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## FY22 Villages Satisfaction Survey

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## Villages business offices to close for Thanksgiving holiday

Villages business offices will be closed Thursday, November 25 and Friday, November 26 for the Thanksgiving holiday.

Regular office hours resume Monday, November 29.

## Find all your holiday gifts at Crafters Club Boutique!

You are invited to attend the Crafters Club Holiday Boutique in the Cribari Center (in the Auditorium, the Sequoia and Conference room) on Saturday November 27 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. the Saturday after Thanksgiving!

Skip the lines at the malls, the traffic on the roads, forget about the hustle and bustle activity in the shops, and come and enjoy a stress-free, jolly Holiday boutique in the Cribari center where you can browse with ease, finding all of your seasonal needs and more.

Shop 'til you drop on "Small Business Saturday" —the Saturday after Thanksgiving, where you will find Stocking stuffers, beautiful gifts for all ages, and something for you.

The Crafters Club has the best Unique handmade merchandise, it's our specialty—made just for you. Our tables will be bursting with festivity & merchandise made for you; to include quilts, greeting cards, Holiday wreaths & ornaments, jewelry, artwork, lavender, cork trivets, silk flowers, succulents, scarfs and hats, blankets, children's clothing, dolls clothes, wooden artwork, and so many gift choices to complete your shopping lists.

So come see us in the Cribari Auditorium, the Sequoia room, and Conference room to shop for all your favorite things!

The Crafters Club membership wish you all a very happy and blessed Thanksgiving. See you on the Saturday after Thanksgiving!

## 2022 Master Calendar process is wrapping up

There will be a series of reminders printed as organizations and committees get ready to start fresh in 2022 using Club Facilities.

**Did you pick up your confirmed copy of dates from Community Activities in Building B?** Calendar pickup is available 8:30 a.m. – noon, Monday through Friday.

**Did you check the returned confirmation for conflicts, changes or notes?** A change, conflicts, notes are highlighted in yellow.

**Have you provided Community Activities with your desired standard set-ups for each meeting/event?** Standard setups for each facility are on the resident portal under Facilities.

**If alcohol such as beer, wine, distilled spirits will be involved (BYOB, provided, sold) have you filled out the request to lift The Villages liquor license?** This form is needed two weeks in advance of the meeting/event.

Please contact the Community Activities office with your questions, 408 223-4643 or [mtatum@the-villages.com](mailto:mtatum@the-villages.com)

## Tis the season to be wary



Lookouts are on duty, lest these wild turkeys end up on someone's menu.

Photo by Mohan Rao Aiyagari



# 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. Each letter must also include name, address, phone number, date and number of words. Typed or legibly written letters must include your signature and may be hand delivered to the Pulse mailbox in Administration Building B or by mailing to the Communications Advisory Committee, 5000 Cribari Lane, San Jose, CA 95135.

Letters may be submitted electronically through the Pulse Submission Form on the Resident Portal: resident.thevillagesgcc.com/pulse, or emailed to Villager Managing Editor S. Hinrichs: shinrichs@the-villages.com.

E-mailed letters must include the text within the body of the e-mail and the subject line must read PULSE LETTER.

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

Note: Pulse letters are still being accepted through the pandemic in digital form only. You may take a picture of your hand-written letter and e-mail it as a JPEG attachment to: shinrichs@the-villages.com.

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

Last year after several encounters with coyotes and the "coyote freeway" near my house, I wanted to know where they were coming from. So I walked the entire Villages perimeter fence. I did find three to four dozen places where coyotes were coming in besides the 1800'+ of Sonata fence that deer and coyotes can walk through. In addition, I reported several failed attempts by staff to fix some holes. This caused a reduction in coyote reports from six a day to one a week in one area. However, I was told by staff not to do this. This week David Cook, head of the ABOD, reaffirmed I should not be doing this. There are definitely some areas that are risky so I don't recommend it. However, I was told "residents are to stay on paved or prepared surfaces," which was news to me. Not sure what that means but it is vague enough to restrict everyone to just about anywhere they want. Since my report staff is now tasked with checking their respective perimeter fences lines. Recently after a friend's dog was attacked I checked near their home and found a new hole.

—Ed Logg


## Pulse deadline altered for Thanksgiving holiday; as well as other Villager holiday deadlines

The Pulse letter deadline for the week of Thanksgiving is 4 p.m. Wednesday, November 24. Villager staff will be on holiday for Thanksgiving Thursday, November 25 and Friday, November 26.

Please turn in articles for *The Villager* by noon on Wednesday, November 24 for publication in the December 2 edition.

*The Villager* will not publish the week of Christmas. The Christmas edition of *The Villager* will be published Thursday, December 16. Any articles to be published before Christmas must be turned in Thursday, December 9 by 4:30 p.m. Classified ads are due Monday, December 13.

The Communications and Villager staff wish you the best of holidays.



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

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

### WHAT I LOVE ABOUT THE VILLAGES

More BOARDS & COMMITTEES,  
MANAGEMENT and COMMUNITY  
NOTICES on pages 4, 5, 14, 15, 23 & 27

## IN MEMORIAM

**Hendrik (Hank) Arie Sturuss**  
**December 17, 1929—November 16, 2021**  
(Please see obituary in the Classified Advertising section)

In Memoriam notices are run free of charge.

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

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

### DEADLINES

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

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

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

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

**Delivery:** *The Villager* is published on Thursday and distributed to all residents Friday morning. Extra copies of the latest editions are usually available in *The Villager* office and in the Library. Call 408-223-4655 to report missed deliveries.

### POLICIES

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

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

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

### HOURS

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

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

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# BOARDS & COMMITTEES

## CLUB BOARD

### *CBOD President's Message—Nov. 16, 2021*

The approaching holiday season is an excellent time to take a moment and consider how fortunate we are. It is a moment well spent.

Let me take this opportunity to wish everyone a very enjoyable Thanksgiving.

—Bob Wilk, Villages Golf & Country Club Board President

## ASSOCIATION BOARD

### *Association President's Report— November 16, 2021*

Welcome to the November 2021 Villages Association Board Regular Monthly Meeting. In October I reviewed the Board's current progress against our Goals and Objectives for Fiscal Management and Community Communications. Today I will look at the Water Conservation goals and in December I will review the Safety goals.

#### 2) WATER CONSERVATION

**2.1 Objective:** Actively manage Association water usage by meeting government requirements and monthly reviews of water usage information for each village. Set Association-wide targets for landscape appearance and plant support when limited by water availability.

Responsible: Managing Agent and ABOD, assisted by the ABOD Water Conservation Committee.

**Measured by: Association water usages meeting or exceeding required reductions. Uniform appearance across all villages.**

Status: By all measurements, the water conservation efforts by our staff and BrightView have been a resounding success! The Villages, as a whole in July/Aug saw a 27-percent usage reduction while the surrounding community has only recently achieved 6 to 9-percent reductions. This is outstanding work especially in the face of the driest and hottest summer in over a hundred years! Achieving those numbers is a learning experience and we are seeing substantially above normal plant losses due to underwatering in some areas. In response, watering rates are being adjusted upwards a bit. We are now publishing our actual water conservation numbers in *The Villager* and on the resident portal so you can track our accomplishments.

Soon we will also be seeing "report cards" from Waterfluence grading how well we are managing our irrigation water usage. Thanks to the Water Conservation Committee and BrightView for adding them to our toolkit.

**2.2 Objective:** Educate Residents on home water saving techniques to save money.

Responsible: Managing Agent and ABOD, assisted by the Water Conservation Committee.

**Measured by: Year over year 15-percent reduction in water usage by residents.**

Status: The Water Conservation Committee has done a great job of educating residents and promoting home water conservation techniques. The Staff Rapid Response team is actively tracking down and fixing major incidents of leaks throughout homes and the residential water system. As of the July/August Residential use is down 10 percent. Hopefully, the Sept/October reports will bring us closer to 15 percent.

**2.3 Objective:** Solicit DAC proposals for permanent water saving through landscaping alternatives such as turf reduction, alternative to grass for steep hillsides, additional hardscape and drought resistant CA native planting.

Responsible: ABOD and DACs.

**Measured by: Each DAC has submitted a proposal by the November ABOD regular board meeting. ABOD considers and submits approved projects to Managing Agent for inclusion in the FY22/23 Budget planning process. Reduce irrigation water consumption at least 5 percent each year.**

Status: The Board is hoping to see the DAC proposals later this month. These will be considered during the budget process which is now underway. Staff will also have some proposals to reduce irrigation water usage and simultaneously reduce dry rot caused by irrigation. In the March timeframe we will evaluate if projected savings for next year will achieve our target.

This is a wonderful time of year with the trees putting on their beautiful coats of yellows and reds, the hills are greening up again, and the holidays rapidly approaching. We have much to be grateful for to our staff for their outstanding work and all our resident volunteers. I wish you all a happy and safe Thanksgiving!

Best regards,

—David Cook, Villages Association President

## 'Ask the ABOD'

On October 27, 2021 the ABOD received the following questions by email from a Montgomery resident. (**ABOD answers are in bold italics**) Due to length considerations this article will be published in sections over three weeks.

To ABOD members –

Below are my personal comments regarding the water conservation discussion at the Oct 26, 2021 ABOD meeting:

(Questions 1 to 3 were answered in the November 11 edition)

4. I don't buy the argument that saving water now will cost us more in the long run because we will need to replace damaged plants/turf. Mr. Cook pointed out that we did lose some plants because of our water cut back in July/Aug 2021, but that begs the question "How much did it cost to replace those plants?" By cutting back irrigation watering for July/Aug 2021 by 31 percent, we saved well over \$50,000. How much did those damaged plants cost us to replace? Personally, I doubt if it was over \$50K. **Sustained underwatering of plants deteriorates their health and eventually results in their death. Plants that haven't yet been fully established or plants nearing the end of their normal lifecycles are the first to expire. While the full effects of plant losses this summer across The Villages is still being accumulated, the best estimate today is that we have lost over \$225,000 to \$250,000 in plant-related costs vs. about \$130,000 in water savings (thanks to Ryan Bolich at BrightView and Juan and Enrique for the detailed analysis behind these numbers).**

5. Plants/turf that don't survive at least a 20-percent cut in watering are not drought resistant and, where it makes sense, we should consider replacing these plants (or turf) with drought-tolerant varieties. After the last drought Montgomery, Cribari, and Olivas paid to expand the sprinkler system and re-seed some areas with a drought-tolerant turf variety so that when we have the next drought (i.e., our current situation) we would be able to cut back watering and not lose turf. If we can't cut back on water now after spending money on these upgrades, then this money was largely wasted.

**I will quote Ryan's answer directly: "This assertion is false. Drought tolerant plants naturally use less water to live, however, like any other plant long periods of reduced watering will lead to stress and death. Plants that are established, in general, can handle one to two months of reduced watering without dying (they will show signs of stress, which we saw through the June/July/August months) but any plant, no matter how drought-tolerant, can't withstand prolonged restricted watering (this is why we had to scale back some restricted watering in early September; to ensure these stressed plants didn't die). By September they had been stressed by reduced watering for over three months). Despite all of our efforts we still did have some significant plant die-off due to the restricted watering."**

6. I believe that The Villages can do much better than 15 percent in reducing landscape watering. We should at least target 20 percent. In July/Aug 2021, two very hot and dry months, we cut back landscape watering by 31 percent and most landscape did very well. Let's recognize that we live in a dry area of California (just look at our east foothills) and that potable water is no longer plentiful and cheap as it was when The Villages was built. **In fact, the landscaping across all The Villages did not fare very well (see the answer to #4). The best way to reduce water consumption is to continue to reduce the number of plants that consume the most water, increase the percentage of drought-tolerant plants, fix the increasing number of leaks in our aging landscape plumbing, and continue to improve the type of irrigation and its management system. These are all ongoing efforts, but we must balance the cost of lost plants, vs the cost savings of water reduction, attractive looking neighborhoods, and the long-term costs of improving the landscaping water infrastructure. Unfortunately, without external financial incentives (like rebates) from the state or local water agencies, the breakeven point of dollars spent vs. dollars saved is measured in decades. While we can and are making progress over time, neither the ABOD nor our members want to see a big spike in HOA assessments.**

—For the ABOD

David Cook, President



# MANAGEMENT

## PUBLIC SAFETY

### Public Safety Report October 2021

CLASSIFICATION	Present Month	YTD 2021	YTD 2020
<b>ACCIDENTS</b>			
1) PERSONAL INJURY	1	3	0
2) AUTO	6	18	5
3) HIT & RUN	1	3	1
4) GOLF CART	0	1	0
5) MISCELLANEOUS	0	1	0
<b>AFTER HOURS REQUESTS</b>			
1) LIGHTS	69	495	692
2) FACILITIES	8	64	95
3) SPRINKLERS	4	109	111
4) LANDSCAPE	5	19	19
5) ACTIVITIES	0	1	2
6) MISCELLANEOUS	0	0	0
7) GOLF MAINTENANCE	0	0	3
8) FOOD & BEVERAGE	0	0	0
9) BUSINESS OFFICE	0	0	0
10) PRO SHOP	0	0	0
11) WATER LEAKS (OUTSIDE)	3	38	13
12) ALARM ACTIVATION	1	4	11
<b>ANIMAL</b>			
1) COMPLAINTS	4	77	175
2) TRAP REQUEST	0	0	0
3) LOST	0	5	0
4) FOUND	0	3	1
5) COYOTE COMPLAINTS/SIGHTINGS	25	373	N/A
<b>CITATIONS</b>			
1) PARKING	5	9	2
2) SPEEDING	1	31	87
3) STOP SIGN - RESIDENTS	2	65	357
4) STOP SIGN - NON-RESIDENTS	9	299	573
STOP SIGN TOTALS	11	364	930
5) MISCELLANEOUS	5	35	88
6) ACC	0	0	0
<b>DISTURBANCE</b>			
FIRE / SMOKE	0	4	5
HAZARDOUS CONDITION	0	2	2
	0	3	7
<b>MEDICAL EMERGENCY</b>			
MISCELLANEOUS	53	415	463
	12	161	150
<b>PROPERTY</b>			
1) DAMAGED	2	30	28
2) LOST	0	3	4
3) FOUND	2	8	5
4) VANDALIZED	0	2	4
5) MISSING	0	7	3
<b>PUBLIC SAFETY</b>			
1) COMPLAINT	38	233	197
2) REQUEST	0	64	131
<b>RESIDENT ASSIST</b>			
RESIDENT WELFARE CHECK	29	235	168
SUSPICIOUS CIRCUMSTANCES	5	76	65
TRESPASSING	0	5	4
1) AUTO	0	0	0
2) PERSON	0	2	2
<b>UNLOCKS</b>			
UNSECURED AREA	18	162	168
	0	5	16

### Coyote reminder and tips

Coyotes may try to escort walkers out of an area to protect their pups or food sources when encountered on a trail or street. Humans may perceive this behavior as stalking, which is usually not the case. They may also view your pet as prey. To allow coyotes to be wild while keeping yourself and pets safe, please follow these pointers:

- Never feed coyotes—it is illegal to feed coyotes in most places. Feeding endangers your family and neighbors because it lures coyotes into neighborhoods.
  - Keep unattended cats and dogs indoors or in completely enclosed runs, especially at night, and do not assume that a fence will keep a coyote out of your backyard.
  - Accompany your leashed pet outside. Make sure you turn on lights if it is dark to check your backyard for unexpected wildlife.
  - **Keep dogs on short leashes while walking outside; the Division of Wildlife recommends a leash no longer than 6 feet.**
  - Keep noisemakers on hand to scare away coyotes that may enter your yard. Some examples of noise makers are whistles, horns or metal cans with small rocks or coins that rattle.
  - Never run away or turn your back on a coyote.
  - Do not allow a coyote to get between you and your pet or child—keep children close to you.
  - Yell, clap hands, blow a whistle or rattle a can and try to make yourself look larger if you have a close encounter with a coyote.
  - An empty soda can with pennies sealed with duct tape makes a very good noise maker when shaken.
- Reminder to all small pet owners:** A recent rise in coyote aggression has been seen with small dogs, most unleashed. **Please always leash your pets. Keep leashes short.** Coyotes will try to get between you and your pet if the leash is extended far enough. Carry a noise maker and always be alert. Use caution when walking past wooded areas, hiding spots between homes, and the golf course. They are widespread in The Villages and can truly be anywhere.

There is no way to completely eliminate coyotes from The Villages so always use caution when walking, especially with pets. Also, coyotes tend to be most active around sunrise and sunset. Pick different times for walks.

Please report all coyote sightings to Public Safety and Vector Control at the email addresses listed below.

### Report Coyote Activity

Please report all coyote sightings to Public Safety and Vector Control at the email addresses listed below.

- Director of Public Safety Steve Norden at [snorden@the-villages.com](mailto:snorden@the-villages.com) and include in email the location day and time of the sighting.
- Contact for Vector Control is [Vector.sccgov.org/home](http://Vector.sccgov.org/home) Residents can use this to report coyote / wildlife incidents directly to the county.

### Leash rule for pets

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



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

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

### EPC SEZ..

A disaster supply kit should include food and water, eating utensils, personal hygiene items, a whistle, plastic bags, toilet paper and paper towels. The disaster supply kit for your home could be contained in a new plastic garbage can with a tight-fitting lid. The kit for your car could be in a backpack or something that's easily carried. If you have questions, please contact EPC at [updates@thevillagesepc.org](mailto:updates@thevillagesepc.org).

— The Villages Emergency Preparedness Committee

More BOARDS & COMMITTEES and  
COMMUNITY NOTICES on pages 14, 15, 23 & 27

# GOVERNANCE MEETINGS

## THE DACs

### Fairways DAC to meet December 14

The Villages Fairways DAC will hold a regular meeting on Tuesday, December 14 from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. in the Cribari Conference Room. Doors will open starting at 4 p.m. so please arrive earlier than 5 p.m. to make sure you get situated, as we will have a full agenda.

## AC NOTICE

Association applications for Owner Alteration Requests for the month of December are due to the Architectural Committee on or before November 19, 2021. Call Elissa at the Corporation Yard office to obtain an application. **Meeting date is scheduled for December 2, 2021 at 9 a.m. at the Foothill Center.**

Association AC Landscape meeting deadline date is **November 19, 2021.**

### More COMMUNITY NOTICES

## (SRS) SENIOR RESOURCE SERVICES

### Can you have separate property in California?

**Question:** What happens if you are married, and you inherit a substantial sum of money? My husband and I have been married for 20 years and he has a son from a prior marriage. My stepson is a slug and is more interested in alcohol, drugs, and having a good time than in working. My husband happily enables his son to live irresponsibly.

My parents are not well and are quite wealthy. I am their sole heir. I don't want The Slug to inherit part of my parents' money when I die. I have other members in my family to whom I wish to leave my inheritance.

**Answer:** Everything you inherit or receive as a gift from your parents or anyone else is your sole and separate property. Your husband won't own it; so he can't

## BOARD MEETINGS

### Three Boards

- The Three-Board Meeting Re.: Coyote Tracking is Thursday, December 2 at 10 a.m. via Zoom Meeting  
Meeting ID: 842 4054 5530  
Passcode: 881265  
Dial: 1-669-900-6833

### Club

- The Villages Golf & Country Club Board of Directors Study Session Re.: Discuss PPP Proceeds, Projects to be included in New Budget and Budget Guidance is Thursday, December 2 at 2 p.m. via Zoom Meeting  
Meeting ID: 961 5036 4740  
Passcode: 260616  
Dial: 1-669-900-6833

### Homeowners

- The Homeowner's Corporation Quarterly Meeting is Thursday, December 9 at 9 a.m. via Zoom Meeting.  
Meeting ID: 975 5873 6401  
Passcode: 591400  
Dial: 1-669-900-6833

give it to his son unless you give it to your husband first.

If and when you inherit from your parents, you can protect your separate property by following a simple rule: **"Keep separate property separate by keeping it separate."**

Keep your inheritance in accounts titled solely in your name or in a trust you create by yourself and for yourself. If you want to be even more cautious, keep your inherited funds in different financial institutions from those where you and your husband keep your community property so there won't be a possible internet connection of accounts.

It may get complicated if you pass away before your husband. Anything you leave outright to your husband will be his to do with as he pleases, and

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## Association Board Voting Record for November 2021

Association Voting Record for November 2021										
	November 16, 2021 Regular Monthly Meeting	Board Members*							Comments	Costs
		DC	DH	RH	JW	GA	NL	GP		
1	Proposed Changes to Association Policy <u>APo 304 Replacement Reserves Policy</u>	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	The Board approved the changes to Association <u>APo 304 Replacement Reserve Policy</u> and to post the revised policy on The Villages web-site and publish in The Villager. The purpose of the changes is to achieve the following: 1) Change the policy to anticipate and support using a professional Reserve Planning company instead of Villages staff to prepare the annual Reserve Plan; 2) add an additional criterion to ensure the minimum reserves funding levels are robust enough to handle even a 20% unexpected overage (the "shock absorber") / threshold funding value) (Rule 3); and 3) minimize the buildup of cash in the Reserve Fund beyond what is needed to be able to pay all planned expenses every year plus maintain the safety threshold (Rule 4).	\$0
2	Activation Consideration of Association <u>Rule 2.14 Washing of Vehicles, Equipment, and Outside Hose During Drought Conditions</u>	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	N	N	The Board approved the activation of paragraph 3 of Association <u>Rule 2.14 Washing of Vehicles, Equipment, and Outside Hose Use During Drought Conditions</u> , to disallow the washing of privately-owned Villages-registered vehicles within the Condominium Development and to disallow hosing off/down of villa patios, driveways and walkways, and to publicize the current San Jose Water Usage Requirements and future additional restrictions as needed.	\$0
3	Review to Approve - AC Solar Conditionally Approved Application: 3345 Lake Albano Circle	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	The Board conditionally approved the installation of solar system on common area sloped roof located at 3345 Lake Albano Circle pending alternative proof of receipt of revocable easement recordation, including a copy of the signed and notarized document and owner submitting required insurance and city permit paperwork including comments to AC prior to starting construction.	\$0
4	Approval Consideration for Annual Gutter and Roof Cleaning Contract	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	The Board approved total appropriation of \$227,739 (\$75,913 fixed priced annually for FY22, FY23, and FY24) to J&M Gutter Cleaning Services. The expense to be funded from each individual district's Repair and Maintenance Operating Budget.	\$227,739
5	Approval Consideration for Reserves Plan Contract	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	The Board awarded Browning Reserve Group to prepare the Villages Association Reserves Study for the fiscal years 2023, 2024, and 2025 in the amount not to exceed \$48,000 (contract proposal of \$43,200 plus a contingency amount of \$4,800).	\$48,000
6	Approval Consideration to Transfer Funds for Partial Payment on Outstanding Loan for 2021 Property Insurance Premium	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	The Board approved the transfer of \$166,000 from the Association's Operating Fund to the Reserve Fund for the partial payment on the outstanding loan of \$1,668,000 used to help pay the 2021 property insurance premium of June 2021 with balance of \$1,502,000 to be paid back by June 30, 2022.	\$166,000
Total APPROVED Expenditures this meeting										\$441,739

A = Absent | AB = Abstained | N = No Vote (does not vote in favor) | Y = Yes Vote (votes in favor) | N/A = Not Applicable | C = Consent | R = Recused

\* DC = David Cook | DH = Diana Hallock | RH = Richard Holmboe | JW = Julie Wash | GA = Garry Ashby | NL = Noel Lanctot | GP = George Paris

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## Friday, November 19

8:30 a.m.	Dong I Dong Exercise	MMP
8:30 a.m.	Catholic Mass	CR
8:30 a.m.	Jazzercise	P
9 a.m.	Ceramics	CER
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED, SEQ
9:30 a.m.	Open Studio	AR
10 a.m.	Line Dance	MMP
10 a.m.	Quilters	PR
12:30 p.m.	Bridge Club	RED
1 p.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
2 p.m.	Sr. Academy Lecture	FC
3 p.m.	Handbell Rehearsals	CR
5 p.m.	Chinese Line Dance	VC
6:30 p.m.	Mex. Trains Domino	MC

## Saturday, November 20

9 a.m.	Ceramics	CER
9 a.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
9:30 a.m.	Ukulele Singing	SEQ
10 a.m.	Card Making Workshop	AR

## Sunday, November 21

7:15 a.m.	Catholic Choir	CR
8:15 a.m.	Catholic Mass	A
9 a.m.	Episcopal Services	MC
9 a.m.	Chapel Choir	PR
9 a.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
10 a.m.	Comm. Chapel Service	A
11 a.m.	Chapel Fellowship	CR
5 p.m.	Table Tennis Social	MC
7 p.m.	Chapel Hymn Sing	FC

## Monday, November 22

8:30 a.m.	Dong I Dong Exercise	MMP
8:30 a.m.	Jazzercise	P
9 a.m.	Ceramics	CER
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED, SEQ
10 a.m.	Line Dance Class	MMP
10 a.m.	Watercolor Class	AR
10:30 a.m.	Grief Support Group	CR
1 p.m.	Stitchery	PR
1:30 p.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
3 p.m.	VGC Six Clubs	F
6:30 p.m.	Duplicate Bridge	RED

EVENT LOCATIONS		
A	Auditorium	(Cribari)
AR	Art Room	(Cribari)
BC	Bocce Courts	
BGA	Building A	
CER	Ceramics	(Cribari)
CCR	Cribari Club Rm.	
CH	Clubhouse	
CR	Conference Rm.	(Cribari)
CY	Corporation Yard	
F	Forum	(Cribari)
FC	Foothill Center	
FCR	Fitness Center	
FHP	Foothill Pool	
GP	Gazebo	
L	Lobby	(Cribari)
SEQ	Sequoia	(Cribari)
MC	Montgomery Center	
MMP	Montgomery MP Room	
RED	Redwood	(Cribari)
P	Patio	(Cribari)
PR	Patio Room	(Cribari)
PC	Pickleball Courts	
TR	Terrace Room	(Cribari)
VC	Vineyard Center	

## Tuesday, November 23

9 a.m.	Ceramics	CER
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED, SEQ
9:30 a.m.	Acrylics, Pastel Classes	AR
10 a.m.	Ukulele Advanced	PR
10 a.m.	Line Dance Class	MMP
11 a.m.	High Twelve Lunch	MC
11:30 a.m.	Total Body Fitness	MMP
11:30 a.m.	Walking Class - Indoor	A
2:30 p.m.	Chapel Choir	CR
3:30 p.m.	Tennis Club	PR

## Wednesday, November 24

8:30 a.m.	Dong I Dong Exercise	MMP
8:30 a.m.	Jazzercise	P
9 a.m.	Ceramics	CER
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED, SEQ

10 a.m.	Critique, Open Studio	AR
10 a.m.	Ladies Bible Study	PR
1 p.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
6:30 p.m.	Mex. Train Dominoes	MC
7 p.m.	Global Villages Comm.	CR

## Thursday, November 25

9 a.m.	Ceramics	CER
1 p.m.	Table Tennis	MMP

## Friday, November 26

8:30 a.m.	Dong I Dong Exercise	MMP
9 a.m.	Ceramics	CER
9:30 a.m.	Friday Open Studio	AR
12:30 p.m.	Bridge Club	RED
1 p.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
3 p.m.	Handbell Rehearsal	CR
6:30 p.m.	Mex. Train Dominoes	MC

### WHAT'S HAPPENING IN ARTS & CRAFTS?

All Villagers are invited to participate in Arts and Crafts Activities. Visit [villagesartsandcrafts.org](http://villagesartsandcrafts.org)  
 \*Registration: Barbara Gottesman. [barb.gottesman@gmail.com](mailto:barb.gottesman@gmail.com)  
 \*\* Registration: Diane Finley [dianefinley1@gmail.com](mailto:dianefinley1@gmail.com)  
 \*\*\* Program Chair: Marcy Boyles  
 Ceramics Room has open studio to approved members only please. Monday and Tuesday, noon – 3 p.m. Wednesday 9 – noon, Thursday and Friday 10 – 4:30 p.m. Visit [villagesceramics.com](http://villagesceramics.com)

**November 20:** Card Making with Julie Fowlkes. Saturday 10 a.m. - noon. \$25. All materials furnished. \* **November 29:** Monday. Advisory Board Meeting. 3 p.m. Art Room.

**December 11:** Basic Calligraphy with Francesca Pulis. Saturday 10 a.m. – 1 p.m. in the Art Room. All materials furnished. \*

**December: No Membership Meeting, Art Film, or Advisory Board meeting.**  
**Stitchery Group** on Mondays in Patio Room 1 – 3 p.m. Call Roberta at 408 218-8372  
**Currently in Session:**

**Tuesdays:** 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.: Poetry in Art in the Art Room. All are welcome to bring a poem and create art.

**Wednesdays:** 1:30 – 3 p.m. Mining Your Memories.

**Fridays:** Open Studio with Jane Hink. 10 a.m. – 12 noon. Bring your art materials and work on your own creations.

**Fridays:** Pastels Open Studio with Karin Bogliolo. 1 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. Bring your pastels and share your skills.

### 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 8:45 a.m. from Foothill Center. **Every Monday** – at Clubhouse parking lot at 8:30 a.m. walk around golf course with Terri Vivoli and/or Cheryl Allman.

**Saturday, November 20 (Long Hike):** Susan Brown 408-649-1026 will lead an 8-mile hike to Boccardo loop trail in Alum Rock Park. We will start at Eagle Rock parking lot and hike up the moderate hill on North Rim Trail to Todd Quick Trail. Then we will take Boccardo trail up to the top of the hill where we will see panoramic view of the city, Mt Hamilton and beyond. There is no Shade on this hike, so bring your hat. Dress appropriately, bring your poles, water, and snacks. If the trail is muddy to Boccardo trail, we will hike to South Rim Trail instead. There is a \$6 parking fee. The round trip to ARP is 20 miles. Meet at Cribari at 8:30 a.m. for an 8:45 departure.

**Wednesday November 24 (Rambler Lite Hike):** Bonnie Preston (408-531-1510) will lead a 1-2-mile hike on the street around the golf course. We'll meet at the Restaurant at 9:20 a.m. and leave at 9:30 a.m. Be sure to bring water.

**Wednesday, December 1 (Rambler Hike):** Johanna Bakker will lead a hike in our own open Space. We'll meet on the Valle Vista circle at 8:30 for an 8:45 departure. Will go via Joe Marsh trail to Richter up Oak to Buffalo, cross over to Bay, can decide to make it longer by going from Willie's trail to Thistle and then back via Meadow. This last part is up to the participants. Bring water and a snack. Poles will be helpful. For info, please call Johanna at 408-223-2190

### CRAFTERS CLUB SCHEDULE

The Villages Crafters Club hold quarterly boutique events in the Cribari Center: 20+ vendors offering unique, one of a kind handmade merchandise.

**Next Event – Saturday, November 27** from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. See article in "Clubs & Events" for details.



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

### Coyote Town Hall

Mon Wed Fri Sun  
**2:00 & 8:00**  
 Tue Thu Sat  
**4:30 & 10:30**

### Fitness Center

Tue Thu Sat  
**2:00 & 8:00**  
 Sun  
**1:00 & 7:00**

### Fire Safety at The Villages

Tue Thu Sat  
**3:00 & 9:00**

### Welcome to Our Website

Mon Wed Fri Sun  
**3:30 & 9:30**

### Avoiding Senior Scams

Mon, Wed, Fri, Sun  
**4:15 & 10:15**

### Fitness

**12:00 & 6:00**

Mon Wed Fri Sun  
**Chair Aerobics**  
 Tue Sat  
**Tai-Chi 8-Form**  
 Thu  
**Stretch Aerobics**

**12:25 & 6:25**

Mon Fri  
**Bollywood**  
 Tue Sat  
**Dynamic Balance**  
 Wed Sun  
**Breathing Exercise**  
 Thu  
**Aerobic Breathing Meditation**

**1:00 & 7:00**

Mon – Sat  
**15 Minute Exercise**

**1:15 & 7:15**

Mon Wed Fri  
**Chair Fitness**  
 Tue Thu Sat  
**Cardio Fitness**



**Club Events & Notices**

More information online at the Villages Resident Portal: [resident.thevillagesgcc.com](http://resident.thevillagesgcc.com)

# COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

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

## Reminders for Board-Recognized Organizations and Committees #3

It is hoped 2022 will be our “back to normal” year. Here are some pointers to be better prepared to use Club Facilities in 2022. The Master Calendar packet asked for desired setups for each meeting/event. Since January 2019, there have been standard setups available at no cost or custom setups available for a fee. All standard setups are available on the resident portal at thevillagesgcc.com. You will need an account for the resident portal to access the setups. The setups are located in the green menu box under Facilities then by specific center; Cribari, Foothill, Montgomery, and Vineyard. Once at the appropriate center, click on the room for the standard setups available. If no setups are listed, then the user takes the room as-is.

Our staff does not maintain an archive of setups from one year to the next. Please get us your 2022 setups no later than December 17. Some organizations use the same setup for all meetings – please let us know if that is the case. Hard copies of setups are available in Building B.

Reservations have access times allotted to them. Please review your confirmed reservations to view what time your organization can access the facility. Please do not arrive before that time. If you think you will need more time than the reservation indicates, please call us and ask. If it is available, not a problem to make adjustments.

The start time noted on the confirmed reservation will be the start time listed in The Villager’s calendar of events

For meetings/events with cleanup required, please be sure it is completed before vacating the premises. There is not an option to return the next day to finish up.

Please contact Mary Tatum with any questions at mtatum@the-villages.com or 408 223-4643.

## Update to game rooms in Cribari

Due to the Holiday Faire event this Saturday, the Redwood and Sequoia Rooms will not be available after 12 p.m. on Friday, November 7 for drop-in play of cards, games, etc. The regular Game Day schedule will resume the following Monday (Monday through Thursday from 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. and on Fridays from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.)

Additionally, we are currently tracking usage of these rooms and the Terrace Room Lounge to better understand how Villagers are using these facilities. When you use any of these spaces, please locate the provided clipboards and let us know your name, house number and when you arrived. Thank you to all participants; this information will inform future facility decisions.



## Fitness Demonstration schedule update

There will be no Fitness Center Safety Demonstration on Thursday, November 25 due to the Thanksgiving holiday. Demos will be offered for the rest of November at the regularly scheduled times; Thursday nights at 7 p.m. and the second Saturday of the month at 9:30 a.m. Each session is 90 minutes long and led by a personal trainer at the Fitness Center. Reservations are required.

For more information or to sign up for a demo please visit the Fitness Center Demonstration page under the Reservations menu option when logged into the Resident Portal; or contact the Community Resource Center at 408-754-1336. Instructions on how to locate and create an account on the Resident Portal are available upon request.

Masks are currently required in all indoor facilities, including while exercising.



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### RESIDENT EXCURSION PARTICIPATION GUIDELINES

The Community Activities office offers a wide variety of activities for the enjoyment of the Villages residents. As an active adult community, many meetings, events and appointments vie for your time. Please check your personal calendars

prior to committing to an event, class or trip. Once registered for an activity, you are responsible for the cost of the activity. **All sales are final.**

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

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

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

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

# THE CLUBHOUSE

For Information:  
408-223-4687

2800 Villages Fairway Drive, San Jose CA 95135

All Clubhouse & Bistro menus can be found at [thevillagesgcc.com](http://thevillagesgcc.com)

## WHAT'S COOKING?

[theclubhouse@the-villages.com](mailto:theclubhouse@the-villages.com)

**Clubhouse Restaurant open for full service along with Patio dining—Reservations suggested:** Indoor dining in the Restaurant is available at 100-percent capacity. The Clubhouse suggests that you please make dining reservations. The Clubhouse still offers food to go with Curbside Grab-and-Go service.

Dining on the Patio will take place under the tent, provided by a generous donation from the Evergreen Villages Foundation (EVF).

**Alcohol policy changes:** Now alcohol does not need to be ordered with a meal in the restaurant and patio.

**Online ordering:** now available at: [clubhouserreservation.com](http://clubhouserreservation.com)

**For Curbside Service:** Call in your order to 408-370-8553 and call us again when you get to the Clubhouse curbside and we'll bring it out to your vehicle.

**New Menus:** See the new Clubhouse Restaurant and Bistro menus on pages 9 & 10. The new menus were introduced September 25.



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

### New Menus for Curbside Grab-&-Go pickup Indoor and Patio dining

#### Clubhouse is open for full service

The following details will be in effect at the Clubhouse:

**Restaurant Main Dining Room:** Reservations are strongly suggested by emailing, calling or making an online reservation. Email: [theclubhouse@the-villages.com](mailto:theclubhouse@the-villages.com), Phone: 408-223-4687, Online: [clubhouserreservation.com](http://clubhouserreservation.com)

- **Patio and Bistro Dining** will be on a first-come, first-served basis and is strictly for walk-in guests.
- **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.
- Restrictions on number of guests per table will be lifted.
- Masks are required for all employees indoors.
- Seating capacity will be at 100 percent.
- Visitors do not have to be accompanied by Villagers to use Clubhouse.
- Credit cards and house charges will be accepted.
- Cash will not be accepted for payment but can be left as a tip.
- Villagers will not have to sign in for indoor seating.

#### Hours of Operation will be as follows:

**Breakfast/Brunch:** Saturdays 7 a.m. to 11a.m. Sundays 7a.m. to 2 p.m.

**All-Day Menu:** 7 Days 11a.m. to 8 p.m.

**Dinner Menu:** Tuesdays through Sundays 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.

#### 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% Service Charge and Tax will be added to the price**

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

### Indoor and Patio dining or Curbside hours of Operation

Monday	Tuesday to Friday	Saturday and Sunday
<b>Lunch:</b> 11 a.m.–2 p.m.	<b>Lunch:</b> 11 a.m.–2 p.m.	<b>Saturday Breakfast:</b> 7 a.m.–11 a.m.
<b>Bistro Menu:</b> 2 p.m.–7:30 p.m. Last Seating	<b>Bistro Menu:</b> 2 p.m.–7:30 p.m. Last Seating	<b>Sunday Breakfast:</b> 7 a.m.–2 p.m.
	<b>Dinner Menu:</b> 5 p.m.–7:30 p.m. Last Seating	<b>Lunch:</b> 11 a.m.–2 p.m.
		<b>Bistro Menu:</b> 2 p.m.–7:30 p.m.
		<b>Dinner:</b> 5 p.m.–7:30 p.m. Last Seating

Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner indoor dining now available as well as Patio Dining and Curbside Grab-and-Go pickup.



### Soup of the Day

For the week of 11/15 to 11/21

<b>Monday</b>	<b>November 22</b>	Vegetable, Meatball and Pasta
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>November 23</b>	Tomato Basil
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>November 24</b>	Chicken Noodle with Mint
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>November 25</b>	<b>CLOSED</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>November 26</b>	Manhattan Clam Chowder
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>November 27</b>	Chef's Choice
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>November 28</b>	Chef's Choice



### Bistro Menu

2 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

#### Starters

GF **Potato Skins** \$13.00  
Cheddar, Tomatoes, Bacon, Scallions and Sour Cream

**Wings** 6Pc \$9 12Pc \$17.00  
Celery and Carrots, Ranch Dressing with BBQ, Teriyaki or Buffalo Sauce

**Breaded Chicken Tenders with Sauce** \$9.95  
Honey Mustard or Ranch

V. **Caprese Salad bites on Skewers** \$8.00  
Balsamic Vinaigrette

**Roasted Meatballs** \$8.95  
BBQ Sauce, Teriyaki or Buffalo Sauce

**Angus Beef Sliders** \$11.95  
Or **Pulled BBQ Pork Sliders**  
2 Angus Beef with Tomato Relish or BBQ Pulled Pork on soft Potato Buns

**Southern Crab Cakes** \$11.95  
2 Panko Crusted with Cayenne Remoulade

**Calamari** \$11.95  
Lightly Dusted Rings, and Tentacles with Parmesan Parsley

**Soup of the Day**  
Cup \$4.95 Bowl \$6.95

#### Main

**Entrée Caesar Salad** \$10.50  
Romaine, Cherry Tomatoes, Parmesan, Croutons  
Add Chicken \$3 Salmon \$6 Prawns \$6

**Cobb Salad** \$14.25  
Mixed Greens, Tomato, Cucumber, Hard boil Egg, Olives, Avocado Bacon and Feta Cheese  
Add chicken \$3 Prawns \$6 Salmon \$6

**Shrimp Louie** \$16.25  
Mixed Greens, with Avocados, Tomatoes, Cucumbers, and Hard Boiled Egg with 1,000 Island

V **Quesadilla** \$11.95  
Pico de Gallo, Sour Cream Guacamole,  
Add Chicken or Beef \$3

1. Served raw or undercooked, or contain raw or undercooked ingredients  
2. Consuming raw or undercooked meats, poultry, seafood, shellfish, or eggs may increase your risk of foodborne illness, especially if you have certain medical conditions.  
GF Gluten Free V Vegetarian

V. **Asian Stir Fry Vegetables Over Rice** \$12.95  
Vegetables over Jasmine Rice with Ponzu Sauce  
Add Beef, Chicken or Bay Shrimp \$3

**Fish and Chips** \$13.95  
Batter Dipped Cod, Tartar Sauce, Fries, Cole Slaw and Malted Vinegar

**Street Tacos** \$12.95  
Cod, Beef or Chicken with Cilantros, Onions, Cabbage and Radish with Salsa on mini Corn Tortillas

Sides: \$4.95

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

#### Sandwiches

**Hot Dog with Side** \$8.95  
Toppings: Onions, Tomatoes & Red Onion Relish.  
Cheddar add \$1.50

**Burger with Side** 2. \$12.95  
Angus Beef with LTO and Side Dish  
Or

V **Impossible Burger with Side** \$13.95  
Plant Based Meat with Lettuce, Add Avocado,  
Bacon or Cheese add \$2

**BBQ Pulled Pork Sandwich with Side** \$13.95  
Slow Braised Pork shoulders, Shredded Cabbage and Carrots on Egg Bun

**Philly Cheese Steak or Philly Chicken Sandwich with Side** \$13.95

**Fisherman's Sandwich with Side** \$13.50  
Panko Breaded Sole. LTO Tartar Sauce on Hoagie Loaf

**Breaded Chicken Sandwich with Side** \$13.95  
with Coleslaw on Potato Bun

#### Naan Flatbread Pizzas

V **Cheese Pizza** \$9.75 **Pepperoni Pizza** \$10.75  
V **Margarita Pizza** \$10.25

**Combination Pizza** \$12.95  
Sausage, Pepperoni, Mushrooms, Onions, & Peppers  
**BBQ Chicken Pizza** \$12.95  
Bacon, Chicken, Red Onion with Tangy BBQ Sauce  
**Gluten Free Crust Add \$ 1.50**

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### Breakfast Menu

Saturdays 7 a.m. to 11 a.m., Sundays 7 a.m. to 2 p.m.

**French Toast** \$6.95  
Whipped Butter, Maple Syrup, Seasonal Fruits Berries

**Short Stack Pancakes** \$6.95  
Whipped Butter, Maple Syrup, Seasonal Fruits Berries

**Belgium Waffles** \$7.25  
Whipped Butter, Maple Syrup, Seasonal Fruit Berries

2. **Bagel BLT and Egg** \$8.25  
Bacon, Lettuce and Tomato with Cream Cheese

2. **Breakfast Burrito** \$8.25  
Scrambled Egg, Potatoes, Cheese, Salsa  
Choice of Bacon, or sausage

**Montgomery Muffin** \$8.00  
Scrambled Eggs, Bacon or Sausage, Cheddar Cheese and Fruit

**Lox and Bagels** \$12.95  
Smoke Salmon, Cream Cheese, Red Onions, Egg Whites and Capers

**Sides**  
Egg 2. \$1.75, Breakfast Meats \$3, Hash Browns \$2, Toast \$1.50

**Coffee** \$1.95



**Starbucks Espresso** \$2.50 **Extra Shot** \$1.50

**Starbucks Americano** \$2.50

**Starbucks Latte/Cappuccino** \$3.25

**Juice, Milk, or Hot Chocolate** \$2.95

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2. Consuming raw or undercooked meats, poultry, seafood, shellfish, or eggs may increase your risk of foodborne illness, especially if you have certain medical conditions.

GF Gluten Free  
V Vegetarian

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### Dinner Menu

Tuesday - Sunday 5 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Last Order

#### Starters

**Soup of the Day** Cup \$4.95 Bowl \$6.95

V **Baby Lettuce Mix Salad** \$5.95

**Small Caesar Salad** \$6.75

**Calamari** \$11.95  
Lightly Dusted Rings, and Tentacles with Parmesan Parsley

V **Fried Breaded Green Beans** \$7.50

**Southern Crab Cakes** \$11.95  
2 Panko Crusted with Cayenne Remoulade

V **Caprese Salad Bites on Skewer** \$8.00  
Mozzarella, Basil, Cherry Tomatoe, Balsamic Drizzle

#### The Lighter Side

Served à la carte

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

V **Fettucine Alfredo** \$14.95  
Creamy Parmesan Garlic Sauce  
Add Chicken Or Bay Shrimp \$3,

V **Eggplant Parmesan** \$15.95  
Eggplant breaded in Crispy Panko Crumbs, Layered in Marinara Sauce, Parmesan and Provolone

**Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays**  
2. **Slow Roasted Prime Rib** \$34.95  
Aged to Perfection with Choice of Sides

V Vegetarian

1. Served raw or undercooked, or contain raw or undercooked ingredients  
2. Consuming raw or undercooked meats, poultry, seafood, shellfish, or eggs may increase your risk of foodborne illness, especially if you have certain medical conditions.

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#### Dinner Entrées

Accompanied by 2 Sides  
Mashed Potatoes, Cilantro Rice  
Baked Potato with Sour Cream and Chives  
Or Daily Vegetables Sides

**Soup or Salad** \$2.95 with Entrees

2. **Grilled New York Steak** \$29.95  
Center Cut with Peppercorn Sauce

2. **Grilled Filet Tip** \$28.95  
Topped with Mushroom Veloute Sauce

**Chef Ralph's Meat Loaf** \$23.95  
Ketchup BBQ Glaze

2. **Calf Liver and Onions** \$24.95  
Sautéed Onions and Crispy Bacon Bits

**Braised Lamb Shank** \$ 31.95  
Rosemary Red Wine Jardiniere Sauce

**Chicken Cordon Blue** \$24.95  
Breaded and Stuffed with Ham and Cheese  
Topped with Dijon Cream Sauce

**Country Fried Chicken** \$23.95  
2pc Thigh and Breast with Country Gravy

2. **Grilled Bone In Pork Chops** \$25.95  
Honey Garlic Sauce

**Filet of Sole Piccata** \$26.75  
Flour Dusted with Capers, White Wine,  
Lemon Butter Sauce

**Grilled Salmon** \$26.95  
Lemon Dill Butter Sauce

**Garlic Prawns** \$26.95  
Bordelaise White Wine Sauce

## Weekly Specials

For the week of  
11/22 to 11/28

**Lunch Specials:**  
Monday 11/22 to Sunday 11/28

**Cheese Ravioli Marinara:**  
\$13.95

**Dinner Specials:**  
Tuesday 11/23 to Sunday 11/28

**Fettucine Pasta with Salmon and Asparagus:**  
\$25.50

**Top Sirloin Steak:**  
Smothered with a Mushroom and Onion Sauce with Choice of Sides  
\$32.00

### Dessert Menu

\$6.25

**Vanilla Crème Brulee with Berries**  
Creamy Custard Topped with Glazed Caramelized Sugar

**Warm Chocolate Fondant Lava Cake**  
Melt in your mouth chocolate center

**Black Forest Cake**  
Chocolate Sponge Cake with Cherries and Whipped Meringue  
Chocolate Shavings

**New Orleans Bourbon Bread Pudding**  
Caramel Toffee Sauce

\$4.95

Flavors of the Day

Sherbet, Ice Cream, Sorbet

Milk Shakes

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## PLEASE NOTE:

A reservation is requested for the main dining room

A reservation is requested for parties of 6 or more for the Bistro Patio

## Lunch Menu

11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

**GF Potato Skins \$13.00**

Cheddar, Tomatoes, Bacon, Scallions and Sour Cream

**Wings 6Pc \$9 12Pc \$17.00**

with Carrots, Celery Ranch Dressing with BBQ, Teriyaki or Buffalo Sauce

**Breaded Chicken Tenders with Sauce \$9.95**

Honey Mustard or Ranch

**Fried Breaded Green Beans \$7.50**

**V Caprese Salad bites on Skewers \$8.00**  
Balsamic Vinaigrette

**Sides: \$4.95**

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

**V Lunch 3 Egg Omelet with Fruit \$9.75**

Choice of Peppers, Mushrooms, Spinach or Tomatoes. Choice of Toast  
Ham, Bacon, or Cheese Add \$2, Bay Shrimp \$3

**Entrée Caesar Salad \$10.50**

Romaine, Cherry Tomatoes, Parmesan and Croutons Add Chicken \$3 Salmon \$6 Prawns \$6

**V Chinese Salad. \$14.25**

Chopped Cabbage, Carrots, Edamame, Peanuts, Fried Noodles with a Sesame Ginger Dressing  
Add Chicken \$3 Add Prawns \$6

**Cobb Salad \$14.25**

Mixed Greens, Tomato, Cucumber, Hard boil Egg, Olives, Avocado Bacon and Feta Cheese  
Add chicken \$3, Prawns \$6 or Salmon \$6

**Shrimp Louie \$16.25**

Mixed Greens, with Avocados, Tomatoes, Cucumbers, and Hard Boiled Egg with 1,000 Island Dressing

### Sandwiches and Such

**Hot Dog with Side \$8.95**

Toppings: Onions, Tomatoes & Red Onion Relish.  
Cheddar add \$2

**Burger with Side 2. \$12.95**

Angus Beef with LTO and Side Dish  
Or

**V Impossible Burger with Side \$13.95**

Plant Based Meat with Lettuce, Add Avocado,  
Bacon, or Cheese \$2

**BBQ Pulled Pork Sandwich with Side \$13.95**

Slow Braised Pork Shoulders, Shredded Cabbage  
and Carrots on Egg Bun

**Philly Cheese Steak or**

**Philly Chicken Sandwich with Side \$13.95**

Hoagie Loaf with Provolone Cheese, Peppers and Onions

**Reuben \$13.95**

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

### Naan Flatbread Pizzas

**V Cheese Pizza \$9.75 Pepperoni Pizza \$10.75 V Margarita Pizza \$10.25**

**Combination Pizza \$12.95**

Sausage, Pepperoni, Mushrooms, Onions, & Peppers

**BBQ Chicken Pizza \$12.95**

Bacon, Chicken, Red Onion with Tangy BBQ Sauce

**Gluten-Free Crust Add \$ 1.50**

**Roasted Meatballs \$8.95**

BBQ Sauce, Teriyaki or Buffalo Sauce

**Angus Beef Sliders \$11.95**

**Or Pulled BBQ Pork Sliders**  
2 Angus Beef with Tomato Relish or BBQ Pulled  
Pork Cole Slaw on soft Potato Buns

**Southern Crab Cakes \$11.95**

2 Panko Crusted with Cayenne Remoulade

**Calamari \$11.95**

Lightly Dusted Rings, and Tentacles with Parmesan  
Parsley

**V Southwestern Salad \$11.25**

Corn, Black Beans, Avocado, Sour Cream, Cilantro,  
Cheese, Tortilla Strips with Mixed Greens and  
Salsa Add Beef or Chicken \$3

**V Quesadilla \$11.95**

Pico de Gallo, Sour Cream Guacamole,  
Add Chicken or Beef \$3

**V Asian Stir Fry Vegetables Over Rice \$12.95**

Vegetables over Rice with Ponzu Sauce, Add  
Chicken \$3, Salmon \$6 or Prawns \$6

**V Vegetarian Tika Masala over Rice \$12.95**

Add Chicken \$3

**Fish and Chips \$13.95**

Batter Dipped Cod, Tartar Sauce, Fries, Cole Slaw  
and Malted Vinegar

**Street Tacos \$12.95**

Cod, Beef or Chicken with Cilantros, Onions,  
Cabbage and Radish with Salsa on mini Corn  
Tortillas

**Fried Chicken and Waffles \$12.95**

Wing and Drumette with Maple syrup and Fruit

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## Bistro Happy Hour

**\$5 House Cocktails**

**\$5 House Wines**

**\$5 Draft Beers 16oz**

**2pm to 5pm**

**7 Days a week**

Prices subject to service charge and tax

## NO CORKAGE HUMP DAY

Bring your favorite bottle of wine and your friends any  
and every Wednesday at The Clubhouse. No Corkage  
will be charged with any dinner order. One bottle limit  
per two guests.

Standard size bottles only.



Free Corkage will be applied with purchase  
from the Lighter Side and Dinner Entrees  
from the Dinner Menu.

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

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

*(Breakfast orders only Saturday & Sunday 7 to 11 a.m.)*

*The Clubhouse Curbside service charge has increased to  
15% from 10%. The service charge for the Indoor and Patio  
Dining is still 18%.*

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2. Consuming raw or undercooked meats, poultry, seafood, shellfish, or eggs may increase your risk of  
foodborne illness, especially if you have certain medical conditions.

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## 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.

## Missed your Villager?

If you missed delivery of your weekly copy of *The Villager*, please call 408-223-4655 to report it. (Please do not call before 11:30 a.m.)

You may pick up a replacement copy of your paper at the newsstand at the entrance of Building B or go online to the Villages website—[www.thevillagesgcc.com](http://www.thevillagesgcc.com)—and download the current and past editions to your computer.




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### Thanksgiving Curb Side

**Thursday, November 25**

**Pick Up Times**  
11am and 2pm

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**Fresh Roasted Turkey with Sage & Thyme**  
 Dried Cranberry, Apple, and Walnut Stuffing  
 Giblet Gravy  
 Candied Yams  
 Homemade Cranberry Sauce  
 Green Beans Almondine  
 Rolls and Butter  
**\$24.95++**



Or

**Smoked Ham with Mustard Sauce**  
 Mashed Horseradish Potatoes  
 Green Beans Almondine  
 Rolls and Butter  
**\$21.95++**

**All Charges Made to Account House Number Prior to Event**


**Service Charge of 18% and Tax will be Added**  
 Final Guest Changes Due by Thursday November 18

For reservations, call 408-754-1337 or e-mail [theclubhouse@the-villages.com](mailto:theclubhouse@the-villages.com)  
 Information Needed: Full Name, House Number, Phone Number  
 Number of Each Order and Time of Pick Up

# Single Diners' Night

*Let's Dine Together!*

**Every Wednesday at The Clubhouse**



*Shared Table*

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

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

**Every Wednesday at 5 p.m.**



### Thanksgiving Buffet

**Thursday, November 25**  
**12:30 pm and 3:30 pm**

**Seating in Clubhouse Restaurant and Banquet Rooms**

**Fruit and Salad Bar Station**  
 Mozzarella, Basil & Tomato Skewers  
 Apple Pecan Spinach Salad with a Maple Cider Vinaigrette  
 Caesar Salad with Croutons  
 Mixed Greens, Balsamic Vinaigrette, Apples, Pears, Grapes

**BUFFET SOLD OUT!**

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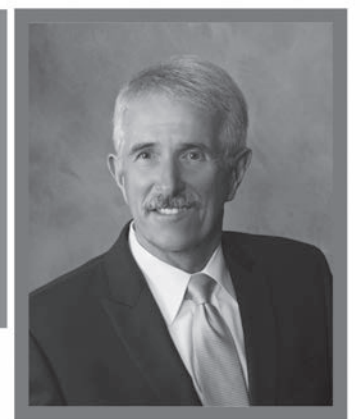
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# CLUBS & EVENTS

## *Holiday Faire thanks bakers and buyers*

By the Arts and Crafts Association

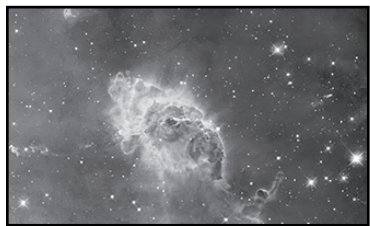
What a bonanza! Arts and Crafts held our Holiday Faire on Saturday, November 6 in the Cribari Complex.

The call went out for bakers and the call was answered, big time. Publicity over the last months brought the throng of shoppers. On the previous Friday, our Villagers came through and delivered a staggering cache of baked goods of every sort to help support the Arts and Crafts Club. You, the bakers, donated your time, money and your baking expertise to make this one of the best sales ever. We had everything from lemon bars to persimmon cakes and everything in between like creative submissions including the much-loved chocolate chip cookies. Arts and Crafts tips our hats to you for the outstanding work you put in baking and some of you even helped package and sell. We look forward to applauding you again next year because buyers couldn't wait to buy.

We thank every single buyer who took home the best artwork and baked goods. Without you the Faire we would not be successful. We hope you all had a good time.

It was very well-attended and you further helped the artist vendors feel good about their sales. You have supported our Club so that we can continue to bring you our events, classes, and demonstrations. Our gratitude and thanks.

## *Senior Academy: The Beginning of the Universe*



Senior Academy is hosting Villager John Trudeau, presenting a lecture on "The Beginning of the Universe" on Friday, November 19, at 2 p.m. at Foothill Center. You can register for this event at the Senior Academy website: VillagesSA.org

For as far back as we can tell, humans have been fascinated by the idea of the beginning of the world, and almost every culture in history has developed a mythology around that in order to place our humanity into the larger context of existence. But in the last

50 years we've learned more about the true nature of the Universe, and its beginnings, than we have in all previous history. And that's pretty exciting!

In this presentation we will look at the new discoveries in physics that tell us what was going on in the Universe from the moment it started, and what has transpired since to get us to where we are here on planet Earth some 13+ billion years later. And, no, it did not start with a "bang," big or otherwise. We will look at some principles of relativity, quantum mechanics, and cosmology for the solid evidence leading us to our current knowledge and understanding of the Universe's beginning. We will also look briefly at the role that black holes and Dark Energy play in the evolution of the Universe, and how the Higgs Boson got all this started—you may recall that people were calling it the "God Particle" when it was being hunted down at the CERN particle accelerator a few years back. We will also grapple with the nature of time, because dealing with the beginning of time poses some interesting philosophical quandaries. But fear not, we will make this as easy as possible, and there will *not* be a test afterward.

## *Hiking Club to host November meeting*

By Al Girolami

The Villages Hiking Club November meeting will be at the Foothill Center on Monday, November 29 at 7:30 p.m. and feature a presentation by Sara Barth, the Executive Director of the Sempervirens Fund, California's first and oldest Land Trust. She has been involved with Sempervirens for over six years and is a veteran of wilderness policy, protection, and climate adaptation planning. She will discuss the legacy of preserving redwood forests in the Santa Cruz mountains, and recent developments to protect and open up public access to the Cotoni-Coast Dairies National Monument. She will also cover efforts to help forests recover from the CZU Lightning Complex wildfires, including plans by California State Parks to reimagine Big Basin Redwoods State Park.

Since 1900, Sempervirens has been working to establish and expand regional State Parks and the Fund has also been working with conservation partners to restore the San Vicente Redwoods that is slated to be open to the public in 2022 along with the Cotoni-Coast National Monument.

Incidentally, The Villages Hiking Club has made annual donations to a dozen hiking related non-profits for a number of years. Not only has Sempervirens been one, but also the Hiking Club Board has agreed to add Big Basin as a recipient in its 2022 budget.

The program will follow a business meeting and a break for socializing with snacks and beverages.

The meeting Agenda includes the Election of Officers for 2022. A Slate will be submitted with the following members who have volunteered to serve:

President – Bob Bogdanoff/ Vice President Trails – Gary Lohr

Vice president Social Events – Bernice Capitano

Vice President Membership & Website – Jim Beyer

Secretary – Cheryl Allmen/ Treasurer – Gordon Carbonetti

The Meeting will be held at the Foothill Center on Monday, November 29 at 7:30 p.m. All Villagers are welcome. Please remember your mask, as they are required inside the center.



## *Join Card Making Workshop*

Julia Fowlkes is offering a Card Making workshop for Villagers on Saturday, November 20, in the Art Room, from 10 a.m. to 1 pm.

Making your own cards is fun and easy. People appreciate receiving something that you have created. In this workshop, you will learn how to make several different kinds of clever cards: regular, open gate, pop-up and explosion. All materials will be provided, but do bring some family and pet photos for special cards. We will have pens, special quotes, card stock, colored paper and stickers.

Each participant will leave with at least four cards, ready to send to friends and family. The fee is \$25. Register at [barb.gottesman@gmail.com](mailto:barb.gottesman@gmail.com) as soon as possible. Remember that masks are required for this workshop.



Julia Fowlkes

## *Chapel Hymn Sing-A-Long*

By Carol Strong

Do you enjoy singing Christian hymns but have missed the chance to do so because of the pandemic? If so, please consider attending the Villages Community Chapel Thanksgiving Hymn Sing-Along on Sunday, November 21 at 7 p.m. at the Foothill Center. You will be in the company of other singers and will have the opportunity to request your favorite hymns. Hymnals will be provided to help you recall the melodies and lyrics. In addition, pie and coffee will be served at the conclusion of the singing. Please bring a mask to wear while you sing. We encourage you to bring a friend and plan to carpool. All are invited and will be welcomed with songs, food and fellowship.

## *Online Art Exhibit: Giving Thanks*

By Barbara Gottesman

What are you thankful for this November? Is it a beautiful sunset, a brilliant leaf, a seaside view, a person, a quilt, the old home place? All Villagers are invited to send in photos of your artwork or crafts for an on-line exhibit of things for which they are thankful. It may be as simple as Kelley Julien's watercolor of a house in The Villages.



"Villages House" by Kelly Julien

Send your photos to Arts & Crafts webmaster at [barb.gottesman@gmail.com](mailto:barb.gottesman@gmail.com) and see them posted on the webpage "Art Challenge 20" until November 30.

## **Sustainable Practices Fashion Tip**

By the Sustainable Villages Club

Because the Fashion Industry contributes a significant percentage to global greenhouse gas emissions, there are various ways we can reduce the model of overconsumption.

This week our tip is to **seek garments that are naturally dyed**. Fabric dyes are the second-largest polluter of water globally. The use of chemical dyes may produce varied, vibrant colors but at a high cost to the environment. Embracing sustainable, naturally-dyed garments requires a shift in 'fashion mindset,' but the rewards for Mother Earth are well worth it! Learn more by viewing the Toxic Textiles Report at [GreenAmerica.org](http://GreenAmerica.org)

## Global Village: 'Diversity in Latin America'

By Pradeep Sonawala

Join Global Village Community Club dialog with Professor Dave Bruce, a recent resident of The Villages who began his lifelong engagement with Latin America as a high school exchange student in Argentina. He will share his observations in "From San Jose to Tierra del Fuego: What is Diverse about Latin America?" This presentation discusses Latin America's cultural history touching on their beliefs of spirituality and wellness. The event takes place in the Cribari Conference Room from 7 to 8:30 p.m. on Wednesday December 1, 2021. Please wear face mask as per county guideline.

David studied at the University of Minnesota and the University of Michigan and was a Fulbright Scholar at the University of the Republic in Uruguay. Over the years he conducted research throughout Latin America and taught at Georgia Tech, Georgia State, the University of San Francisco, and the Monterey Institute of International Studies. In addition, for many years he directed study abroad programs in Central Europe (Hungary and Czech Republic) and South America (Brazil, Argentina, Chile). Academically he specialized in executive education and consulting related to Commercial Diplomacy (business-government and community relations from the point-of-view of business managers). Also, he served as the Chairman of the Brazilian American Chamber of the Southeast and President of the Georgia-Pernambuco (Brazil) Sister-State Organization. **Please note this is not a hybrid meeting.**



Professor Dave Bruce

## Opera Lovers: See 'Cavalleria Rusticana' and 'Gianni Schicchi'

By Bonnie Preston

Opera Lovers will present two one-hour operas on Thursday, December 2 at 1:30 p.m. in the Foothill Center. See "Cavalleria Rusticana" starring Pacido Domingo and Elena Obraztsova Pietro Mascagni composed this beloved one-hour opera. The great Italian stage and screen director Franco Zeffirelli made this widely acclaimed film with Georges Pretre conducting the Orchestra and Chorus of La Scala. Cavalleria was filmed on location in Sicily which adds immeasurably to the power and atmosphere of this timeless story of love, honor, justice, and violence. The memory of the beautiful music and scenery in this film will stay with you for a good long time. Zeffirelli won the coveted Emmy as Best Director of the Year.

Puccini's "Gianni Schicchi" is one part of Puccini's trilogy, "Il Trittico", which consists of three one act operas which are complete operas unto themselves and were skillfully contrasted to make up a thrilling complete program all together. Puccini's focus is on this most humorous story of inheritance. It is this funny and brilliant genius of wit which we will see on Thursday, and it is Puccini's only comedy. This one-hour opera was performed by the Teatro alla Scala, Milan.

Come and enjoy these delightful operas. The meeting is open to all, so if you enjoy great music, plan to come.

## Verano Tree Lighting needs volunteers

The Annual Verano Tree light wrapping will begin on December 4 with the lights taken down on January 16. All volunteers are asked to meet at 9 a.m. by the Verano Monument across from the Bocce Court. Please contact Kerry Besmehn at 408-499-1773 if you have any questions.

## Montgomery Holiday Dinner

Please **save the date** for a festive Montgomery Village Holiday Dinner at the Clubhouse on Friday, December 17, at 5 p.m. A flyer outlining the details will be sent out soon.

### Important reminder for walkers

Many people enjoy walking throughout The Villages. That's a good thing! Now that our days are getting shorter and the light is diminished, it is important that you can be seen if you walk in the early morning or late afternoon. It is often harder for drivers to see you when there is less light. If you are out walking during these times, wearing lighter color clothing is a good idea. Adding a reflective vest is even better. **The VMA will supply you with a reflective vest for free!** Just drop by the VMA office any day Monday through Thursday (9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.) and pick up a free vest. Stay safe!

## Basic Calligraphy Class

Have you always wanted to learn calligraphy in order to write your own special invitations or to sign your holiday cards? Francesca Pulis, a Villager who knows how, will offer an introductory workshop in basic calligraphy on Saturday, December 11, in the Cribari Center Art Room. The times are 10 a.m. until 1 p.m. and the fee to Francesca is \$35. She will furnish all materials necessary, including paper, ink and pens.



Francesca Pulis

She will teach a basic alphabet which contains only majuscules. This basic workshop will spark an interest, she hopes, in students learning more about this fascinating art form. At the end of the workshop, each person should be able to write his or her own name, a holiday greeting and a thank you note.

Register for this workshop with Arts & Crafts Class Scheduler Barbara Gottesman by emailing her at [barb.gottesman@gmail.com](mailto:barb.gottesman@gmail.com). A \$35 check made out to Francesca and placed in an envelope in the Arts & Crafts mailbox by December 4 will reserve your place in this workshop. A maximum of 8 students will be accepted.

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### Support Groups in November and December

**Grief Support Group:** Mondays, November 22, December 13 and 27 from 10:30 a.m. to noon, in the Conference Room, Cribari Center. Led by Don Mulford, Spiritual Adviser from With Grace Hospice.

**Caregiver Support Group:** Thursday, December 16 from 10:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. in person in the **Cribari Center Patio Room**. Please contact Judy London Ph.D. for meeting specifics at [judithlondon@sbcglobal.net](mailto:judithlondon@sbcglobal.net) or call 408-784-3325.

**Upcoming in 2022**  
 Please note some upcoming presentations for 2022 – Winter Healthy Skin; Rehab for Joint Replacements; Pelvic Floor Dysfunction; and The Importance of Advanced Health Care Directives.

### Community Chapel invites you to Christmas Dinner

The Villages Chapel cordially Invites Villagers to the 2021 Christmas Dinner on Sunday, December 12. For inquiries call Dee Willey at 1-408-532-6447 or N. Jeanette Campa at 408-661-0203.

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# FY22 Villages Satisfaction Survey

Your Club Board of Directors is always striving to respond to Villagers and work towards improving the life experience in our community.

To help us understand and best support you, we want to hear from you! The following short survey is your chance to have your thoughts included in any major changes that we might consider in the future.

We want to hear from as many Villagers as possible, as soon as possible. Please take a few minutes to complete and return the survey (one per household please) by 5 p.m., December 10, 2021. **Please drop off your completed survey to the official Villages white drop box in the parking lot near Bldg. A.**

1. Please provide your 4-digit house number (ex. 1234): \_\_\_\_\_

2. Ages of the occupants of your residence (# of people in each relevant age range):

<b>Below age 55</b> _____	<b>Ages 75-84</b> _____
<b>Ages 55-64</b> _____	<b>Ages 85 &amp; above</b> _____
<b>Ages 65-74</b> _____	

3. How many years have you lived in The Villages?

<b>Less than 5 years</b> _____	<b>15-20 years</b> _____
<b>6-10 years</b> _____	<b>Over 20 years</b> _____
<b>11-15 years</b> _____	

4. Given the circumstances of the worldwide pandemic and how we've all been impacted here at The Villages, please share which of these amenities you use and how frequently you use them.

	Multiple times per year	Multiple times per week	Once per week	Once per month	Occasionally	Not now, did in the past	N/A—Do not use
Golf Course	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Tennis Courts	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Pickleball Courts	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Bocce Courts	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Swimming Pools	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Hiking Trails	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Fitness Center	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Craft Rooms	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Card Rooms	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Multi-Purpose Rooms	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Community Centers	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Library	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Community Activities	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
RV Lot	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Community Gardens	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Other (Please specify and provide frequency of use)	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

5. Please share your satisfaction level with these current amenities.

	Highest satisfaction	.	.	.	Lowest satisfaction	N/A—Do not use
Golf Course	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Tennis Courts	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Pickleball Courts	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Bocce Courts	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Swimming Pools	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Hiking Trails	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Fitness Center	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Craft Rooms	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Card Rooms	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Multi-Purpose Rooms	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Community Centers	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Library	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Community Activities	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
RV Lot	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Community Gardens	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Other (please specify and rate satisfaction level)	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

6. If The Villages were able to add new amenities, please share your level of support for the creation of these potential new amenities?

	Highest support	.	.	.	Lowest support
Table Tennis Facility	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
New Multi-Purpose Room	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Sidewalks	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Gymnasium for basketball, volleyball, badminton, etc.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Expand number of Pickleball Courts	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Expand number of Bocce Courts	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Other (please specify and rate level of support)	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

7. Today, monthly Club assessments include charges for basic cable TV services provided by Comcast. As plans for the next cable TV contract are being formed, one option is to add internet services to the cable TV contract at a combined reduced cost for Villagers.

Please choose one of the following, which best describes the services you'd prefer.

- No change from today: Retain The Villages negotiated cable TV services at the reduced rate, I'll get my internet service on my own and pay for it myself. Current monthly cost is \$41.17.**
- Yes, please add reduced cost internet services to the cable TV package: I'll pay for reduced rate cable TV and internet services via my monthly Club assessment bill. Current monthly cost of \$41.17 plus \$18 - \$22 per month to add internet services.**
- Please cancel cable TV services, I only want reduced cost internet services negotiated by The Villages: I'll pay for internet services via my monthly Club assessment bill. Monthly cost not known at this time.**
- Please cancel all cable TV services at The Villages: I do not want to pay for cable TV or internet services via my monthly Club assessment bill. We cannot promise this will be an option for Villagers.**

8. Are you supportive of the creation of a Dog Park at The Villages?

- Yes**
- No**

9. If you are supportive of the creation of a Dog Park at The Villages, please rank the order of these possible locations—with 1 being your most desired location, and 5 being your least desired location, or 6 as your least desired location if you choose to rank "Other location."

	1	2	3	4	5	6
Near the Horse Stables	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
In Verano, behind the 6th Green of the Golf Course	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
In Cribari Village	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Near the Corporation Yard	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Below the Pickleball Courts	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Other location	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

10. Please share your satisfaction level with the Clubhouse.

	Highest satisfaction	.	.	.	Lowest satisfaction	N/A—Do not use
Food quality	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Menu—variety	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Prices	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Service	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Ambience	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Hours	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Ballrooms/meeting rooms	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Catering services	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Other (please specify and rate level of satisfaction)	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

11. How frequently do you use the Bistro, Restaurant Dining Room, or Take-Out per week?

	Multiple times per week	Once per week	Once per month	Occasionally	Not now, did in the past	N/A—Do not use
Bistro	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Restaurant	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Take-out	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

12. Please rank the order of your preferences for how The Villages should manage the landscaping—with 1 being your most desired preference and 5 being your least desired preference.

	1	2	3	4	5
Maintain current landscaping while saving water through irrigation management	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Make changes through targeted turf reduction, while not changing basic look	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Convert landscaping to drought-resistant plantings	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Utilize more recycled water	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Remove water features	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

13. Please share your satisfaction level with the communications of the Club Board.

	Highest satisfaction	.	.	.	Lowest satisfaction
Monthly Club Board Meetings	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Study Sessions	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
"Ask the CBOD" columns in <i>The Villager</i> newspaper	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Transparency of decision making	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Maintaining commitments	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Channels 26 & 27	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

14. Please share your satisfaction level with Public Safety.

	Highest satisfaction	.	.	.	Lowest satisfaction
Responsiveness to questions/requests	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Front Gate operations	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Maintaining safety with The Villages	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

15. Please share how frequently you access Villages financial information online via the Resident Portal.

- Multiple times per week**
- Once per week**
- Once per month**
- Once per year**
- Not now, did in the past**
- Never**

16. Please share your thoughts about what you think is working well at The Villages.

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17. Please share what Management or the Club Board could **start** doing at The Villages that would improve your experience of living in this community.

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18. Please share what Management or the Club Board could **stop** doing at The Villages that would improve your experience of living in this community.

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More CLUBS

## FROM THE VILLAGES LIBRARY

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

By Linda Schlageter

**“While Justice Sleeps” by Stacy Abrams:** Avery Keene, a brilliant young law clerk for the legendary Justice Howard Wynn, is doing her best to hold her strained personal life together. But when the shocking news breaks that Justice Wynn—the cantankerous swing vote on the Court—has slipped into a coma, Avery’s life turns upside down. She learns that Wynn has appointed her to serve as his legal guardian and hold his power of attorney, plunging her into an explosive role she never anticipated. Avery finds that he has been secretly researching one of the most controversial cases before the Court. The case involves a proposed merger between an American biotech company and an Indian genetics firm, which promises to unleash breathtaking results in the medical field. She also discovers that Wynn suspected a dangerous conspiracy was infiltrating the highest power corridors of Washington. As political wrangling intensifies to replace the ailing judge, Avery begins to unravel the carefully constructed, chess-like sequence of clues Wynn left behind for her. These clues threaten to lead her directly into harm’s way—and to a stunning truth. *While Justice Sleeps* is a cunningly crafted novel, layered with myriad twists and a vibrant cast of characters. Drawing on her astute inside knowledge of the Court and the political landscape, Abrams shows herself to be not only a force for good in politics and voter fairness but also a major new talent on suspense fiction. *Mystery 2021*

**“Return to Virgin River” by Robin Carr:** Kaylee Sloan’s home in Southern California is full of wonderful memories of the woman who raised her. But the memories are prolonging her grief over her mother’s recent death. A successful author, Kaylee hoped she could pour herself into her work. Instead she has terrible writer’s block and a looming deadline. Determined to escape distractions and avoid the holiday season, Kaylee borrows a cabin in Virgin River. She knows the isolation will help her writing, and as she drives north through the mountains and the majestic redwoods, she immediately feels inspired until she arrives at the building that has just gone up in flames. Devastated, she heads to Jack’s Bar to plan her next steps. The local watering hole is the heart of the town, and once she crosses the threshold, she’s surprised to be embraced by people who are more than willing to help a friend-or stranger- in need. Kaylee’s world is expanding in ways she never dreamed possible. And when she rescues a kitten followed by a dog with a litter of puppies, she finds her heart opening up to animals who need her. And then there’s the dog trainer who knows exactly how to help her. As the holidays approach, Kaylee’s dread turns to wonder. She finds that there is no better place to spend Christmas than Virgin River. *Fiction 2020*

**“Fortune and Glory” by Janet Evanovich:** When Grandma Mazur’s new husband dies on their wedding night, the only thing he left her was a beat-up old easy chair, and the keys to a life-changing fortune. But as Stephanie and Grandma Mazur search for Jimmy Rosolli’s treasure, they discover that they are not the only ones on the hunt. Two dangerous enemies from the past stand in their way along with a new adversary who’s even more formidable. Gabriela Rose is a dark-eyed beauty with a taste for designer clothes. She is also a soldier of fortune, a gourmet cook, an expert in firearms and mixed martial arts, and someone who is about to give Stephanie a real run for her money. Stephanie might be in over her head, but she’s got two things that Gabriela doesn’t: an unbreakable bond with her family and a stubborn streak that will never let her quit. She’ll need both to survive because this search for fortune and glory will turn into a desperate race against time with more on the line than ever before. Even as she searches for the treasure and fights to protect Grandma Mazur, Stephanie’s own deepest feelings will be tested. She could finally be faced to choose between the two most important men in her life, Joe Morelli and Ranger. *Mystery 2020*



## Save the Date— Villages Italian Club presents

an evening of holiday cheers on Saturday, December 11.

## Senior Academy: ‘Dawn of Modern Art in America’

By Rita Karlsten

When the works of Picasso, Van Gogh, Gauguin, Cezanne, Matisse, and Duchamps were introduced to the art community in the United States, they were welcomed with mixed reviews, some even hostile. On February 17, 1913 an art exhibition opened at the Armory in New York City that shocked the country and changed our perception of beauty in art. Even though two-thirds of the artists on display were American, it was the Europeans who caused a sensation.

At 2 p.m. on Tuesday, December 7 and 14, via Zoom, this two-part course will explore the radical changes that occurred in American Art as American artists, accustomed to realistic art, were introduced to the experimental styles of Fauvism, Cubism, Futurism and Precisionism. It was the first time the phrase “avant-garde” was used to describe painting and sculpture.

Diane Levinson is an artist, art instructor and arts advocate. She received her BA in Sculpture from the State University of New York and her MFA from San Jose State University. She has taught art and art history at several educational institutions in the area including Santa Clara University, De Anza College, San Jose City College and Bellarmine College Preparatory High School in San Jose. Recently, she moved to Oregon; hence, the reason to offer this course via Zoom.

Preregistration for the course is required and can be done at the Senior Academy website at VillagesSA.org or by calling Susan Dooley at 408-528-8881. The fee is \$10 for members and \$20 for nonmembers.

As an aside, both Jane Carnoy and I attended a five-part course, taught by Diane, on this subject at SCU. It was informative, enlightening and entertaining. Don’t miss this opportunity to have the same experience on Tuesday, December 7 and 14 at 2 p.m. via Zoom.

## VMSC: Author Andrew Bernstein to speak at Clubhouse

On Tuesday, December 7, Andrew Bernstein, author of “California Slim: The Music, The Magic and The Madness” will be the presenter at the Villages Men’s Club luncheon in the Villages Clubhouse. This will be an exciting presentation as he has been a personal friend/acquaintance of both Willie Nelson and Jerry Garcia through the years.

This holiday season, we want to invite wives/significant others to sign up and attend this December luncheon with our VMSC members. Please make advance reservations through the Men’s Club newsletter website or call Alan Renninger. Masks should be worn in the Clubhouse in accordance with the Santa Clara and Villages guidelines.

Guests are invited to attend and should come to the Clubhouse around 12:30 p.m. The event begins at 11 a.m. for fellowship; lunch at noon with guests welcome at 12:30 p.m. The program begins at 12:45 p.m.

Bernstein, a San Mateo author, lived out his dreams in the ‘60s and ‘70s. In 1962 his musical journey began in 1962 as the 14-year-old student of an unknown banjo teacher named Jerry Garcia.

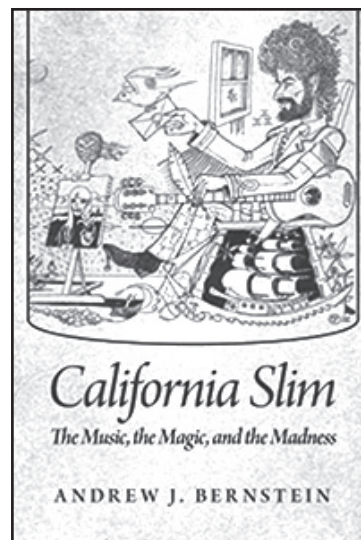
Bernstein was born in San Francisco and experienced the music and cultural revolution of the Bay Area. His initial foray into the music business began in 1969 as part of Crimson Madness, a posse of wild geniuses who produced light shows at Fillmore West for legendary Bill Graham. Andrew and his fellow artists brought the walls to life, making them pulse with colors, both real and imagined, for the performances of B. B. King, Iron Butterfly, Fleetwood Mac, the Grateful Dead, and others.

In 1971, as the owner of the historic Palo Alto honky-tonk, Homer’s Warehouse, Bernstein helped introduce new talent such as Asleep at the Wheel, Pablo Cruise, and Norton Buffalo; also providing Jerry Garcia the perfect venue to showcase his non-Grateful Dead bands: Old and in the Way and Merl and Jerry.

In 1975, Andrew got a job for best friend, Maynard Lutts, as bus driver for Asleep at the Wheel—the band of Willie Nelson. Two years later, Andrew met Willie and the boys, and was soon invited to ride along with the rollicking band of Texas hippie cowboys to help “fuel the fire.” Within weeks of that meeting, Stardust launched the second-stage booster rockets of Willie’s career, putting him and his family into musical orbit. But to this day, there is still a bunk on the crew bus reserved for Andrew.

For more information contact Jeff Schlageter at 408-528-7493.

The Villages  
**Men’s**  
Social Club



# RELIGION

## CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

### 'The Truth: Feast of Christ the King'

By Sr. Patricia Galli, RSM

There is much in the press these days about truth. It is as if society is caught in Pilate's question that ends the dialogue with Jesus we read in this week's Gospel. The next verse of this Gospel has Pilate asking, "What is truth?" (John 18:38) Jesus does not answer Pilate's question. Jesus does not claim kingship in the way that Pilate and religious leaders claimed.

The truth is Jesus asks us to come to believe in him as sent by God (His Father); "I came that they (we) may have life and have it more abundantly". (John 10:10) The kingdom of God is an interior reality of peace, love, and kinship. Jesus speaks to us so that we "may share his joy completely" (John 17:13) Liturgically now we are entering into the story of Jesus from the beginning. Let us have Advent and Christmas bring us closer to the joy of Jesus in our lives.

**Preview and Pray Sunday's Scriptures:** Dn 12:1-3, Ps 93:1-5, Rev 1: 5-8, Jn 18:33-37

**Come to Mass!** Can you bring someone who doesn't drive?

**Masses at Cribari: Sundays** - 8:15 a.m. **First three Fridays** each month: Rosary at Cribari 8:30 a.m., Mass at Cribari 9:00 a.m. Sunday Masses at St. Francis of Assisi Church: 1-408-223-1770 or parish website (sfoasj.com) for times. **Communion for the homebound:** Marilyn Rodman 408-274-4521. **Mass intentions:** Jean Gillette 408-270-5723.

**Combine art and prayer:** During the Middle Ages, Catholic monks wove their prayer life into their art and their art into prayer. See if their approach appeals to you. This week, try this: 1) Type "illuminated manuscript borders" into your search engine. 2) Admire the richly colored intricate designs that once decorated pages of medieval Bibles. 3) Select a border you like. 4) Print it. 5) Copy Sunday's Psalm reading (Ps. 93 from your Bible or from online) into the blank center of the border you chose. 6) Color the border, or better yet, design your own. 7) Hang up your illuminated manuscript for the week and ponder how the Psalm has meaning in your life. Enjoy!

**Mark your calendars!** Come socialize over coffee and donuts on **Sunday, November 21** after the Cribari 8:15 Mass. (Terrace Room) It's a great chance to get acquainted.

### Catholic Community to host Donut Sunday

By Irene Groot

Mark your calendars! Members of the Catholic Group, St. Francis of Assisi, and their personal guests are invited to a special "Donut" Sunday gathering. Plan to join us for coffee and donuts after the 8:15 a.m. Mass at Cribari on Sunday, November 21. It will be a great chance to socialize in the Terrace Room and build community.

## COMMUNITY CHAPEL

### 'Gifts Given'

By Pastor Bill Hayden

Someone told me many years ago that your gift will make room for you. What they were saying is that your gift has a place in the world. For some, their gift is obvious to the people who witness their ability to lead, empower, inform, inspire and perform a task with ease. You can see this among professional business people, entrepreneurs, athletes, actors, artist, authors and so on. They excel above all of their peers and leave others in amazement and wonder while asking, "How did they do that?"

Some people will begin to emulate others in an attempt to master their craft and often they fall short of their desired goal. No matter how much time may be devoted to make it a reality, it just wasn't their gift. While others will achieve some success, it is never really like the person who fully embodied that special ability because it was God given. There are people who are gifted with the ability to develop their talent after much practice and prayer.

You may not think much about your individual uniqueness but you really are... there is no one like you! There may be a person or persons that may bear some of your similarities but you are different. When we were created, God made us individually with a divine purpose to contribute in making this world a beautiful habitation.

Each person has been given a very special gift that is often obvious to others but for some of us we have to search within ourselves to find it. Have you ever thought, "Why am I here and what am I supposed to do?" Well, God wanted you to be here to fulfill your purpose. Okay, the purpose is to reflect His glory within your spirit, in order that others would be blessed and observe His goodness in your Godlike character. **Psalms 139:14 ESV** "I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are your works; my soul knows it very well."

Every cell in your body is giving something for the betterment of its overall operation. When you are using your gift or gifts in love to bless others you are operating in your strengths and lives are being elevated. Discover your unique gifts today and began using them to be a blessing to others. **Ephesians 4:8 ESV** "Therefore it says, "When He (Christ) ascended on high He led a host of captives, and he gave gifts to men."

During this **Thanksgiving Season**, let's be thankful that God has blessed our lives with gifted people to inspire us to be a reflection of Himself.

Join us for Chapel each Sunday Morning at 10 a.m. in the Cribari Auditorium for worship, fellowship and refreshments.

## EPISCOPAL

### 'The 3/8th Sacrament'

By The Rev. Julia McCray-Goldsmith

I have a coffee mug that delights me every morning with the somewhat heretical message "Scripture/Tradition/Reason/Experience/Coffee." Of course, this set of five sources of "faith" reflects the contribution of Anglican theologian Richard Hooker (Scripture, Tradition and Reason were his three-legged stool) and also of John Wesley, who argued that human experience—especially spiritual experience—must also be taken into account in our theologies. But coffee? Well, yes... surely my own days of prayer and service and theological reflection don't really begin until after that first aromatic cuppa!

I've also heard it said that coffee is the Third Sacrament (in Protestant traditions that only recognize Baptism and Holy Communion) and the Eighth Sacrament for Roman Catholics. There's something in the persistence of these jokes that points to the role of coffee (and tea and donuts, or whatever your morning indulgence may be) in our community life. The way that we are met by God—and come to know God—is surely mediated in part by our theologies and our sacraments (those outward and visible signs of inward and spiritual grace). But we also come to know God through each other; a process of forming community and meaningful conversation that frequently takes place over coffee. Or it's community-building equivalent! One of my favorite aspects of ministry at The Episcopal Chapel at The Villages is the regular Sunday coffee date at The Clubhouse that follows church. For Episcopalians, we might think of it as the 3/8th Sacrament.

## JEWISH GROUP

By Arnold Pinck

Hooray. Tonight, after over a year, there will be an in-person Shabbat service starting 7:15 p.m. at the Foothill Center. The service will be led by Rabbi Matzner. Following the service, there will be a super duper Oneg, chaired by June Chapman and Liz Dietz. On December 17, we will also have a Shabbat service.

On Sunday, November 28, we will hold an in-person Chanukah Party, adults only. More information will follow.

As advertised, Here's the third part of Did You Know?

**Q:** What two Jewish stars of the Yiddish stage became movie superstars playing Italian gangsters?

**A:** Emanuel Goldenberg aka Edward G. Robinson with Little Caesar in 1931 and Muni Weisenfreund aka Paul Muni with Scarface in 1932.

**Q:** Who was the first Jewish professional baseball player?

**A:** Emanuel Lipman Pike. In 1866, he accepted \$20 a week to play.

**Q:** What Jewish superstar, as a kid in the 1930s, said he would pee off the roof of his tenement building onto parading American Nazis?

**A:** Bernie Schwartz, aka Tony Curtis.

**Q:** What Jewish leading lady missed out on playing Scarlett O'Hara in "Gone with the Wind" over her affair with Charlie Chaplin?

**A:** Marion Pauline Levy aka Paulette Goddard. Producer David O. Selznick was afraid Paulette's affair with Charlie would hurt the box office of the movie so decided against casting her.

**Q:** What Jewish TV star, a comedian, hung one of his young writers out of an 18th floor window until he agreed that a joke was funny?

**A:** Sid Caesar hung writer Melvin Kaminsky (Mel Brooks) out the window until the other writers restrained Caesar!

**Q:** What Jewish comedian once asked Frank Sinatra to stop by his table at a Las Vegas restaurant to help the comic impress a girl...later when Sinatra was leaving he stopped to say hello, the comic said "Not now Frank, can't you see I'm with somebody?"

**A:** Only the impish Don Rickles had the guts!

**Q:** What Jewish silent film star was the movies' first Femme Fatale?

**A:** Known as The Vamp, it was Theodosia Burr Goodman aka Theda Bara. At the height of her fame she ranked in popularity behind only Mary Pickford and Charlie Chaplin.

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# SPORTS NEWS

## SWINGERS

By Linda Lamanno

After an overnight storm, 35 Swingers braved the elements, to golf Tuesday, November 9, at the later 9 a.m. shot gun start time. Bundled in layers, ladies began shedding jackets and sweaters, as the temperature rose and the wind died. However, by the end of the round it was cold and windy again, but not as wet and muddy as feared.

In anticipation of poor weather, the Captain's Trophy Playoff was postponed until November 30. Winter Rules defined as "mark, lift, clean and replace within 6 inches, through the green; no nearer the hole, no penalty," are in effect until further notice.

The "Most Improved" player for 2021 will be announced at the upcoming Holiday Social December 14.

First there was the "Bandini Patrol" out filling divots, now there is the "Rock Squad." On Monday mornings the "Squad" removes rocks from bunkers. Rocks come up through the sand because the traps are not lined. Lining is very expensive. If you would like to volunteer to help, contact Bill Johnston, VGC chairman.

With the start time change, Swingers are reminded to book a reservation by 10 a.m. Sunday for the following Tuesday Sweeps. Also, remember to count every stroke in Sweeps. The Pro Shop enters hole-by-hole scores, then the GHIN system automatically makes the adjustment for individual players based on handicap.

Incoming Captain Mary Wagle is looking to fill a few more positions for 2022. They are Publicity, Away Games/our Exchange, and shared spots on Socials, and Tuesday Play Days.

Thanks to the efforts of Judy Frey, more than \$5800 was raised during the Parkinson's Walk-a-Thon for the Michael J. Fox Foundation.

## PICKLEBALL

By Joyce Kludt

With all the new Pickleball players, one question that keeps coming up is "What are 'non-marking court shoes' and why are they required on The Villages courts?"

First, we want to prevent court damage. Court shoes—known as tennis shoes in most stores—are "non-marking" and do not damage the court surface. Black marks are indicative of the wrong shoes being worn. Wearing proper shoes prevents unsightly damage to courts which can distract players—as well as change the court surface. If you are a spectator, please sit outside the fenced in area if wearing anything else.

Second, for your protection. Tennis shoes have a smooth sole, facilitating lateral (side to side) movement, critical in both pickleball and tennis. Running shoes and cross trainers have ridges and are designed to go forward, but we move in every direction. Those ridges tend to stick to the court surface when moving backward or sideways. Court shoes have a blunter toe and more support in the ankle area, providing greater stability, which help prevent trips. No slip-on shoes are allowed on the court. Shoes with rounded soles (like Skechers) should *never* be worn on the court!

Check our website for store recommendations, as well as links to websites with more details on the importance of wearing proper footwear.



## Winter Golf Course Walking Hours Now through February 2022

- Monday — Before Noon and after sunset
- Tuesday — Before 9 a.m. and after sunset
- Wednesday — Before 7 a.m. and after sunset
- Thursday — Before 8:30 a.m. and after sunset
- Friday — Before 7 a.m. and after sunset
- Weekends & Holidays — Before 6:45 a.m. and after sunset

**Golf Course pedestrians must always defer to golfers during daylight hours and please remember to be safe!**

## 18-HOLE WOMEN

By Judy Rodriguez

"Putts, Pearls, and Polka Dots" was the theme for our last Guest Day for 2021 and what a beautiful day we had to play golf! Seventy members and guests played in the 70-degree weather and all we had to put on the scorecard was the number of putts we had on each hole. The Game: Two best putts of each hole! At the end of the round, we were treated to a beautifully decorated dining room and individual boxed cupcakes. All this was created by an amazing committee—Gail Tuft, Mazie Rice, Debbie Moore, and Mary Wagle.

There were two flights for competition and the winners were:

**Flight One**—First Place with a total of 55 Putts—Sue Daughtry, Vivian Brown, Holly McGowan, and Mitzi Macon. Second Place (in a card off) with 58 Putts—Monica Saneholtz, Ann Bassford, Asako Nakamura, and Helen Varenkamp. Third Place with also 58 Putts—Barbara Nilsen, Janis Kiernan, Carol Zaccheo, and Barbara Weisend! **Flight Two**—First Place with a total of 50 Putts—Miyoko Shigemoto, Keiko Minami, Betty Sharps, and Joyce Yoshioka. Second Place (in a card off) with 56 Putts—Kitty Ohtaka, Hiroko Takasaki, Emily Li, and Marky Olsen. Third Place with also 56 Putts—Viki Krattli, Patricia Kearney, Patti Bell, and Mary Lass. Congratulation to all the winning teams!

Birdies—Helen Varenkamp #11 and #18, Carol Zaccheo #11, Sue Daughtry #11, Angie Um #13 and #14, and Maxine Amundson #6! We had five Chip-ins today—Vicki Krattli #17, Patti Bell #17, Nancy Carson #5, Angie Um #17, and Shirin Shirazi #8.

A great time was had by all and we are very grateful for the special time and talent with this great committee. Next week is the Turkey Shoot which we are playing from the Number One Tees!



Putts, Pearls and Polka Dots Committee—Debbie Moore, Marie Rice, Gail Tuft, Mary Wagle

## SHONIS

By Fran Schumaker

On Tuesday, November 9, the weather was not what you would call ideal for playing golf. However, that did not stop 16 Shonis and our two qualifiers from coming out to play. It also did not stop our October Birthday Game, which had already been postponed due to rain, from going forward. Betty Hall, October birthday lady, was determined to play and get her sweet treat.

**Flight One:** Betty Hall - net 24, Andrea Alvarez - net 28, Delma Juarez - net 32

**Flight Two:** Ad Jung Sin - net 23, Jan Ehrhardt - net 24, Julianna Wahlgren - net 26

**Flight Three:** Peggy White - net 24, Kellie Park - net 24, Fran Schumaker - net 26

Please welcome our newest Shoni, Peggy White. Peggy and her husband moved to The Villages in 2017. Peggy is a native Californian, having grown up in Oakland. Both her children live in the Bay Area. Peggy worked in the accounting field as her primary occupation for many years. Several years ago, she felt her life take a different direction when she became a Lutheran Minister, a vocation she still pursues today. The last four years have been a bit of a challenge for Peggy. Not long after they moved in, there was a fire in the adjacent Villa causing smoke damage to their home. They lived in a hotel for nine months until they were able to move back home. Then came some health issues for her husband. At long last, things seem to be settling out. Peggy came to the Shonis through one of those right place/right time happenings. Peggy had taken lessons during the summer because she wanted to be able to play golf with her husband. She was on the driving range one Tuesday morning and asked someone in the stall next to her about the Shonis. The person she asked, Sally Nichols, happened to be a Shoni.

Sally brought Peggy right over to the check in table and the rest is history. Welcome aboard, Peggy. We're so happy to have you join us.



New Shoni Peggy White

# MEN'S GOLF CLUB



By Doug Moore (douglas.moore865@gmail.com)

Hi gentlemen, congratulations to all of the winners and to all that participated in the Men's Golf Club Post Veterans Day Tournament. What a fun tournament!

**Flight One:**

1 Davis + Dominguez + Gutierrez + Johnston	-18	126
2 Beltrano + Castillo + Taituha + Thomas	-17	127
3 Bowman + Drabik + Murphy + Robinson	-17	127
4 Bernal + Conway + Guidry + Soto	-16	128

**Flight Two:**

1 Gonzales + Juarez + Martinez + Smith	-16	128
2 Holbrook + Morse + Stephens + Struck	-16	128
3 Fillhouer + Swenson + Tobler + Wagle	-13	131
4 Foss + Leisy + McCarthy + Wilk	-13	131

**Flight Three:**

1 Barnhart + Dando + Martinson + Salvatierra	-26	118
2 Castle + Keane + Kuhle + Mune + Taituha	-18	126
3 Grady + Lanctot + Sharps + Singleton	-17	127
4 Danielski + Gallegos + Kim + Kim	-16	128

**Upcoming Event: December 4 Holiday Tournament/Annual Meeting** - Two Man teams, BB-Net Shotgun-8:30 a.m.

**Golf Thoughts:** "Golf is deceptively simple and endlessly complicated; it satisfies the soul and frustrates the intellect. It is at the same time rewarding and maddening – and it is without a doubt the greatest game mankind has ever invented." – Arnold Palmer

**Men's Club Website:** How long has it been since you have visited the Men's Club website? There's a lot of great information to be found there. Visit [villagesgolfers.com](http://villagesgolfers.com)

**Emails:** Are you receiving the emails from the Men's Golf Club? If not please drop me a note at: [douglas.moore865@gmail.com](mailto:douglas.moore865@gmail.com) and we can get you back on track.

# TENNIS TALK

By Claire Hintergardt

Confidence Building, Team Before Self, Open to New People and Opportunities, Respect, Hard Work—those are the words of members of the Silver Creek High School girl's tennis team as they described what they learned from being members of the Tennis Team.



Silver Creek girls tennis team with the Villages women

Continuing a tradition, the Silver Creek High School Girls Tennis Team traveled to The Villages to challenge the Villages' women tennis players. It was a joy to see the youthful and nimble Silver Creek girls playing against and then partnering with The Villages Women. Certainly, the Villages courts had never seen so many slices on the serves! Those slices kept the women on their toes.

After the matches, homemade 10" lollipops, along with other snacks caught the eyes of the players. Thank you for continuing the lollipop tradition, Phyllis Seeger.

Since 2004, The Villages Tennis Scholarships have been awarded to Silver Creek students. Wendy Ferguson and Phyllis Seegar, the committee co-chairs, diligently coordinate fundraising events to fund the scholarships. Donations may be sent to: The Villages Tennis Scholarship, 5000 Cribari Lane, San Jose, CA 95135.



Committee co-chairs Phyllis Seegar and Wendy Ferguson

# TABLE TENNIS

## Table Tennis benefits health and well-being!

By Tony Berg

The Table Tennis Club wants to encourage more people to take up the activity and reap the many benefits.

The Drop in and Play windows have been extended to encourage everyone to come and see (or remember) how easy it is, in all weather, to have fun and a workout in air-conditioned comfort amongst a friendly and welcoming crowd.

**Drop-in and Play hours:** Wednesdays 3 p.m.-5 p.m., Saturdays 9 a.m.-12 p.m., Sundays 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. No need to book or find a partner!

Everyone is welcome, but especially the novice players who just want to play again or are looking for a little guidance from some of our patient and more skilled members.

# IRONMEN

By Bill Travis

The Ironmen are currently playing every Thursday morning at 10 a.m., with a shotgun start. sweeps, birdie pool, and closest to the pin. This Thursday, November 11, 2021, was mostly sunny with very mild temperatures. As usual, it turned out to be a beautiful day for golf. We had a good turnout and the results are as follows:

First place went to Patrick McMordie with his personal best, a 33 gross, for a 23 net score! Second place went to Roger Pyle with a net score of 26. Third place went to Lee Thompson with a net score of 27.

**There were two birdies:** Patrick McMordie on hole 3; and Roger Pyle on hole 4.

**Closest to the pin:** David Cook on hole 8 at 11'4"

**Deep thoughts:** "Reverse every natural instinct and do the opposite of what you are inclined to do, and you will probably come very close to having a perfect golf swing." - Ben Hogan, winner of two Masters, four US Opens, and the British Open.

# PINSEEKERS

By Jack Bindon

Our weatherman has been good to us...great sunshine for golf. We had a total of 20 players that day, which is probably the best turnout in quite a while. We will go to the winners first and then more about our play later.

First place was won by Jim Keane with a very nice net 33. That effort won him \$4 in sweeps and 4 points. Second place resulted in a tie between Patrick McMordie and Jack Bindon for their net 36. Each won \$3 and 3 points. Third place produced another tie between David Cook and Richard Petroski, both shooting a net 37, good for \$2 and 2 points. Fourth place we had a four-way tie between Leighton Horio, Ron Speer, Tak Okabe and Martin Hoek, all with net 38 for \$1 and 1 point each. It was GREAT to see Leighton back with the group and shooting the second-best gross score of 45. Welcome back! Maybe he has been practicing while away.

Now, about our play. If anyone plans on playing 18 holes, (extra 9), **they must notify the pro shop before they start.** We are *again* alerted to the consequences for slow play. We could potentially lose the morning tee times and be back on a Friday afternoon schedule if we don't speed up. For the third time I'm stressing that we play ready golf. This means head for the next tee box as soon as you have holed your putt. **Do not linger to watch your play mates finish.** This is not being rude it's just logical and designed to speed up play. Also, if there isn't a danger of hitting someone, play your next shot. Don't wait until you are "away". **Get with it, guys!**

This next Friday we will offer a prize to the player with the most putts. Take an extra scorecard, put the players' names on it and record just the number of putts taken by each. Turn that card in to James and I will pick them up later that day. Last week I would have won it hands down with four 3-putt greens. This week, not so many. Only one 3-putt and four 1-putt greens. I have the prize and will award it to the "winner" over the weekend. This is only an incentive to get better. Who know, maybe the next winner might only have 18 putts, which would be PAR for 9 holes and very good. Be honest here, guys. Who knows, I might be in the running next week. Sorry if this sounds preachy, but we need to get our act together.

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# BOCCE NEWS



By Marcy Boyles

Elections are over and we are so happy to present our new board. It is a volunteer job with lots of enthusiasm and we look forward to 2022.

Speaking of that, take a look at the Bocce Club website to get an overview of next year's events. It actually looks like we are returning to normal.

Please note Winter Play every Wednesday, from noon to 3 p.m. Bocce courts are reserved for drop-in play starting on November 10 to January 26. The courses are open to anyone wanting to play. Just drop in and join in.

**2022 Board Members:** **President**—Barbara Orlando, **Vice President**—Wayne Weiler, **Secretary**—Evonne Cook, **Treasurer**—David Cook, **Membership**—Jeanne-Anne Whitacre, **Court Manager**—Paul Andersen, **Tournaments**—George Paris, **IT Director**—Jana King, **Bash Director**—Bill Masching, **Publicity**—Marcy Boyles, **Social Director**—Robert Bianchi, **Fundraising Director**—Judi Leonard

# SCOREBOARD

## BRIDGE

**Monday, November 8:** 1. Mary LeGrand - Jonna Robinson  
2. Jan Kiernan - Sumi Minami 3. Bosh Singh - Pritibha Desmukh

## MEXICAN TRAIN DOMINOES

**Friday, November 12**

Kit Hultquist	175
Maribeth Berlie	225
Beverly Wharton	254
Doreen McClellan	276

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## FROM THE PRO



By Scott Steele, PGA Head Golf Professional

**Hole #18 Tree Project Completed**—The tree project on Hole #18 has been completed. Therefore the cart path going around #18 green is now re-opened. Please follow the cart path around the green when exiting Hole #18. Please do not exit to the right of #18 so that we may preserve the turf to the right of 18 and 10 tee. Note there was some damage to the cart path from a fallen limb, so please be careful at this area that is coned off. Thank you.

**Thanksgiving Holiday**—Thursday, November 25—First Tee Time 7 a.m. – Last tee time 1 p.m. – Last Cart rental 10 a.m.

**Stream & Pond #9 & #18**—Due to the recent mandate from Governor Newsom regarding usage of potable water in California pursuant to the drought conditions we are under, we can no longer fill or top off bodies of water with potable water. This will affect the water feature stream and pond on Hole #9, around the practice green and on Hole #18. We will no longer be able to re-fill this water feature. Therefore the stream and pond will most likely dry up over the next several weeks and until this mandate is lifted if ever.

**Montgomery Practice Green Sand Bunkers**—For those of you that are relatively new to The Villages, here is a bit of history. The sand bunkers on our golf course are very old. They do not have the current technological infrastructure that most modern golf course sand bunkers have. They have no modern drainage system nor do they have liners between the sand layer and the underlying soil. Therefore our bunkers fill with water after a significant rain event and are often laden with rock contamination. About four years ago, we installed two test bunkers at the Montgomery practice greens behind hole #18 green. They both have a modern drainage system and have a capillary liner between the sand and soil. Also, each bunker has a different type of sand...the bunker behind 18 green has our current sand mix and the other bunker has Pebble Beach white sand. These were meant to be test bunkers with residents giving us their feedback on playability, consistency of conditions and which type of sand is preferred. So if you practice from these bunkers please give us your feedback, it is much welcome!

**2022 Golf Calendar of Events**—The 2022 golf calendar of events has been completed. 2022 promises to be a banner year at The Villages. The 2022 golf calendar is now available on the website for your review. Some highlights include:

- 2022 Men's Club Member-Member: May 13, 14, 15 – returning to the popular 2-man match play format
- 2022 Swingers Invitational – Tuesday, June 14
- 2022 Women's 18-Hole association Invitational – Thursday & Friday, June 23 & 24
- 2022 Men's Club Evergreen Invitational – Thursday-Saturday, July 14, 15 & 16

**Pro Shop Holiday Shopping**—The Pro Shop is full of holiday gifts for friends and family! Sale Items—All Titleist Hats \$16.99 down from \$29.99. All Adidas Men's Apparel 25% Off! All Black Clover Hats 20% Off! Some of What is Now Available. Tartan 3-wheel Push Carts – only \$199. Men's and Women's Power Bilt Premium Beginner Sets – complete with a golf bag – Only \$189.99. Par-3 Sunday Golf Bags – Only \$59.99. Giants and Warriors proprietary logo outerwear. Antigua men's and women's outerwear. Jamie Saddock women's golf fashions. Under Armour men's golf apparel. Rain Gear from Greg Norman and Sun Mountain. Winter Accessories from Titleist and Footjoy. Tour Edge Bazooka 470 Drivers only \$129.99. Tour Edge Bazooka Putters Only \$90

**Tips from the Pro—KISS = Keep It Simple Stupid.** I was in Oregon on vacation 2 years ago, and my son and I had the opportunity to play a wonderful Arnold Palmer designed golf course named Running Y. It is a great golf course and I highly recommend it if you are ever in Southern Oregon. Anyway, while we were there, they had an intercollegiate golf tournament. We were watching the young adults play and practice, and I saw one of the young men practicing putting in a very creative way that I hadn't seen before. And I really liked it! He was simply standing on a relatively large rectangular golf towel (probably 24-28 inches long) that was under his feet laying parallel to his target. And he was just stroking 3-6 foot putts while standing on the towel. Why do I like this? What a great visual tool that allows one to see a lot, and still make a normal putting stroke! We know that the towel is a perfect rectangle, so we know that the towels edge lines are straight and true. So you can see at set up if your stance, shoulders and eyes are in line. You can also see if your putter starts from a square position and finishes in a square position, which is the most important aspect of making short putts. Do not try this with longer putts, but rather short putts of 3-6 feet where the stroke doesn't arc as much and is more straight back & through. Try this drill or practice technique if you will, and let us know if you see something that helps! Sometimes our eyes play tricks on us at set up, and having a visual reference to square when we practice is all we need to identify this issue. To sign up for a lesson with Scott, email him at ssteele@the-villages.com



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# LANDSCAPE & MAINTENANCE

## MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE

### Cribari

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

5250-5319 and 5384-5399—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 11/22-11/26.

5237—Dead palm tree removal in progress.

West Perimeter fence line—Large oleander hedge top trimming in progress.

Heights—Dry rot repairs in progress.

5140 and 5180—Water remediation and reconstruction in progress.

5101, 5338 and 5371—Roof repairs in progress.

Glen—Dry rot repairs in planning.

### Del Lago

3301-3315—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 12/20-12/24.

Del Lago Entrance—Turf conversion project in planning.

Dry rot repairs in planning.

### Estates

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

8876-8897—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 11/22-11/26.

### Fairways

4001-4024—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 12/13-12/17.

### Glen Arden

7698-7752 and 7753-7787 (odd)—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 11/29-12/3.

### Heights

8480-8505—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 11/22-11/26.

Montgomery Lane—Dead/dying pine tree removals in progress.

### Hermosa

8005-8032, 8100-8121 and lower Chardonay Lake—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 11/22-11/26.

8101—Dead/dying tree removal in progress.

8121—Dry rot repairs in progress.

### Highland

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

7574-7598, 7661-7701 and Findhorn Ct.—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 11/22-11/26.

### Montgomery

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

6079-6126 and 6137-6183—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 11/22-11/26.

Whaley lake hillside—Landscape renovation project in progress.

6223—Sewer line repairs in progress.

### Olivas

8740-8752, 8769-8807 and Foothill Center—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 12/13-12/17.

8765-8768—Power wash, prep and painting in progress.

8782—Sewer line repairs in progress.

### Sonata

2000-2024 and 2032-2064—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 12/13-12/17.

Dry rot repairs in planning.

Gutter cleaning scheduled for 11/25-12/2.

### Valle Vista

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

9001-9014 and 9034-9036—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 12/13-12/17.

Behind 9012-9021 Perimeter Fence—Fire fuel management; poison oak clearing in progress.

Gutter cleaning scheduled for 11/17-11/24.

### Verano

7001-7060 and 7395-7404—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 12/13-12/17.

## FROM BRIGHTVIEW

### Landscape Update—Grass Height

There are very important reasons why we must mow once a week in the summer and less in the winter. Our main concern is the overall health of the grass and mowing once a week during the growing season (spring, summer, fall) doesn't put as much stress on the lawn's health as mowing less frequently. After all, you must remember that lawns are made up of different grass plants, and as with any plant, cutting it can cause stress. However, cutting more frequently is much less stressful on the grass than waiting more than a week in between mows and making a large drastic cut. This is because we are cutting a smaller amount of the grass height at any one time. Ideally, you want to cut no more than one-third from the tip of the grass to make the cut as little traumatic as possible. If by only mowing once every other week you end up cutting more than the one-third height, your grass is likely to turn yellow and wither as it struggles from the stress the cut has put it under. Mowing less often leads to having to mow more of the grass blade for each cut, this has a dramatic negative impact on the lawn's vigor, color and overall health. In the winter months, when the grass is growing much more slowly, we can push mowing to a bi-weekly schedule and maintain not cutting more than one-third of the grass blade at any cut. Therefore, you will see reduced mowing in the winter, non-growing season. I hope this helps to explain why we mow weekly in the growing season and bi-weekly in the non-growing season, ultimately it is best for the health of the grass.



- CUTTING GRASS TOO SHORT RESULTS IN SHALLOW ROOTS
- LONGER GRASS IS MORE DROUGHT-RESISTANT & DISEASE RESISTANT

This year due to the drought conditions we allowed the grass to grow longer than usual. The longer the grass blade is, the deeper the root system of that grass plant will get. Therefore, we grew the grass out longer than usual to encourage the lawns to grow deeper roots and weather the heat and restricted watering this summer better. This is a common practice done, especially at golf courses, to maintain a high quality and healthy lawn even through drought conditions. Generally, we mow our tall fescue grass to a height of 3" in summer, however this year due to the drought we moved that up to 4". This allowed the grass to handle the restricted watering and higher summer temperatures better and proved to be highly successful.



### Association

Common Areas—Treatment for voles, moles, gophers and squirrels, ongoing.

Weed spraying at turf and shrub bed areas in progress throughout the Villages.

Fire fuel management weed/brush clearing and tree work in progress in selected areas around the property.

Irrigation repairs in progress throughout the Villages.

Turf white grub spot treatment control and turf clean ups in progress throughout the Villages.

Turf aeration in progress throughout the Villages.

Turf mowing schedule is twice a month and edging schedule is once a month.

### Club Centers

Weed spraying in progress throughout the Villages.

Turf white grub spot treatment control and turf clean ups in progress throughout the Club properties.

Business office—Turf reduction project by main entrance in progress. Cribari, Montgomery and Foothill Pool and Spa – Closed for winter.

Building B—Main sewer line repairs in progress.



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## EPC First Aid Stations: Get info and medical supplies

By Arlene Versaw

By now you likely know that The Villages has been divided into 25 emergency sectors and that each has a first aid station. But do you know why knowing where yours is located is important to you?

I had no idea where my Emergency Preparedness first aid station was. My excuse was that I was new to The Villages. But as I learned about the Emergency Preparedness Committee, why it exists and how it works, I discovered that it was a basic, fundamental lynchpin in my ability to keep safe in an emergency, so I looked it up.

You might not immediately get why our first aid stations are important to us. That's just where emergency supplies are housed, right? Sure, the stations are complete with first aid and other medical items, batteries, bottled water, purifiers, basic tools and a plethora of emergency supplies. And yes, they are critical to emergency response efforts.

But from a personal perspective, knowing the location of our first aid stations is important because **this is where sector chiefs and area representatives gather when the EPC is activated, and where you can give/get information to/from the Emergency Operations Command Center, operating outside from the Cribari Plaza.**

The first aid stations, then, are dual-purpose communication centers in our neighborhoods. And you are strongly encouraged to locate yours, if you have not already. Please take a moment and look at the sector map with first aid stations identified, published in this week's *Villager*.

(See page 27 for the EPC Sector Map)

## Jewish Group... (Continued from page 17)

**Q:** What Jewish movie star had two of the world's largest and finest privately owned art collections?

**A:** Edward G. Robinson. In 1956 he was forced to sell his first art collection, as part of his divorce settlement. Missing his art more than his wife of 29 years, he immediately began to build a second collection!

If you would like more information about The Villages Jewish Group, please contact our membership chair, Joyce Mendel, (408) 238-7316 or emendel2@gmail.com.

Note: The Villager will publish as usual the week of Thanksgiving. Turn in articles by noon Wednesday, November 24 for publication in the December 2 edition.

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## Club Board Voting Record for November 2021

### Club Board Voting Record for November 2021

	November 16, 2021 Monthly Meeting	Board Members*							Comments	Costs
	Agenda Items	BW	LL	BK	RZ	JN	JO	DY		
1	In-House Construction Management Request	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	The Board authorized the General Manager to bring on a Construction Manager for Club projects for a budget impact of not to exceed \$160,000 per year with these soft costs allocated and charged to each reserve and capital project according to time spent managing each project.	\$160,000
2	Comments and Discussion Regarding Proposed Pickleball Courts Rule (Rule 1.23) (Approval Consideration to be on December 14, 2021, Board Meeting Agenda)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	It was acknowledged that proposed Rule 1.23 Pickleball Courts has been published and comments received have been distributed to the Board and Rules Committee. Formal approval consideration will be on the December monthly meeting agenda.	\$0
3	Approval Consideration to Publish for 30-Day Notice Proposed Revision of Rule 1.14 Golf Course Facilities	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	The Board moved to approve to publish for 30-day notice proposed revision of Rule 1.14 Golf Facilities.	\$0
4	Design Services to Relocate Dust Collector - Discussion Only	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	It was agreed to move this item forward to the December 2, 2021, study session.	\$0
5	Approval Consideration of Project Approval Process	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	The Board approved the Club Project Approval Process as submitted.	\$0
6	Approval Consideration of Establishing Ad-Hoc Investment Finance and Reserve Portfolio Review Committee	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	The Board approved, in accordance with Policy CPO 201 Board-Appointed Committees, the establishment of an Ad-Hoc Finance and Reserve Portfolio Committee to recommend changes to Board Policies CPO 304 Replacement Reserve Policy and CPO 305 Investment Policy. The three member committee will review the 2021 Reserve Study Report, current investment strategy, projections of the inflation rate and other pertinent information to determine if a change in policy is warranted. The Treasurer will solicit interest from three or more Villagers with financial management experience as candidates to be appointed by a vote of the Board. The committee will be given a charter for a three-month effort starting January 1, 2022 ending with a short report and recommendation.	\$0
7	Budget Guidance Discussion	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Upcoming budget development considerations were briefly discussed.	\$0

Total APPROVED Expenditures this meeting

\$160,000

A = Absent | AB = Abstained | N = No Vote (does not vote in favor) | Y = Yes Vote (votes in favor) | N/A = Not Applicable | C = Consensus | R = Recused

\* BW = Bob Wilk | LL = Leslie Lambert | BK = Bob Krattli | RZ = Richard Zahner | JN = Jerry Neece | JO = Judy Owen | DY = Del Yamaki

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# OBITUARY

## Hendrik (Hank) Arie Sturrus December 17, 1929 – November 16, 2021



Hank was born and raised outside of Rotterdam, the Netherlands. At age 20, Hank served for two years in the Dutch Army and soon after he was discharged, he met his wife, Miep. They were married in 1954 in Rotterdam. In 1957 Hank and Miep immigrated to the United States, along with Hank's sister and brother-in-law (Nel and Wim Verhey) and settled in San Jose. They raised two daughters, Sandy and Nanette.

Hank and Miep started and ran a custom drapery and window treatment business called Foothill Draperies. They ran this business for 30 years, until their retirement. Hank joined Almaden Country Club as a charter member and became an avid golfer, with an 8 handicap. He and his family were active members of Almaden CC for 40 years. Concurrently, Hank renewed a hobby from his youth – pigeon racing. He raised and flew homing pigeons with San Jose Homing Pigeon Association for many years. Hank and Miep moved to the Villages in 2006 where he made many friends. After 18 holes became too much, Hank joined a putting group, of which he was titled the "Commissioner." They had a lot of fun over the years putting for quarters.

Hank was an optimist and had a great sense of humor. He passed away peacefully at home surrounded by his family. He leaves behind his loving wife of 67 years, his daughters and their spouses Sandy (David Parker) and Nanette (Thomas Malgesini) and six grandchildren, of whom he has always been so proud: Joseph and Alexis Malgesini and Nicholas, Noah, Tristan and Johanna Parker.

He will be missed very much.

### SRS...

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it is very likely he will leave everything to The Slug. So, if you don't want your stepson to get it all, at your death you need to leave your inheritance to someone other than your husband, or you can leave it to your husband in a trust for

his lifetime benefit.

A trust could, for example, pay your husband income only, along with discretionary payments of trust principal in the event of an emergency. Practically speaking, your husband should not be the trustee of such a trust. You don't want him to interpret that his son's need is an emergency.

If community property is substantial, you may even leave your half of the community property to your husband in a trust rather than leaving it to him outright. All of this should be discussed with your attorney.

SRS has a list of attorneys who specialize in estate planning. Stop by the office if you would like a copy.

### SRS request:

### Attention paid tax preparers

SRS is updating its handout list of professionals who can be hired to prepare your tax returns. If you are a Villager and an enrolled agent (ER) or a certified public accountant (CPA) and would like to be on the SRS list, please call the SRS office at 408-239-5253 or send an e-note to [janesp@sbcglobal.net](mailto:janesp@sbcglobal.net).

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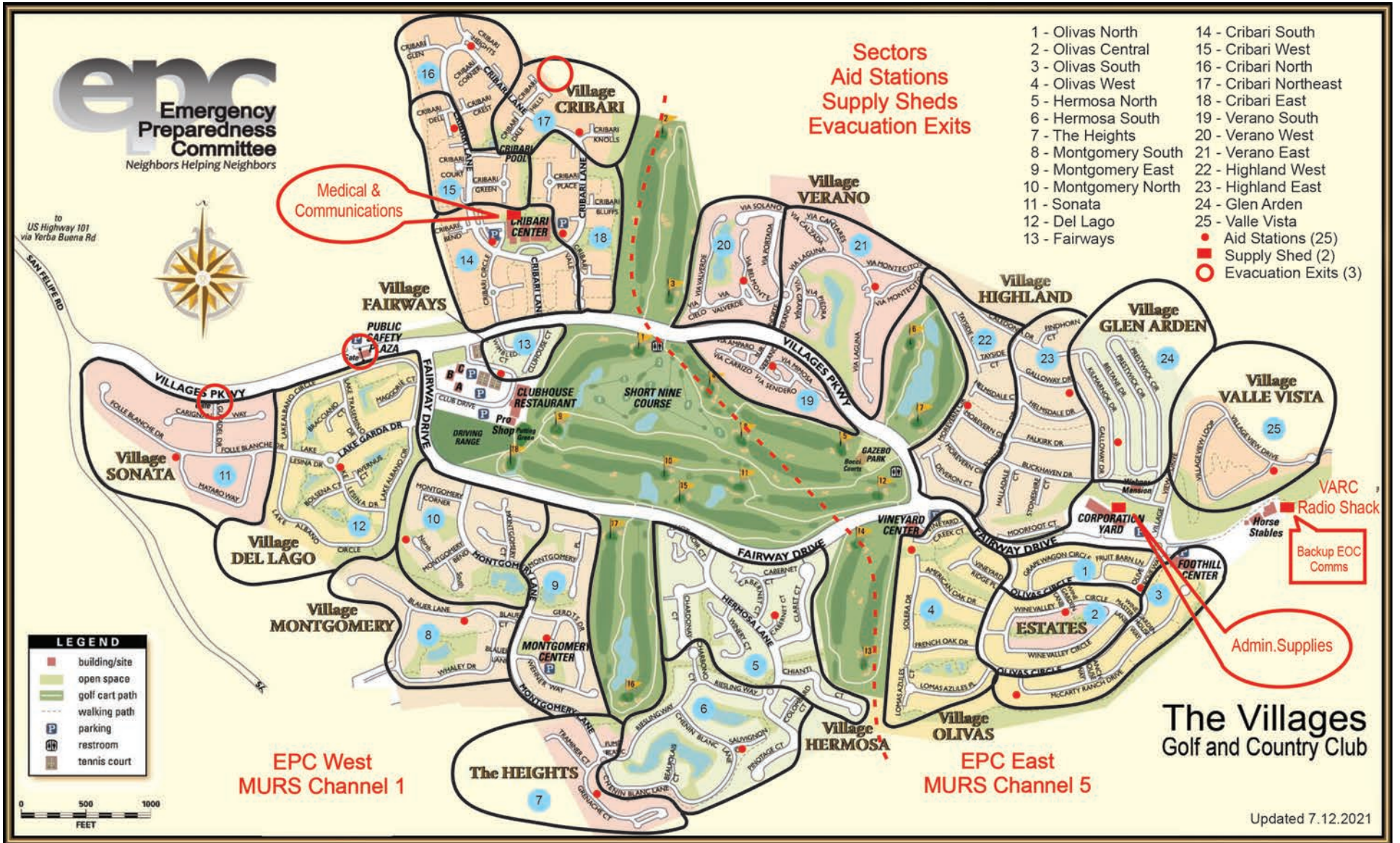
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