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Come to Crafters Club Boutique Sale this Saturday!

Well, spring has sprung and this **Saturday, March 23** is the event you have been waiting for—the Crafters Club's first Boutique sale of 2024! Join us from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Cribari Center and see firsthand what all of our talented members have been busy working on all winter. All of our veteran artists will be there selling your favorite crafts like quilts, totes, jewelry, knitted items, children's wear and much more. Our newest members will be premiering their fine skills in woodworking, mosaics, resin designs, and decorative soaps. We also boast some very fine specialty artists who create unique pieces from unusual mediums—like Simona Henz who delicately hand paints wooden spoons and greeting cards; Mary LeGrand who creates magical, live succulent gardens; Mishel Vanderten who hand paints exquisitely crafted hummingbirds and Dena Travasso who bakes up three kinds of scrumptious biscotti. Each of our artists is an expert in their craft and many are willing to create a special order upon request. Our events have so much to offer and we have so much talent to share! We will be looking forward to seeing you this Saturday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Cribari Center!



Crafters (left to right) Dena Travasso, Mary LeGrand, Mishel Vanderten, and Simona Henz.

Roll up your sleeves for Trail Maintenance Day!

By Gordon Carbonetti

The Hiking Club's Annual Trail Maintenance Day is **Saturday, March 23** from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Meet at the Foothill Center at 8:30 a.m. where you can join one of the work parties. We'll start with a brief planning session and description of the work to be done. The Villages Maintenance Department will supply two "mules" and drivers to transport us to the trail work locations, and to bring us back to Foothill. Tools will be provided, however, you can bring



General Manager Theresa Ostrander helps out in 2023.

some of your own favorites if you'd like. Work gloves, boots or sturdy shoes and a bottle of water are recommended. Also, there will be a free lunch for workers served at Foothill starting at 11:45 a.m. If you have questions relating to the trail maintenance, please contact Gordon Carbonetti at 425-442-7743, carbocrew@yahoo.com, or Dan Kato 408-300-0759, danieljkato@msn.com. Please note, much of the coordination for this effort is being done in advance by Dan Kato, so a big thanks goes to Dan!

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

Villages AGM Elizabeth Park to speak at VMFSC meeting

By Bob Dando

On **Tuesday, April 2**, the Villages Men's Fun Social Club will host a presentation by Elizabeth Park, our current Villages Assistant General Manager for Communications and Public Safety.

Social Club members should make lunch reservations a week in advance on the computer website referenced in the monthly Social Club newsletter. Non-member guests are invited to attend the presentation and should arrive at the Clubhouse by **12:30 p.m.**

Elizabeth has served Fortune 500 Bay Area companies in the communications industry for over 15 years in several roles, from public relations, product marketing and advertising to senior internal communications positions. Her diverse background includes media and video production, communications strategy/channel creation, and executive leadership campaign development. Over her career, she has not shied away from rolling up her sleeves to build communications organizations from the ground up and the teams that made them effective.

Elizabeth made a career change to public relations after graduating from UCLA with a teaching credential. Starting a consulting business, she has work experience in several large Silicon Valley firms including VMWare, Intuit, eBay, and County of Santa Clara. She started her position here at The Villages in October 2023.

In addition, Elizabeth is an avid swimmer, runner, and cyclist. She has been a triathlete since age 19, completing five Big Sur marathons, several half marathons, and numerous biathlons and triathlons. Also, over the years, she and her husband have made almost every popular red wine in their home, under their Caligra label.

We look forward to Elizabeth being our April speaker and encourage you to attend her presentation and find out more about her Villages position as Assistant General Manager for Communications and Public Safety.



COMMUNITY NEWS

PULSE

Dear Readers:
The Villager welcomes everyone's voice sharing ideas, opinions and accounts of life in The Villages in the Pulse column. Please follow the guidelines carefully.
 Pulse deadline is 4 p.m. on Thursday of the week prior to publication. Pulse letters will be published in complete or abridged form at the discretion of the Publisher and in accordance with the editorial policies and rules established by the Club Board of Directors. (See VGCC Rule 1.30.) Opinions expressed by Pulse letter authors do not necessarily reflect the opinions of The Villager Publisher, staff, boards of directors or management.
 All Pulse letters must be 200 words or fewer on a single topic relating to life in the Villages. Letter authors are limited to one published Pulse letter per month. Each letter must also include name, address, phone number, date and number of words. Typed or legibly written letters must include your signature and may be hand delivered to the Pulse mailbox in Administration Building B or by mailing to the Communications Advisory Committee, 5000 Cribari Lane, San Jose, CA 95135.
 Letters may be submitted electronically through the Pulse Submission Form on the Resident Portal: resident.thevillagesgcc.com/pulse, or emailed to Villager Managing Editor S. Hinrichs: shinrichs@the-villages.com. E-mailed letters must include the text within the body of the email and the subject line must read PULSE LETTER.

1 Pulse letters received this week.
 0 Pulse letters not meeting Pulse Letter Requirements.
 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.

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

The Villager: There seems to be a conflict here between two worlds. One is the electronic world of Silicon Valley and the other is the print world of The Villages. Villages residents were born before personal computers and the Internet arrived. We acquired much of our information from books and newspapers delivered on paper. Most of us still prefer that textural medium. Now there is a move, in the name of cost saving, to shift our beloved *The Villager* to an on-line format. We appreciate cost saving and applaud Villages management for its concern. On the other hand, there are some things that are more important than saving a few dollars and this is one of them. You can't relax with a cup of coffee in your favorite chair with a computer in your lap.
 Speak up neighbors and let management know that *The Villager* should continue to deliver its message in print.

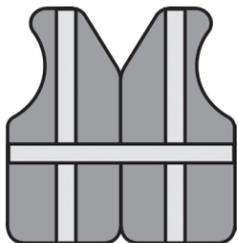
—Dr. Jac Fitzenz

Villages 2024 Telephone Directory distribution

The delivery of the Villages 2024 Telephone Directory has been completed.
 Missed or damaged books may be replaced without charge for a month until Friday, April 12. Replacement directories may be picked up in Building B. After that, Villages residents may purchase a telephone directory (or extra directories) for \$15 each.
 To make changes to your directory listing, bring change forms to The Villager office in Building B or contact Scott at 408-223-4655 or shinrichs@the-villages.com

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

Pedestrians: It's good to be seen!



Walking is such a major and needed activity here in The Villages. Let's make sure we keep it that way. When lighting is at a minimum, (dawn or dusk) make sure you are wearing reflective clothing so that drivers can readily see you!
 The VMA has yellow/green reflective vests that are free to Villagers and are stored at the VMA office in Cribari. Pick up your complimentary vest during business hours 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Monday to Thursday.
 One size fits all. One per household. Go get a vest! Don't be a statistic!

IN MEMORIAM

Herma Irwin
December 19, 1931 – March 11, 2024.
 (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 or Scott Hinrichs at shinrichs@the-villages.com or 408-223-4655.

DEADLINES

General Copy: All general copy, other than sports, is due by 4:30 p.m. Thursday, seven days prior to publication. For editorial information call 408-754-1341 or 408-223-4655 or email ktran@the-villages.com.
Sports: Sports copy is acceptable after deadline only by permission of the Managing Editor, 408-223-4655.
Classified Ads: Classified ads, renewals, cancellations and changes are due by 4 p.m. on the Monday before publication. Holiday deadlines differ. You may fax classified ads to 408-274-2843 or e-mail to: areed@the-villages.com or ktran@the-villages.com. For more information, please call 408-223-4657, 408-754-1341 or 408-223-4655.
Display Ads: Display ad rates and placement may be arranged by calling Adrienne at 408-223-4657. Display advertising information is available on The Villages website at: www.thevillagesgcc.com.
Delivery: *The Villager* is published on Thursday and distributed to all residents Friday morning. Extra copies of the latest editions are available in *The Villager* office, in Cribari Center and in the Library.
 Call 408-223-4655 to report missed deliveries.

POLICIES

Publication of advertising in *The Villager* does not constitute endorsement. Licensed real estate professionals advertising in *The Villager* are required to name themselves as agent or broker, or list the name of the brokerage for whom they work as part of their ad. This is in compliance with Real Estate Law Section 10140.6.
 All copy is subject to editing and must be submitted with that understanding. *The Villager* reserves the right to reject or discontinue advertising or articles that are deemed unsuitable.
The Villages Communications Advisory Committee develops operational plans, reviews rules and policies, and advises the General Manager and Club Board on issues pertaining to *The Villager*, including Pulse letters, Channels 26 and 27, FastLane and the website. Residents having relevant concerns may attend meetings or call committee members by phone: Chair Nick Yannaccone at 408-219-9296, and Co-Chair Debbie Champion at 408-960-6994.

HOURS

The Villager editorial and classified advertising hours are Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 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.

The Villager is published every Thursday under policies established by the

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BOARDS & COMMITTEES

Homeowners' Corporation Board Seeking Directors

Want to make a difference in your community? The Homeowners' Corporation Board of Directors (HBOD) is looking for you. Serving on the HBOD is a rewarding and interesting activity that makes you feel a vital part of the community. You get to know your neighbors and you can make a difference in their enjoyment of Villages' life.

The Villages Homeowners' Board of Directors' mission statement reads "The mission of The Villages Homeowners' Corporation is to help to enhance and protect the value of our homes, neighborhoods, and the overall Villages' experience for single-family homeowners." The bylaws of the Homeowners' Corporation provide that there will be five directors serving on the board.

There are three vacancies with three directors eligible to run again, Brooks Fuller, Morton Cordell and Glen Seidel. Because one position is to complete the term of former Director Larry Versaw who is now on the Club Board, there are two, three-year term positions and one, one-year term position. To apply, provide written notice of intent to run to Board President Teddy Morse, theodoramorse@outlook.com or Secretary Morton Cordell, morton@silkroadassociates.com no later than 5 p.m. on May 1, 2024.

Missed your Villager?

If you missed delivery of your weekly copy of *The Villager*, please call 408-223-4655 after 11:30 a.m. to report it.

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

**More BOARDS & COMMITTEES,
MANAGEMENT and COMMUNITY NOTICES
on pages 4, 5 & 21**

Club Nominating Committee seeks candidates

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

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

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

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

Association/Homeowners documents available via email

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

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

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

Forms of owner's written consent are available in Business Administration Building A and on The Villages website, <http://www.thevillagesgcc.com> (Click on *Resident Info* and then Click on *Resource Files*.)

Homeowners' Corporation Board Voting Record for March 14, 2024

Homeowners' Corporation March 14, 2024 Quarterly Meeting Voting Record								
	Agenda Items	TM	RK	MC	BF	GS	Comments	Costs
1	Approval Consideration of Annual Meeting and Election Schedule and Appoint Inspectors of Election	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	The Board approved June 12, 2024, at 4:00 p.m. at The Villages Clubhouse as the date and time and place for the 2024 Annual Meeting of Members, approved May 1, 2024 as the Record Date for the 2024 Director Election, and appointed Kathy Weatherford, Janelle Marines, and Anahid Gregg as the Inspectors of Elections.	\$0
2	Schedule Organizational Meeting	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	The Board approved June 13, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. as the date and time for the Homeowners' Corporation Board organizational and June quarterly meeting.	\$0
3	Update Mission Statement	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	The Board approved the following updated mission statement: <i>The mission of The Villages Homeowners' Corporation is to help to enhance and protect the value of our homes, neighborhoods, and the overall Villages' experience for single-family homeowners.</i>	\$0
4	Approval Consideration of Resolution Honoring Villages Volunteers	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	The Board approved resolution honoring Villages Volunteers; three corporate boards to jointly honor their committee and community volunteers at a special event to be held, Monday, April 22, 2024, at The Villages Clubhouse.	\$0
5	FY24/25 Proposed Preliminary Budget Summary; Discuss Fees	C	C	C	C	C	The Board discussed development of the FY 24/25 Budget with Chief Financial Officer/AGM Blake Kennedy and management. By consensus, the Board directed management to to increase Legal Fees to \$10 per month per homeowner, and to keep Schedule of Fees and Charges the same.	\$0
A = Absent AB = Abstained N = No Vote (does not vote in favor) Y = Yes Vote (votes in favor) N/A = Not Applicable C = Consensus R = Recused								
*TM = Teddy Morse RK = Rob Kirschbaum BF = Brooks Fuller MC = Morton Cordell GS = Glen Seidel								

MANAGEMENT

THE GENERAL MANAGER'S CORNER

Revisiting the Future of Capital Funding at The Villages

Dear Villagers,

The Club Board of Directors (CBOD) faces the challenge of "Planning for the Future" to modernize and improve our facilities. There is, however, a policy gap we must bridge. The Capital Fund balance is limited to \$1.2 million, restrained by the conservative growth tied to a national inflation index. This 18-year-old constraint no longer serves our growing needs, the sum is insufficient for the improvements The Villages needs.

In 2006, the amended bylaws included Section 8.3.4 Annual Contributions to Capital Improvement Fund, which limited and capped annual contributions to, and maximum balance of, the Capital Improvement Fund. The Villages must now manage the financial burden to prepare for the refurbishment of our aging facilities and amenities and replacing the aged underground infrastructure that supports our operations. By updating the Club bylaws and policies this year we will provide the Club Board with the ability to construct strategic plans for our future.

Regrettably, there was not the foresight to implement a savings plan or create a capital replacement fund, essential for financing these now costly updates. To address the community's needs, the Club Board of Directors is considering a dependable funding mechanism that will minimize the financial impact on current residents.

A potential solution is the introduction of a "membership initiation fee" for new owners. This fee would serve to fairly distribute the cost of existing and future facilities and amenities among new and future residents. As your General Manager, I share the Club Board's vision of the Villages and I carry the responsibility to nurture that growth.

To implement these changes and ensure a sustainable future for The Villages, CBOD will seek member approval for new fiscal strategies, moving beyond the limitations of the past and toward a vibrant, well-funded community. Together, I believe we can build a bright future and increase the value of our homes.

—Theresa Ostrander, General Manager, The Villages Golf and Country Club



Update on Bingo permit process

We wanted to provide the community with an update regarding the VMA Bingo Permit process, which has faced some challenges this year.

As part of the permit package, VMA is required to include The Villages Golf and Country Club Fire Department Occupancy Permit documents for the Auditorium and Clubhouse. Over the past several months, we've been diligently working to resolve the issue of delayed permits.

While all necessary fees have been paid and required supporting materials submitted, we have unfortunately not yet obtained hard copies of the permits. Please be assured that Villages staff has been actively engaged in communication with the appropriate departments at the City of San Jose on a weekly basis to address this matter.

We understand the popularity of Bingo. We share your disappointment that the delay in obtaining permits has delayed Bingo. Rest assured; we remain committed to resolving this issue as swiftly as possible.

Thank you for your understanding and patience as we work through this process.

Recognizing International Cleaning Week

In honor of International Cleaning Week, March 24–30, let's celebrate the vital work of The Villages Golf and Country Club's janitorial team. These professionals keep our facilities—including the centers, meeting rooms, sports courts and Gazebo Park—pristine and ready for use. Their efforts embody our mission to offer an enriching lifestyle and maintain our status as a Club Community of Choice in Northern California.

Their role goes beyond cleaning; they ensure our club's amenities are well-maintained, contributing significantly to our community's safety and attractiveness. This week, let's acknowledge their hard work with a brief thank you, appreciating their contribution to our enjoyable club experience.



Report Coyote Activity

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

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

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



Estate Planning and Probate Attorneys

We have many family members, friends and clients who call The Villages their home.

We have assisted many Villagers establish their estate plans, and we look forward to the opportunity to assist many more.

(408) 294-4525

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Submit questions for Candidates' Night

This year's Candidates' Night is **Tuesday, May 7 at 7 p.m.** in Cribari Auditorium. This will be your opportunity to interact with and ask Club and Association director candidates about topics important to you.

Your questions will be curated and may be used at the live event. Please send your questions to the Communications Advisory Committee (CAC) Chair, Nick Yannaccone, at nyannac@gmail.com or 408-219-9296.



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and COMMUNITY NOTICES
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GOVERNANCE MEETINGS

ENCROACHMENTS

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

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

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

AC NOTICE

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

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

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

More COMMUNITY NOTICES

(SRS) SENIOR RESOURCE SERVICES

'Dear IRS: Where is my refund?'

Recent improvements to "Where's My Refund?" on IRS.gov now provide you with more information and remains the best way to check the status of your refund. You will find this tool on the home page under the "Get Your Refund Status" tab.

The "Where's My Refund?" tool provides taxpayers with three key pieces of information: IRS confirmation of receiving your tax return, approval of your tax refund, and the issuing date of the approved tax refund.

During this busy part of filing season, millions of taxpayers are anticipating refunds. The IRS website can help taxpayers quickly get the information they need without calling the IRS.

According to the IRS, "Where's My Refund?" enhancements include: 1) Messages with detailed refund status in plain language. 2) Seamless access on mobile devices and with the IRS2Go app. 3) Notifications indicating whether the IRS needs additional information.

To use "Where's My Refund?", taxpayers must enter their SS number, filing status and the exact whole dollar amount of their expected refund from the original 2023 tax return.

Once the IRS acknowledges receipt of a return, refund status information is typically available within 24 hours after receipt of a taxpayer's e-filed 2023 return or four weeks after mailing a paper return.

Taxpayers should note that the IRS updates the refund tool once a day, usually overnight, so there's no need to check more often. The IRS reminds taxpayers that the fastest way to get a refund is by filing electronically and using direct deposit.

Many different factors may affect the timing of refund delivery. Most frequently if there is a delay the tax return has obvious errors, requires additional review or is incomplete.

The IRS will contact taxpayers by mail if more information is needed to process a return. IRS phone and walk-in representatives can only research the status of a refund if: 1) 21 days or more have passed since a return was filed electronically, 2) six weeks or more have passed since a return was mailed, or 3) "Where's My Refund?" tells the taxpayer to contact the IRS.

The California Franchise Tax Board has a similar program. Go to www.ftb.ca.gov. On the Home page use the tab "Check Your Refund Status" and then "Where's My Refund?" California wants to know your Social Security number, the numbers in your mail address, your zip code and the exact amount of the tax refund claimed on your State return. California's estimate for electronically filed returns is 21 days like the IRS. However, for mailed returns be patient for up to three months.

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

SRS Reminder:

IRA contributions at any age

Before you file your tax returns, remember a taxpayer may make an IRA contribution at any age. Of course, contributions are limited to the lesser of your earned income or the contribution limits to qualified plans.

A taxpayer who files a joint return can contribute to an IRA even if they don't have earned income as long as their spouse has sufficient earned income.

BOARD MEETINGS

Association

- The Villages Association Board of Directors Monthly Board hybrid meeting is **Tuesday, March 26 at 9:30 a.m.** in Foothill Center and on Zoom.

Meeting ID: 917 8108 3392; Passcode: 223468; Dial: 1-669-900-6833

- The Villages Association Board of Directors FY 24/25 Proposed Budget Presentation is **Tuesday, April 16 at 8:30 a.m.** via Zoom.

Meeting ID: 966 2648 7821, Passcode: 995358, Dial: 1-669-900-6833

Club

- The Villages Golf & Country Club Board of Directors Regular Meeting is **Tuesday, March 26 at 1:30 p.m.** in Foothill Center and on Zoom.

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

- The Villages Golf & Country Club Board of Directors FY 24/25 Proposed Budget Presentation is **Tuesday, April 16 at 11 a.m.** via Zoom.

Meeting ID: 969 2490 0831, Passcode: 350778, Dial: 1-669-900-6833

Call 911 for medical emergencies

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

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

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

Getting on the Road to the 21st Century

Fireside Chat with Theresa Ostrander

Wednesday, March 27, 3-4 p.m. - Fairway Room

Topic: **Reserves and Capital Replacement** with Theresa Ostrander (GM) and Ryan Bell (AGM - Public Works)

Audience - First come, first served. Maximum 50.

For call-in registration, please contact Andrea Garibaldi, Building A receptionist, at 408.223.4674. To register online, please visit: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/vgcccfireside3>

The Villager Transition Ad Hoc Committee presents

A Villages Writers Workshop By the Villagers and GM Staff

**Beginning Wednesday, April 10, 10 to 11:30 a.m.
Foothill Center.**

RSVP to
comms@the-villages.com

If unable to attend this date,
come to our next one!

The next Writers Workshop
dates are April 24 and May 1.
More details to come.



COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

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

Building B business hours

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

Pools and spas to reopen April 1

The Foothill and Cribari pools and spas will reopen for the season on Monday, April 1. The Vineyard pool and spa will remain open. The Montgomery Pool and Spa is still undergoing maintenance work and will reopen later in mid-April. Pool and spa hours are 5 a.m. to 10 p.m. daily.

Children's swimming hours:

Cribari Pool: 10 a.m.–Noon

Montgomery Pool: Noon–2 p.m.

Vineyard Pool: 2–4 p.m.

Note: Foothill Pool is for adults only.

For a refresher, please review Rule 1.17 Swimming Pool Areas for regulations at the swimming pools and surrounding areas. All Club rules can be found on the Resident Portal when logged in. Go to the Governance menu, then choose The Villages Golf and Country Club, then Club Rules.

Take Intro or Beginner-Plus Line Dancing with Nanci

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

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

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

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

The total cost is \$25.50 per resident for each six-week class. Register in Building B. The deadline is Friday, April 5 or sooner if class fills up.

Nanci has been dancing for over 30 years and has been teaching country line dance for the last 20 years.

Game Day schedule update

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

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

Let's hit the city to see 'Funny Girl'!

On **Wednesday, May 22**, join us at the Orpheum Theater in San Francisco to see "Funny Girl"! This is a bittersweet musical comedy that tells the tale of the tough and determined Fanny Brice. Fanny is a girl from the Lower East Side of New York City who dreams of a life on the stage. Everyone tells her she would never be a star, but she becomes one of the most beloved performers in history. Based on the classic by Isobel Lennart and updated by Harvey Fierstein, this show outshines the brightest lights of Broadway!

After the performance we will enjoy an early dinner at Fog Harbor Fish House, a family-owned San Francisco institution at Pier 39. All meals will come with a Caesar salad to start and an apple crisp with whipped cream to finish. We will cover all beverages up to \$4; drinks that cost more will be charged to the participant. You will need to choose one of these entrees at registration:

- Roasted Pacific Cod topped with Caper Lemon Butter, comes with garlic mashed potatoes and seasonal vegetables

- Shrimp Brochette with Garlic Butter Sauce, comes with garlic mashed potatoes and seasonal vegetables

- Chicken Penne Pasta tossed with a Pesto Cream Sauce, comes with seasonal vegetables

We will depart from Cribari East Parking Lot at 11 a.m. with an estimated return time of 7:30 p.m. Activity Level: Light (mostly seated).

Due to the Bay Area weather, attire is casual and warm. Gratuity for the driver and guide is included in the price. Additional tipping is at your discretion.

The cost is \$208 and includes round trip transportation, ticket, meal and escort. Register in Building B during business hours beginning Monday, March 25. The deadline is Friday, April 12 or sooner if spots fill up.

Try new U-Jam Fitness!



Dominique Martin

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

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

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

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

Get cooking with Dayna!

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

- Brie Persillade with Apricot and Pecan
- Chilled Watermelon, Cucumber and Feta Salad
- Moroccan Crusted Flank Steak with Black Olive Couscous

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

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

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

RESIDENT EXCURSION PARTICIPATION GUIDELINES

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

the cost of the activity. All sales are final.

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

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

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

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

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

'Rose' returns for sold-out performance



On Saturday March 3, Kathy Esteves-Bates wowed Villagers with her performance of "Rose – A Mother's Story." Here she is pictured after the performance with many well-wishers waiting to speak with her and reminisce about history. She has kindly accepted an invitation to come back for another repeat performance (a three-peat performance). Please keep an eye out for more information closer to June.

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

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

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

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

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

We will depart from Cribari East Parking Lot at 8:30 a.m. with an estimated return time of 3 p.m.

The cost is \$80 per person and includes admission, escort, and round-trip transportation; \$46 for Fine Arts Museum of San Francisco (FAMSF) Members.

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

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

Sign up for new Yoga class!

Sign up for Yoga on **Wednesdays, April 10 to May 15** (six classes) from 10 a.m. – 11 a.m., taught by Mariko Dugay in Cribari Auditorium. The cost is \$68.50 per person (equipment purchased independently as needed, see below). Register in Building B during business hours. The signup deadline is Friday, March 29 or sooner if class is filled.

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

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

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

Last chance for 'Building Your Immunity'

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

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

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

ARTS & CRAFTS CALENDAR

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

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

Monday and Tuesday afternoons: Open Studio with Pat Andrade, 2 – 5 p.m. Pat will teach people one on one who want to learn his graphic style. Bring your own materials. All Villagers welcome!

March 25 and April 8 – 29: Open Studio for Assemblage (and other artwork) with Michael Sunzeri. 2 – 5 p.m. in the Art Room. All Villagers and all media welcome!

April 3 – 24: Open Studio for Watercolorists (and all other media) with Doug Canepa. 2 – 5 pm in the Art Room. All Villagers and all Media welcome!

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

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

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

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

April 3 – 24: Open Studio for Watercolorists (and all other media) with Doug Canepa. 2 – 5 p.m. in the Art Room. All Villagers and all Media welcome!

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

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



HIKING CLUB SCHEDULE

Bring water, snacks, poles, and lunch, as necessary. Wear layer clothing appropriate to the current weather. In addition to scheduled hikes, the following hikes occur regularly: **Every Wednesday and Saturday** – Villages hill hike with Russ Glines at 8:30 a.m. from Foothill Center. **Every Monday** – at Clubhouse parking lot, meet at 8:20 a.m., leave at 8:30 a.m. to walk around golf course with Terri Vivoli.

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

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

Rambler Hike April 3: Guy Hoover (408-667-9935) will lead a hike along Scenic Rd in Carmel-By-The Sea. Park at the Mara Beach parking lot (26495 Scenic Rd, Carmel-By-The-Sea). Walk along the aptly named Scenic Rd to Ocean Ave. The ocean is on one side of the road and some very picturesque homes are on the other side. From there we will walk up Ocean Ave to downtown Carmel to Dolores St. to the Village Corner California Bistro for lunch. After lunch we will walk back to our cars. Driving distance is 70 miles one way. Total hike distance is approximately 4.5 miles. Total elevation is 230 feet. Meet at Cribari Center at 9:15 a.m. for a 9:30 a.m. departure.

Rambler Lite Hike April 3: Katy Peretti (408-531-0917) will lead a hike to the three Montgomery ponds and steps. Meet at the Clubhouse at 9 a.m.

Rambler Hike Wednesday April 10: Jim Koski (408-313-4848) will lead a hike at Rancho San Antonio in Cupertino. It's flat to Deer Hollow Farm and then we continue on the Wildcat Loop Trail. Total distance is less than 5 miles. We'll stop for lunch afterwards. Meet at the Cribari bell at 8:45 for a 9 a.m. departure. Distance to Rancho San Antonio is 22 miles.

THE CLUBHOUSE

For Information:
408-223-4687

2800 The Villages Fairway Drive, San Jose CA 95135

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

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

Soup of the Day



For the week of 3/25 to 3/24

Monday, March 25

Corned Beef and Cabbage

Tuesday, March 26

Cream of Broccoli

Wednesday, March 27

Chicken Fiesta

Thursday, March 28

Roasted Bell Pepper and
Artichoke with Feta

Friday, March 29

Shrimp and Corn Chowder

Saturday, March 30

Chef's Choice

Sunday, March 31

Chef's Choice

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

The following details will be in effect at the Clubhouse:

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

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

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

How does Curbside Grab-and-Go work?

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

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

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

We want your opinion!

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

Thanks for taking the time to let us know what you think!
Please deposit comments directly to the locked comment card box at the Clubhouse foyer.

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



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

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



The Clubhouse
Easter Hours

Sunday March 31, 2024

The Clubhouse will only be open for our Easter Brunch Buffet.
Reservations Required



Restaurant: Closed

Bistro: Closed

Curbside Pickup: Closed



Weekly Specials

For the week of 3/25 to 3/31

Breakfast Special:

Tuesday 3/26 to Sunday 3/31

California Omelet: Three Eggs, Bacon, Avocado, Tomatoes, Jack Cheese, topped with Sour Cream with Choice of Breakfast Side **\$15.95**

Lunch Specials:

Monday 3/25 to Sunday 3/31 – 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Linguini and Prawns Scampi: Sautéed Prawns and Tomatoes in a Garlic Lemon Butter Sauce **\$17.95**

Raspberry Chicken Salad: Grilled Chicken Breast, Mandarin Oranges, Apples and Almonds over Greens with Raspberry Vinaigrette **\$16.95**

Dinner Specials:

Tuesday 3/26 to Sunday 3/31 – 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. (Last Seating)

Surf and Turf: Strip Sirloin and Prawns in Garlic Butter Sauce with Choice of Sides **\$28.95**

Antipasto Salad with Prawns: Zucchini, Portobello Mushrooms, Peppers, Red Onions and Mozzarella Cheese with Balsamic Dressing **\$27.95**

Clubhouse Indoor, Patio Dining and Curbside Hours of Operation

Monday

Lunch:

11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Bistro Menu

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

Tuesday to Friday

Breakfast:

8 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Lunch:

11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Bistro Menu:

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

Dinner Menu:

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

Saturday and Sunday

Saturday Breakfast:

7 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Sunday Breakfast:

7 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Lunch:

11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Bistro Menu:

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

Dinner Menu:

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

Main phone line: 408-223-4687

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

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

Online

Reservation or Curbside Order: clubhouserreservation.com

Email: theclubhouse@the-villages.com

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




Whole Rotisserie Chicken

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

New Price \$9.95 plus Service Charge & Tax

408.223.4687 opt 2 or online at clubhousesreservation.com

Click for more information

Clubhouse Special Offers

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



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

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

Single Diners' Night



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

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



Buy One Appetizer*, Get One Half-Off!

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

* Item must be of equal or lesser value.

Service charge and taxes still applied to all items.

For dine-in customers only.

5 5 5 Bistro Happy Hour

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



\$5 House Cocktails

\$5 House Wines

\$5 Draft Beers 16 oz.

Price subject to service charge and tax

Online Meal Ordering

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



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



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

Easter Brunch Buffet Menu

Breakfast Pastries Station

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

Display Stations

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

Salad Stations

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

Seafood Display

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

Carving Stations Featuring

Bone-In Virginia Ham and Prime Rib

Under the Chafers

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

Desserts Display

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

Beverages

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

\$67.95 plus service charge and tax per person

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

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



On-Site Document Shredding Event

Sponsored by Evergreen Villages Foundation (EVF)

Saturday, April 20

9 a.m. to 11:15 a.m

Cribari East Parking Lot

(Woodshop side)

Minimum fee \$10 per box or bag

cash or check only

PLUS! Drop off flags needing retirement
and old Villages telephone directories

Questions?

Call Debbie Champion at 408 960-6994

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Friday, March 22

8:30 a.m.	Jazzercise	A
9 a.m.	Chinese Morning Exercise	P
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED
9 a.m.	SRS Tax Prep Service	FC
9 a.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
10 a.m.	Art&Craft Member Studio	AR
10 a.m.	Line Dance	A
10 a.m.	Quilters	PR
12:30 p.m.	Bridge Club	RED
2 p.m.	Open Studio	AR
6 p.m.	Line Dance	VC
6:30 p.m.	Mexican Train Dominoes	MC

Saturday, March 23

8:30 a.m.	Hiking Club	FC
9 a.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
10 a.m.	Crafters Boutique	A
10 a.m.	Quilters	PR
11:30 a.m.	Montgomery Social Lunch	CH
1 p.m.	Table Tennis Social	MC
2 p.m.	Chinese Club	VC
4:45 p.m.	Study Groups Movie	SEQ

Sunday, March 24

7:30 a.m.	Catholic Choir	L
8:15 a.m.	Catholic Mass	A
9 a.m.	Community Chapel Choir	SEQ
9 a.m.	Episcopal Church Service	MC
9 a.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
10 a.m.	Community Chapel	A
10 a.m.	Global Village DHULETI	VC
10 a.m.	Quilters	PR
11 a.m.	Holi-Festival of Colors	GP
3 p.m.	Mens Tennis 7.0 55+ USTA	TS
6 p.m.	Jewish Purim	FC
7 p.m.	Chinese KTV	SEQ
7 p.m.	Spring Show Rehearsal	A

Monday, March 25

8:30 a.m.	Jazzercise	A
9 a.m.	Chinese Morning Exercise	P
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED
9 a.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
9:30 a.m.	Association Rules Cmte.	PR
9:45 a.m.	Search the Scriptures	VC
10 a.m.	Art&Craft Member Studio	AR
10 a.m.	VGC Golf Six Clubs	VR
10:30 a.m.	USTA Tennis	TS
10:30 a.m.	VMA Grief Support	SEQ

EVENT LOCATIONS

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

1 p.m.	Stitchery	PR
1 p.m.	VMA Clear Captions	SEQ
2 p.m.	Open Studio	AR
2 p.m.	Women's Chapel Group	CR
2 p.m.	Spring Show Rehearsal	A
2 p.m.	Cat Club	FC
5:30 p.m.	Village Dancers 1	A
7 p.m.	Duplicate Bridge	RED
7 p.m.	Hiking Club	FC

Tuesday, March 26

8 a.m.	Tai Chi Group 1	CR
8:45 a.m.	Tai Chi Group 2	CR
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED
9 a.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
9:30 a.m.	Association Board	FC
9:30 a.m.	Line Dance	A
10 a.m.	Art Class	AR
10 a.m.	Intro to Line Dance	A
10 a.m.	Mat Pilates	CR
10 a.m.	Ukulele Club	PR
11 a.m.	High Twelve Board Lunch	VC
11 a.m.	P.E.O. Spring Lunch	CH
11:30 a.m.	LSAL Fitness	A
1 p.m.	Tennis Open House	TS
1:30 p.m.	Club Board of Directors	FC
2 p.m.	Open Studio	AR
2 p.m.	Piano Open Studio	A
6 p.m.	Desi Social Hour	SEQ
7 p.m.	Plant-Based Diet	MC
7 p.m.	Concert Band Rehearsal	A
7 p.m.	Tennis Board	PR

Wednesday, March 27

8:30 a.m.	Jazzercise	A
9 a.m.	Chinese Morning Exercise	P
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED
9 a.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
10 a.m.	Art Class	AR
10 a.m.	Yoga	A
11 a.m.	Folk Dance	CR
2 p.m.	Open Studio	AR

2 p.m.	Spring Show Rehearsal	A
4 p.m.	History of Israel	F
5:30 p.m.	Village Dancers 2	A
6:30 p.m.	Mexican Train Dominoes	MC
6:30 p.m.	Village Voices Rehearsal	FC
7 p.m.	Duplicate Bridge	RED
7 p.m.	Wellness & Spirituality	CR
7 p.m.	Village Dancers 3	VC

Thursday, March 28

8 a.m.	Tai Chi Group 1	CR
8:45 a.m.	Tai Chi Group 2	CR
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED
9 a.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
10 a.m.	Art Class	AR
10 a.m.	Line Dance	CR
10 a.m.	LSAL Fitness	A
11:30 a.m.	18 Hole Wm.Golf Lunch	CH
1 p.m.	Bible Small Group	SEQ
1 p.m.	VMA Bonnie Grim	MC
1:30 p.m.	Ukulele Club	VC
2 p.m.	Open Studio	AR
4 p.m.	Arts & Crafts Board	AR
4 p.m.	18-H W Golf Invit. Cmte.	PR
6 p.m.	Maundy Thursday Service	A
7 p.m.	Spring Show Rehearsal	FC

Friday, March 29

8:30 a.m.	Jazzercise	A
9 a.m.	Chinese Morning Exercise	P
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED
9 a.m.	SRS Tax Prep Service	FC
9 a.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
10 a.m.	Art&Craft Member Studio	AR
10 a.m.	Line Dance	A
10 a.m.	Quilters	PR
12:30 p.m.	Bridge Club	RED
1 p.m.	Catholic Choir	CR
2 p.m.	Open Studio	AR
2 p.m.	Good Friday Service	A
6:30 p.m.	Mexican Train Dominoes	MC



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

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

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

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

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

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



Club Events & Notices



Network: Villages Public Password: villages

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Villages Medical Auxiliary - Since 1976

Office: 408-238-4230

Hours: Monday to Thursday, 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Service Coordinator:
408-238-4029

vmavillages.vgcc.club



March Programs

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

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

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

Support Groups

Grief Support Group: Chaplain Dale Poland, M.Div, BCC - from Hospice of the Valley-Sutter Health. The group will resume **Monday, March 25**, 10:30 a.m. - noon in the Sequoia Room. Please call 408-238-4029 with any questions.

Caregiver Support Group: Judith London Ph.D. conducts the monthly group where caregivers meet to share, listen and learn on **Thursday, April 18** at 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m. in the Patio Room and via Zoom. Please contact Judy for all meeting specifics at judithlondon@sbcglobal.net or call 408-784-3325.

Parkinson's Caregiver Support Group: Meet with other caregivers who are caring for those with Parkinson's. Meetings take place the third Thursday of every month. The next one is **April 18 at 10 a.m.** in the **Forum Room** (note room change). No need to register, all welcome.

CLUBS & EVENTS

Musical Celebrations for Holy Week

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

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

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

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

Learn about Heli-Hiking in British Columbia

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



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

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

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

Calling all artists!

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



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

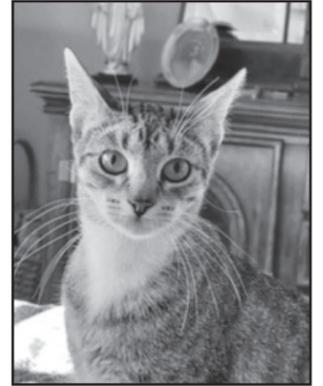
Dog and cat owners invited to MedVet presentation

By Bette Loomis

The next Cat Club meeting will be this coming **Monday, March 25** in the Foothill Center from 2 to 3 p.m. All Villages dog and cat owners are invited. You won't want to miss this presentation about MedVet, a service network available only 6 miles from The Villages and open 365 days a year. Veterinarians are there for your pets' critical and urgent care needs. This is a great resource for pet owners when you can't reach their usual vet.

In addition to Med/Vet, Ana Thompson will be at the meeting to take reservations for your pets' grooming needs or to answer questions about pet grooming.

Attending this meeting is free as are all Cat Club meetings, but you need to sign up. You can register by contacting me at 408-234-9798 or villagescatclub5@gmail.com



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

By Barbara Zahner

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



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

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

The VMA initiated service coordination for residents in 1992. Bonnie holds degrees in Sociology and Dietetics and Nutrition. Previously, Bonnie worked for Jewish Family Services, home health care agencies, and as a Geriatric/Life Care Manager.

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

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

Learn about captions for your phone

By Barbara Zahner

Try as you might, you miss numbers, dates, moments, and messages in your phone calls. But there is a free service for those who qualify: real-time captioning as you speak on the telephone. With this feature on your cell and home phone, you can:

- Stay connected and read (and re-read) the words of your loved ones.
- Have clearer phone conversations catching every word.

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

Elli Tehrani, a specialist for ClearCaptions, wants to treat you to pizza and let you know about this service at "VMA Presents: Lunch & Learn" on **Monday, March 25** in the Sequoia Room from 1 to 2 p.m.

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

Reserve your spot now by visiting VMAvillages.vgcc.club or calling 408-238-4029.

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Celebrate Holi with Global Village

Global Village Community Club invites you and your guests to join us in the Celebration of Holi on **Sunday, March 24** at Vineyard Center from 12 p.m. to 4 pm. All residents and their guests are welcome. Register ASAP (there is a limit of 40) by sending a text to 650-336-3310 or email to globalvcclub@gmail.com

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



Correction: Last week's Villager contained a photo of the Desi Club's previous Holi celebration that was mistakenly placed with the Global Village Club Holi article.

Desi Club to hold annual Holi celebration



Last year's Desi Club Holi celebration

A reminder—For all those who signed for the Desi Club's Holi celebration, we will meet this **Sunday, March 24** from 1 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. at Gazebo Park. We will have delicious snack boxes, a rainbow of colors for all and much more. For more information, please contact Meera at 419-450-9549, Madhu at 617-259-0352 or Sonia at 669-238-6518.

Are you a member yet?

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

The Villages Study Groups

THE VILLAGES STUDY GROUPS CLUB
Connect, Share, and build Community.
www.studygroups.vgcc.club

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

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

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

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

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





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

Mardi Gras Fun Fact:
Did you know that Mardi Gras stands for "Fat Tuesday" in French? "Mardi" means Tuesday and "gras" means fat.



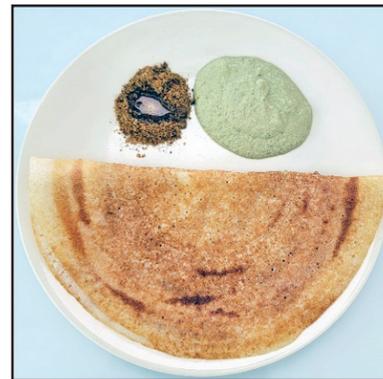
Global Village to present plant-based cooking demo

The Global Village Community Club invites you to a Plant-Based Diet meeting on **Tuesday, March 26** in Montgomery Center from 7 to 8:30 p.m.

We have invited Ranna Patel, a practicing plant-based diet advocate who specializes in a variety of Indian cuisines. Jan and Hillary Liband and Mohan Gurunathan may also join us as Ranna continues with the "Myths and Misconceptions" that keep us from making healthy food choices.

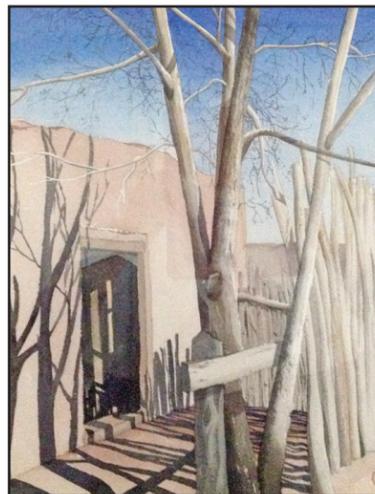
Ranna will give a cooking demo of these popular Gujarati Cuisine items providing delightful samples that may whet one's appetite for healthy plant-based foods. She will also share the source of her ingredients and will provide the recipes for those of you who have already made the switch to plant-based eating or those of you who are ready to add a plant-based meal or two to your diet.

Join us for a delicious treat! See you on the 26th at 7 p.m. at Montgomery Center.



Sign up for Intermediate Watercolor

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



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

Walking/Chair Dance may help strengthen back

Join LSAL Fitness Club to improve your health through walking and chair dancing exercises! These activities can help strengthen the muscles supporting your spine, alleviating pain, preventing injuries and may offer additional benefits such as enhanced flexibility, posture, and sleep quality. Let us support you in maintaining proper alignment, flexibility, and strength for better health. We are here to help you feel, look, and move better, and maintain your independence. The class is open to everyone, so bring friends and join us. We meet **Tuesdays from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.** and **Thursdays from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m.** in the Cribari Auditorium. The first class is *free*. Sign up in class.



Come to Cheryl Peterson's Mosaic Art Demo

By Michael Sunzeri



No fooling around. On **Monday, April 1 at 1:45 p.m.** The Arts and Crafts Association will host a presentation in Mosaic Art by Cheryl Peterson in the Cribari Conference room. She has been a fixture at many of our events over the years both for Arts and Crafts and the Crafters Club. Join us as she presents many of her pieces for your perusal and an in-depth recitation about her methods and journey.

Cheryl is a five-year resident with about eight years into her mosaic artistry. She has made everything from steppingstones to mirrors. Acting on her own interest and classes from Nancy Howell in the Santa Cruz area, Cheryl has mastered her design, color usage, materials, and themes she uses to get to her finished art.

Some materials she uses stem from thrift shop purchases, which she breaks down and then incorporates into her desired design. How does she arrive at her ideas? She has liked the art form for years and notes that she is a freestyle artist. So, pieces you have seen of hers before may now have morphed into an entirely other look.

If you have seen, or even own, some of Cheryl's work, you will note that tile, glass, crockery, ceramic, and porcelain are incorporated into her art. Flat trays and hanging pieces can fit into any of your wants if you chose to display one of her fine grouted finished pieces.

Mosaic art dates to the third millennium and it has survived to modern day. Find out how this art form has kept pace with today's art form. Please join us and invite your friends and Cheryl will give you an informative presentation of her particular interest and insight into how she pursues this art. Bring your queries and enjoy a large screen live visual by Ed Knott.

TrashPunx talks trash—and how they help clean it up

By Arlene Versaw

Their enthusiasm was infectious. Their dedication and joy in doing good is clearly evident. On Tuesday, March 12, Justin Imamura and Vanessa Rogier from Trash Punx demonstrated to Senior Academy attendees how the organization is living up to its mission of cleaning up the world one piece of trash at a time.

This San Jose nonprofit organization has removed more than 78 tons of trash from our local waterways, has collected tons



Vanessa Rogier and Justin Imamura

of electronic waste, and has reached beyond our borders to Kenya where it not only cleaned up a small village, but is teaching the Maasi Tribes how to sustain the effort.

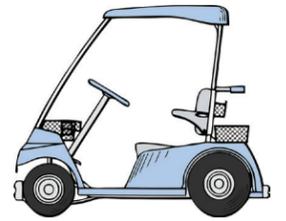
Want to know more? Check out thetrashpunx.org!

What are you going to do with that old golf cart?

Did you know that your donation of a golf cart or car to the VMA will not only support the VMA's fundraising objectives, but will provide you, the donor, a 501C IRS charitable write-off! You will receive a receipt to use when completing your taxes.

VMA uses all funds to assist Villagers to continue to live independent, active and healthy lives from the comfort of their own homes.

Donated carts are available for Villagers to purchase. If interested in purchasing a cart available through the VMA, call the office at 408-238-4230 to put your name on the waiting list.



Global Village: 'Shedding Labels that Separate Humanity'

The Global Village Community Club will present guest speaker Kim Silverman on **Wednesday, April 3 at 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.** in the Cribari Conference Room. As part our monthly Speaker Series, Kim will be speaking on "Shedding the Labels that Separate Humanity." We will be exploring the labels we put upon ourselves that unintentionally create the idea of separation from one and another. Often these labels can be directly linked to sources of conflict between people, such as with warring nations or failed marriages. So how do we shed these labels and return to peace? How do we return to a sense of "oneness" and harmony? Join us for what promises to be a valuable evening.

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Real Estate

Interest rates in the 6.375% range? Just keep bringing it down please.

Today at this writing, there are still only 15 active listings and now 12 pending sales. The market has been pretty steady-eddy now. With 2 pending sales this week and 4 new listings coming on, the market is moving along as usual for the end of March. More homes come on the market during spring into summer. It is more of a seller market, winter into spring. It is typically a buyer's market late summer into Fall. Let's see if this year follows the typical market pattern.

Where are they off to now? Being a third generation San Jose native, I have met and worked with people from everywhere. I am currently working with Glen Arden homeowners who have been in the US for 50 years and are going back to Taiwan to move closer to family. This was a huge move. They left a 1500-square-foot home to move into a 600-square-foot condo in Taiwan where they can walk to transit or anywhere they need to go. What a change in lifestyle. After months of preparation and narrowing down only what they needed to take with them, they gave me the keys and asked me to take care of the rest. And that I am. After the estate sale, I start my prep work, cleaning and staging. They are in good hands and I wish them all the happiness in the world.

It is fun to find another native to the area. I absolutely love working with clients from other countries and different cultures. I have learned so much over the years. But, every once in a while I meet someone who was also born and raised in the South Bay. It is fun to talk about the orchards that we played in that surrounded the tracts of homes that we grew up in. Cupertino had the lake and horses, East San Jose had apricot and plum orchards. In west San Jose we had Stevens Creek when it was a creek. Los Gatos was out in the boonies. I loved playing at my cousin's house in the woods of Los Gatos. It does not happen very often now, but every once in a while I meet a fellow local. Of course, I love learning about other places and other cultures, but I also love to reminisce with fellow natives from the South Bay. We have it all in The Villages.



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FROM THE VILLAGES LIBRARY

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

“The Lie Maker” by Linwood Barclay. “Your dad’s not a good person. Your dad killed people, son.” These are the last words Jack Givins’ father spoke to him before he was whisked away by witness protection, leaving Jack and his mother on their own. Years later, Jack is a talented but struggling author, barely scraping by on the royalties from his moderately successful first book. So, when the U.S. Marshals approach him with a lucrative opportunity, he’s in no position to turn them down. They’re recruiting writers to create false histories for people in witness protection. The coincidence is astonishing to Jack at first, but he soon realizes this may be a chance to find his dad. *Mystery, 2023.*

“Death of a Traitor” by M.C. Beaton. Although Kate Hibbert has been a resident of the sleepy village of Lochdubh for only a year, she has alienated one too many of its residents with her interfering ways. When Kate’s neighbor sees her lugging a heavy suitcase to the bus stop, he hopes that the prying woman is leaving for good. But two weeks later, Kate’s cousin arrives in town with the news that Kate has gone missing. Sergeant Hamish Macbeth is called in to investigate the disappearance, and soon he is befuddled by a storm of lies, intrigue, and scandal and the sneaking suspicion that Kate was someone much more sinister than she claimed. *Mystery, 2023.*

Learn Jewish history through the ages

The Villages Study Group is offering a Jewish History course that will cover Jewish history from the beginning of time to the present. We are going to start in biblical times, continue



through the occupation of Israel (Cnaan) by the various empires and the expulsion of the Jews from Israel. We will continue with Jewish

history during the Middle Ages and end with the creation of the State of Israel from its beginning in 1948 to the present time. While we are learning the history, we will also learn about the many ways Jews all around the world practiced their religion.

The group will meet every fourth Wednesday of the month, and the first meeting is on **Wednesday, April 24, from 4 p.m. – 5 p.m.** in the Sequoia Room.

If interested, contact Israel Littman at 201-573-0747 or irl856@gmail.com

Save date for ‘Safari Supper’

Save the date for the Hiking Club’s Safari Supper on **Wednesday, April 20** at Montgomery Center. This will follow a unique format and consist of a reception (BYOB), appetizer course, entree, and dessert. See more details in next week’s Villager.



Efficient HVAC helps you save energy

By Maxine Amundson



If you would like to take advantage of the 30 percent Federal Tax Credit to install solar panels, you may wonder how many panels you might need. The place to start is having your heating and cooling ducts inspected. In many condos and homes that are 15 to 30 years old, such as those in The Villages, there may be 45 to 50 percent loss of heat and cold air as a result from leakage. This leakage definitely affects your energy costs and the estimates on how many panels are needed. An efficient HVAC (Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning) system can reduce your energy costs. If you would like information and assistance, contact drmaxa@comcast.net.

Do this for your children, grandchildren and our planet.

Please visit the Sustainable Villages Community’s website at sustainablevillages.vgcc.club

Trio helps put the ‘music’ in VAT’s musical

By Nancy Keane

It’s hard to have a musical without a musical staff. The Villages Amateur Theatre group is very fortunate to have a great trio of just the right people. Nancy and Larry Miller spent years singing with the San Francisco Symphony and have been stars in many performances here at The Villages over the years. Larry Broderick came to us from Santa Rosa where he directed a group of talented people for many years, and he is now our “piano man” extraordinaire! (Aren’t we lucky?)

“Man of La Mancha” has some great songs and with the help of these three folks, our audience will be listening happily as the cast portrays the characters in this musical.

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



Nancy Miller, Larry Broderick and Larry Miller

Did You Know?

Villager Bill DeVincenzi appointed to city and county environmental commissions

Recently, Sustainability Villages Club president Bill DeVincenzi decided to apply for two local City and County commissions to be able to leverage himself on a stage that might impact more than just his local community. He applied for the Santa Clara County (SCC) Sustainability Commission, and the City of San Jose Climate Advisory Commission (CAC). Well, as luck would have it, he was appointed to both commissions! “Be careful what you wish for,” Bill said.

The SCC Sustainability Commission is an advisory board to the SCC Board of Supervisors and provides guidance on the SCC’s Sustainability Master Plan, engagement and empowerment of county youth, residents and businesses on sustainability issues, and opportunities to realize equity across the diverse communities of SCC in sustainability programs.

The City of San Jose Climate Advisory Commission (CAC) advises and makes recommendations to the San Jose City Council and City Manager on aspects of the San Jose Climate Smart plan, with a focus on the pathway to carbon neutrality by 2030, provide feedback and input on staff recommendations to the City Council and Environmental Committee, and serve as a community voice (i.e., the Villages) in matters related to San Jose’s climate smart initiatives, advise and make recommendations to the City Council on SJ clean energy services, plans and programs.

As you can see, Bill said, there will be a lot on his plate for the next three to four years and puts him in a place where he can influence sustainability and climate policy. It is leveraging what he does here in The Villages to a much larger arena, and he welcomes your input. Bill said he is “excited to have the opportunity to influence the changes we need to make to guarantee a livable future for our children, grandchildren, all future generations, and all life.”



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RELIGION

Villages Religious Services

Weekly:

Sunday	8:15 a.m. Catholic Mass	Cribari
	Contact: Kathy Schlosser	408-677-4770
Sunday	9 a.m. Episcopal Service	Montgomery
	Contact: Leslie Bailey	408-270-9022
Sunday	10 a.m. Community Chapel	Cribari
	Contact: Del Herfurth	408-440-4649

Regularly Scheduled:

Friday	9 a.m. Catholic Mass	Cribari
	First three Fridays of each month	
	Contact: Louise Connors	408-221-6485
Friday	7:15 p.m. Jewish Shabbat	Foothill
	Next date: TBA	
	Contact: Marilyn Goldsmith	732-672-8601

Everyone is welcome! Please call for more information!

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

'This Holy Week'

By Sally Brandt

As we enter this Holy Week, seeking with others a more prayerful and involved Christian life, we can become more aware of the importance of song and music in spiritual development of the mysteries of these days. The melodies and words found in "Breaking Bread," our parish song book, can be so deep and stirring. They can grab my heart and sustain me through the day.

Many of the songs we sing reflect the liturgical seasons. Others are there to express our feeling and longings. Their melodies and words can touch our hearts with joy, sorrow, gratefulness or understanding.

Some of the songs chosen by the musicians for our parish ideally are based on the Mass readings for the day. Many are based on a particular scripture. Think of the Magnificat "Mary's Song" #693 and "I am the Bread of Life" #342. The Beatitudes found in "O How Blessed" #740. Or you may notice short phrases from scripture incorporated into other songs. "Oh, that sounds familiar" one might say and then seek out that phrase in the Bible. This could be the Lord's way of leading into a deeper relationship with Scripture.

During this week as we celebrate Palm Sunday, Holy Thursday, and Good Friday we might want to listen and reflect on the music:

As I Have Done for You (#145 – Holy Thursday)

Were You There (#150 – Good Friday)

Some people feel they cannot sing. If you don't sing, please read the words of the song, joining in with the assembly as they sing. The words are like prayers. When we read along, you join with the community in praising and expressing gratefulness to God. God is listening. Be brave and let your heart enter into the song as you read along.

May we participate fully with the whole community in song and prayer this Holy Week.

Holy Week Schedule

Holy Thursday

Mass of the Lord's Supper – 8 p.m.

St. Francis of Assisi,
5111 San Felipe Rd



Good Friday

Liturgy of the Passion of Christ 2 p.m.

Cribari Auditorium

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'Martyrium'

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

This Sunday, you'll find people dressed in the red color of martyrdom, parading around in public waving palms. You might recognize it as the traditional Procession of the Palms, dramatizing Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem in the final days before his crucifixion. It was a poignant moment of triumph, obviously, as his temporal "kingship" was brief. But it was a necessary step—scripturally-speaking—on his way to an eternal sovereignty.

That was more than two millennia ago. But less than 50 years ago, another faithful man lived a brief moment of (ecclesial) power before entering into the eternity in which we remember him. Oscar Romero, a saint of both the Roman Catholic and Episcopal Church, did not set out to be a martyr for human rights. By all accounts his theology was conservative, focused on interior conversion. But the violent reality of the Salvadoran Civil War, within which he ministered a priest, bishop and archbishop, changed his mind. He spoke out against the death squads, making him a hero of the people and a target of the government. He was shot while celebrating Mass in San Salvador on March 24, 1980. In 2010, the United Nations General Assembly proclaimed 24 March as the "International Day for the Right to the Truth Concerning Gross Human Rights Violations and for the Dignity of Victims" in recognition of Romero's role in defense of human rights. Romero's assailant—never identified or prosecuted—arrived and departed in a car painted red.

Please join us on Sunday at 9 a.m. in Montgomery Center as we celebrate Palm Sunday.



SEARCH THE SCRIPTURES

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

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



COMMUNITY CHAPEL

'Love isn't selfish'

By Pastor Bill Hayden

When a person begins a relationship with an individual, the initial desire is to have open and honest dialogue to discover what you have in common. As you converse and listen intently, things are revealed about each other's strengths and weaknesses. The more time you spend sharing your thoughts and concerns, the more you witness each other's imperfections, which can further the relationship between you or gracefully end it.

If you are willing to continue the relationship after full disclosure and transparency, you may wonder whether there is love, acceptance, and forgiveness. Your relationship may be questioned when you fail to meet the other person's expectations, and you must ask to be forgiven. The soul wrenching question that we all want to know is...Do they love me?

Sometimes, people will play games to test the other person's commitment, especially when trust is broken. Also, when a person is insecure, the relationship will always be about one person continuing to be pressured, to prove their love.

Real love doesn't allow you to have everything you want or need from another person. We are often broken people looking for fulfillment from other broken people. The best we can expect from one another is to be loved, accepted with faults, and forgiven when we genuinely repent and do better.

If God is the source of all love, and we want to know how to love, shouldn't we look to Him? There is no better example that we can find than the text... "But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us." **{Romans 5:8 NKJV}** It takes God to love those considered enemies and His love and grace within us to love each other with our imperfections. Love without sacrifice is not real love. People who love each other are willing to sacrifice for each other's welfare.

May your quest to find true love begin with the God of all love and receive grace to love others as He loves you.

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

SPORTS NEWS

PICKLEBALL

'Profiles in Courage' – The beginnings of Villages Pickleball

By Terry Holmquist

This is the continuation of articles profiling those that helped magic happen in The Villages.

We move onward to Don Jackson who moved to Valle Vista in 2012. A retired Tennis club owner/operator as well as a court builder, he was well aware of this strange and rapidly growing game called pickleball. Don applied his knowledge and experience to convince The Villages the value of pickleball as well as the importance of dedicated and properly designed courts in an active senior community. Of course, as with anything, courts cost money so Don initiated and championed serious fundraising. This took tireless phone calls, much research, many meetings and hordes of emails. Based on his research, Don assessed: the number of courts recommended for a community of our size, the best surface for the courts, available contractors and potential cost. When the Villages Club Board of Directors (CBOD) was willing to listen, Don was ready with all the necessary information to demonstrate that this small but passionate group of "Pickleballers" were serious and ready to "rumble."



Ann and Don Jackson

In August 2015 Don worked to start a program accepting pledges for dedicated pickleball courts through the Evergreen Villages Foundation (EVF). He helped convince EVF to match pledges up to \$25,000. Don also proposed selling engraved bricks as a way of raising money for the courts.

Once the CBOD gave the nod for a proposal, Don became a member of the research study team to build dedicated courts. Now the question became where should these courts be built, and many said "not in my backyard" for fear of noise pollution. Creating a small team, they evaluated proposed sites throughout The Villages and presented them to the community.

According to Garry Gray, Don served as a team catalyst, enhancing the team's performance. He is passionate about getting the job done, and that passion is infectious. He managed to infect this writer with his suggestion that "it may be time for a long range pickleball planning committee." Anyone up for the challenge?

A man of courage in many ways, he is always looking for ways to help. Don is yet another individual that demonstrates the importance of contributing and volunteering to create a better life for all in The Villages. When you see Don walking around, remember to shake his hand, give him a hug and say "Thank you."

WOMEN'S 9-HOLE



Photos left to right: Back Nine Flight Two winners, Back Nine Flight One winners, and Front Nine Flight One and Two winners

By Mary Wagle

The Swingers threw the dice and scheduled the first Mid-Peninsula WNHGA Swing Into Spring exchange of the year on Tuesday, March 12, and we were lucky that the weather cooperated. It was a wet, cold morning but the rain ended before we teed off at 9 a.m. We had 47 Swingers joined by 41 guests (Santa Teresa 2, Saratoga 10, San Jose 4, Stanford 4, and Almaden 21) for a morning of golf, breakfast, and lunch. Suzanne Rodda from Rodda Realty Team, generously donated cash and insulated coolers to the winners first through third place in two flights on the front and back nine and she also donated golf towels to all 88 players. Beautiful tables were decorated by Pam McCarthy, Laura Swenson, and Debbie Moore. The Swingers also thanks the Men's Club for bag boys: Dave Dimmick, Gary Swenson, Doug Moore and Mickey Wagle. Swingers want to thank Mary Wagle for organizing the exchange.

See the full list of winners on the Scoreboard page.

Mary Wagle donated two sleeves of balls each to the two ladies who were closest to the pin hole #4, Teri Kent (2' 7 1/2") and closest to the pin hole #11, Jan Meagher (10' 1/2").

Swingers please pay careful attention to the emails from Wendy Ledamun. She keeps us informed of upcoming Exchanges held by all of our Mid-Peninsula WNHGA clubs. The next "Exchange Day" is Tuesday, April 9 hosted by the San Jose Golf & Country Club.

18-HOLE WOMEN

By Chris Leisy

What an amazing charity day tournament Diana Hallock and Holly McGowan organized. The charity this year was Hospice of the Valley a wonderful organizing that helps family's get through the final days of life. Bee Friolo spoke about the many different ways that hospice helps all family members during very difficult times. Our very generous group raised \$5685.

The game for the day was a very interesting shamble. The best was the 2nd hole where we could use our pro, James Rogers drive. The winners of the charity tournament are:

Flight One

Jay Lee, Cindy Fuller, Michelle Chung, Sue Park - 36
Janis LeCompte, Vicki Krattli, Holly McGowan - 33
Diana Hallock, Kerry Besmehn, LoAnn Rube, Mazie Rice - 32
Sue Daughtrey, SuzieQ Conklin, Marie LeBlanc, Marky Olsen - 29

Flight Two

Auralie Citringno, Karen Davidsen, Jane Smith, Pat Sear - 17
Barbara Nilsen, Carol Zaccheo, Janis Kiernan, Laurie Gallegos - 14
Judy Rodriguez, Maxine Amundsen, Gail Tuft, Valarie Dimmick - 12
Hyong Pau, Bock He Kim, Suzie Kim, Jane Hong - 12.

Thank you, Diana and Holly for a great day.

Get your friends together for a fun Fling into Spring Guest Day. The date is March 28. You can invite any women with an official 18 hole handicap. Sign up on Chelsea or call the pro shop.

Signups for the Partnership EC tournament are continuing. Our first EC day to post scores is April 4. Get a partner...Get your \$10 entry fee and...Sign up. It's fun. It is a long tournament until the end of October and you have 8 rounds to lower your score. See Loanne Rube or Geri Wilk. Don't miss out.

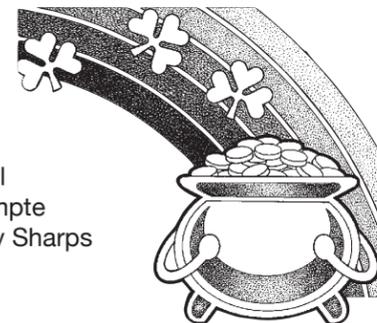
It is that time of year to sign up for this years invitational, Those Lazy Hazy Crazy Dayz of Summer. June 19 horse race and beach party and tournament on June 20 and 21. Applications must be in by March 30.

Saturday, March 16
Queen of the Greens

3 Women Stableford Format

1. Kathy Apgar, Gloria Landry, Mary Jo O'Neill, Bette Samdahl
2. Janelle Salvatierra, Vicki Krattli, Gisele Barber, Janis LeCompte
3. Karen Davidsen, Inge McQuiddy, Camille Giuliobarbieri, Betty Sharps

Inside the Pot of Gold, Hole #11
Mary Wagle and Kerry Besmehn



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MEN'S GOLF CLUB



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

Upcoming events:

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

2024 Men's Club Member/Member Golf Tournament— Two-man, match play and horserace tournament. Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, May 3, 4, and 5. Flights consist of six 2-man teams – format - four-ball match play - 1 net best ball. Each team will play 9 hole matches with the other five teams. **Sign up at the Pro Shop in person, no phone tee time reservations!**

The Men's 18 Hole Golf Club 2024 St. Patrick's Day Tournament - Results

Flight and Team	Net Par	Total
1. Robert Hands, Jim Hansell, Thomas Mendoza, Rusty Weekes	-8	138
2. Matt Gallaway, Pedrito Manibo, Jay Pinson, Cannen Shaw	-13	131
3. Frank Bell, Tim Jarvis, Bob Maass, Vince Rossi	-14	130
4. Patrick Barber, Robert Dando, Paul Lewis, Larry Martinson	-5	139

Golf Thoughts:

"I'm not saying my golf game went bad, but if I grew tomatoes they'd come up sliced." - Lee Trevino, six-time Major champion with 29 PGA Tour wins

"These greens are so fast I have to hold my putter over the ball and hit it with the shadow." - Sam Snead, 82-time PGA Tour winner

"The reason a pro tells you to keep your head down is so you can't see him laughing." - Phyllis Ada Diller, American actress

Executive Committee Meeting: The Men's Golf Club Executive Committee meets the first Tuesday of the month at 8:30 a.m. in Montgomery Center. The next meeting will be **April 2, 2024**. MGC Members are always welcome to attend.

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

Men's 18 Hole Golf Club Spring Open

- When:** Saturday, April 13, 2024
- What:** Stableford. MGC Members *only*. **No guest or spouses.**
- Format:** Stableford, 4-Man Teams, 2BB, Flighted
- Signup:** March 30 through April 11. Sign up with the Pro Shop either as a team, or individually, and the Pro Shop will pair you with other players to form a team.
- Handicaps:** 100% of April 11 Handicap
- Flights:** Flighted, depending on the number of players
- Tees:** #4/3 Combo, or #3 based on Flight
- Tee Times:** 8 a.m. Shotgun
- Scorecard:** Turn in signed and attested scorecard to the Pro Shop. The Pro Shop will post the scores.
- Cost:** \$49 – This includes green fees and sweeps. Coffee and Donuts from 6:45 to 8 a.m.



TENNIS TALK

By Sherry Benz

The Tennis Club's annual Open House is right around the corner and you don't want to miss it! Join us on the courts **Tuesday, March 26 from 1 to 3:30 p.m.** for an afternoon of exciting activity planned by our Villages Tennis Professional, Brett Foreman. He describes it as "Tennis Olympics with a Carnival Theme." Not sure if there will be medals or stuffed animals, but you'll have fun trying! Tennis Anywhere in Los Gatos is providing demos of some of the newest racquets for you to try. Come shod in tennis shoes for "on the court" fun. There will be prizes, games and the traditional strawberry shortcake! No reservations required. Questions? Contact Lolivic Shaw (Lolivicshaw02@gmail.com) or Jamie Dickson (runman001@aol.com)

Jump Start kicks off at the Tennis Club Open House. Thanks to our Villager "experts," Gail and Mike Tuft, Roy Pennington and Peggy Seidel, who are returning to help you learn and improve your strokes. They are some of the best players in our club and have a wealth of information to share with you. Jump Start will meet on successive Tuesday afternoons beginning April 2 for 10 weeks at 5 to 6 p.m. Don't have a racquet? No worry, we have racquets donated by our members and would love to give you one. This is a wonderful opportunity to learn, meet others at your playing level and...all free of cost! Questions? Contact Sherry Benz (408-223-6882 or sabenz@sbcglobal.net.)

VTL is in full swing and the competition is fierce, yet friendly. The next matches will be held at 1:30 p.m. on Saturday, March 23, Sunday, March 24 and Thursday, March 28. It's fun to watch and the viewing stands has a seat for you!

IRONMEN

By Bill Travis and Jerry Juracich

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

Thursday, March 14, 2024, was sunny and warm, but with some significant winds. Twelve Ironmen played.

We had a new member, Hiei Takazawa join Ironmen. Welcome Hiei!

Third Place was a three-way tie between Chuck Benjamin, Dave Hathaway, and Sang Nam, with net 31s; Bob Pritchard won **Second Place** with a net 29; and **First Place** was a two-way tie between Prakash Deshmukh and Arki Galicki with net 25s.

There were three **Birdies** today: by Chuck Benjamin on hole 6; Dave Hathaway on hole 3; and Sang Nam on hole 8.

Dave Hathaway won **Closest to the Flag** on hole 7 at 21 feet, 7 inches.

Dave Hathaway and Sang Nam shared **Low Gross** with 34s.

Dave Hathaway won **Golfer of the Day** honors with low gross, third place, a birdie, and closest to the flag. Way to go, Dave!

The Ironmen 9 hole, par 3 group would love to add new members. We are a very sociable group, and play basically pressure-free golf. And the first round is on us. Just call Jerry Juracich at 408-440-8283.

Deep Thoughts:

"No golfer ever gets so consistently good that he can't use some constructive advice. No matter how many trophies he may win, he can't analyze and remedy his own faults." - Byron Nelson, winner of the US Open, and two-time winner of the PGA Championship.

PINSEEKERS

By Jim White

A reminder to all Pinseekers: the last Friday of April will be our final Noon Start until October fourth; there will be no Pinseekers play on May 3 due to the Men's club annual Member to Member tournament. Our Summer schedule of starting tee time at 8 a.m., for the first foursome, will begin on May 10.

Jack Bindon reports that our low putt winner for March 8 was John Mueller with 15 putts. The low putt winner for March 15 was Jim Keane with 17 putts.

The scores for the early spring has been higher scores with colder weather. Although March 15 was a warm day with bright sun and mild winds, scores continued to stay a bit higher than most of our Playing Handicaps would justify; however, we still had fun and some decent results at the top of the leader board. In first place with a Net three under par, 33, Chuck Benjamin; three members tied for second, Chris Corpus, Martin Hoek and Jim Keane, with Net 37; Don Lee snagged third with a Net 38; in fourth with a Net 40, Jim White.

Please consider this a gentle prod to the Pinseekers who have been in hibernation for the winter. We play to have fun and to see old friends, make new friends, and play the game we have all loved for so many years. Don't fear that you'll embarrass yourself. As a group, our average course handicap is 15 strokes for nine holes. Come out, have a good time, and get some exercise. You won't regret it.

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SHONIS



By Betty Hall

Happy Spring Solstice. Let the sun shine and the flowers bloom. The Shonis moved into spring and celebrated St Patrick's Day with a Putts for Gold game last week. Count your putts and hope for a low count. Divided by flights, the Shonis in Flight 1 with 15 putts each were Teddy Morse and Pauline Robertson. Flight 2 by herself was Manoli Kelly with 16 putts and in our Flight 3, we had two with 17 putts, Tahera Khalil and Leslie Ingham. Nice putting, ladies.

We also had two birdies last week that helped out their putt count. Both Joyce Baptiste and Pauline Robertson birdied hole 2.

BOCCE NEWS



Get ready—Bocce season is right around the corner

By Tom Hunt

Excitement is in the air as progress continues on the newest jewel in our recreational crown—a state-of-the-art Bocce facility. Residents are buzzing with anticipation, eager to embrace this beloved Italian pastime and all the joy it promises to bring.

Nestled amidst the tranquil beauty of our community, the new Bocce facility stands as a testament to the enduring appeal of this ancient game. Boasting meticulously groomed courts and top-of-the-line amenities, it offers a welcoming space for players of all skill levels to come together and indulge in friendly competition and camaraderie.

A celebration of the new season and the start of play on the new third court begins with the first Bocce Bash of the season on **Friday, April 19 at 3 p.m.**, and will feature refreshments and time for all to try out our new bocce courts. There will be something for everyone to enjoy regardless of their level of experience we hope to see you there.

The Bocce Boot Camps will be held on April 18, and April 22, and the much-awaited Spring Mixer will start on April 29 and run for four weeks, followed by playoffs May 27 to 29.

As we prepare to usher in this exciting new chapter in the Villages history, the New Bocce facility promises to serve as a reminder of the power of community and the enduring appeal of tradition. It is a testament to our collective commitment to fostering spaces where neighbors can come together, forge lasting bonds, and create cherished memories that will endure for generations to come.

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

FROM THE PRO



By Scott Steele, PGA Head Golf Professional

Daylight Savings Time Golf Schedule

Monday – Open play shotgun 1 p.m. – Driving Range closed at 3 p.m.

Tuesday – Swingers shotgun 8:45 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. open play tee times

Wednesday – Men's Club only 7 a.m.-11:30 a.m.

Thursday – 18-Hole Women shotgun 8:20 a.m. - open play 11:30 a.m.

Friday – Open play 7 a.m. – Pinseekers 9-hole men 12 p.m. (five tee times)

Saturday, Sunday, weekends – open play all day

Last Available Tee Time 5 p.m. through March, 6 p.m. April-September

Pro Shop open until 5:30 p.m. through March, 6 p.m. April-September

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

Taylor Made Fitting Day—Friday, April 7 from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Come out and try the new Taylor Made Qi10 drivers and woods! To sign up for a fitting from a Taylor Made professional club fitter, call the Pro Shop at 408-274-3220 extension 1.

April Golf Schedule

Wednesday, April 3 – Nine & Dine Golf Day – 4 p.m. Shotgun – Sign up with Mary Wagle at 408-829-4021

Wednesday, April 10 – Men's Club Home & Away 1 p.m. Shotgun – Open Play Shotgun 8 a.m.

Saturday, April 13 – Men's Club Spring Open 8 a.m. Shotgun – Open Play Shotgun 1 p.m.

Sunday, April 14 – Sunday Sweeps

Monday, April 29 – **Course closed all day – range open 12 p.m.-3 p.m. only** - Outside Tournament

Fairway Top Dressing—Our Spring Fairway Top Dressing program is under way. We will start with the Par-3 Course and then we will transition onto the 18-Hole course. This is the process of topping off each fairway with ½ inch of sand to create a better flow of water, air and nutrients into the turf ultimately providing healthier and better turf conditions. We will continue to play Winter Rules throughout the process until the sand is fully settled.

Tips from the Pro—Here today...Gone tomorrow

I had a member ask me other day, "Scott, why do I hit it great one day, and the very next day I cannot hit the broad side of a barn?" Well, we all know the only consistency in golf is that it is inherently inconsistent. What I told him was that from my experience, the swing "template" for anyone does not change from day to day. What tends to change is the person's tempo and grip pressure. The small muscles can either be passive or aggressive and this is the biggest variable. So if you find yourself struggling with feel and balance; relax your grip pressure and waggle the club a bit to enhance your feel; and make sure your tempo is smooth, especially the first 2 feet of the backswing just off the ball. A good tempo tip is to visualize a syrupy swing like Freddy Couples, Ernie Els, Louis Oosthuizen or Lydia Ko and try to mimic that tempo. Also try to match up your arm speed and body speed and stay in balance. Let us know if these tips help. To sign up for a lesson with me, email ssteele@the-villages.com

Daylight Savings Golf Course Pedestrian Walking Hours

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

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

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



Please be safe! Thank you for your cooperation.

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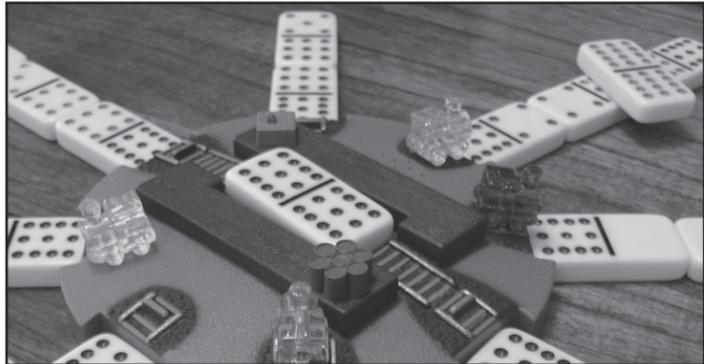
MEXICAN TRAIN DOMINOES

Wednesday, March 13

Kitty Heston	223
Delma Juarez	241
Kit Hultquist	258

Friday, March 15

Kit Hultquist	246
Dennis Webb	270
Sylvia Rozewicz	325



SHONIS

Tuesday, March 12

All Nets

Flight One:

1. Joyce Baptiste	21
2. Pauline Robertson	22
3. Teddy Morse	26

Flight Two:

1. Judy Rogers	22
2. Jonna Robinson	24
3. Manoli Kelly	25

Flight Three:

1. MaryAnn Haggerty	18
2. Tahera Khalil	22
3. Schinae Ogihara	23

WOMEN'S 9 HOLE

Swing Into Spring Tuesday, March 12

Front Nine Flight One

- Duce, Poellot, Kent and Gilley (net 62)
- Barber, Citrigno, Lien, and Wingo (net 63)
- Glazer, Chastaine, James, and Billings (net 65)

Front Nine Flight Two

- Pennington, Sunzeri, Smead, and Pearson-Phillips (net 62)
- Wagle, Swenson, Daly, and Guido (net 67)
- Waugh, Chaisson, DelVillaggio, and Law (net 69)

Back Nine Flight One

- Rodriguez, Gray, Caldwell, and Adamo (net 61)
- Park, Zaccheo, McFarlane, and Lee (net 68)
- Sear, Ohtaka, Katchman, and Lavallo (net 70)

Back Nine Flight Two

- Corsello, Klein, Buslacchi, and O'Neil (net 67 tie breaker)
- Brown, Smith, Meagher, and Maruyama (net 67 tie breaker)
- Benz, Christiansen, Kumar, and Levin (net 67 tie breaker)

Closest to the Pin:

Hole #4, Teri Kent (2' 7 1/2")
hole #11, Jan Meagher (10' 1/2").

18-HOLE WOMEN

Thursday, March 14 Charity Tournament for Hospice of the Valley

Flight One

- Jay Lee, Cindy Fuller, Michelle Chung, Sue Park -36
- Janis LeCompte, Vicki Krattli, Holly Magowan -33
- Diana Hallock, Kerry Besmehn, Loanne Rube, Mazie Rice -32
- Sue Daughtrey, Susie-Q Conklin, Marie LeBlanc, Marky Olsen -29

Flight Two

- Auralie Citrigno, Karen Davidsen, Jane Smith, Patricia Sear -17
- Barbara Nilsen, Carol Zaccheo, Janis Kiernan, Laurie Gallegos -14
- Judy Rodriguez, Maxine Amundson, Gail Tuft, Valerie Dimmick -12
- Hyong Pau, Bock He Kim, Suzy Kim, Jane Hong -12

BRIDGE



Monday, March 11:

- Mary LeGrand - Lorrie Scott
- Selma Chastaine - Sylvia Rozewicz
- Louann Partridge - Guest

Wednesday, March 13:

- Mary LeGrand - Lorrie Scott
- Jan Kiernan - Jonna Robinson
- Barbara Waldman - Mel Waldman

Friday, March 15:

- Cathy Struck - Ray Struck
- Louann Partridge - George Welch
- Mary LeGrand - Lorrie Scott

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LANDSCAPE & MAINTENANCE

MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE

Cribari

5364-5383 and 5433-5488 — Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control in progress.
5090-5153 and 5210-5233 — Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control, 3/25-3/29.
Seasonal maintenance—Plum tree fruit spray reduction in progress.
5082-5089 — Replacing main water line in progress.
Sprinkler system testing in progress throughout the district.

Del Lago

3301-3315 — Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control, 4/8-4/12.
Seasonal maintenance—Plum tree fruit spray reduction in progress.

Common Areas—Treatment for voles, moles, gophers and squirrels (Rozol Vole Bait, Talpirid, Gopher Coetter Type 2 Bait, Rodent Bait Diphacinone .005% and .01%), scheduled for 3/25.

Estates

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

Fairways

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

Glen Arden

7698-7752 and 7753-7787 (odd) — Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control in progress.

7754-7786 (even) and 7791-7867 — Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control, 3/25-3/29.

Roof replacement throughout the district, in planning.

Heights

8464-8479 and 8506-8509 — Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control in progress.

8448-8463 and 8510-8519 — Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control, 3/25-3/29.

Hermosa

8065-8088, 8096-8099, 8122-8125, 8334-8349, 8388-8399 and around Chardonnay Lake area — Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control in progress.

8350-8387 and 8400-8446 — Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control, 3/25-3/29.

Sprinkler system testing in progress throughout the district.

Common Areas—Treatment for voles, moles, gophers and squirrels (Rozol Vole Bait, Talpirid, Gopher Coetter Type 2 Bait, Rodent Bait Diphacinone .005% and .01%), scheduled for, 3/25.

Highland

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

Seasonal maintenance—Plum tree fruit spray reduction in progress.

Gutter cleaning throughout the district, 3/25-4/5.

Montgomery

6246-6336 — Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control in progress.

6184-6245, 6337-6361 and Montgomery Center — Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control, 3/25-3/29.

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

Common Areas—Treatment for voles, moles, gophers and squirrels (Rozol Vole Bait, Talpirid, Gopher Coetter Type 2 Bait, Rodent Bait Diphacinone .005% and .01%), scheduled for, 3/25.

Turf pre-emergent herbicide—crabgrass and broadleaf control (Site Pro 0.42% prodiamine plus fertilizer) EPA REG No.53883-29759759, in progress. Court and Place—ProChip jet mulch installation, 3/25-3/29.

Olivas

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

Sonata

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

Seasonal maintenance—Plum tree fruit spray reduction in progress.

Common Areas—Treatment for voles, moles, gophers and Squirrels (Rozol Vole Bait, Talpirid, Gopher Coetter Type 2 Bait, Rodent Bait Diphacinone .005% and .01%), scheduled for, 3/25.

Valle Vista

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

Seasonal maintenance—Plum tree fruit spray reduction in progress.

Verano

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

Gutter cleaning in progress throughout the district.

Association

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

Irrigation repairs throughout the Villages, ongoing.

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

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

Landscape drainage repairs in various districts, in progress.

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

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

Sprinkler system testing in progress throughout the district.

Club Centers

Buildings A, B, C and D — Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control in progress.

Clubhouse, Tennis Courts and Driving Range — Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control, 3/25-3/29.

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

Cribari Center — Sound and lighting replacement, in planning.

Montgomery Pool and Spa — Replastering project in progress.

For Pesticide information on pest control or landscape, please contact Customer Service at 408-223-4670 or visit the Corporation Yard at 3401 The Villages Fairway Drive. San Jose, CA 95135 or visit the Resident Portal and click on the Pesticides button for pest control or landscape.

Maintenance Project Notice:

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

Rain Gutter Cleaning Schedule

Cleaning of rain gutters throughout The Villages is in progress.

Verano March 11 through March 23

Highland March 25 through April 6

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

Maintenance Emergencies and/or Advice

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

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

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Report Irrigation Issues

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The Villages Association Solicitation of Candidates Form

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

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

STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY

2024 Election of Directors

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

Member's Name

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

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

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

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

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The Villages Association

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Remember someone with a memorial gift to VMA

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

THE VILLAGES ASSOCIATION ELECTIONS RULES

ARTICLE 3: Candidates for the Board and Nomination Procedures

3.1 Qualification of Candidates.

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

3.1.1 The nominee is not a Member.

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

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

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

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

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

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

3.2 Nominations.

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

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



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OBITUARY

Herma Irwin

December 19, 1931 – March 11, 2024

Herma Irwin, a beloved member of her community, passed away peacefully on March 11 at the age of 93. She was preceded in death by her loving husband, Bill Irwin. Herma's life was marked by her deep affection for animals and her passion for caring for them. For many years, she found joy and fulfillment as a dedicated dog groomer, where she not only excelled in her craft but also formed enduring bonds with the pets and their owners. In her later years, Herma found solace in the company of her beloved pets and cherished memories of her life with Bill. She leaves behind a legacy of love, compassion, and devotion to the well-being of animals that will continue to inspire those who knew her. We will miss her dearly.



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Please don't feed our critters

One of the many attractions of The Villages is the variety of wildlife that can be encountered. Many Villagers feel that being a good host necessitates feeding our four-legged or winged guests, which can be detrimental to our wild friends—for several reasons. One, wildlife that's naturally fearful of humans become accustomed to us and our people-provided easy pickings. This combination can create a situation that's harmful to us—and our wild friends. If the food isn't found, the animal can become agitated and aggressively approach the person standing nearby. If we get hurt, it's possible that the animal will be put down. Two, food that's not part of their natural diet can cause illnesses, even death. As much as we're tempted, it's best to let our furry and feathered friends fend for themselves.

For these reasons (to name two), our **Club Rule 1.51.4** states: "Feeding of waterfowl and other wild animals on a routine basis is prohibited for the protection of both residents and the animals." Thank you for helping keep our wonderful ecosystem healthy and thriving—naturally!

Remember your loved one with a memorial gift to EVF

Please remember the Evergreen Villages Foundation (EVF) when you are considering a memorial gift in honor of a loved one. The EVF sends a lovely acknowledgement from you. www.evfsj.org

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

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

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