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Welcome spring with the Sounds of Music

By Estelle Kabbani

Evergreen Valley springs forth with new growth. Our foothills are alive with the sounds of music. Villages Piano Open Studio, an affiliate of the Villages Music Society, will present a free matinee recital on **Sunday, April 14 at 2:30 p.m.** in Cribari Auditorium. The show will feature Broadway show tunes, traditional Celtic music, romantic songs from the 1930s and early '60s, solos and duets. *(Continued on page 14)*

Senior Academy: Wildlife Photography Up Close and Personal

By Arlene Versaw

Lions and tigers and bears, oh my! There is nothing like wild-life in their natural habitats, but unfortunately city dwellers lack access to Mother Nature's amazing creatures.

That's why we must depend on nature photographers like Joan Sparks. And on **Wednesday, April 10 at 2 p.m.** at Foothill Center, you can explore some of this part of the world right here in The Villages—specifically brown bears in Alaska, and raptors. That's when Joan Sparks takes us to view the beauty of Cooks Inlet in Alaska to explore the brown bears and their behavior. *(Continued on page 14)*

Operating Financial Commentary for the Month of February 2024

February 2024 (FY 2024) The Villages Cash & Overview:

Total Combined Cash Balance	\$33,735,563
Total Operating Cash	\$ 4,111,966
Total Replacement Fund	\$12,060,021
Total Reserves Fund	\$17,563,576

Club Operating Statement Review

For the month of February 2024

Total Cash

Operating Cash	\$ 2,584,248
Capital Fund	\$ 511,882
Capital Replacement	\$11,548,139

Operations Total Revenue

	MTD	YTD	BUDGET YTD	Variance
Total Revenue	\$1,167,879	\$10,200,412	\$10,200,128	\$ 198,284
Total Assessments	\$ 778,298	\$ 6,226,387	\$ 6,226,392	\$ -5
Total Other Revenue	\$ 389,580	\$ 3,974,025	\$ 3,775,736	\$ 198,289

Operating Total Expense

	MTD	YTD	BUDGET YTD	Variance
Total Operating Expense	\$1,193,716	\$10,545,072	\$10,149,340	\$ -395,732
Total Payroll & Benefits	\$ 804,238	\$ 6,621,382	\$ 6,414,489	\$ -206,893
Total Operating Expense	\$ 389,479	\$ 3,923,690	\$ 3,734,851	\$ -188,839

Operating Surplus/(Club Operations)

	MTD	YTD	BUDGET YTD	Variance
Net Surplus/(Deficit)	\$ -25,838	\$ -344,660	\$ -147,212	\$ -197,448

• **Revenue (Less Assessments):** \$389,500, resulting in a \$-47,000 unfavorable variance to a budget of \$436,700, YTD \$198,000 favorable variance to a budget of \$3,775,000.

• **Golf Services, including Golf Course:** \$116,900, resulting in a \$-35,700 unfavorable variance to a budget of \$153,600, YTD \$20,000 favorable variance to a budget of \$1,329,000.

o Golf Cart Rentals \$-1,500 unfavorable, YTD \$9,000 favorable.

o Greens Fees \$-33,400 unfavorable, \$5,500 favorable.

• **Community Activities & The Villager:** \$31,600, resulting in a natural to budget, with a budget of \$31,000, YTD \$-10,500 unfavorable variance to a budget of \$322,000.

o Lessons & Classes \$10,600 favorable, YTD \$31,900 favorable variance.

o Resident Activities carry a YTD \$-61,600 unfavorable variance.

• **Public Safety:** \$1,500, resulting in a \$-1,000 unfavorable variance to a budget of \$2,700, YTD \$-11,000 unfavorable variance to a budget of \$31,200.

o Fees & Other Income \$-1,000 unfavorable, YTD \$-11,000 unfavorable.

• **Administrative and Business Activities:** \$30,300, resulting in a \$14,000 favorable variance to a budget of \$16,000, YTD \$26,000 favorable variance to a budget of \$155,400.

o Resale Admin Fees \$-1,800 unfavorable, YTD \$-8,100 unfavorable.

o Other Business Activity Income \$1,600 favorable, YTD natural to budget.

o Interest/Late Fees \$13,000 favorable, YTD \$34,600 favorable.

• **Expenses:** \$1,193,000, resulting in a \$-20,700 unfavorable variance to the budget of \$1,173,000, YTD \$-395,700 unfavorable variance to a budget of \$10,149,000. *(Continued on page 4)*

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.

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

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

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

The Villages is a residential golf community, not a business. If Members are willing to support The Villager (an amenity) it should continue to be published regularly. For FY23 monthly assessments of \$9.63 (~\$2.25/issue) were required for the \$293K loss reported by staff to publish and deliver our community newspaper.

Cost savings of 7.8% would be realized by publishing the paper 9 out of every 10 weeks. Not putting the paper in tubes, utilizing services that employ challenged individuals/deliver the San Jose Mercury News are additional cost reducing options.

These cost savings coupled with the recent reduction to print 24 pages from 28 each week (14.3% savings) could reduce the cost to receive of The Villager by over 25%.

Now is good time to obtain the entire community's input on the fate of The Villager. Election materials will be mailed in the next few weeks to Members for the annual elections of board directors. Including a ballot about our community newspaper would be a cost effective way to obtain the community's input.

If you agree with including a ballot about The Villager with the election materials submit Pulse Letters/send emails to the Club Board of Directors and the General Manager.
—Howie Blumstein

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 telephone directories for \$15 each.

To make changes to your directory listing come to The Villager office in Building B or contact Scott at 408-223-4655 or shinrichs@the-villages.com.

Residents may bring old directories to Building B for recycling.

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.

More BOARDS & COMMITTEES,
COMMUNITY NOTICES on pages 4, 5, 7, 9 & 21

IN MEMORIAM

Dorothy Horst
August 7, 1928—March 9, 2024
(Please see obituary in the Classified Advertising section)

Marie-Claire Kelin
January 31, 1944—March 22, 2024

In Memoriam notices are run free of charge.

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

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

DEADLINES

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

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

Classified Ads: Classified ads, renewals, cancellations and changes are due by 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 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

ABOD President's Message—March 26, 2024

This month I'd like to focus on fire safety. The wildfire season in Northern California starts around the first of June and lasts through October, depending on the weather and dryness of the hills. The recent rains are keeping our hills green for now but if the summer is excessively hot and dry, all that lush green grass will become fuel for a potential wildfire.

The FLAME committee (Fire, Landscaping, Materials & Environment) led by John Epperheimer, has done an excellent job of reviewing the Rice Reports for each village and exploring the appropriate next steps. John's research led him to FireWise, a national designation for communities that have made wildfire safety a priority. FireWise is managed by CalFire and provides a template to organize the wildfire risks facing communities and to assist communities in identifying their highest priorities through a three-year plan.

Those priorities include structural changes, landscaping alterations, fire education, escape route planning and many other efforts. Volunteerism and community involvement is a critical component of FireWise applications. Some large communities, such as The Villages, must be divided into more manageable sections or zones. Our twelve villages are natural FireWise zones. Today the ABOD will be discussing adding FireWise as a standing committee for each DAC. We hope that all Villagers who have concerns about wildfire safety will volunteer to help their DACs on this important task. For more information, go to www.readyforwildfire.org.

As important as wildfire safety is, household fires are a far more frequent occurrence in The Villages. First, be sure your smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors are working and located in the right places. All of us need to be very aware of hot stoves, crimped wires, overextended extension cords, and the like. It is so easy to get distracted and leave food cooking unattended. Clogged dryer vents and dusty bathroom fans can easily catch fire. Space heaters can overheat or cause a fire if they are located near curtains or blankets. Working in the garage with hot engines or flammable liquids all require extra vigilance. Finally, never allow an unlicensed contractor to work on your home. What might seem like a simple task for a handyman can quickly turn into a major disaster. Villagers are urged to slow down, double check and keep a fire-safe home. I would also encourage all Villagers to review pages 92-93 in our beautiful new phone directories.

The budget process for 2024/25 continues to move forward. Board members met on Friday to review both the Operating and Reserve Replacement Plans. I really appreciate the addition of the term "replacement" into the reserve name. It more clearly describes how those funds are used...for major replacements like concrete, roofs and paint. Another excellent change is the reallocation of The Villages staff labor costs from Reserve Replacement into Operating. Most reserve replacement projects are not done in house but put out to bid to outside contractors. The vast majority of our labor costs are for Operating work, so moving the labor expenses into Operating more correctly reflects what is actually happening. It will mean that when the 2024/25 budget numbers are finalized, some expenses will have moved but please be assured, we are doing everything possible to collect only what is absolutely necessary to maintain your home and all The Villages homes in excellent condition.

—Diana Hallock, Villages Association President

Club President's Message—March 26, 2024

Hello, Villagers! Spring has arrived in The Villages, birds are chirping, flowers are blooming everywhere—the property is looking vibrant and beautiful. The last of the fallen trees and limbs have been cleared and, fingers crossed, we hope to experience reasonable weather patterns for the foreseeable future. Thank you to the numerous employee and contractor teams who have worked in a speedy and safe manner to clear the tons of debris. Much appreciated! If you see anything that's still not yet cleaned up, please file a work order.

We can all look forward to the opening of the three other swimming pools in April —on the first, Foothill and Cribari pools will open, followed soon by Montgomery pool when the ongoing repairs are completed—likely by mid-April. The new third bocce court is shaping up and will also be opening in April to serve the lively and energetic members of The Villages Bocce Club. Plans for the golf course bunker project have been completed and we're moving to engage contractors via an RFP and onsite visits. We are hopeful to commence on the bunker liner replacement project as soon as this fall.

The Club Board met last week with The Villages Executive Team to get a first look at how the FY25 budget is shaping up. The Club Board also processed the budget requests from all Club Board Standing Committees, clubs, and organizations and response letters have been sent to these groups via email. There are still several components of the FY25 budget that need to be worked out, and I can guarantee that everyone involved is working very diligently to deliver the best possible budget that accounts for the known cost increases in insurance and utilities, plus the anticipated funds needed to keep The Villages amenities in tip-top shape. The details of the FY25 budget will be sorted out in short order, as the FY25 budget is scheduled to be approved at the CBOD Monthly Meeting on April 30, 2024.

The Policy Committee of the Club Board continues to revise the current Club Bylaws and several Club Policies and Rules to meet the current and future needs of The Villages Golf and Country Club. Reminder, that at a minimum, the newly revised Club Bylaws must comply with several updates to California Corporation Code and will also target removing the cap on the amount of capital that can be held by the Club to affect the rejuvenation of, or replacement of, or for the build-out of new amenities. More revisions to Club Policies and Rules will be reviewed during Club Board meetings over the next few months. This type of work by the Club Board is very necessary to ensure and maintain solid financial management and good governance. Reminder that all policy revisions are published in *The Villager* to allow review by Villagers, and the Club Board happily welcomes all written comments and feedback.

On another note, we've known for several years that the IT systems supporting the business operations of The Villages are outdated, with many running on out-of-date or unsupported versions. Several IT systems will soon be replaced, and just in time. Of late, the ancient financial system, NAVision, has been struggling to remain viable, experiencing recent outages, causing much stress for The Villages Management and Accounting Teams. Please rest assured that the implementation and replacement of many of these IT systems is in progress and moving forward according to schedule. This also requires a tremendous amount of data mapping and conversion to support the successful go-live of these new systems.

Finally, we are very happy to continue our positive engagement with the hard-working Villages Executive Staff, and most importantly with our General Manager, Theresa Ostrander. The Club Board recognizes the super heavy workload you and your staff are currently carrying and sincerely appreciate the extra efforts and highest levels of professionalism exhibited by the entire team. Thank you, Theresa, and Team, for your support of the Club Board and all you do for The Villages!

—Leslie Lambert, Villages Golf & Country Club President

Club Nominating Committee seeks candidates

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

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

GOVERNANCE MEETINGS

BOARD MEETINGS

Association

- 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
- The Villages Association Board of Directors Monthly Board hybrid meeting is **Tuesday, April 30 at 9:30 a.m.** in Foothill Center and on Zoom.
Meeting ID: 917 8108 3392; Passcode: 223468; Dial: 1-669-900-6833

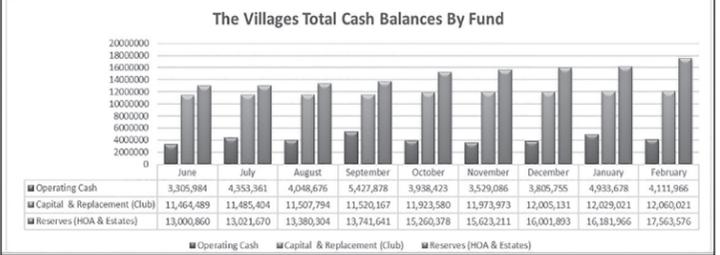
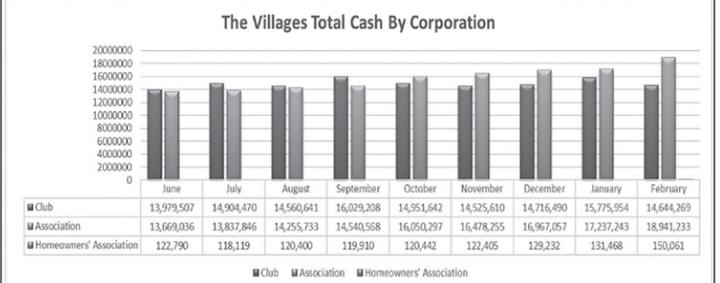
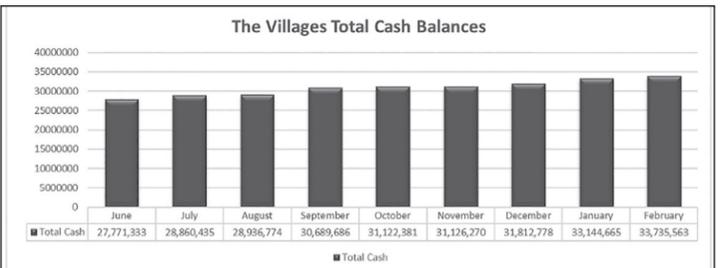
Club

- The Villages Golf & Country Club Board of Directors 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
- The Villages Golf & Country Club Board of Directors Regular Meeting is **Tuesday, April 30 at 1:30 p.m.** in Foothill Center and on Zoom.
Meeting ID: 961 5036 4740; Passcode: 260616; Dial: 1-669-900-6833

More BOARDS & COMMITTEES
Operating Financial Commentary...

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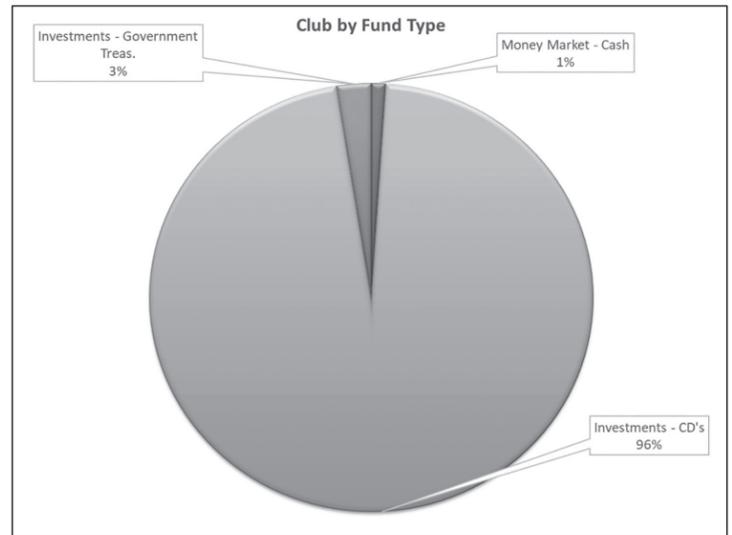
- Employee expenses \$-14,800 unfavorable, YTD \$-160,000 unfavorable.
 - o Realignment of staff and some separation agreements.
 - o Unbudgeted increase in minimum wage as of January 1, 2024.
 - Services Expense \$-27,800 unfavorable, YTD \$-226,700 unfavorable.
 - o Legal Fees \$-7,500 unfavorable, YTD \$-72,000 unfavorable.
 - o Professional Fees \$-26,000 unfavorable, YTD \$-146,500 unfavorable.
 - o Credit Card Processing Fees \$-2,800 unfavorable, YTD \$-32,400 unfavorable.
 - Utilities \$-13,000 unfavorable, YTD \$-70,000 unfavorable.
 - o Electricity \$-3,000 unfavorable, YTD \$-38,400 unfavorable.
 - Budgeted at an 8.0% increase as of January 1, 2024, the rate increased by 12.8%. Rates were announced before the 2024 fiscal year budget completion.
 - o Water was natural for the month, YTD \$-14,400 unfavorable
 - Currently, a dispute on the reading for recycled water for the Golf Course is pending of approximately \$106,000.
 - o Telephone \$-3,000 unfavorable, YTD \$-19,000 unfavorable.
 - Board of Director Expense: YTD \$35,700, resulting in a \$-25,500 unfavorable variance to a budget of \$10,200.
- There are no other significant variances to report at this time.**



Expense Category	Actual	Budget	Variance
COGS	806,559	785,800	(20,759)
Payroll	6,621,382	6,414,489	(206,893)
Operating Expense	2,936,899	2,789,899	(146,999)
Utilities Expense	1,948,162	1,877,994	(70,168)
Allocations	(1,767,930)	(1,718,842)	49,088
Total Expenses	10,545,072	10,149,340	(395,732)

MTD	MTD Budget	Var	Department	YTD	YTD Budget	Var
\$ 778,298	\$ 778,299	\$ (1)	Assessments	\$ 6,226,387	\$ 6,226,392	\$ (5)
30,381	16,050	14,331	Administrative and General	181,608	155,400	26,208
240	1,050	(810)	Facilities Maintenance	4,993	8,400	(3,407)
1,563	2,705	(1,142)	Public Safety	20,146	31,240	(11,094)
116,970	152,670	(35,700)	Golf Course / Pro Shop	1,349,857	1,329,710	20,147
31,621	31,490	131	Community Activities	311,480	322,070	(10,590)
1,470	-	1,470	Community Centers/Pools	13,265	6,220	7,045
198,145	222,400	(24,255)	Clubhouse & Restaurants	2,008,753	1,839,500	169,253
9,191	10,382	(1,191)	All Other	83,923	83,196	727
\$ 1,167,879	\$ 1,215,046	\$ (47,167)	Total - Revenues	\$ 10,200,412	\$ 10,002,128	\$ 198,284
\$ (141,365)	\$ (89,293)	\$ (52,072)	Administrative and General	\$ (1,131,499)	\$ (764,354)	\$ (367,145)
(22,314)	(23,220)	906	Facilities Maintenance	(165,272)	(170,207)	4,935
(104,317)	(110,801)	6,484	Public Safety	(864,804)	(918,407)	53,603
(212,786)	(217,632)	4,846	Golf Course / Pro Shop	(2,249,415)	(2,204,546)	(44,869)
(69,617)	(93,410)	23,793	Community Activities	(722,505)	(812,722)	90,217
(92,236)	(95,265)	3,029	Community Centers/Pools	(764,504)	(764,680)	176
(365,326)	(360,345)	(4,981)	Clubhouse & Restaurants	(3,119,336)	(2,925,497)	(193,839)
(185,756)	(182,963)	(2,792)	All Other	(1,527,737)	(1,588,927)	61,191
\$ (1,193,716)	\$ (1,172,929)	\$ (20,787)	Total - Expenses	\$ (10,545,072)	\$ (10,149,340)	\$ (395,732)
\$ (25,838)	\$ 42,117	\$ (67,954)	Net Profit(Loss) - Club Operatic	\$ (344,660)	\$ (147,212)	\$ (197,448)

MTD	MTD Budget	Var	Department	YTD	YTD Budget	Var
\$ (33,798)	\$ 3,943	\$ (37,741)	Administrative and General	\$ (332,404)	\$ 8,534	\$ (340,938)
(1,601)	(1,697)	96	Facilities Maintenance	3,505	1,977	1,528
8,119	2,777	5,342	Public Safety	42,326	(183)	42,509
4,606	35,460	(30,854)	Golf Course / Pro Shop	(96,182)	(71,460)	(24,722)
20,357	(3,567)	23,924	Community Activities	55,799	(23,828)	79,628
4,726	227	4,499	Community Centers/Pools	12,697	5,476	7,221
(33,616)	(4,380)	(29,236)	Clubhouse & Restaurants	(42,063)	(17,477)	(24,586)
5,370	9,354	(3,984)	All Other	11,662	(50,251)	61,913
\$ (25,838)	\$ 42,117	\$ (67,954)	Net Profit(Loss) - Club Operations	\$ (344,660)	\$ (147,212)	\$ (197,448)



February 2024— Investment Overview— Club

Total Combined Cash Balance:	\$12,060,021
Total Money Market:	\$ 284,103
Total CDs	\$11,634,332
Total Government Treasuries:	\$ 301,585

Submit your 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.



Business Card Ads

Call

408-223-4657

Association Operating Statement Review

For the month of February 2024

Association Cash Balance \$18,941,233

Total Cash

Association Operating Cash \$ 1,475,321
 Association Reserves \$17,465,912

Operations Total Revenue

	MTD	YTD	BUDGET YTD	Variance
Total Revenue	\$1,131,007	\$9,054,284	\$9,047,288	\$ 6,996
Total Assessments	\$1,125,309	\$9,002,475	\$9,002,336	\$ 139
Total Other Revenue	\$ 5,698	\$ 51,809	\$ 44,952	\$ 6,857

Operating Total Expense

	MTD	YTD	BUDGET YTD	Variance
Total Operating Expense	\$1,047,669	\$8,992,641	\$9,013,618	\$ 20,977
Total Operating Expense	\$ 902,488	\$7,815,387	\$7,892,693	\$ 77,306
Total Intra-Co Transfer	\$ 145,181	\$1,177,254	\$1,120,925	\$ -56,329

Operating Surplus/(Deficit) (Operations)

	MTD	YTD	BUDGET YTD	Variance
Net Surplus (Deficit)	\$ 83,338	\$ 61,643	\$ 33,670	\$ 27,973

• Revenue was \$-96 unfavorable to the budget of \$1,131,000, YTD \$6,900 favorable to a budget of \$9,047,000.

o No significant variances to report at this time.

• Expenses for the month were \$-28,700 unfavorable to the budget of \$1,018,000.

o Operating Supplies & Maintenance Expenses were unfavorable by \$-6,000, YTD favorable by \$31,000.

o Utility Expenses were unfavorable by \$-1,000 YTD \$328,000 favorable.

- Electric expenses were not budgeted for the 12.8% rate increase on January 1, 2024. YTD \$-7,000 unfavorable.

- Gas expense YTD \$-6,000 unfavorable.

- Water expense YTD \$341,000 favorable; water was accrued to budget for January and February as the invoice was not received before the deadline to close the books.

The expense will be trued up in the March Financials.

o Insurance expenses remain unfavorable to the budget as reported in the prior months; February's unfavorable variance was \$-44,000, and YTD, the unfavorable variance is \$-351,500.

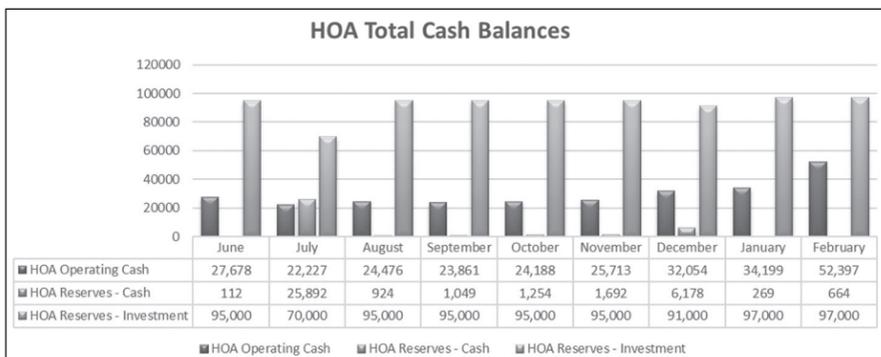
The YTD net favorable operating budget variance for February 2024 is \$27,900. This favorable variance is primarily contributed to the favorable water expense of \$341,000. There are no other significant variances to report at this time.

Departmental Statement of Activities							
MTD	MTD Budget	Var	Department	YTD	YTD Budget	Var	
\$ 11,601	\$ 18,014	\$ (6,413)	Cribari District	\$ 9,233	\$ 11,749	\$ (2,516)	
12,544	15,471	(2,927)	Montgomery District	19,083	16,379	2,704	
2,943	4,200	(1,257)	Heights District	8,478	2,146	6,332	
11,393	12,111	(718)	Hermosa District	30,575	11,239	19,336	
10,217	10,104	113	Verano District	(3,894)	(19,933)	16,039	
8,449	8,908	(459)	Del Largo District	13,969	14,848	(879)	
9,860	11,884	(2,024)	Highland District	(14,790)	350	(15,140)	
2,464	3,860	(1,396)	Glen Arden District	(3,765)	6,329	(10,094)	
7,650	16,126	(8,476)	Olivas District	3,590	(11,003)	14,593	
1,081	1,621	(540)	Fairways District	1,765	(2,383)	4,148	
(369)	3,077	(3,446)	Sonata District	(17,428)	(8,750)	(8,678)	
5,505	6,584	(1,079)	Valle Vista District	14,825	12,698	2,127	
\$ 83,338	\$ 111,960	\$ (28,622)	Net Profit(Loss) - Club Operations	\$ 61,643	\$ 33,669	\$ 27,974	

Homeowners Operating Statement Review

For the month of February 2024

Homeowners Cash Balance \$150,061



Non-Estates Operating

Total Cash

Non-Estates Operating Cash \$14,531

Non-Estates Total Revenue

	MTD	YTD	BUDGET YTD	Variance
Total Revenue	\$4,686	\$37,489	\$37,480	\$ 9

Non-Estates Operating Expense

	MTD	YTD	BUDGET YTD	Variance
Total Operating Expense	\$4,354	\$36,317	\$38,448	\$ 2,131

Operating Surplus/(Deficit)

	MTD	YTD	BUDGET YTD	Variance
Net Surplus	\$ 332	\$ 1,172	\$ -968	\$ 2,140

• Legal Expenses YTD \$2,100 favorable variance to budget.

No other significant variances to report.

The YTD net favorable operating budget variance as of January 2024 was \$2,100.

Estates Operating

Total Cash

Estates Operating Cash \$37,866

Estates Reserves \$97,664

Estates Total Revenue

	MTD	YTD	BUDGET YTD	Variance
Total Revenue	\$16,814	\$134,508	\$134,504	\$ 4

Estates Operating Expense

	MTD	YTD	BUDGET YTD	Variance
Total Operating Expense	\$11,918	\$123,931	\$134,950	\$11,019

Operating Surplus/(Deficit)

	MTD	YTD	BUDGET YTD	Variance
Net Surplus	\$ 4,896	\$ 10,577	\$ -446	\$11,023

There are no other significant variances to report.

The YTD net favorable operating budget variance as of February 2024 was \$11,000.

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Club Board Voting Record for March 26, 2024

March 26, 2024 Monthly Meeting

	AGENDA ITEMS	Board Members*								COMMENTS	COSTS
		LL	JO	BK	RZ	LK	LV	AA			
1	Project Requirements Forms Submitted (Consent Agenda)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	The Board requested that staff soon provide the Board an updated status of the projects on the Projects Request Tracking System, acknowledged receipt of and approved moving forward with the following projects: 1) the replacement of three clocks at the Tennis Courts (\$2,000), 2) the installation of monitor outside the Pro Shop (\$3,345 - \$1,810 of which to be donated by Men's Club), and 3) a Golf Quad Launch Monitor for Golf Operations (\$14,500).	See Comments
2	Approval Consideration of Proposed Changes to CPO 221 Marketing Advisory Committee and CPO 311 Financial Reporting Policy	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	The Board approved proposed changes to VGCC Policies CPO 221 Marketing Advisory Committee and CPO 311 Financial Reporting Policy. The purpose of the proposed changes is to come into compliance with current California Corporation Code 7212 for all the policies and to update to reflect organization changes reference.	\$0
3	Comment Period for Proposed Changes to CPO 101 VGCC Policies and CPO 302 Assessments, Charges, and Fees	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Time was set aside to hear and discuss comments regarding proposed changes to CPO 101 VGCC Policies and CPO 302 Assessments, Charges, and Fees. The purpose of the proposed edits is to come into compliance with current California Corporation Code 7212 for all the policies, to update to reflect organization changes references, and for CPO 302 Assessment, Charges and Fees, to absorb CPO 307 Administrative Set-up Fee. Formal approval consider is scheduled for the April 30, 2024, monthly meeting.	\$0
4	Approval Consideration of Resolution Honoring Villages' Volunteers	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	The Board approved the resolution commending Villages' volunteers. A special recognition event to be held on Monday, April 22, 2024, at 9:30 a.m. at the Clubhouse.	\$0
5	Approval Consideration for Dedicated Table Tennis at Montgomery Center Multi-Purpose Room	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	The Board approved the permanent designation of the Montgomery Multipurpose Room for exclusive table tennis activities, affirming the space's optimal use and responding positively to the documented increase in engagement and membership.	\$0
6	Proposed Changes to Rule 1.18 Table Tennis	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	The Board approved to direct staff to work with the Club Rules Committee and stakeholders to update and draft proposed rule changes for consideration by the Club Board.	\$0
7	Wildland Urban Interface (WUI) Building Codes	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	The Board approved to adopt the WUI Building Design Guidelines in the Key Areas of Focus for roofs, vents, siding, decks and fencing, as part of the Club AC's standards for maintenance and repairs. This adoption will ensure that all future work complies with the highest safety standards, thereby protecting our community, enhancing property values, and ensuring peace of mind of all residents.	\$0
8	Update on Solar Array	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	The Board approved the settlement agreement with Solar Technologies and authorized the exploration and potential approval of a renewed O&M contract.	\$10,958
9	Committee Appointments (SPAC, EPC, Rules)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	The Board appointed Tony Mora as a voting member to the Swimming Pools Advisory Committee; reappointed Diane Finley and Frances Schumaker and appointed Ken Colaizzi and Parthenia Hicks to the Emergency Preparedness Committee; and appointed Kathy Schlosser to the Rules Committee.	\$0
Total APPROVED Expenditures this meeting											

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

* LL = Leslie Lambert | JO = Judy Owen | BK = Bob Krattli | RZ = Richard Zahner | LK = Liz Kung | LV = Larry Versaw | AA = Andy Altman

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

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

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

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.

Try new U-Jam Fitness!

Sign up for U-Jam Fitness, a new class being offered on three **Mondays, April 8, 15 and 22** from **10 a.m. 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 world beats, and smooth dance moves will leave you wanting more! No equipment needed, wear workout-appropriate shoes.

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



Dominique Martin

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.

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.

Easter Activity: Easter Pals

Bunnies and chicks represent new life and the beginning of spring. On this holiday they usually come in marshmallow or chocolate form. We think these paper versions are cute too. Due to limited space, the instructions for the chick only are shown. Please ask at the email below for the instructions for the bunny.

What you will need to make your Easter chick:

- Yellow paper
- Ruler
- Scissors
- Glue Stick
- Marker or other writing implement

Instructions for the Chick:

1) Cut a strip of yellow paper 11" long and 3/4" wide. This will become the body of your chick. Cut a second strip 4" long and 3/4" wide. This will become the head of your chick.

2) Take the small strip and glue it into a circle.

3) Take the large strip and touch the two ends together forming a teardrop shape. Pinch the paper together about one and a half inches from the end and glue to form the tail.

4) Cut points into the end of the tail to represent feathers.

5) Lay the teardrop (body) on its side. Glue the circle (head) on top and draw eyes and a beak for the face.

Please send a picture to recreation@the-villages.com as we would love to check out your bunnies and chicks. This activity is sponsored by The Villages Recreation Services. Samples are available for viewing in Building B.



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.

2024 Club and Committee Expo registration now open

Join us for the annual Club and Committee Expo, a premier event showcasing board-recognized organizations and board-appointed committees to all residents. The Expo takes place from **10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Saturday, May 4**, at Cribari Center. We're looking forward to a fantastic turnout and can't wait to welcome you to an event that promises connection, exploration, and growth for everyone involved.

Your organization can register for the event and highlight your contributions to The Villages. If your group wants to participate, visit the Resident Portal at tinyurl.com/5dcvryk3 for all the details you need to register. You can also reach out to us at recreation@the-villages.com or call 408-223-4643 for more information. **The application deadline is April 11**, so don't delay!

Resident attendees will discover a diverse offering of activities, committees, and clubs, sparking interests and igniting passions. Whether you aim to deepen your involvement in our community, meet individuals with similar interests, or embark on a new journey, the Expo promises a wealth of opportunities to connect, explore and grow.

Sign up for new Yoga class!

Sign up for Yoga on **Wednesdays, April 10 to May 15** (six classes) from **10 a.m. to 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. The signup deadline is Friday, March 29.

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 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 before the first class.

Get cooking with Dayna!

Join us for a cooking class on **Monday, April 15**, from **2 to 6 p.m.** in Montgomery Center with chef Dayna Pawlowski of SimpleCIOUS! No experience required. Ingredients and materials needed to prepare your dishes are provided.

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 get the recipes to practice more at home. Please note this class is four hours long.

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

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.



—NOTICE—
**The Villages Association
2024 Annual Meeting
Board of Directors Election
IRS Resolution Vote**

Wednesday, June 12, 2024 – 4 p.m.
The Villages Clubhouse
(California Civil Code Section 5115 (b))

Candidate Registration List: As certified by Diana Hallock, President of The Association Board, the following Candidate Registration List contains a full and complete list of qualified candidate nominations received by the Association on or before March 26, 2024, at 5 p.m., the deadline established by the Board of Directors for receipt of nominations for the annual election of directors of the Association.

List of Candidates:

David Dimmick
Deb Gordon
Patrick Barber
Kat Contento

Notice of Election Information: The Villages Association will hold a vote this May and June to elect directors and to vote on Association Resolution, Excess of Membership Income Over Membership Expenses Refunded to Members.

Ballots will be sent to all Members indicated on the Voter List on May 9, 2024. Ballots may be mailed or delivered to the following so long as the ballot is received no later than Monday, June 10, at 8 a.m.

The Villages Association, Bldg. A
5000 Cribari Lane
San Jose, CA 95135

The ballots are scheduled to be opened and tabulated at an open Association Meeting on Tuesday, June 11, 2024, at 9:30 a.m. at Vineyard Center, 9100 Villages Fairway Drive, San Jose, CA 95135. The results of the vote will be announced at the 2024 Annual Meeting of Members, Wednesday, June 12, 2024, at 4 p.m. at the Villages main Clubhouse, 2800 Villages Fairway Drive, San Jose, CA 95135.

The Villages Association maintains a **Voter List**. Members are permitted to verify the accuracy of their individual information on the Voter List (California Civil Code Section 5105(a) (7)). The Voter List is available for review in Business Administration Building A upon request. Please contact the General Manager's office at 408-223-4634.

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN ARTS AND CRAFTS?

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 and Taf Tafaroddi beginning at 10 a.m. All Arts & Crafts members and all media welcome!

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 p.m. in the Art Room. All Villagers and all media welcome!

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

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 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.

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 4/1 to 4/7

Monday, April 1

Butternut Squash

Tuesday, April 2

Cream of Tomato

Wednesday, April 3

Nappa Cabbage Potsticker

Thursday, April 4

French Onion

Friday, April 5

Shrimp Bisque

Saturday, April 6

Chef's Choice

Sunday, April 7

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

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

We want your opinion!

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

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

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 4/1 to 4/7

Breakfast Special:

Tuesday 4/2 to Sunday 4/7

New York Steak & Eggs: 7-oz. Grilled New York Steak with Two Eggs with Choice of Breakfast Side **\$18.95**

Lunch Specials:

Monday 4/1 to Sunday 4/7—11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Teriyaki Salmon Salad: Marinated Salmon, Cucumber, Water Chestnuts and Bean Sprouts over Greens with Sesame Ginger Dressing **\$16.95**

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

Dinner Specials:

Tuesday 4/2 to Sunday 4/7—5 p.m. to 8 p.m. (Last Seating)

Poached Salmon: Slow-simmered Filet of Salmon with a Bearnaise Sauce with Choice of Sides **\$27.95**

Lemon Pepper Tri-Tip: Char Broiled Lemon & Pepper seasoned Tri-Tip with Au Jus with Choice of Sides **\$28.50**

Clubhouse Indoor, Patio Dining and Curbside Hours of Operation

Monday

Lunch:

11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Bistro Menu

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

Tuesday to Friday

Breakfast:

8 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Lunch:

11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Bistro Menu:

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

Dinner Menu:

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

Saturday and Sunday

Saturday Breakfast:

7 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Sunday Breakfast:

7 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Lunch:

11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Bistro Menu:

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

Dinner Menu:

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

Main phone line: 408-223-4687

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

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

Online

Reservation or Curbside Order: Clubhouserreservation.com

Email: theclubhouse@the-villages.com

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




Whole Rotisserie Chicken

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

New Price \$9.95 plus Service Charge & Tax

408.223.4687 opt 2 or online at clubhouserreservation.com

Click for more information

Clubhouse Special Offers

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



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

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

Single Diners' Night



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

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



Buy One Appetizer*, Get One Half-Off!

Appetizer Special in effect 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. Monday - Friday
** Item must be of equal or lesser value. Service charge and taxes still applied to all items. For dine-in customers only.*

5 5 5 Bistro Happy Hour

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



\$5 House Cocktails
\$5 House Wines
\$5 Draft Beers 16 oz.
Price subject to service charge and tax

Online Meal Ordering

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



To help streamline the process of ordering, the Clubhouse now has, in addition to phone orders, an online meal ordering system. The 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.

More COMMUNITY NOTICES

Facility Reservations Update and Exciting Changes Ahead!

Heads up! The online tool to view our facility availability will be offline for two to three months starting April 1, as we gear up for an exciting upgrade. By July 1, we'll unveil a sleek new reservation and billing system designed to make your life easier.

Need to check facility availability in the meantime? No problem! Just drop us an email to recreation@the-villages.com, call us at 408-223-4643, or swing by in person at Building B. The Villages' Recreation Services staff is here to help.

We are sorry for any inconvenience this might cause in the meantime. We're as eager as you are for the new system, which will bring our reservations and calendar functions straight to your smartphone and web browser.

Thank you for being a part of our community. We are excited about the improvements and look forward to making our club experience even better!

Save the Date!

Special Event Honoring Villages' Volunteers will be held **Monday, April 22** at **9:30 a.m.** at the Villages Clubhouse



The Villages Golf & Country Club

Dear Customer – **Effective March 7, 2024**, a 3% service charge will be applied to all credit card purchases.* This surcharge helps The Villages manage costs associated with credit card transactions more responsibly and fairly.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS



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

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.	Good Friday Choir	CR
2 p.m.	Open Studio	AR
2 p.m.	Good Friday Service	A
6:30 p.m.	Mexican Train Dominoes	MC

7 p.m.	Desi Karaoke	CR	7 p.m.	Wellness & Spirituality	CR
7 p.m.	Chess Study Group	SEQ	7 p.m.	Village Dancers 3	VC

Saturday, March 30

9 a.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
9 a.m.	Tai Chi	CR
10 a.m.	Quilters	PR
10 a.m.	Ukulele Sing Along	SEQ

Tuesday, April 2

8:30 a.m.	Men's Golf Exec Cmte.	MC
8:30 a.m.	Tai Chi	P
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED
9 a.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
10 a.m.	Art Class	AR
10 a.m.	Mat Pilates	CR
10 a.m.	Ukulele Club	PR
11 a.m.	9-H Women's Golf Board	SEQ
11 a.m.	Men's Fun Social Club	CH
11:30 a.m.	LSAL Fitness	A
2 p.m.	Open Studio	AR
2 p.m.	Piano Open Studio	A
2 p.m.	Veterans Club	FC
2 p.m.	Spring Show Rehearsal	VC
4 p.m.	Catholic Council	MC
6 p.m.	Concert Band Rehearsal	A
6 p.m.	Desi Social Hour	SEQ
7 p.m.	Astronomy/Radio Club	FC

Thursday, April 4

8:30 a.m.	Tai Chi	P
9 a.m.	Association Arch.Cmte.	MC
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-H Women's Golf Lunch	CH
1 p.m.	Bible Small Group	SEQ
1 p.m.	Dog Club Board	F
1:30 p.m.	Ukulele Club	VC
2 p.m.	Open Studio	AR
3 p.m.	Community Chapel Choir	CR
6 p.m.	Folksters	FC
7 p.m.	Italian Club Board	PR
7 p.m.	Spring Show Rehearsal	A

Sunday, March 31

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

Wednesday, April 3

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
10 a.m.	Nutrition Class	SEQ
11:30 a.m.	Dippy Dolphins	MC
2 p.m.	Open Studio	AR
2 p.m.	Spring Show Rehearsal	FC
3 p.m.	VMA Afternoon Bingo	A
5:30 p.m.	Village Dancers 2	VC
6:30 p.m.	Mexican Train Dominoes	MC
6:30 p.m.	Village Voices Rehearsal	FC
7 p.m.	Duplicate Bridge	RED

Friday, April 5

8:30 a.m.	Jazzercise	A
9 a.m.	Catholic Mass	CR
9 a.m.	Chinese Morning Exercise	P
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED
9 a.m.	SRS Tax Prep Service	FC
9 a.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
9:30 a.m.	Chapel Music Cmte.	SEQ
10 a.m.	Art&Craft Member Studio	AR
10 a.m.	Line Dance	A
10 a.m.	Quilters	PR
10 a.m.	Republican Club Board	F
12:30 p.m.	Bridge Club	RED
2 p.m.	Open Studio	AR
3 p.m.	Handbell Ensemble	CR
6 p.m.	Line Dance	VC
6:30 p.m.	Mexican Train Dominoes	MC

Monday, April 1

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&Craft Member Studio	AR
10 a.m.	CPR Training	VC
10:30 a.m.	Fitness Center Cmte.	F
10:30 a.m.	VMA Grief Support	SEQ
1 p.m.	Arts & Crafts Assoc.	CR
1 p.m.	Stitchery	MC
2 p.m.	Open Studio	AR
2 p.m.	Spring Show Rehearsal	A
3 p.m.	18-H Women's Golf Board	PR
5:30 p.m.	Village Dancers 1	A
7 p.m.	Duplicate Bridge	RED

EVENT LOCATIONS

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

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Service Coordinator: 408-238-4029



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

April Programs

Care for the Caregiver – Dr. Judith London, a licensed psychologist and author will address the needs of all caregivers at her presentation on **Tuesday, April 9 at 1 p.m.** in the Sequoia room. Seating is limited, please register.

“Be Sensitive, Be Brave for Suicide Prevention” – Suicide Prevention Program from SCC Behavioral Health Services is offering a workshop on suicide prevention for community and family members in distress. This workshop will teach community members to act as eyes and ears for suicidal distress and to connect individuals to help. **Wednesday, April 17 from 1:30-3 p.m.** in the Sequoia room. Seating is limited, please register.

Support Groups

Grief Support Group: Chaplain Dale Poland, M.Div, BCC - from Hospice of the Valley-Sutter Health. The group will resume **Monday, April 1, 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: This monthly group is for all people interested in 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.

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



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

CLUBS & EVENTS

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 stepping-stones 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.

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 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.



Come to Dog Club 'Pawty' on April 6



Toby and Buddy Sunzeri will be waiting for you!

By Barbara Sunzeri

Let's get ready for a picnic! Bring your own lunch and drinks. The Villages Dog Club Picnic Pawty is **Saturday, April 6 at 11 a.m.**

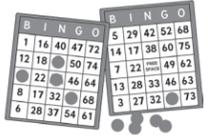
Test your intelligence with dog trivia, word search and word scramble. Prizes will be awarded. Hope to see all of you at Evergreen Park near the swing sets on top of the hill. Get there by going behind the Evergreen Community Senior Center at 4860 San Felipe Rd, San Jose.

You do not have to be a dog owner to come to our events—just love our furry friends!

Celebrate Easter Sunday with music

Easter Sunday will be here soon and the best way to celebrate this joyous occasion is to come to Cribari Auditorium on **Sunday, March 31 at 10 a.m.** to hear the Easter story set to music. Join members and friends of The Villages Community Chapel as we listen to a beautiful Easter Cantata titled "The Easter Story" written by Tom Fettke and Thomas Grassi. Musical soloists will be Madeline Yannaconne, Caroline Baker and Chris Leisy and narrators will be Diana Hallock and Nick Yannaconne. Come and bring your family and friends. All are welcome.

Message from VMA regarding Bingo



By VMA coordinators

As you may have seen in last week's Management section, we continue to await the arrival of the appropriate Auditorium and Clubhouse Fire Department occupancy permits from the City of San Jose, despite all appropriate fees having been paid. As a result, VMA is suspending Bingo planning until the permits are received. We apologize for the suspension of this wonderful, interactive program that became a mainstay here at The Villages. As soon as the permits are received, we will resume offering Bingo!

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.

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Villages Chinese Club treated to tofu cooking demo and lunch



Chef Michelle Prest



Edie Herbst and Joyce Mukuno sampling tofu dishes.



Chef Ling Lu Yamaki

By Valerie Smith

The Villages Chinese Club recently hosted two cooking demonstrations featuring tofu as a main ingredient. The event kicked off with a video on the origin and manufacturing of tofu. For centuries tofu has been a pillar of Southeast Asian diets because it offers protein at relatively low cost and it's very versatile. And it has become a very popular ingredient in U.S. diets for the same reason.

Over two sessions, volunteer cooks gave step-by-step demonstrations on cooking dishes that showcase the unique provincial flavors of China, from Szechuan, Suzhou to Canton/Guangzhou. Over 50 members enjoyed a four-course menu of honey-glazed tofu, tofu soup, braised tofu with mushrooms, and spicy Mapo tofu.

These member-only cooking demonstrations are offered quarterly, at cost, and made possible through the generous participation of volunteers. Participants leave with printed recipes so they can enjoy the dishes at home.

The Chinese Club organizes many other types of activities—from morning exercise sessions to ballroom dancing, and from tech talks to weekly karaoke. If you're interested in finding out more, or if you want to join, please visit sites.google.com/site/villageschineseclub/home

Meet the stars of 'Man of La Mancha'

"Man of La Mancha" is a different kind of musical than the last two performances by the Villages Amateur Theatre group in many ways. It is full of heart-rending songs and fight scenes, and also some new stars. Jason Herfurth will be appearing as Don Quixote in his first role here at The Villages. We are so excited to introduce this new actor and singer. Not exactly new, but a dynamite singer is Kathryn Nymoen playing the role of Aldonza. She will thrill you with her high notes, as well as her acting. And, of course, we need a veteran like Larry Miller to round out the starring threesome, playing the part of Sancho, the sidekick of Don Quixote.

So, 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 at \$20 each will be on sale in the Redwood Room on **Saturdays, April 13 and 20** from 9 a.m. to noon.

Jam again with Bluegrass Music Club!

By Alan Rich

The Bluegrass Music Club will be hosting its second Jam of the year on **Sunday, April 14** at Vineyard Center from 2 to 4 p.m. The first hour will be devoted to bluegrass gospel music. The second hour will be bluegrass and vintage country music. All Villagers and guests are invited to attend. Bring your acoustic instruments, voices, and ears to play, sing or just listen to an afternoon of music. The jam will be led by members of the Scotch Creek Band, a Villages Bluegrass group. The event is *free!*

Bluegrass music was derived from old time and mountain music from Appalachia and popularized by Bill Monroe and his Bluegrass Boys. Lester Flat and Earl Scruggs further popularized it with their theme song for the "Beverly Hillbillies" television show and the movie "Bonnie and Clyde."

Missed your Villager?

If you missed delivery 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.

Senior Academy Tech Explorers to show 'Live from the Deep Sea'

By Arlene Versaw

In the quest to respond to the insidious reality of climate change, scientists are seeking any and all solutions to mitigating its impact. One such exploratory effort involves Earth's seas, which absorb carbon dioxide and excess heat from our atmosphere. Can ocean technology save the planet?

Join Senior Academy Technology Explorers for an inside look at how that might be accomplished on **Monday, April 8, 1:30 p.m.** at Foothill Center and via Zoom. We'll present "Live from the Deep Sea: The Next Frontier for Knowledge and Action"—a movie featuring experts Mattie Rodrigue, a Director of OceanX, a non-profit organization

dedicated to accelerating ocean exploration and sharing knowledge and Diva Amon of the Benioff Ocean Science Laboratory, University of California, Santa Barbara. Mattie and Diva will join a panel discussion from a state-of-the-art research vessel, OceanXplorer, that was held during the 2024 Davos World Economic Forum. The panel also includes two very wealthy philanthropists who were inspired by Jacques Cousteau when they were young.

Here's a rare chance to view an eye-opening introduction to one of the important activities in ocean technology that could help save our planet. Register at villagesSA.org. This is a free event to all Villagers.

VMA to present 'Care for the Caregiver' with Dr. London

By Barbara Zahner

"You cannot pour from an empty cup," according to a wry adage. Judy London Ph.D., licensed psychologist, and facilitator of the monthly Villages Caregiver Support Group agrees. On **Tuesday, April 9 at 1 p.m.** in the Sequoia Room, Dr. London will present, "Care for the Caregiver."



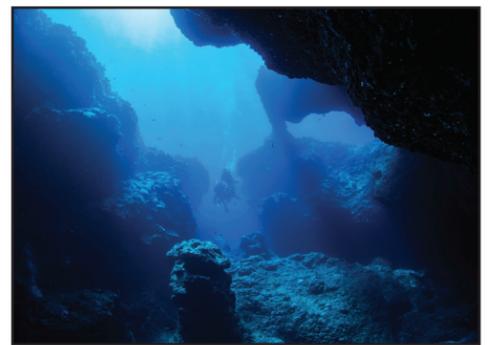
Dr. Judy London

In 90 interactive minutes, Dr. London will address the needs of caregivers, whether you care for a loved one with memory and/or physical conditions. With both professional and familial experience, Dr. London says, "Caregiving is an act of love." However, to be an effective caregiver, you must also care for yourself. Otherwise, you may experience physical, mental, and emotional depletion— an empty cup.

Dr. London will cover how to care for yourself by learning a basic relaxation exercise, practicing a brief meditation, recognizing the do's and don'ts of caregiving, and discovering simple ways to nurture your mind, body and spirit. Dr. London will provide handouts and answer questions.

Dr. London is author of "Support for the Alzheimer's and Dementia Caregivers: The Unsung Heroes," "Connecting the Dots: Breakthroughs in Communication as Alzheimer's Advances" and "How to Keep Your Brain in Tip-Top Shape."

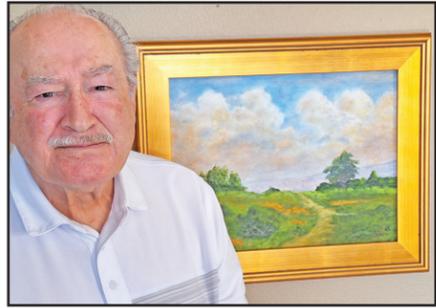
Refresh your cup of strength and joy. Join Dr. Judy London in "Care for the Caregiver" on April 9. There is limited seating, so RSVP online at vmavillages.vgcc.club or by calling 408-238-4029.



See Taf art exhibit starting April 8

By Michael Sunzeri

On **Monday, April 8**, Arts and Crafts will hang a new exhibit featuring the oil paintings by Hassan "Taf" Tafaroddi. Taf hails from Shiraz Iran and in 1959 he came to the U.S. and flourished with an accomplished background in Mechanical Engineering graduating from SJSU. He retired from his career at GE Nuclear in 2001. Then his artistic interest in Photography grew wings. Taf had a studio in Hollister with his award-winning work but in 2020 he explored another avenue and again started painting scenes he found interesting enough to put on canvas like he did in college.



In 2008, while he was still involved in our Camera Club and the Santa Clara Camera Club, he joined Arts and Crafts. Much of his work is oil painting. Taf is particular about his tools of choice and base work for his media, applying enhancers that give his work a glow and refinement. Noticeable details in his work appear like the paint has glided over the panel or canvas.

During Covid, Taf picked up where he left off in his 1960s college days when he was painting seascapes and landscapes in oils. With classes from Jeff Bramschreiber online, he dove in with anticipation of filling that old desire. His work is from what he likes to see in a painting, which is landscape but also, still life. He plans to stay in this genre. Maybe there will be a painting or two alongside one of his works that he has painted from one of his photographs.

From April 8 to July 16 his art will be hanging in the Cribari Conference Room. One good time to come and view, is on the first Mondays of the month at our Membership meetings before 1:45 p.m.

Art Film: 'Vermeer Beyond Time'

On **Tuesday, April 9 at 2 p.m.** in the Cribari Conference Room, the Villages Arts and Crafts Association will present "Vermeer: Beyond Time." The film explores the life and work of one of the most loved, influential and well-known artists, Johannes Vermeer. The documentary adopts an imaginative and sensitive approach, focusing not only on his work, but also his family life, his conversion to Catholicism, his artistic contemporaries and the wider world of the Dutch Golden Age of the 17th century.



In 1675 Vermeer died at the age of 43 overwhelmed by poverty. Soon afterward, his paintings were sold to cover his debts and Vermeer disappears from memory. He is rediscovered some 200 years later and we have seen his popularity soar claiming our hearts and our admiration.

Come and enjoy! An art related door prize will be awarded at the completion of the film. Free admission for all Villagers and their guests.

Come play with us on Game Night!



On **Monday April 15** from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m., bring your friends and your favorite games to Foothill Center! This event is sponsored by the Villages Jewish Community.

Enjoy a fun evening of canasta, bridge, mahjong, Mexican train, poker or board games. We ask each table to bring a dessert to share.

Contact Sandi Rosenblum at 408-440-4940 for reservations and additional details. We welcome all Villagers to join us. Space is limited; reservations get priority.

Find Terri Ford's pastel paintings at Art in the Park

Art in the Park is **Saturday, April 20** from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Gazebo Park! We are proud to showcase Terri Ford, a renowned pastel artist who will be showing and selling her work. What better way to capture the beauty of spring than the medium of pastel painting? Dating back to the 16th century, pastels are created by using soft chalk on textured paper.

Terri has been painting with pastels since 1987 and has concentrated her subject matter primarily on light inspired landscapes. She often employs the technique of Plein Air or "on location" painting because she enjoys being inspired by being out in nature. She approaches each new painting like an adventure, being guided by light and shadow and the organic forms of nature. Terri will be selling her pastel paintings as well as select oils. She also accepts requests and commissioned work.



Don't miss seeing her and the fine work of 30 other artists at Art in the Park. A perfect place to shop for weddings, Mother's Day, graduations or a gift just for you! Come out and stroll through fabulous art, support your very talented fellow Villagers and don't forget our famous cookie sale.

Walking/Chair Dancing can help with strength and flexibility

Physical strength and flexibility are crucial for maintaining independence and ensuring a high quality of life. These attributes are also essential for sustaining overall health, averting injuries, improving performance, and fostering longevity. At our LSAL Fitness Club, we advocate for a holistic approach to fitness through our Walking/Chair Dancing program, which integrates both strength and flexibility training. By joining LSAL Fitness Club, you'll benefit from these training methods, optimizing your overall health, preventing injuries, enhancing performance, and promoting longevity. 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.






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Join Study Groups Club's first membership meeting

Most clubs and organizations in the Villages are single-focused: tennis, golf, cats/dogs, politics, and theater/musical arts to name a few. Not the Villages Study Groups Club. It offers a menu of topics as diverse as the interests of Villages residents themselves, including movie and book groups, history, world events, chess, folk dancing, Mah Jongg, men's and women's separate discussion groups about life's issues and day trips to local places of interest. Its members connect, share, and build community while engaging in social activities and a wide range of topics.

Formed in 2023, the Villages Study Group is hosting its first Membership Meeting on **Sunday, April 14** from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.



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

at Foothill Center.

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.

"First Lie Wins" by Ashley Elston. Evie Porter has everything a nice, Southern girl could want: a perfect, doting boyfriend, a house with a white picket fence and a garden, a fancy group of friends. The only catch: Evie Porter doesn't exist. The identity comes first: Evie Porter. Once she's given a name and location by her mysterious boss Mr. Smith, she learns everything there is to know about the town and the people in it. Then the mark: Ryan Sumner. The last piece of the puzzle is the job. Evie isn't privy to Mr. Smith's real identity, but she knows this job will be different. Ryan has gotten under her skin, and she's starting to envision a different sort of life for herself. But Evie can't make any mistakes—especially after what happened last time. Regular and Large Print, Mystery, 2024.

Wildlife Photography...

(Continued from front page)

learn of four active volcanoes in the "Ring of Fire," see adorable 3-month-old cubs, salmon frenzies, puffin and glorious sunrises.

Next, Joan will introduce us to raptors—the warlords of the air. These birds—owls, hawks, falcons, vultures and eagles are superbly equipped for their lives as predators and they swiftly carry out the roles bestowed upon them by nature. Explore more about these amazing birds that might call your backyard home.

Joan Sparks is an avid nature photographer. Although she has no formal education in photography, several years ago she was invited by a friend to shoot brown bears in Alaska with National Geographic photographer friends. That adventure went so well, it led to similar adventures and ultimately her work being shown at Filoli, the California Coastal Commission and various other Bay Area organizations. She has been published in "Birds and Bloom" magazine and several local newspapers, is a past president of several of the local photo clubs and has served on the Silicon Valley Open Studios Board of Directors for several years. **Register for this event at villagesSA.org.**

LIBRARY USED BOOK SALE

The Villages Library Book Sale is open all year long on Wednesdays and Saturdays at 10 a.m. to noon.

Sounds of Music...

(Continued from front page)

Enjoy refreshments at the Post-Program Reception in the Conference Room. Visit with our pianists: Larry Broderick, Karen Carlson, Charlotte Dickson, Celeste Di Genova, Ciel Duke, Vera Johnston and Katherine O'Toole.

Dust off your boots, get on the dance floor

By B. Brown

"Know when to hold 'em. Know when to fold 'em." No, not Kenny Rogers but...Beyoncé? Yee-Haw!

"Texas Hold 'Em" is an up-tempo country pop, western, and soul song featuring elements of folk. This brand new #1 song written and sung by Beyoncé will be the basis for the April, Just-For-Fun dance on Monday nights in Cribari Auditorium at 5:30 p.m.

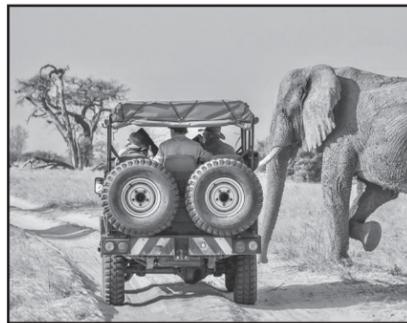
Many different dances are done to country-western music including two step, waltz, cowboy or traveling cha cha, polka ten step, square dance, and other western promenade dances. Perhaps you can share your dance floor moves with us!

Come and enjoy a solo choreographed dance, which is different from line dancing. No partner needed. This is your time to dust off your boots and/or cowboy hat and come out to dance, socialize and exercise. (There may also be chocolate involved.)

Bernice Toy is the Club President and choreographer of The VMS Village Dancers and can be reached at vms.dancers@gmail.com. Please see the Music Society website: at villagesmusicociety.org/about-us-3. The Village Dancers charge an annual \$20 membership fee to participants. All monies go toward support of the club.



Sign up for 'Safari Supper'!



The Hiking Club will hold a Safari Supper on **Wednesday, April 20** at Montgomery Center starting at 5:30 p.m. This will consist of a Reception (BYOB), Appetizer Course, Entree, and Dessert. Each pair taking part will host one course for six people at their home and they will be hosted at two different homes for the other courses. You will meet different people at each course, and each pair will have a unique itinerary for the evening. This format has been used in other clubs to create a fun evening. Please contact Carmel Smith to sign up or if you have questions, at carmel.smith@att.net or call/text (408) 621-1467.

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 (Canaan) 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. to 5 p.m. in the Sequoia Room.

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



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.

Free e-waste recycling event in San Jose

Need to get rid of your old TVs, computers, printers, wires and cables? The Trash Punx is a non-profit organization partnering with the office of councilmember Pam Foley to host free drive-through e-waste recycling events in San Jose. All you need to do is load your e-waste in your car trunk, and you are able to stay in your car while volunteers unload the e-waste into the proper bins.

The next event is Saturday, March 30 from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. at Second Start – Pine Hill School, 1325 Bouret Dr, San Jose. For a complete list of accepted items and to RSVP for this recycling event, visit thetrashpunx.org/events

This event is recommended by the Sustainable Villages Community. Please visit the club's website at sustainablevillages.vgcc.club



Sustainable Villages Club

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



Easter Sunday March 25—John 20:1-9

By Msgr. Stephen Perata

Light dispels the darkness and Easter joy the sorrow of Good Friday. The Cross is empty, the Tomb is open. The guards appointed to secure it, are shaken to see, as others would, the Tomb's large burial stone rolled back on its inclined track, its Roman seal broken. Within the tomb there is no body just the cloths that held it bound and in a place by itself the cloth that covered the face and head neatly folded. When the women viewed the scene, they were shocked and puzzled and hurried back to tell the others what they had witnessed.

To see for themselves, Peter and John ran to the tomb and saw what the women had seen and returned to tell the other disciples what they saw in the Open Tomb. The question that lingered in their hearts, was, "What happened to the One we love?" As the Gospel concludes "They did not yet understand that He had to rise from the dead." Later that night with the doors being locked Jesus stood in the room with them, spoke with them. At first, they thought Him to be a ghost, but rejoiced when He ate with them and even invited them to go into the world and spread the Good News. Their lives were changed.

Jesus embraced the cross in death to forgive our sins. His death was for us. From what He did in service for us, we learn to be imitators of Him and serve in the here and now by doing for others what He did for us. Through the Cross, our lives have purpose. In the Resurrection our lives have eternity.

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., April 8 at Vineyard Center.**



COMMUNITY CHAPEL

'You are invited to attend'

By Pastor Bill Hayden

Occasionally, someone will send you an invitation to attend a fantastic event. They will inform you of the person, place, date, and what to wear at the celebration. The invitation is sent well ahead of time to give you ample time and preparation to attend or decline. Sometimes, the event could be scheduled six months to a year or more in advance based on resources, location, and attending costs. Only your presence is needed currently!

You are cordially invited to attend our **Easter Resurrection Celebration Cantata on Sunday, March 31** at the Villages Community Chapel at 10 a.m. in the Cribari Auditorium.

God sent us an invitation to be forgiven through Christ's death, burial, and resurrection so that our past can be pardoned and our future secure. "Since we have been made right with God by our faith, we have peace with God," states Romans 5:1. At last, peace with God, family, neighbors, and even those who once were considered enemies.

"God is no longer a foe but a friend because of His great mercy that has been extended to us."

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

"Happy Resurrection Sunday"

EPISCOPAL

'God's Friday'

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

What in heaven's name could be good about this Friday? It recalls the day that Jesus died what was—by all accounts—a painful and shameful death. There is actually little consensus on how this English appellation came to be, although it may have come from the medieval German Gottes Freitag (God's Friday). Other European countries described this day of days as "the Holy and Great Friday" (Greek), "Holy Friday" (Romance Languages) and Karfreitag (Sorrowful Friday) in contemporary German. In other words, contemporary English is unique in describing the day as "good."

But maybe our language points to a deeper truth about this holy day. If we understand it as "God's Friday," then we know that God is sovereign even over this worst of days, when Jesus chose to suffer rather than return violence. Or if we look for the actual good in the day, we might remember that this was the day in which Jesus' willing obedience opened the path of eternal life which all of us are invited to follow. Jesus faced his own death in faithfulness to God's plan, that all might live. And that makes a day of great and holy sorrow into very Good News.

Alleluia! Please join us at 9 a.m. at Montgomery Center on Easter Sunday to celebrate the risen Christ. Alleluia.



Celebrate Easter with music

Easter Sunday will be here soon and the best way to celebrate this joyous occasion is to come to Cribari Auditorium on **Sunday, March 31 at 10 a.m.** to hear the Easter story set to music. Join members and friends of The Villages Community Chapel as we listen to a beautiful Easter Cantata titled "The Easter Story" written by Tom Fettke and Thomas Grassi. Musical soloists will be Madeline Yannaconne, Caroline Baker and Chris Leisy and narrators will be Diana Hallock and Nick Yannaconne. Come and bring your family and friends. All are welcome.

SPORTS NEWS

Celebrate Villages Tennis Scholarship's 20th Anniversary

By Claire Hintergardt

Since 2004, fifty-four Silver Creek High School students have earned Villages Tennis Scholarships! The scholarships are awarded to students who have excelled academically and have been members of the Silver Creek High School tennis team for a minimum of two years.

This year, four scholarships of \$4,000 each will be awarded to deserving and outstanding students. Biology, medicine, computer science and education have been among the students' varied fields of study.

Wendy Ferguson, a Villager and a Tennis Club member, has led a team of committed Villagers since the inception of the scholarships. The team focus is fundraising for the Villages Tennis Scholarship. The sources of funds have included direct donations, tennis tournaments, dinners, raffles and auctions of local merchant donated services and goods. The local community and businesses have been generous with their support.

Donations are welcome (made out to "Villages Tennis Club Scholarship") and may be sent to: **The Villages Tennis Club ATTN: Wendy Ferguson, 5000 Cribari Lane, San Jose, CA 95135**

TENNIS TALK



Tournament winners Paul Spiser, Brett Foreman and Marty Funcell



Hospitality Chairs, Andrea Alvarez and Nancy Domingo



Tournament Directors Cheryl Diltz and Joy Rem

By Joy Rem and Betty Olsen

Our first tournament of the season, The Prescott tournament, was held on Saturday, March 16. We had a beautiful day and 32 tennis players signed up. We also had many spectators in the viewing stand. They enjoyed watching the tennis while enjoying the wonderful spread provided by the hospitality committee, made up of Nancy Domingo and Andrea Alvarez. The registration fee was a \$15 donation to VMA. We also received some extra donations from tennis club members.

The tournament ran from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. Each player played for two hours with an hourlong break in between sessions. The players were divided into two groups (grouped red and group white). Players played 12 games, four games with each player in the group or 20 minutes with each partner, whichever came first. Each player had a printed card to keep track of the games they won with each partner. At the end of play the games were added to determine the winners. Here are the lucky winners:

Red group (men): First place: Marty Funcell and Paul Spisar (tie). Second place: Brett Foreman

Red group (women): First place: Karen Hillis. Second place: Mitzi Macon, Lolivic Shaw and Sharon Bartells (tie)

White group (men): First place: Jay Desai. Second place: Don Clarke. Third place: Randy Shaw

White group (women): First place: Nancy Domingo. Second place: Shirley Mariani. Third place: Tina Parsley

Prizes were awarded to the top three winners in each group. The Tennis Club generously donated over \$700 to the VMA through this event

A special thanks to Joy Rem and Cheryl Diltz, Tournament Directors, for such a well organized Prescott Tournament.

Tennis is in full swing for the Villages Tennis Club. The men have registered a USTA team and would enjoy a filled viewing stand of supporters for their home matches all at 3:30 p.m. on Sunday, March 24, Saturday, April 6, Sunday, April 14, Sunday, April 28, and Saturday, May 11.

Also, the women's USTA team has two home matches left: Monday, March 25 and Monday, April 8.

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 21, 2024, was another great day for some golf, sunny and warm, but the greens were heavily sanded. Only eight Ironmen played, so there were no sweeps. The results were as follows:

Arkadi Galicki had the **Low Net** of 21; Doug Herring and Victor Hong tied for **Low Gross** with 29s; and Victor Hong won **Closest to the Flag** at 5' 6."

There were three **Birdies**: David Cook and Victor Hong on hole 3; and Doug Herring on hole 8.

Golfer of the Day honors go to Victor Hong with low gross, a birdie, and closest to the flag. Way to go, Victor.

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:

"One minute you're bleeding. The next minute you're hemorrhaging. The next minute you're painting the Mona Lisa." - Mac O'Grady, American Professional Golfer, describing a typical round of golf.

"Golf is like a chain. You always have to work on the weakest links." - George Archer, winner of The Masters

SHONIS

By Betty Hall



Captain's Trophy winner Donna Erickson

Before March finishes, the Shonis want to share our March Captain's Trophy winner. Donna Erickson took home both the low gross and the low net trophies with her great game of 37 gross and net 18. Congratulations, Donna.

Last week, we golfed on Monday due to the Par 3 being aerated on Tuesday. But that was OK because it was a great day for golf as evidenced by the 21 Shonis and three qualifiers who came out to golf. No birdies but lots of great games. Welcome to our three new Shonis, Amy Lo, Barbara Berman and Karen

Potts as well as Robin Fish who completed her qualifying game last week.

April hopefully brings nice golfing weather so we can get our Swinger/Shoni mixer done as well as starting our eight-week Eclectic game.



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PICKLEBALL

By Anahid Gregg

For more information about Pickleball, visit our website at villagespickleball.vgcc.club

The Pickleball Board is filled with dedicated people who encourage new players, organize events, and most importantly, have fun! They all put in time to make sure the Club runs smoothly so we wanted to share your board with you.



David Wong, Anita Curren, Sherry Benz, Joyce Kludt, Michelle McQuay and Anahid Gregg

brings us strong organizational skills.

Anahid Gregg was a club founder who runs our website, YourCourts and communications.

Treasurer **Betty Olsen** has also been on the board since our inception, and keeps us solvent!

Tournament Directors **Sherry Benz** and **Michelle McQuay** organize all our fun events and tournaments. Hope you made it to that great dance earlier this month!

Anita Curren is our new Secretary. She keeps track of everything that goes on—which is a big job!

Don Kludt handles Court Operations, handling all management requests and keeping our courts in tip-top shape.

We're also supported by our chairpersons, who also do a lot to keep us going:

Publicity Chair **Terry Holmquist** was a former Club President!

Membership Chair **Ginny Spencer** also welcomes our new residents.

Garry Gray steps up to fundraise when needed.

Player Introduction is **Mike Walias**, with followup by **Larry Martinson**, **Donna Quartaro**, and **Liz Kung**. Ball Machine Training is done by **Michelle McQuay** and **Larry Rosene**.

Melinda Dobbs is our Sunshine person.

Lucy Pousho is our Past President, always available to pass on her extensive knowledge.

The Pickleball Club is extremely lucky to have such a talented group of people to ensure we continue to be a welcoming and fun Club! See these pictures of our Pickleball Board. Not pictured are Betty Olsen, Don Kludt and Lucy Pousho.

Stay tuned for more profiles from Terry!



Michelle McQuay, David Wong, Anita Curren, Sherry Benz, Anahid Gregg and Joyce Kludt

18-HOLE WOMEN

By Chris Leisy

Hats off to Gloria Landry for the idea and scheduling our Saturday tournaments. Thank you, Kerry Besmehn and Lo Rube. Our first Saturday Tournament was a huge success with golf and food beyond expectations hosted by Kerry and Lo. A grand time was had by all. It was Queen of the Greens with a Stableford Format.

First: Kathy Apgar, Gloria Landry, Mary Jo O'Neill, Bette Samdahl

Second: Janelle Salvatierra, Vicki Krattli, Gisele Barber, Janis LeCompte

Third: Karen Davidson, Inge McQuiddy, Camille Giuliiodibari, Betty Sharps

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

Our First Six Club Event took place on Sunday, March 17. It was a fun event and the results are below. Thank you to Mary Wagle and her committee for putting this together. Great first Sunday Sweeps! There were 12 Teams, 47 players.

First: Marky Olsen, Camille Giuliiodbari, Kerry Besmehn, LoAnn Rube

Second: Marlo Beltrano, Matt Galloway, Mary Kelly, Clayton Krinard

Third: Mikey Wagle, Mary Wagle, Debbie Moore, Doug Moore

Fourth: Larry Martinson, Paul Lewis, Myrion Costs, Bob Dando

This week was a no sweeps week but there were chip ins and birdies plus 1 eagle by Janis LeCompte on #1

Birdies: Vicki Krattli #12, Sue Anderson #13, Bette Samdahl #18

Chip ins: Mary Jo O'Neill #3 & #18, Mazie Rice #10, Vicki Krattli #12

Note: Last week's article omitted that Marie LeBlanc and Barbara Nilsen had chip-ins for a total of \$7.50 each.

Look forward to April events. April 4 is Captains Trophy. Get a partner for beat the pro on April 25.

BOCCE NEWS



Villagers rally to reach almost 50% of Bocce court fundraising goal

By Tom Hunt

It is with immense gratitude and excitement that we share with you the progress we've made in our fundraising efforts to support the Villages Golf and Country Club's Bocce project. Thanks to your unwavering support and generosity, we've reached a significant milestone in our journey. However, the road ahead still requires our collective dedication and commitment to achieving our goals.

The Evergreen Villages Foundation (EVF) board has agreed to match all donations raised by the community up to our goal of \$60,000, which means your support goes twice as far.

All donations are appreciated, but as an additional incentive we will be recognizing all donors contributing at least \$1,000 to the project by engraving their names on pavers to be installed at the Bocce courts.

Donation Categories:

Diamond	\$25,000 or more
Platinum	\$10,000 to \$24,999
Gold	\$5,000 to \$9,999
Silver	\$2,500 to \$4,999
Bronze	\$1,000 to \$2,499

The EVF is accepting donations from our residents for enhancements to the Bocce project approved by the Villages Golf and Country Club Board of Directors. EVF is a tax-exempt, 501(c)(3) non-profit, charitable organization which means donations may qualify as charitable contributions (please check with your tax planner/adviser first). You can make out a check to the Evergreen Villages Foundation (enter Bocce fundraiser in comments) and mail to EVF at 5000 Cribari Lane, San Jose, CA 95135.

As we look ahead, let us recommit ourselves to the cause and double our efforts to fund enhancements to the Villages Golf and Country Club's approved Bocce project. Together, we have the power to turn our vision into reality and make a lasting difference in the lives of our fellow community members.

Stay tuned for updates on the construction progress, our 2024 event calendar by visiting the bocce website, villagesbocce.vgcc.club and most importantly get involved with the Bocce Club, we are having a ball!



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FROM THE PRO



By Scott Steele, PGA Head Golf Professional

TaylorMade Fitting Day—Friday, April 7 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Come out and try the new TaylorMade Qi10 drivers and woods! The new Qi10 features their carbon face technology as well as the speed slot and movable weight ports to control left to right or right to left ball flights.

The Qi10 will be available in three models to fit every golfer: Qi10 Low Spin for the lower handicap player looking to reduce spin. Qi10 for the golfer looking for mid spin and launch and deadly accuracy. Qi10 Max for the golfer looking for high spin with maximum stability extreme forgiveness. Already being used by PGA Tour stars like Rory McIlroy and Tiger 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

New Sand Test Bunker—This week we will be removing the sand in the street side sand bunker at the Montgomery Practice Green Complex. It will be closed temporarily in preparation for the new test sand to be installed. We apologize for any inconvenience.

This bunker will subsequently be refilled with the new G3 Premium Sand that is proposed for the golf course bunkers as part of the upcoming bunker renovation project. This test bunker will provide us with an opportunity to see, feel and test the playability of the proposed new sand. Please let us know if you have any questions.

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— Short Way to Success

With over 60 percent of your strokes coming from inside of 100 yards, it is essential that you spend a proportionate amount of time on your short game as you practice. That means 60 percent+ of your practice time should be spent on your short game. You should devote most of your short game practice to putting and pitching. These two shots make up the majority of your short game strokes. And lucky enough, it just so happens that here at The Villages we have ample areas to practice your short game. So, as I have said before, spend 10 minutes per day putting...use 1 ball and simulate real golf. Then go spend another 20 minutes pitching at one of our fine short game practice greens. And best of all, put pitching and putting together and go play the Par-3 Course which is probably the best way to practice your 100 yards & in game... it has nine holes ranging from 60-125 yards, with greens that perfectly simulate the speed on our 18-hole course greens; and once you are out there, you can play as many holes as you like. Let us know if these tips help. To sign up for a lesson with me, email ssteele@the-villages.com

Junior Camps are back!

Back by popular demand we will be hosting Junior Camps this summer. So that you can plan ahead, here are the dates and times for this summer's junior camps.

June 24-27 Monday-Thursday,

8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

July 15-18 Monday-Thursday,

8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

July 29-August 1 Monday-Thursday,

8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Junior Camps will be limited to 12 juniors per session, first come first served.

Registration will start April 1. Call the Pro

Shop at (408) 274-3220 extension #1 to sign up.

More details to follow...



WOMEN'S 9-HOLE



By Pam McCarthy

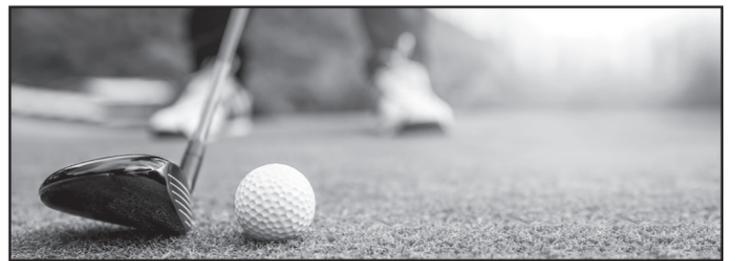
Monday, March 18 was really our "Tuesday," (was it April Fool's Day?) Alas, now that the rain and winter are behind us, it is the season for the course's spring maintenance to take place. The greens were punched, sanded and well prepared for the martyrs. We had a nice turnout as foursomes were stacked up on the front nine with A and B groups on most of the tees.

There were no Sweeps on this brilliantly crisp Monday-Tuesday, but chips-in and birdies awarded. Gisele Barber got a "Birdie" on hole #4 and this lucky writer got a "Chip-in" on hole #2. Those conquests confirmed the golf statute: "Any change a golfer makes to their game is completely effective for up to a max of three holes..."

This autumn we look forward to our major fundraising event, "Charity of Choice." Do you have a special charity close to your heart? Here's a chance to bring it front and center to receive nice donations by chairing this event with your hand selected committee. Share your ideas with our dynamic leader Gisele Barber.

In closing, I would like to share some recent research on the annual energy statistics credited to golfers. "A recent study found that the average golfer walks about 900 miles a year. Another study found golfers drink about 22 gallons of adult beverages annually. Which means on average, golfers get about 41 miles to a gallon." This makes me feel proud.... I almost feel like a hybrid.

PINSEEKERS



By Jim White

March 22 was an exceptionally good day for golf on the back nine. Too warm to wear a jacket but still enough of a wind to make one wonder if they should put their jacket back on. Since we had only nine members signed up by Thursday, no sweeps or championship points were awarded. What we did have was a couple of hours of fun.

Since the start of 2024 we've only played eight "tournament" nine-hole rounds with an average of 12 Pinseekers per week, giving concern that our afternoon start may be too late in the day for many members. We will soon find out as we wrap up afternoon play on March 29 and begin morning play on April 12 at 8 a.m.

Aside from weather helping us to better scores (?), touring pros and teaching pros agree that to improve one's game, we need practice. Jack Niklaus once said, "Confidence is the most important factor in this game, and no matter how great your natural talent, there is only one way to acquire and maintain it: work." I guess as the weather improves, we will be seeing more of our golf friends at the driving range, the chipping greens and the practice putting green. We can also expect to see more golfers on the short nine working on their eighty-to-150-yard game.

This season, Spring to Fall, the Villages golfers are receiving a great gift from the Swingers (women's long course, nine-hole club). They are organizing and hosting over a dozen evening nines on the long course, and more. A great chance to spend time with neighbors and, once again, have fun. Watch for information coming soon.

MEN'S GOLF CLUB



By Kurt Pagnini kurt.pagnini@gmail.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!**

2024 Evergreen Invitational: This year's Evergreen Invitational is scheduled for July 7-11. This is a MGC Major, so plan accordingly to be there for the fun and festivities!

Also, should you know a club member who may be interested in helping out, please direct them to Bill Morefield, The Evergreen Chairman at bill_morefield@yahoo.com. **Remember, there are still a number of positions that remain to be filled and we would sincerely appreciate your help.**

Golf Thoughts:

"It took me 17 years to get 3,000 hits. I did it in one afternoon on the golf course." - Hank Aaron.

"I'm about 5 inches from being an outstanding golfer. That's the distance my left ear is from my right." - Ben Crenshaw

"When your shot has to carry over a water hazard, you can either hit one more club or two more balls." - Henry Beard.

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

Executive Committee Meeting: The Men's Golf Club Executive Committee meets the first Tuesday of the month at 8:30 a.m. in Montgomery Center. The next meeting will be **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.

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

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.



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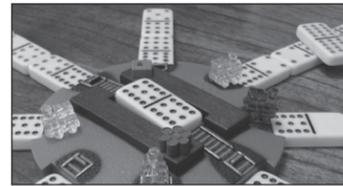
BRIDGE

- Monday, March 18:**
1. Selma Chastaine - Sylvia Rozewicz
 2. Jane Michaels – Guest
 3. Bosh Singh - Bonnie Taylor

- Wednesday, March 20:**
1. Mary LeGrand - Ed logg
 2. Barbara Waldman - Mel Waldman
 - 3/4. Jan Kiernan - Jonna Robinson
 - 3/4. Alan Waltho - Maureen Waltho

- Friday, March 22:**
1. Lorrie Scott – Guest
 2. Ed Logg - Jonna Robinson
 3. Mary LeGrand - George Welch

MEXICAN TRAIN DOMINOES



- Wednesday, March 20**
- Bev Waller-Wharton 193
 - Remy Pessah 229
 - Sandy Gardiner 284

- Friday, March 22**
- Sylvia Rozewicz 211
 - Carol Souza 231
 - Kitty Heston 235

SHONIS

Tuesday, March 19
All Nets

- Flight One:**
1. Barb Orlando 21
 2. Manoli Kelly 23
 3. Joyce Baptiste 24

- Flight Two:**
1. Tied. Judy Rogers and Julianna Wahlgren 25
 2. Tied Nancy Chesterton and Kacy Walden 26

- Flight Three:**
1. Sabrina Malcolmson 17
 2. Tahera Khalil 22
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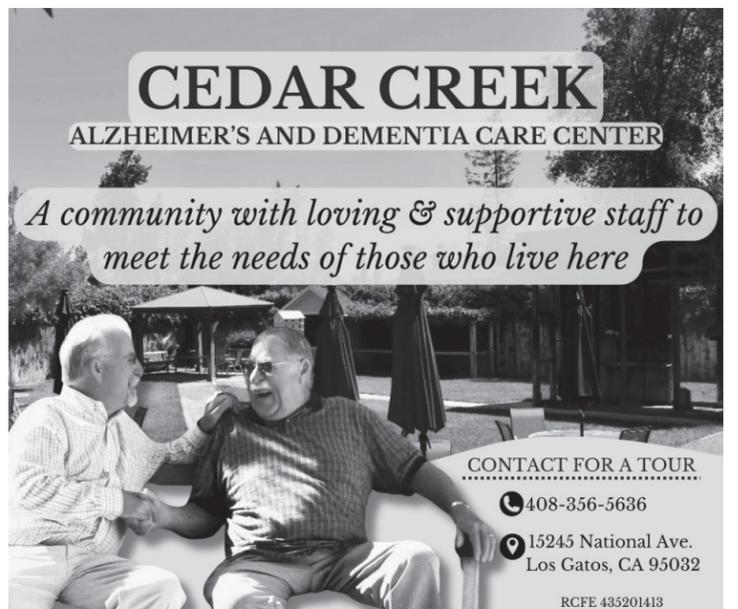
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MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE

Cribari

5090-5153 and 5210-5233—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control in progress.

Cribari Center—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control, 4/1-4/5.

5082-5089—Replacing main water line in progress.

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 4/1.

Seasonal Maintenance—Liquidambar tree fruit suppression (Florel growth regulator). EPA.REG.No.54705-8 treatment, 4/2-4/5.

Del Lago

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

Seasonal Maintenance—Plum tree fruit spray reduction in progress.

Seasonal Maintenance—Liquidambar tree fruit suppression (Florel growth regulator). EPA.REG.No.54705-8 treatment, 4/2-4/5.

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.

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 4/1.

Glen Arden

7754-7786 (even) and 7791-7867—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control in progress.

7698-7752 and 7753-7787 (odd)—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control, 5/13-5/17.

Seasonal Maintenance—Liquidambar tree fruit suppression (Florel growth regulator). EPA.REG.No.54705-8 treatment, 4/2-4/5.

Roof replacement throughout the district, in planning.

Heights

8448-8463 and 8510-8519—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control in progress.

8480-8505—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control, 5/6-5/10.

Hermosa

8350-8387 and 8400-8446—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control in progress.

8005-8032, 8100-8121 and around lower Chardonay Lake area—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control, 5/6-5/10.

Sprinkler system testing in progressing throughout the district.

Seasonal Maintenance—Liquidambar tree fruit suppression (Florel growth regulator). EPA.REG.No.54705-8 treatment, 4/2-4/5.

Highland

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

Gutter cleaning in progress throughout the district.

Montgomery

6184-6245, 6337-6361 and Montgomery Center—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control in progress.

6001-6068 and 6127-6136—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control, 4/29-5/3.

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

Court and Place—ProChip jet mulch installation, in progress.

Seasonal Maintenance—Liquidambar tree fruit suppression (Florel growth regulator). EPA.REG.No.54705-8 treatment, 4/2-4/5.

Olivas

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

Seasonal Maintenance—Liquidambar tree fruit suppression (Florel growth regulator). EPA.REG.No.54705-8 treatment, 4/2-4/5.

Sonata

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

Valle Vista

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

Verano

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

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.

Sprinkler system testing in progress throughout the districts.

Seasonal Maintenance—Liquidambar tree fruit suppression (Florel growth regulator). EPA.REG.No.54705-8 treatment, 4/2-4/5.

Club Centers

Clubhouse, Tennis Courts and Driving Range—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control in progress.

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, scheduled to reopen 4/20.

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.

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EVF's shredding event is April 20

It's that time of year again! If you've been sifting through your papers and receipts for tax filing and found yourself with a pile of sensitive documents to dispose of, worry not. The Evergreen Villages Foundation (EVF) is here to assist.

On **Saturday morning, April 20** between **9 a.m.** and **11:15 a.m.**, a professional shredding truck will be available in the Cribari East parking lot. Instead of tossing your papers into the trash, where they might be seen by prying eyes, bring them to the EVF event. You can witness their secure shredding, leaving you confident that your sensitive information is thoroughly destroyed.

The donation for this service is \$10 per box or bag (approximately 20 pounds), payable on the spot in cash or by check only. Please make sure to exclude color paper, folders, and other heavy materials.

Additionally, if you have any flags you'd like to retire, you can drop them off. They will be disposed of during the Villages Veteran's Club annual July 4 event at Gazebo Park.



Proceeds from events like the shredding initiative contribute to the EVF's General Fund, which enhances Village amenities for residents' comfort and benefit. If you're interested in working with the EVF to improve the Villages lifestyle, visit evfsj.org and become a Sustaining Member for as little as \$5 per month. One-time donations can also be made via the website at any time.

More BOARDS & COMMITTEES

Homeowners' 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.

(SRS) SENIOR RESOURCE SERVICES

Don't let the 'Widow's Penalty' blindsides you

When one spouse passes away, the surviving spouse will likely have less income and will likely pay more income taxes. Are you planning for this?

The "widow's penalty" occurs when a person's tax filing status goes from married filing jointly to single. This change can cause the surviving spouse to have to pay more in taxes compared to what the couple was paying previously.

Here is a simple example. H and W filed their taxes jointly for 2022. Each received Social Security (SS), and both were older than 73, which means they were required to take Required Minimum Distributions (RMDs) from their IRAs. Their income from their RMDs was \$60,000, H's SS \$48,000, W's SS \$24,000 for total income of \$132,000. Their income tax was \$11,579.

H has died. W is required to continue the same RMD because she is the IRA beneficiary and continues to receive H's RMD. One individual can only receive one SS benefit. The smaller of the SS amounts goes away so W is now receiving H's SS and her benefit no longer exists. Her total income is now \$108,000. This is the former total of \$132,000 reduced by the \$24,000 reduction in SS. For a single taxpayer, the tax on \$108,000 is \$14,565. If you prefer to see the numbers in a column, the summary is below.

Married	Filing Jointly	Filing Single
RMD	\$60,000	\$60,000
W SS	\$24,000	0
H SS	\$48,000	\$48,000
Nontaxable SS	(\$10,800)	(\$7,200)
Std. Ded.	(\$28,700)	(\$14,700)
Taxable Inc.	\$92,500	\$86,100
Income Tax	\$11,579	\$14,565

Studying the numbers, W now has \$24,000 less income yet will pay \$2,986 more in income tax for a total of \$26,986 less dollars in her pocket. Yes, some living costs will decrease. There are now health insurance premiums, food, and clothes for only one person. But many costs such as HOA, property tax and insurance will remain the same.

There is no magic solution for this. But you need to be aware of this problem and try to prepare with extra savings to cover the decrease in Social Security and the increase in income tax when a spouse dies.

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 Note:

New online application for clean air vehicle decals

Californians applying for a Clean Air Vehicle (CAV) decal can now enter the digital service express lane with a new online option from the DMV. Customers with a qualifying zero- or low-emission vehicle can skip the paper application, save the stamp, and simply go to dmv.ca.gov to complete the process quickly and conveniently. It allows customers to confirm their vehicle's eligibility instantly and expedite their request so they can receive their decal sooner.

The DMV encourages customers waiting to receive their decal after applying by mail to reapply online for faster service. Their paper check and application will be voided once the DMV processes the electronic application.

Association Board Voting Record for March 26, 2024

Association Voting Record for March 26, 2024										
		Board Members*							Comments	Costs
		DH	MS	PR	JW	DC	JE	SG		
1	Approval Consideration of Proposed Changes to Association Policy APr 202 District Advisory Committees	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	By consensus the Board agreed to postpone this item for further review and to bring it back to the next monthly meeting.	\$0
2	Consideration to Approve Pursuing FireWise Certification	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	The Board approved pursuing FireWise certification for The Villages. Actual application will be presented to the ABOD before submission.	\$0
3	Resolution Honoring Villages' Volunteers	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	The Board approved the resolution commending Villages' volunteers. A special recognition event to be held on Monday, April 22, 2024, at 9:30 a.m. at the Clubhouse.	\$0
4	Review to Approve - AC Solar Conditionally Approved Application: 7634 Buckhaven Drive	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	The Board conditionally approved the installation of solar system on common area sloped roof located at 7634 Buckhaven Drive pending alternative proof of receipt of revocable easement recordation, including a copy of the signed and notarized document and owners submitting required insurance and city permit paperwork including comments to AC prior to starting construction.	\$0
5	District Advisory Committee (DAC) Appointments and Resignation	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	The Board approved Charles Kalb and Gail Tuft as Olivas DAC Co-Chairs and accepted with appreciation for her service, the resignation of Helen Paris from the Olivas DAC.	\$0
6	Association Director Candidate Solicitation	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	President Diana Hallock announced that the deadline for anyone interested in running for the Association Board is March 26, 2024, at 5:00 p.m.	\$0
7	Approval Consideration to Transfer Funds for Partial Payment on Outstanding Loan for 2023 Property Insurance Premium	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	The Board approved the transfer of \$333,000 from the Association's Operating Fund to the Reserve Fund for the partial payment on the outstanding loan of \$1,336,000 used to help pay the 2023 property insurance premium of June 2023 with balance of \$1,003,000 to be paid back by June 30, 2024.	\$333,000
8	Discuss Prior Exclusionary Encroachment Votes	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	With the new approval vote threshold, the Board, by consensus, agreed to not require the prior exclusionary encroachment applications to be reviewed by the Architectural Committee and Association Board and let the owners proceed with another round of project votes.	\$0
9	General Discussion to Consider Establishing Standards For The Association Board to Grant Waivers for Homeowners on Architectural Compliance Rules	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	This item was removed from the agenda.	\$0
Total APPROVED Expenditures this meeting										\$333,000

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

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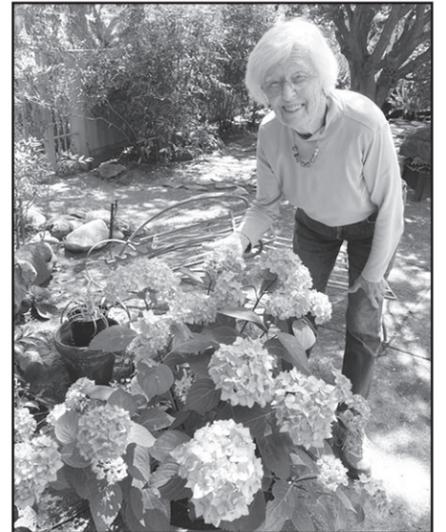
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OBITUARY

Dorothy Horst

August 7, 1928 - March 9, 2024

Dorothy Horst, 95, passed away peacefully in her home on the afternoon of March 9, 2024. She was preceded in death by her husband of 55 years, Frank, and leaves behind four children, seven grandchildren and eight great grandchildren. Dorothy enjoyed almost 40 years living here in The Villages.



She was often seen walking her dog in the neighborhood or putting in her beautiful rose garden. A highlight in her week was always Game Night at Charlotte's with several fun friends. Dorothy was a proud graduate of San Jose State University and taught elementary school in Sunnyvale. The family wants to thank the "Care On Call" Caregivers, especially Lupe who became our mother's friend over the past four years. We couldn't have done it without you. Thank you also to the wonderful Hospice team that cared for all of us. We leave you with this little poem that Dorothy learned from her mother as a child and repeated to us all our lives. "Your mind is a garden, your thoughts are the seeds. You can grow flowers or you can grow weeds."

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