believe in teamwork, listening to each other, seeking to understand, valuing all input, transparency, and regular communication.

Patrick J. Barber

9043 Village View Loop

When my wife Gisele and I moved into The Villages from Sunnyvale in June 2012, we both were in the midst of continuing our professional passions outside of Villager life. As we acclimated into the Villages community and lifestyle, we rapidly made the decision that in retirement we would



enthusiastically pledge our time to support efforts that uphold the principles and amenities this fantastic community has established and embraced.

Now is the time to bring that pledge to fruition. In Five years ago, I moved to the Villages. It was an December 2023, I retired from my professional career as Supply Chain Commodity Director at a technologyleading semiconductor equipment manufacturer. During my 30+ year tenure, my role primarily encompassed developing critical-technology suppliers through contract management, cost negotiations, agreements as well as improving manufacturing efficiencies, quality improvement, and solving engineering challenges.

> Relevant to keeping my pledge, researching opportunities that could benefit from my professional skills, I find the 2024 goals and objectives set forth by the ABOD exacting, challenging, and rewarding. My experience with negotiating multimillion-dollar supplier contracts, successful cost reduction efforts and building ethical relationships, positions me well to achieve our 2024 / 25 goals with desired results. My relentless examination of facts will guide my fiduciary decisions; grounded in accountability and return on investment.

> If elected, I enter the position without discriminating bias of prior ABOD & CBOD efforts or an agenda influenced by unsubstantiated dialog. If elected, my guiding principles will be adherence to established policies and procedures while listening to our constituents that will foster right decisions.

2024 Annual Member Meetings and Elections—Update

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

The three Villages Corporations (Club, Association and Homeowners' Corporation) are preparing for this year's elections and annual membership meetings. Elections will be conducted in May and June with election results announced at Homeowners' Corporation Resolution, Excess of Membership Income Over this year's annual membership meetings to be held on Wednesday, June 12, Membership Expenses Refunded to Members and an election to fill three director 2024, at 4 p.m. at The Villages Clubhouse.

A recording of the the Candidates Night event on Tuesday, May 7 is now available on The Villages Resident Portal at resident.thevillagesgcc.com/resourcefiles/videos/

Ballots: Ballots to be distributed Friday, May 10.

Club: The Amended and Restated Bylaws of The Villages Golf and Country this year's director election. Club (VGCC) Corporation state that there shall be seven directors. Directors with terms expiring are Leslie Lambert, Judy Owen, Bob Krattli, and Andy Altman. The Association Resolution, Excess of Membership Income Over Membership Exdirectors who will continue to serve during the ensuing year are Liz Kung, Larry Versaw, and Richard Zahner.

The VGCC election will be held for four open director positions to serve on the Board of Directors, three director positions to serve three-year terms, and be seven directors. Those who will continue to serve during the ensuing year are one director position to serve a term of one year. (The one-year term is the final Michael Schwerin, Patricia Reardon, John Epperheimer, and Steve Gilbert. As of year of a three-year term of a former director that resigned.) The three candidates the duly noticed Deadline of Nominations date of March 26, 2024, and as duly receiving the largest number of votes shall be elected to serve a term of three noticed per California Civil Code and The Villages Association Rule 2.25 Voting years, and the candidate receiving the fourth largest number of votes shall be and Elections Rules, David Dimmick, Deb Gordon, and Patrick Barber are the elected to serve a term of one year.

The Club Nominating Committee has announced Diana Hallock, Judy Owen, Michelle Breslin, and Andy Altman, as its candidate nominations.

Homeowners: The Bylaws of the Homeowners' Corporation provide that there will be five directors. Those who will continue to serve during the ensuing year are Teddy Morse, and Rob Kirschbaum. The directors for which terms expire are

Brooks Fuller, Morton Cordell and Glen Seidel, all three are eligible to run again.

The Villages Homeowners' Corporation will conduct a vote on The Villages positions, two for terms of three years, and one for a term of one year. The two candidates receiving the largest number of votes shall be elected to serve a term of three years, and the candidate receiving the third largest number of votes shall be elected to serve a term of one year.

Morton Cordell, Larry McNary and Glen Seidel are the qualified candidates for

Association: For The Villages Association, in addition to the vote The Villages penses Refunded to Members, election will be held for three director vacancies for terms of three years each.

The Amended and Restated Bylaws of the Corporation provide that there shall candidates for this year's director election.

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

Homeowners' Board Candidates

Morton Cordell

8319 Chianti Court

I moved to the Villages with my wife Susan in June 2013.

I was born and educated in London, England.

I began my working career in accountancy, swiftly moving to an international trading company. I have overseen both domestic and European offices, earning for the Corporation the prestigious Queens Award for Export.



I moved to the San Francisco area in 1983 where I worked for eighteen years as head of an international import and distribution company. In 2002 I co-founded Silk Road Associates LLC, an overseas sourcing and trading company with offices in Shanghai and San Jose producing both private brand and our own brand products. I have in-depth knowledge of business management in manufacturing, marketing, and distribution. I am still active in Silk Road Associates today.

Since moving to The Villages, I have served on the following boards and committees.

Marketing Committee-4 years, Chair for 3 years EVF—Director for 9 years serving as Marketing Director, Projects Manager, COF Coordinator

ACC-member for 4 years, 3 years as Chair CAC-currently an associate member

HBOD—Director and secretary current position, HBOD liaison to the ACC

I feel that my business background together with my knowledge of The Villages and the various committees I have served on will be an asset to HBOD. We need to build a socially responsible community to protect our current assets and plan for the growth and wellbeing of all residents present and future.

Larry McNary

7101 Via Portada

My wife Cheryl and I moved to a single family home in the Villages in 2009 from San Jose. We retired in 2012. We appreciate the safety, numerous amenities and activities, and the friends we have made here. We both enjoy contributing towards improving the Villages where we can.



Since moving to the Villages, I have been a volunteer in a half dozen different Village's organizations pital at Stanford. In these positions I was responsible including VMA, EPC and VARC. These experiences have given me a good overview of the Villages and and establishing a program from the ground up. how things work.

Masters degree in Counseling from Indiana University, I am blessed with my wife Peggy of 49 years, and 4 a Bachelors degree in Electrical Engineering and a children and 4 grandchildren. Masters degree in Engineering Management both from Santa Clara University. As an engineering director, I managed a department of 55 new product development engineers and a \$13.7M annual operating budget during my last ten years of employment. I earned licenses in electrical and mechanical engineering and for the second year, and have been on the committee a real estate broker's license.

I have been a homeowner for 45 years. I understand the challenges of managing and maintaining a home. I have an appreciation for what drives real estate values.

I believe my diverse problem solving background and experience in managing large projects, people, budgets and processes, combined with my interest in real estate and preservation of home values, have prepared me to serve on the Homeowner's board.

Glen Seidel

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I was trained as a Pediatrician and then as a Pediatric Radiologist specializing in Interventional Radiology. I was Chair of the Department of Radiology for 12 years at the Children's Mercy Hospital. I was the founding Interventional Radiologist and Section Chief at Texas Children's



Hospital, and again at Lucille Packard Children's Hosfor recruiting Physicians, Nurses, and Technologists

My career moved me and my family around the I have a diverse background which includes a country to 5 different Children's hospitals in 5 cities.

> We have been in the Villages for 7 years. We came for the idyllic setting and wonderful facilities. I am an avid golfer and go the the gym regularly. My wife is an avid Tennis player and has been President of the Tennis Club. I am currently Chair of the Fitness Committee for 4 years. I was on the ACC for 4 years and have been on the HBOD for the past year.

> I am confident that I can continue to serve the community well in my ongoing role as HBOD member.

Thank you.



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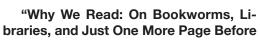
The colors have to match for your vote to be valid!

FROM THE VILLAGES LIBRARY

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

"The Berry Pickers" by Amanda Peters. July 1962. A Mi'kmaq family from Nova Scotia arrives in Maine to pick blueberries for the summer. Weeks later, four-year-old Ruthie, the family's youngest child, vanishes. In Maine, a young girl named Norma grows up as the only child of an affluent family. Her father is emotionally distant, her mother frustratingly overprotective. Norma is often troubled by recurring dreams and visions that seem more like memories than imagination. As she grows

older, Norma slowly comes to realize there is something her parents aren't telling her. Unwilling to abandon her intuition, she will spend decades trying to uncover this family secret. Fiction, 2023.



Lights Out" by Shannon Reed. We read to escape, to learn, to find love, to feel seen. We read to encounter new worlds, to discover new recipes, to find connection across difference, or simply to pass a rainy afternoon. No matter the reason, books have the power to keep us safe, to challenge us, and perhaps most importantly, to make us more fully human. Non-fiction, 372.42, Reading Motivation, 2024.

Audition for Matinee Theatre—no memorization required

Ever wondered what it feels like to become someone else on stage? Ever wanted to act a little, but didn't want to worry about memorizing lines? Ever thought about being part of a play, but didn't have the time to rehearse a lot?

Well, Matinee Theatre is just right for you. On Thursday, June 6, at 2 p.m. in Cribari Auditorium, the Villages Amateur Theatre will be holding auditions for the June presentation of two skits. One is a classic George Burns/Gracie Allen radio show, complete with 1950s music. Another is a skit about



life here in "Our Villages," originally written for another senior community and adapted to what is happening right here.

No memorization! Two rehearsals! Two performances (June 21 and 22) for your friends to come and watch. The schedule will be as follows, all held in Cribari:

Audition on June 6 at 2 p.m.

Rehearsals on June 14 at 2 p.m. and June 18 at 6 p.m.

Run Through on June 20 at 2 p.m.

Performances on June 21 and 22 at 2 p.m.

OK, actors. Come on down!

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN ARTS AND CRAFTS?

All Villagers are invited to participate in Arts and Crafts Activities. Visit villagesartsandcrafts.org Open Studio in the Art Room with Jane Hink and Taf Tafaroddi beginning at 10 a.m. Mondays and Fridays. All Arts & Crafts members and all media welcome!

Open Studio afternoons, 2 - 5 p.m. Mondays with Michael Sunzeri and Stephanie Torres, Fridays with Greg Cheung. All Villagers and all media welcome!

May 30: Advisory Board meeting, Art Room, 4 p.m.

Register for all Art Classes by emailing barb.gottesman@gmail.com

May 28: Collage on Copper with Carol Norden. Tuesday, 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. \$125. All materials furnished: 12x24 copper sheets, acrylics, brushes, findings.

June 4, 6, 11, and 13: Printing without a Press with Pat Remington. Two Tuesdays and two Thursdays, 1 – 3:30 p.m. \$60. All materials furnished.

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. 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 May 15: Gary and Terry Holmquist (408) 332-8581 will lead a hike in Alum Rock Park. It will be on the Valley Trail from the first picnic area to the end of the valley and back. Total distance is about 4 miles with an elevation gain of approximately 200 feet. Round trip driving distance is 20 miles. Meet at 8:45 at Cribari for a 9 a.m. departure. There will be an optional stop for lunch on the way home.

Rambler Lite Hike May 15: Katy Peretti (408-531-0917) will lead a hike through south and north Verano and into Highland. Meet at Vineyard at 9 a.m.

Long Hike Tuesday, May 21: Gordon Carbonetti (425-442-7743) will lead a hike to the 3,486 foot summit of Mt. Umunhum located in the Sierra Azul Open Space Preserve. The hike will start from the Bald Mountain parking lot (has a restroom) on Mt. Umunhum Road, which is a 25-mile and 50-minute drive from the Villages. The up-and-back hike will be 3.6 miles each way (7.2 miles total) with sun and shade, and an elevation gain of about 1,200 feet. At the summit there is a nearly 9-story concrete radar tower which is visible from most areas in the Silicon Valley, including the Villages. The de-activated tower was part of the Almaden Air Force Station, which was a surveillance base in operation from 1958 to 1980. A restroom is also available at the top. We will meet at the Cribari Bell at 8:45 a.m. for a 9 a.m. departure. Roundtrip mileage is about 50 miles.

Rambler Lite Hike May 22: Katy Peretti (408-531- 0917) will lead a hike to Glen Arden and Highlands. We'll walk around Glen Aden then along Caledonia to Buckhaven and back to Foothill. Meet at Foothill at 9 a.m.

Rambler/Long Hike May 29: Bob Bogdanoff (408-834-9657) will lead a hike to Mayyan Ooyakma - Coyote Ridge Open Space Preserve. Meet at 9:30 a.m. at the Cribiari Bell for a 9:45 a.m. departure. The Park opens at 10 a.m. The address is 9611 Malech Rd, Morgan Hill. Drive south on Hwy 101, exit Bailey Avenue and head east crossing over the Hwy. Continue a short distance on Malech Road and the parking lot with restroom is on the right.

The hike will be a 5.1 mile circular trail which consists of the Serpentine Spring Trail (1.3 miles, elevation change of 1,000 feet), Tule Elk Trail (1.3 miles, elevation change less than 50 feet) and the Bay Checkerspot Trail (2.5 miles, elevation change of 1,000 feet). You will experience stunning views of the Santa Clara Valley. One Butterfly Pass is required for each group of hikers. If you only want to do a portion of the hike, you will need to obtain your own, free Butterfly Pass at openspaceauthority.org/preserves/coyoteridge.html.

Rambler Lite Hike May 29: Katy Peretti (408-531-0917) will lead a hike through Cribari starting at the west side. Meet at the clubhouse at 9 a.m.

RV CLUB SCHEDULE



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More information and photos from recent outings are on the club's website at villagesrvclub.org May 20, 21, 22, 23 - Cotillion Gardens, Felton

June 24, 25, 26, 27 - Skyline Wilderness Park, Napa

July 22, 23, 24, 25 - Olema Ranch Campground, near Pt. Reyes

August 4 - Club Barbecue at Vineyard Center August 19. 20. 21 - Moss Landing KOA

September 6, 7, 8, 9 - Bodega Bay RV Park

October 21, 22, 23, 24 - 49er Village, Plymouth

November 14 - Quarterly Meeting, Sequoia Room (Cribari) 3:30 p.m.

December 11 - Holiday Party at clubhouse

RELIGION

Villages Religious Services

Weekly:

Sunday 8:15 a.m. Catholic Mass Cribari
Contact: Kathy Schlosser 408-677-4770
Sunday 9 a.m. Episcopal Service Montgomery
Contact: Leslie Bailey 408-270-9022
Sunday 10 a.m. Community Chapel Cribari

Regularly Scheduled:

Friday 9 a.m. **Catholic Mass** Cribari First three Fridays of each month

Contact: Del Herfurth

Contact: Louise Connors 408-221-6485
Friday 7:15 p.m. **Jewish Shabbat** Foothill

Next date: May 17

Contact: Marilyn Goldsmith 732-672-8601

408-440-4649

Everyone is welcome! Please call for more information!

EPISCOPAL

'Hearts on Fire'

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

How many of us recognize the words of John Wesley, in his famous encounter at the Aldersgate Street prayer meeting, when he "found (his) heart strangely warmed" by the assurance of God's grace in Jesus Christ? The heat of that spiritual encounter empowered Wesley to the missionary work that eventually became the Methodist Church, but he was hardly the first to describe God's comfort and God's commission as being something like a warmth or a flame. Indeed, dating back to Moses' storied encounter with the burning bush, people of faith have recognized God's urgent message though the medium of fire.

Little wonder, then, that the dispirited disciples of Jesus—trying to figure out what to do in the wake of their Lord's violent death and startling resurrection—were inspired anew by fire. As the account in the Book of Acts tells us, the disciples were gathered in Jerusalem when a violent wind filled the room and "what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them" (Acts 2:3) And from that moment, they began to speak in all the languages that could be understood in the city. Miraculous! But I find myself wondering: was the miracle the wind and fire and tongues, or was it the willingness of the gathered community to feel the warmth of the Spirit? And thereby be compelled to share the fire that filled their hearts? What then shall we do with the warmth of love that we have been given?

VILLAGES JEWISH COMMUNITY

Friday night Shabbat Services will be held at 7:15 p.m. on May 17, 2024, at Foothill Center. We will have Cantor Devora Felder Levy from Shir Hadash lead our services, followed by a discussion led by Debra Eskinazi Stockdale. Debra recently returned from a 10-day trip to Israel where she met with peace activists, hostage families, educators, rabbis, journalists, and researchers. Additionally, Debra visited with soldiers in rehab, met with Zaka, went to Hostage Square, and visited the massacre sites in the Gaza Envelope among other impacted communities. Hear her take on having experienced this wide cross-section of Israeli society spanning religious, social, and political perspectives.

Debra is actively involved in the local Jewish community and a board trustee at Yavneh Day School in Los Gatos, where her daughters go to school.

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 Community, please contact Bob Lapidus at 408-693-9498.

COMMUNITY CHAPEL

'I've Made a Good Life'

By Pastor Bill Hayden

Life can sometimes be so difficult that we question whether God sees and cares when we are between a rock and a hard place. If God wills... at some point, we arrive at adulthood with scares, bruises, and even broken hearts looking for love.

Perhaps one of your parents was abusive, or you were raised by a single parent, or lived in foster care, which affected your self-worth. You may have grown up in a family where you are made to feel that you were not good enough or you were bullied by your siblings. Yet, you kept hoping and moving forward to live your best life.

You may have found some resemblance to success in your education, a career, or found the mate of your dreams, and raised a family while living a good life. You may not have seen the "good" in having a relationship with Jesus Christ. You may have thought there was no need for God's grace or provisions because you made the best out of what life brought your way for most of your life.

Over time, that belief developed a subtle assumption that money would somehow be the savior. You fall into the trap of deciding what is right, good, essential, and valuable until you are confronted with the death and separation of a loved one.

In suffering and separation, you can learn that each day is a gift to be appreciated and to make each day count because tomorrow is not promised.

We did not write the "Good Life" menu because we are not the Creator... we are the created. We assume that we know what is best for ourselves and lack the knowledge of the next day or the number of our days. God provided us the "Good Life" through His Son, Jesus Christ. **John 10:10 NKJV** The thief does not come except to steal, and to kill, and to destroy. I have come that they may have life, and that they may have it more abundantly.

The Good Life is for the receiving.... Do you have a Good Life?

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

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

'Come, Holy Spirit'

By Margaret Lam

A wise woman who was traveling in the mountains found a precious stone in a stream. The next day she met another traveler who was hungry, and the wise woman opened her bag to share her food. The hungry traveler saw the precious stone and asked the woman to give it to him. She did so without hesitation.

The traveler left rejoicing in his good fortune. He knew the stone was worth enough to give him security for a lifetime.

But, a few days later, he came back to return the stone to the wise woman. "I've been thinking," he said, "I know how valuable this stone is, but I give it back in the hope that you can give me something more precious. Give me what you have within your heart that enabled you to give me this stone." (Author Unknown)

What inspires our heart to act in charity? This story speaks to me of the "indwelling of the Holy Spirit" within us.

Saint Paul said, "The Spirit of God dwells in you." (Romans 8:9). Even though we have never met God, we are given the capacity to love Him, and through this mutual love, be able to love one another. The Holy Spirit fires us up with "gifts": Wisdom, Understanding, Counsel, Fortitude, Knowledge, Piety and Fear of God. These gifts enable us to grow in holiness, in order that we may bear the "Fruits of the Spirit": Love, Joy, Peace, Patience, Kindness, Goodness, Faithfulness, Gentleness, and Self-control. (Galatians 5:22).

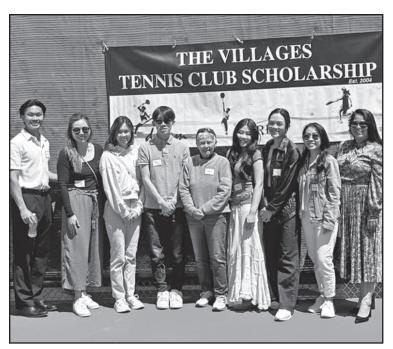
I see the Holy Spirit at work in our community. People who bring faith, hope and charity to others; ministering Holy Communion to the sick; bringing hearty meals to the homebound; offering words of comfort to the bereaved, uniting through hymns and prayers in worship. From His birth, baptism, temptations, ministry, to His crucifixion and resurrection, Jesus was guided by the Holy Spirit. That's the same Spirit of God that Jesus promised to give to His disciples. On this Pentecost Sunday, we celebrate the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles, the birth of the holy Catholic Church, and the indwelling of the Holy Spirit in our hearts.

Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and enkindle in them the fire of your love.

Sports News

#10, and Rita Karlsten #17.

TENNIS TALK



Former scholarship winners with Wendy Ferguson.

Benz team wins

By Roy Pennington and Betty Olsen

The Villages Tennis League (VTL) concluded its spring session on May 1. With a record of five wins and four losses, the team captained by Sherry Benz was victorious in the four-team league. Sherry's team members included Suzi Hathaway, Cheryl Heusser, Shirley Mariani, Gail Tuft, Vince Alvarez, Michael Clurman, Mike Falarski, Brett Foreman, Tim Keys, Josh Liao, Chuck Moss, and Amit Seth.

Sherry elected to not have an official team name, but the other teams dubbed her team the Benz Brigade. Some of the other names that were frequently heard around the courts are not fit for print. That's the price winners pay.

The other three teams were captained by Roy Pennington, team 1, Betty Olsen, team 2 named Deuce, and Jim Murphy, team 3.

After eight weeks of mixed doubles, all four teams filled the courts on the last day of play. It was a warm afternoon, and the tennis was intense. At the completion of all the matches, the players gathered in the tennis viewing area and enjoyed a so-

cial gathering with potluck abundance of food. At that time, winning and losing

The league is looking forward to commencing play again in the fall. Registration information will be

on April 27. Eight former scholarship winners as far back as 2008 attended the tournament and each spoke of their appreciation

was no longer important.

forthcoming. Stay tuned for the VTL fall schedule. We could not find photos from the May 1 final VTL party but would like to include photos from the Scholarship tournament

to the Village Tennis Club.

WOMEN'S 9-HOLE

By Mary Wagle

We had 68 ladies vying for Captain's Trophy on May 7. Of the 68, we had the following chipins: Judy Frey on #7, Kathleen Pennington #13, Susan Sunzeri

The winners of the trophies for May were Karen Carlson on the Front Nine with a net score of 33 and Carol Zaccheo on the Back Nine with a net score of 31. Congratulations to both Karen and Carol on a job well done.

We have some notable events coming up in May and June. On May 31, Gisele Barber and Diana Hallock will be hosting the first Friday Night Twilight, the Fiesta Scramble. Remember to wear your sombreros and serapes! Signups will begin on Friday, May 17, by calling the Pro Shop at 408-274-3220, option 1. Flyers for The Fiesta Scramble have been distributed to all six golf clubs, so remember to sign up early to guarantee your spot. If you miss out this time, the next one is on June 28 (In-The-Pin-Dence Day). All Twilights begin at 4:30 p.m. this year, and they all have a shotgun start. The balance of the schedule is July 26, August 23, and September 20.



Karen Carlson, May Captain's **Trophy winner, front 9**

The VGC Revenue Generating Committee has scheduled some fun events, one of which is 18 holes Sunday Sweeps. The next one is May 26. Sign up on Chelsea for a tee time with your fellow Villager (twosome or foursome), and you'll play a two net best ball format. All you do is check in at the Pro Shop on the day of golf, and let the staff know



Carol Zaccheo, May Captain's trophy winner, back 9

that you wish to be in the game. There will be a \$5 per person charge for sweeps charged to your house accounts. After you play 18 holes, turn your card into the Pro Shop (after posting your own hole-by-hole score), and then awards will be posted to your sweeps account. For the dinner, which is optional, it starts at 5 p.m. in the Fairway Room, and you order off the usual Clubhouse menu. Dinner for Wednesday Nine and Dine should be reserved by contacting Mary Wagle, marylwagle@ gmail.com, or 408-829-4021 talk or text.

The next Wednesday Nine and Dine golf event will be on June 5 at 4 p.m. Flyers will be distributed soon, so keep an eye out. Signups for these Wednesday events will not be through the Pro Shop, as the Revenue Generating Committee is doing everything without Pro Shop involvement. These are open to Villagers and their guests who have GHIN numbers, and since play is on the front nine only, these are the rules to maintain pace of play: sign-ups limited to 18 foursomes, all golfers must drive a golf cart and make every effort to keep up with the group

in front of them, you must be on your starting hole ten minutes early, and men play from the #3 tees and women from the #2 tees. Join in for these Wednesday events and sign up as soon as you see the flyer.

SHONIS

By Betty Hall

Nice golfing weather is here. Last Tuesday, we had a great field of 22 Shonis and three qualifiers. Seems like every week we're welcoming new golfers. Very happy to see new golfers or returnees to the game.

We continue in our annual Eclectic and every week we try to improve our scores on each hole. Last week, two Shonis added birdies to their Eclectic scorecards. Meg Rogers got her birdie on Hole 9 while Judy Rogers birdied Hole 8. Good job, ladies.

Last week was May's Captain's Trophy. Our trophies went to Joyce



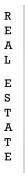
Joyce Baptiste



Leslie Ingham

Baptiste for her low gross game of 37. The low net of 18 was Leslie Ingham. Great games, ladies.

The William Jefferies co. Lisa Gault Phone: 408-202-1959 Villager Real Estate agent





MEN'S GOLF CLUB



BOCCE NEWS



By Kurt Pagnini, kmpagnini@gmail.com

Upcoming Events: 2024 Summer Open and Annual Picnic — Saturday, June 8, 2024. 8 a.m. Shotgun. Registration starts May 25 through June 6. Scramble, Four-Man Teams.

April Hole In Ones - There were two! Pres Miranda - April 15 - Hole #11 Jay Pinson - April 18 - Hole #4

Eagles

Scott Stephens - April 20 #16 and April 21 #2

Geoff Gault - April 22 #2 Kurt Pagnini - April 27 #9

Age Shooters

Jim Valenti (87) - Shot his age for the 475th time. Including a 75!

Larry Angel (81) - Four times! April 3 - 81, April 10 - 74, April 24 - 81 and April 27 - 80

Dave Dimmick (76) April 10 - 74 and April 17 - 75

Bob Dolci (72) April 15 - 72 and April 17 - 71

Pres Miranda (84) April 15 - 79 **Tom Nedney** (78) April 3 - 74

2024 Evergreen Invitational: This year's Evergreen Invitational is scheduled for July 11-13. This is a MGC Major, so plan accordingly to be there for the fun and festivities! Also, should you know a club member who may be interested in helping out, please direct them to Bill Morefield, The Evergreen Chairman at bill_morefield@yahoo.com. **Remember, there are still a number of positions that remain to be filled and we would sincerely appreciate your help.**

MGC E-mails: Are you receiving notification emails from the Men's 18 Hole Golf Club? If not, there is a simple fix. You may have accidentally *unsubscribed* from the scheduled emails. Please just let us know if you think you are one of those and I will send you an email to reconfirm you and get you back on track.

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. The next meeting will be **June 4, 2024.** MGC Members are always welcome to attend.

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

IRONMEN

By Bill Travis and Jerry Juracich

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

Thursday, May 9, 2024 was sunny and warm, another beautiful day for golf. Ten Ironmen played. Walter Lucas won **Third Place** with a net 28; **Second Place** went to Ari Galicki with a net 27; and Bob Pritchard won **First Place** with a net 26!

There were five **Birdies** today: one by Dave Hathaway on hole 6; one by Jerry Juracich on hole 9; one by Walter Lucas on hole 8; one by Sang Nam on hole 9; and one by Hiei Takazawa on hole 7. Sang Nam won **Closest to the Flag** on hole 5 at 14 feet.

Dave Hathaway, Victor Hong and Sang Nam tied for Low Gross with 32s.

Golfer of the Day honors went to Sang Nam with low gross, a birdie, and closest to the flag.

A reminder: If every Ironman at every game would take the time to fill in all divots and green damage noticed during each week's game, we would be making a big contribution toward maintaining our own course!

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. You can also visit our website at ironmen.vgcc.club

Deep Thoughts

"I always think before an important shot: What is the worst that can happen on this shot? I can whiff it, shank it, or hit it out-of-bounds. But even if one of those bad things happens, I've got a little money in the bank, my wife still loves me, and my dog won't bite me when I come home." - Cary Middlecoff, winner of the Masters, and two-time winner of the US Open

"But you don't have to go up in the stands and play your foul balls. I do!" - Sam Snead, three-time winner of the Masters, three-time winner of the US Open, and winner of the Open Championship, to Ted Williams, Hall of Fame baseball player

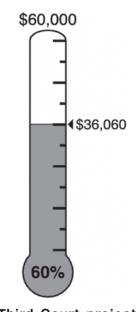
Three teams still standing as Bocce Spring Mixer reaches halfway point

By Tom Hunt

It's Bocce season! The Spring Mixer is in full swing and halfway to the finish line. Amongst the rolling balls and spirited cheers, three teams stand tall, undefeated, and ready to take on all challengers—Gettin' Better, B.A.B.B., and the Village Vandals.

Although underway, there's still time to form a team and join the fun! Visit the club's site at villagesbocce.vgcc. club and become a contender in the upcoming Round Robin Tournament.

Or come as a spectator and be a part of supporting your favorite team. If the love of the sport or the camaraderie of the crowd aren't enticing, then we're sure that our Bocce Bash is. This lively gathering brings residents and enthusiasts together every Friday at 3 p.m. We simply ask that you bring your own drinks and an appetizer to share.



Third Court project Fundraising progress

There's more. Those who attend the Bash have an opportunity to purchase Bocce apparel. Custom shirts, a variety of hats—there's something for everyone. Bocce apparel also is available at our online store at villagesbocce.vgcc.club.

Whether you're a seasoned veteran or a curious newcomer, there's never been a better time to join in on the Bocce craze. Come roll with us! We look forward to seeing you at the courts.

PINSEEKERS

By Jim White

Calling all Villagers golfers of every age and every level of

skill. You are invited to join the Pinseekers to play with us on Fridays for a couple of hours, squeezing in nine holes of our favorite game.

We meet every Friday at 8 a.m. for a light competition toward best net scores. In October we will switch to tee times beginning at noon

Your membership includes a spring meeting with paid lunch. Each fall, there is a clubwide meeting and barbecue for members and significant others. We are also planning a bi-monthly gathering for snacks with nohost beverages.

Get information on the Pinseekers by asking at the Pro Shop and contacting Jim White or Jack Bindon.





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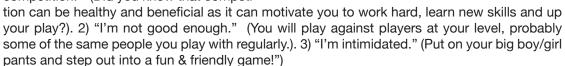


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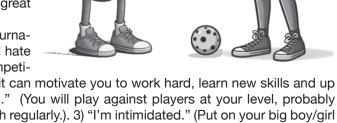
By Sherry Benz

The Pickleball Club is busy gearing up for the second tournament of the year: "May I have This Dink?" It is scheduled for Saturday, June 1 from 9 a.m. – 2 p.m. The format is a "Guys ask the Gals" mixed doubles tournament with advanced, advanced intermediate and intermediate/ advanced novice divisions. Sign-ups are open on the website or respond to any of the informational emails. Guys ... if you are a bit shy, don't fret. We have gals waiting in the "Wallflower Suite" just hoping to be chosen. The tournament directors will find the perfect match for you! Prizes and great food will be served!

Are you hesitant to sign up for the tournament? We hear several reasons: 1) "I hate competition." (Did you know that competi-



If you have any questions, contact Sherry (sabenz@sbcglobal.net or 408-887-5497) or Michelle (michellemcquay.villages@gmail.com or 408-858-8249). For registrations, contact Anahid (anahid.villages@gmail.com or 732-742-4874)



to play

Pickleball?

18-HOLE WOMEN

By Barbara Weisend

It was a beautiful day for 49 players. May 16 was the second day of our Handicap Tournament. The current standings and next matches are posted on the bulletin board outside of the Pro Shop.

Apparently, some of the ladies had trouble filling out their scorecards for matchplay. Each hole on the scorecard should show the cumulative score (for example +2), and the opponent's card should show the reverse (-2). If you have questions, call Annie Bassford.

Camille Giuliodibari substituted for Nancy Keane and provided us with today's joke.

Thank you to Barbara Nilsen, who put together The Common Course Etiquette guidelines. At lunch, Barbara highlighted the guidelines and answered some questions. The guidelines were sent out in an e-mail; please read them.

Also, at lunch some old scrapbooks and photo albums were put out on display. It was fun to remember past events and old friends. Since we no longer have space to store them, we were invited to take the photos we would like to have. They will be out on display the next couple of weeks at lunch. They will also be available in the posting room. Also, remember that there are many photos available on our website, beautifully maintained by Vivian Brown—villageswomensgolf.vgcc.club.

Reminder: Our next Guest Day is on June 6. It is a good time to invite your Invitational partner to get her familiar with the course. Other guests are also welcome. Since the Guest Day is the first Thursday in June, Captain's Trophy will be played on May 30.

Chip-ins—\$5 each. Kerry Besmehn (#11) and Masie Rice (#8) Birdies—Kerry Busmen (#11) and Gisele Baber (#18)

Modified Golf Course Walking Availability

Please observe the modified golf course walking schedule on the following day—Monday, May 27 – Before 7 a.m. and after Dusk due to the Memorial Day Holiday golf schedule.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation! Let us know if you have any questions.



FROM THE PRO



By Scott Steele, PGA Head Golf Professional

May Golf Schedule

Friday, May 17 – Open Shogun 8 a.m. – Golf Moose Outing 12:30 p.m. Shotgun – 18-Hole Course *closed*

Saturday, May 18 – 18-Hole Women's Saturday Tournament 8:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.

Tuesday, May 21 – PWGA Tournament 11:30 a.m. – Open Play Tee Times approximately 1:30 p.m. **Sunday, May 26** – Sunday Sweeps

Monday, May 27 - Memorial Day Holiday - Open Play Tee Times 7 a.m.

Taylor Made Fitting Day—Friday, May 24 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Come out and try the new Taylor Made Qi10 drivers and woods! To sign up for a fitting from a Taylor Made professional club fitter, call the Pro Shop at (408) 274-3220 extension 1.

Sunday Sweeps - New Fun Golf Play Events for Your Enjoyment

The next Sunday Sweeps is May 26. To remind you, one Sunday per month, we will be hosting a Sunday Sweeps game. Foursomes can consist of two couples, or any foursome mix of residents who want to participate. All players must have a valid USGA Handicap Index in order to participate. Registration is simple – just tell us when you check in on Sunday that your group wants to play in the Sweeps game and you are in. You will take a standard scorecard and complete it with each player's gross scores on each hole, and turn the scorecard in when you are finished. The entry fee is \$5 per person for the Sweeps prizes. The format will always be 2 Net Best Balls. We will pay out 1/3 of the field each Sunday Sweeps. We hope you will enjoy this fun and casual addition to the golf events at The Villages! Let us know if you have any questions. Future Sunday Sweeps Dates: June 23, July 28, Aug. 25, Sept. 29, Oct. 27, Nov. 10, Dec. 15

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

- 1. Follow the 90-degree rule (longer hitters) or the Entrance Gates (shorter hitters) when entering the fairway.
- 2. Drive the cart from shot to shot keeping the cart in the fairway as you play the hole... please avoid driving in the rough as much as possible to maintain the integrity of the rough.
- 3. Do not drive within 30-feet of the greens defined by the yellow painted ground lines in front of each green.
- 4. Exit every hole through the exit gates please do not drive on the mounding around the greens and proceed from hole to hole using the cart paths.
 - 5. Respect any roping, cart directional signs and Ground Under Repair.
 - 6. Fill all divots with sand mix.
 - 7. Repair pitch marks on the greens.
- 8. Smooth out the sand in the bunkers with the bunker rake and return the rake at a right angle to bunker edge placing the head of the rake in the sand and the handle of the rake on the bunker edge.
 - 9. Knock the sand off your shoes before walking on the green.

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

On the Course – You will see some things happening on the golf course later this month:

- 1. Geese hazing with dogs will start on Fridays May 17-June 14
- 2. Two new trees will be planted one on Hole #9 in front of the lake and one on Hole #15 in front of the lake. These are areas where we have lost trees in the past. These new trees will be staked, so please take 1-club-length relief from stance and swing, no nearer the hole.
- 3. Tree trimming of the Eucalyptus Trees on Hole #5, #8, #9 will commence soon. Please stay clear of the tree crews during this process. Any ball entering a work area results in free relief at the nearest point clear and safely away from the tree crews, no nearer the hole.

Montgomery Bunker—The street side practice sand bunker at the Montgomery short game area will be emptied and refilled with the new G3 Premium White Sand that is the proposed sand for the golf course bunkers as part of the bunker renovation project. **This practice bunker will be closed until the new sand is installed.** Once installed, please try out the new sand and let us know your thoughts.

Tips from the Pro—Constants and Variables

One of the trickiest parts of the short game is adjusting the distance of your pitch shots. Let's say you face a 60-yard pitch on one hole and a 40-yard pitch on the next. How do you take those 20 yards off the shot? Some instructors advocate varying the force of the swing. I'm against that, unless you practice a lot. I'm a strong believer in keeping it simple by keeping the pace and tempo of the swing consistent and varying the length of the swing with the length of the shot. Contrary to full shots with the same length of swing, shorten your backswing as the length of the pitch shot decreases. Also think of the location of the hole on the green for club selection. For instance, if you are 30 yards short of the green on Hole #2 with a front hole location, think about using your sand wedge for a higher, softer shot that will drop and stop. Conversely if you are 30 yards short of the green on Hole #2 with a back hole location, use the same swing with a Pitching Wedge that will come in lower and roll more to the back of the green. So try these two things: vary the length of your pitching swing and not the pace of the swing; and also change clubs relative to the hole location and not the pace of your swing and see if these techniques help you around the greens...Good luck! **To sign up for a lesson with me, email ssteele@the-villages.com**

SCOREBOARD

BRIDGE

Wednesday, May 8:

- Jonna Robinson Roy Tsai
 Art Lind Lorre Scott
- 3. Claude Ashen Guest

Friday, May 10:

- 1. Jonna Robinson Roy Tsai
- 2. Sumi Minami
- George Welch3. Lorrie Scott Guest

MEXICAN TRAIN DOMINOES

Wednesday, May 8

Joanne Cooke	233
Maribeth Berlie	260
Remy Pessah	261

Friday, May 10

118
185
474

SHONIS



Tuesday, May 7 All Nets

Flight One:

1. Joyce Baptiste	24
2. Tied - Teddy Morse,	
Judy Rogers and	
Pauline Robertson	25

Flight Two:

1. Manoli Kelly.	25
2. Tied Nancy Chesterto	on,
Kathy Tanaka and	
Donna Erickson	26

Flight Three:	
1. Leslie Ingham	18
2. Deborah Strauss	23
3. Tied - Tahera Khalil	
and Schinge Ogihara	28

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MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE

Landscape Maintenance

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Cribari

5364-5383 and 5433-5488 - in progress. 5090-5153 and 5210-5233- 5/20-5/24.

Glen Arden

7698-7752 and 7753-7787 (odd) – in progress. 7754-7786 (even) and 7791-7867 – 5/20-5/24.

Hermosa

8065-8088 and around Chardonay Lake area 8096-8099, 8122-8125, 8344-8349 and 8388-8399 – in progress.

8350-8387 and 8400-8446- 5/20-5/24.

Heights

8464-8479 and 8506-8509- in progress. 8350-8387 and 8400-8446 - 5/20-5/24.

Montgomery

6246-6336- in progress.

6184-6245,6337-6361 and Montgomery Center – 5/20-5/24. **Club**

ABC Buildings - in progress.

Clubhouse, Tennis Courts and Driving Range - 5/20-5/24.

Seasonal Landscape Maintenance Turf Aeration.

Del Lago, Sonata, Fairways and Bldgs. A-C – in progress. Olive Tree Spraying – Cribari, Fairway Drive, Parkway Drive and Association - 5/20-5/24.

Treatment for Voles, Moles, Gophers and Squirrels

(Rozol Vole Bait, Talpirid, Gopher Coetter Type 2 Bait, Rodent

Bait Diphacinone .005% and .01%) Olivas, Estates, Hermosa and Heights – 5/20.

Sprinkler System Testing

Sonata, Del Lago, Verano, and Highland – In progress. Sprinkler systems - Watering Mondays and Thursday. New watering schedule for Del Lago, Sonata – Monday and Thursday – shrubs. Tuesday and Fridays – lawns.

Montgomery and Verano – Monday and Thursday – shrubs. Wednesday and Sunday – lawns.

Upper Gardens – Poison Hemlock weed control around the outside areas – in progress.

Cribari Bend and Cribari Circle – Pro chip bark replenishment – in progress.

Association Maintenance

Glen Arden

7710, 7712, 7723, 7725 and 7727 - Roof replacement - in progress.

Oliva

McCarty Ranch and Lomas Azules – Build storage doors inside trash enclosures – in progress.

Club Maintenance

Clubhouse - Automatic Door 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.

Eight is more than enough!



As Mother's Day came and went, human moms weren't the only Villages mothers involved in their offsprings' lives. Recent weeks have seen broods of Canada Goose goslings emerging under watchful parental eyes, as is the case with this Montgomery mother's orderly flock of fuzzy yellow hatchlings.

Photo by Ken Brady

Get in the FastLane!

FastLane is the Villages e-mail information blast. To sign up or get more information, contact Communications Coordinator Mariam at 408-223-4681 or mibrahim@the-villages.com, or go to Building B to sign up in person.

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



Maintenance Services

Customer Service Line: 408-223-4670

Maintenance Emergencies and/or Advice

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

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



Report Irrigation Issues

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

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831-247-9646

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Experienced, Reliable,
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Serving Villagers for 15 years
408-896-7405
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NANCY: 408-396-6603 Villages Resident Airport,

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Window Cleaning

Gabe's Window Cleaning Inside & Out Tracks

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For Sale

3-panel mirrored closet doors,

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patio table,
6 chairs
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Life Cycle
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Used Golf carts FOR SALE.

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LOST 8 FOUND

The Villages Lost & Found

Located in Building B.
Items are held for 30 days.
Items remaining
unclaimed after 30 days
are donated to a charity.
Please call 408-223-4643
if you have recently
lost an item.

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Learn where to take award winning photos in our own Bay Area



Photo by Mark Grzan

Please join the Camera Club as we learn where, when and how to get award winning photos right here in our own Bay Area. Gavilan College resident photography instructor, Mark Grzan, will give an in-depth program on easily accessible places to go to get incredible images. The program will be held **Monday, May 20 at Foothill Center at 7 p.m.**

Mark Grzan is a local, native Californian with family ties to Santa Clara Valley agriculture. Mark's passion is teaching photography and he has been instructing for over 30 years at both Gavilan and Foothill Colleges. He retired as the Administrator of the School of Art and Design at San Jose State University. Mark lectures on occasion before various community groups in our area and leads parties of photographers to amazing photographic sites throughout the western states and throughout California, from Death Valley to the Coastal Redwoods. Mark is a master photographer well versed in landscape, street and studio photography.

We invite anyone who wants to explore the photographic possibilities here close to home. If you are not a member of the Camera Club and wish to attend, please contact Sy Gelman at s.gelman@ymail.com.





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