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The Villager Online in the final stretch to go live July 1

The Villager Online launches this week. In tandem with the printed version, *The Villager Online* will be just a click away, while *The Villager* newspaper will be available to you in its traditional format. Starting Monday, emails that link you to highlighted online news taking you directly to the articles—and we hope you stay to enjoy the colorful photos and take advantage of the online advertisements. By clicking on the ad that catches your interest, you go straight to more details. If you haven't seen *The Villager Online*, see it now in its pre-release form! Please visit: news.thevillagesgcc.com

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Sign up now to get access to The Villager Online!

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EVF planned gift helps fund upgrade to golf course bunkers

In what has been one of the most anticipated projects in years, pre-planning work has begun on renovating the Villages golf course bunkers. You can see examples of the planned upgrades using the bright white sand on the practice greens adjacent to the driving range.

The project was made possible in part by over an \$800,000 donation from longtime resident and golfer Dutch Johnson through a tax-free donation to the Evergreen Villages Foundation (EVF) Planned Giving Program. Known as the Dutch Johnson Legacy Fund, it is an example of how the EVF Planned Giving Program can enhance our Villages community.

Projects such as the golf course bunker renovation are consistent with the Evergreen Villages Foundation's mission to improve Village amenities for the benefit and comfort of residents. If you would like to work with the EVF in designing a Planned Gift contact EVF President Debbie Champion at (408) 960-6994.

And, if you would like to provide enhancements to the Villages lifestyle by contributing to the General Fund go to its website, evfsj.org and become a Sustaining Member. You can do this for as little as \$5 per month. Single one-time donations to the EVF via the website are welcome at any time.



Chinese Club goes all out to celebrate Dragon Boat Festival



The Villages Chinese Club filled Cribari Auditorium with a festive celebration of the Dragon Boat Festival on June 15. The event featured a lion dance (right), and colorful dancers on the stage. Front: Michelle Prest, Guanwei Che, Ling Yamaki. Back: Liiwan Ma and Luisa Zhang (See full article on page 12.)



Photos courtesy of the Chinese Club.

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.resident.thevillagesgcc.com/pulse, or emailed to Villager Managing Editor S. Hinrichs: shinrichs@the-villages.com.

Emailed letters must include the text within the body of the email and the subject line must read PULSE LETTER.

1 Pulse letter received this week.

1 Pulse letters published this week.

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

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

We Villagers reaped the benefit of "Democracy in Action" recently after the Club Board of Directors (CBOD) presented a total revision of the Club's Bylaws for proposed members vote in the coming weeks. Questions and serious concerns arose as Villagers began reviewing the draft. The CBOD did the wise thing and provided opportunities for members to voice those concerns – there were many – and the CBOD listened. Kudos to the Villagers who took the time to review the document and to relay questions and concerns to the CBOD. The final proof of "Democracy in Action" occurred during the June 25 monthly CBOD meeting. Kudos to the CBOD for acknowledging that their draft Bylaws document was a misstep and they have withdrawn it. Their current plan for revising is to red-line the current Club Bylaws so Villagers can readily see the proposed changes prior to a member vote later this year. All Villagers are members of the Club – and we all need to pay attention to Board actions. We know that being able to vote is an American privilege and each of us needs to cherish that privilege – and cast our vote when we're called upon to do so.

— Vera Buescher

The Villager Online emails arrive in your inbox beginning in July

As residents begin to access *The Villager Online*, we want to ensure you're kept current on the latest online news. To achieve this, we're sending Villagers emails that will directly link you to *The Villager Online* articles. Since FastLane readers look forward to their opt-in emails based on the topic of interest, the team will continue sending emails – now newly formatted – to those members.

• Based on the FastLane model, expect to receive Pro Shop, Clubhouse, and Community Activities-focused emails, with everyone getting a *Villager Online* notification in their inbox on Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays.

• Considering Villagers who have not opted in to the FastLane, the team will send emails to all those who have a Resident Portal account. These "read-all-about-it" *Villager Online* notifications will arrive in your inbox the first and third weeks of every month, aligning to *The Villager* in print.

To ensure you don't miss out on your online news, register online at: news.thevillagesgcc.com



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

IN MEMORIAM

Donna Myers

February 27, 1936 – May 26, 2024

(Please see obituary in the Classified Advertising section)

New – Obituaries are now also available online at news.thevillagesgcc.com/in-memorial

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: 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 Barbara Clurman at 669-234-4180, 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

Welcome New Residents!

New Resident Orientation is Wednesday, July 17

There will be a New Resident Orientation on Wednesday, July 17 at 3 p.m. at The Villages Clubhouse. This event is for new residents who have recently moved in and provides new residents with valuable information regarding community amenities, governance, rules, architectural control requirements, clubs and organizations, and other important information. For reservations please call 408-223-4674.

If you are unable to sign up for this orientation please keep your eyes on *The Villager* newspaper and the new *Villager Online* email blasts (formerly known as FastLane) for information about future sessions.

Note: For clubs and organizations wishing to attend, space is limited, so please call 408-223-4674 before July 12 to confirm attendance.

Association/Homeowners documents available via email

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

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

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

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

Club Board News:

The Club Board acknowledged that not providing a redline version of the existing Bylaws for comparison with proposed changes was a misstep. The decision to develop new bylaws was influenced by external consultants and trusted Villages members.

After evaluating feedback on the proposed bylaws, and the voting schedule, two key decisions were made:

- **Withdrawal of Proposed Bylaws:** The proposed Bylaws document has been withdrawn. Instead, the existing bylaws will be updated with a few important changes.

- **Rescheduled Vote:** The vote on the revised bylaws will now occur in November, with the final document ready by July 15.

The immediate changes to be included are the removal of the limitation on Capital funding and the addition of a new owner Initiation Fee. The proposed revisions in July will focus only on these changes and minor administrative improvements, aiming to implement them before next year's budgeting cycle.

A redline version will be available to clearly show the changes.

An ad hoc committee of Directors and Club Members will be formed to draft a comprehensive revision of the Bylaws by mid 2025, including community meetings for feedback before finalizing the document for a vote.

At the June 25, monthly Club Board meeting the following resolution was approved:

Whereas, the VGCC Board of Directors ("CBOD") has evaluated the process and feedback regarding the proposed revisions to the Club Bylaws; and

Whereas, it has been determined that withdrawing the proposed bylaws document and updating the existing bylaws to include only a few important changes is in the best interest of the Club; and

Whereas, the CBOD acknowledges the necessity of ensuring transparency and clarity in the bylaws revision process by providing a redline version for community review and consideration;

Now, therefore, be it resolved, that:

1. The proposed bylaws document is hereby withdrawn, and instead, the existing bylaws will be updated to include a few important changes, specifically removing the limitation on Capital funding and adding a new owner Initiation Fee.

2. The schedule for the vote on the revised bylaws is hereby adjusted, the vote on the newly proposed version of the bylaws will be moved to November ensuring adequate time for member review and feedback. This is based on having the final document ready for consideration by July 15.

3. An ad hoc committee comprising of Directors and club members shall be formed to propose additional revisions to the bylaws, focusing on other updates discussed previously. The committee shall aim to draft a revised document by the first half of 2025, ensuring transparency through community meetings and the provision of a redline version for member evaluation.

4. The CBOD hereby endorses this revised plan and schedule for updating the Club Bylaws, recognizing its importance for enhancing administrative processes and facilitating capital planning.

The Villages Sales - Past 10 days

Address	Bd	Ba	DOM	SqFt	\$/SqFt	Lot (SF)	List Price	Age	Sale Price
8759 McCarty Ranch Drive	2	2 1	81	2,205	\$560.09		\$1,245,988	26	\$1,235,000
8418 Chenin Blanc Lane	2	2 0	2	1,794	\$554.63	2,960 (sf)	\$965,000	46	\$995,000
7240 Via Mimosa	2	2 0	11	1,588	\$566.75		\$875,000	43	\$900,000
7039 Via Valverde	2	2 0	22	1,588	\$496.85		\$789,000	44	\$789,000
7752 Beltane Drive	2	2 0	24	1,490	\$510.07		\$750,000	35	\$760,000
5007 Cribari Vale	2	2 0	2	1,223	\$502.86		\$575,000	56	\$615,000

The Details

8759 McCarty Ranch Drive	Undisclosed Offers	All Cash	81 day close
8418 Chenin Blanc Lane	2 Offers	All Cash	2 day close
7240 Via Mimosa	1 Offer	Conventional Loan	11 day close
7039 Via Valverde	Undisclosed Offers	Conventional Loan	22 day close
7752 Beltane Drive	1 Offer	Conventional Loan	24 day close
5007 Cribari Vale	2 Offers	Conventional Loan	2 day close



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All Details deemed correct at the time of going to print.

Questions for the Club Board?

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



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

MANAGEMENT

Results of June battery recycling events



The Villages announces the two community-wide battery recycling events held in June resulted in 301 pounds of household batteries to be recycled safely with the Santa Clara County Hazardous Waste Disposal site. The June 7 event had 38 households and one DAC participating. The June 21 event included 29 households and one DAC. Thank you Villagers for Recycling Right! The next event will be Friday, July 5 from 9 a.m. – 10 a.m. the parking lot near the tennis courts.

Questions? Please contact Mary Tatum, Director of Special Projects and Sustainability at 408 754-1334 or mtatum@the-villages.com.

ADVERTISEMENT

Real Estate

There are 30 homes for sale and only 7 pending sales. This is typical for this time of the year. Sellers tend to put their homes on the market in the summer, while buyers tend to go on vacation and make lots of plans during summer. 30 homes for sale with only 7 sold is a pretty wide spread. High interest rates and market uncertainties might have something to do with it as well.

How can we afford it? The Demographia International housing affordability report examined the cost of housing worldwide and found that the most expensive areas are San Jose, Los Angeles, SF and San Diego. I have read a Forbes report in the past that had San Jose as one of the top 5 most expensive places to live. We are also home to 3 trillion-dollar companies.

Design corner. I was just in Summerlin Las Vegas at the Restoration Hardware store. It is 4 stories high with patios on top of the building. This last year they removed 95% of all gray in the building. The entire building interiors are camel color, browns with white couches and chairs. Even the walls were painted white. Grey is officially out and beige is in, or I should say camel is in.



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The Villager Online assistance is here—come to the WOW drop-in sessions in July

The WOW volunteers and the VMA are ready to help you navigate the new Villager Online and answer questions about The Villages' new automated business operations system. Cribari's **Sequoia Room** is reserved on the days and times listed below to drop in and get assistance! Volunteers will be ready to serve you. **Please bring your devices!**

One-on-one events in the Cribari Sequoia Room

- Friday, July 5: 11:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- Monday, July 8: 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. – all day
- Tuesday, July 9: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. – all day
- Wednesday, July 10: 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. – all day
- Thursday, July 11: 3:30 p.m. to 6 p.m.
- Friday, July 12: 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. – all day
- Monday, July 15: 12:30 p.m. to 6 p.m.
- Tuesday, July 16: 2:30 p.m. to 5 p.m.
- Wednesday, July 17: 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. – all day
- Thursday, July 18: 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
- Friday, July 19: 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. – all day

Questions? Email Communications at comms@the-villages.com or stop by Building B and ask for Elizabeth, AGM of Communications & Public Safety.

Villages Trash Enclosures—Please flatten your cardboard



Former resident Kermit Enander

Some Villagers might remember a former Villager, Kermit, who was on a quest to make sure cardboard boxes were flattened before recycling. We could use his wit and message again.

When disposing of cardboard boxes please flatten them before placing in the recycling bin.

Examples include tissue boxes, cereal and cracker boxes, delivery boxes, shoe boxes, packing boxes and mailing boxes. Remember, recycle right!



GOVERNANCE MEETINGS

AC NOTICE

Association applications for Owner Alteration Requests for the month of August are due to the Architectural Committee on or before July 16, 2024. Call Elissa at the Corporation Yard office to obtain an application. The meeting date is scheduled for **Thursday, August 1, 2024** at 9 a.m. at Montgomery Center.

Association AC Landscape meeting deadline date is **July 16, 2024**.

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

More COMMUNITY NOTICES

(SRS) SENIOR RESOURCE SERVICES

Who is responsible for transferring your low property tax base?

A Villager (we'll call her V) sold her Almaden Valley residence and moved to The Villages. She vaguely knew property tax law allowed the transfer of her Proposition 13 property base value from her previous property to her new residence. However, V mistakenly believed her realtor, or the title company would automatically make the transfer application on her behalf.

V became involved with her mother's care and other family problems. She automatically paid her property tax bills when due. Now four years later she read the recent SRS article about Prop 19 and discovered neither her realtor nor the title company filed the transfer application. The form's instructions state the form must be filed within three years of when her replacement residence was purchased. She asked SRS if she had waited too long to apply for the property tax relief.

Yes, it is late, but not all is lost; V is partially in luck. The County of Santa Clara will accept late transfer applications. However, a late application applies to the current and future years' taxes. It does not change V's tax base retroactively to her date of purchase.

V is currently paying property tax on a base of almost \$700,000. Her Almaden property tax base was a little over \$300,000. If her prior tax base is now transferred to her current residence, V will see about an annual \$5,000 reduction in her future property taxes. V has paid dearly for her mistake. The delay in filing has cost her about \$20,000 in four years. But she can go forward with a reduced property tax base from her Almaden Valley home.

The form to apply for the tax base transfer is available on the Santa Clara County Assessor web site at capropeforms.org/counties/santa_clara/form/BOE-19-B

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 Request:

Are you an attorney?

SRS is updating its list of attorneys who specialize in estates and trusts. Are you a Villager who would like to be added to the list? Or are you an extremely satisfied client of an attorney who lives close to The Villages and whom you could ask about inclusion on the list? Villagers would appreciate an estate attorney who would be willing to make house calls.

Please leave a message at the SRS office at 408-239-5253 or e-mail SRS at villagesrs@sbcglobal.net.

More **BOARDS & COMMITTEES,**
and **COMMUNITY NOTICES**
on pages &

BOARD MEETINGS

Association

- The Villages Association Board of Directors Monthly Board hybrid meeting is **Tuesday, July 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 Regular Meeting is **Tuesday, July 30 at 1:30 p.m.** in Foothill Center and on Zoom.

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

Contacting PG&E during a power outage

You can report or get more information about power outages during stormy weather (and under regular conditions, too) through some of the following ways: PG&E's 24-hour Customer Service number 1-800-743-5000.

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

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

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

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

THANK YOU

I want to thank everyone who sent cards and flowers when Bob passed. It helped to feel supported by our friends.

—Ruth Stiasny

The Villages Library and patrons recognized by Milpitas School District

By Maxine Amundson

At its board meeting on May 2024, the Milpitas Unified School District presented The Villages Library with a certificate of recognition for Outstanding Volunteers for 2023/2024. The library has been donating paperback books to the Santa Clara County Correctional Facility (Elmwood) and Main Jail (Hedding Street) on a regular basis for the past eight years. Thank you to Kristie Kayser, head librarian and Cheryl Peterson, book sales manager for designating duplicate copies of paperbacks donated by our Villagers to these facilities. It was said "that the gift of reading to the justice-involved adult learners is an incredible gesture that brings much joy to many." As Ernest Hemingway said, "There is no friend as loyal as a book." Thank you, Villagers, for donating your paperbacks to The Villages Library.



RECREATION

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

Community Activities is now called Recreation

As of this edition of The Villager, the former Community Activities Department is now called Recreation Services.

Recreation Services, in Building B, is open Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to noon, then 1 to 4 p.m. for walk-in traffic. We would be happy to help you with photocopying; faxing, accessing the Lost and Found, picking up keys (if you have a facility reservation), and accessing facilities like the Table Tennis Facility, Fitness Center and Billiards Room. Recreation Services can be reached via email at recreation@the-villages.com or 408-223-4643.

Get flexible in Yoga class

Sign up for Yoga on **Wednesdays, July 24 to August 28** (six classes) from 10 a.m. – 11 a.m., taught by Mariko Dugay in Cribari Auditorium. The cost is \$68.50 per person (equipment bought independently, see below).



This class combines easy moves to boost body awareness, flexibility and range of motion. Standing poses strengthen muscles and improve balance. You will also do seated, prone (lying on stomach, face down) or supine (lying on back, face up) postures on the mat. The class offers easier or more advanced options. Movements are slow and mindful.

Participants should be able to get up and down from the mat. The class suits everyone, from beginners to experienced students. Please bring your own yoga mat.

Register in Building B beginning Monday, June 24. The signup deadline is Friday, July 12 or sooner if class is filled.

Mariko Dugay is a Yoga Alliance-certified teacher. She finished her 200-hour training in 2017 and is close to completing her 500-hour certification. Mariko teaches Gentle Yoga, Mindful Flow and alignment-based Hatha Yoga.

Work out at Villages Fitness Center

Opened in May 2015, the Fitness Center is located near the Library behind the Cribari Center and spans 2800 square feet. It offers cardiovascular and weight training equipment for all fitness levels. Personal training is available through Villages-approved trainers. To learn about trainers and fees, check with Building B.

The center is open every day from 5 a.m. to noon and 1 to 10 p.m. It closes for cleaning from Noon to 1 p.m., ensuring a clean environment.

Residents can provide feedback by dropping a note in the suggestion box or emailing recreation@the-villages.com. The Fitness Center Advisory Committee, appointed by the Club Board of Directors, meets at 10:30 a.m. on the first Monday of each month to review feedback and ensure it meets residents' needs.

Have a wine-derful time at DeRose Vineyards!

Join us for a wine-in-a-million experience on **Thursday, August 1!** DeRose Vineyards, a family-owned winery with vines dating back to 1855, has opened a new tasting room in San Martin. Enjoy their bold, fruit-forward wines while learning about their rich history, diverse wine varieties and expert winemaking techniques.

We will depart from Cribari East Parking Lot at 11:15 a.m. with an estimated return time of 3 p.m.

We'll start with chardonnay paired with a gourmet charcuterie board. For lunch, enjoy red wines, including their top seller, alongside locally made wood-fired pizzas and Caesar salad. To finish, savor port with chocolate-covered walnuts.

Activity Level: Light Activity (mostly seated)

The cost per person is \$95 and includes tasting experience, lunch, escort and roundtrip transportation. A gratuity for the driver is included in the price, additional tipping is at your discretion.

All participants will receive a 10% discount on purchases. Purchases of \$100 or more will receive a 20% discount.

Register in Building B. The signup deadline is Friday, July 12 or sooner if filled.



Get fit with Aqua Zumba on Mondays

Join Aqua Zumba on **Mondays, July 22 to August 26** (six classes) from 3:45 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. at Foothill Pool. The cost is \$68.50 per person (equipment recommendations are listed below).

Taught by Elena Rodriguez Flores, Aqua Zumba is like "a dance party in the pool." It's a fun, low-impact and high-energy fitness class. This class mixes aqua aerobics with Latin moves. You can choose Monday, Wednesday or both. The water's resistance makes it easy on your joints. Water shoes are recommended, but not required. You'll keep your head above water, but a swim cap and goggles are suggested. Wearing appropriate swimwear is a must!



Register in Building B. Registration ends Friday, July 12 or sooner if spots fill up.

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

Aqua Zumba also available on Wednesdays

Join Aqua Zumba on **Wednesdays, July 24 to August 28** (five classes, skipping August 7) from 3:45 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. at Foothill Pool. The cost is \$57 per person (equipment recommendations are listed below).

Taught by Elena Rodriguez Flores, Aqua Zumba is like "a dance party in the pool." It's a fun, low-impact and high-energy fitness class. This class mixes aqua aerobics with Latin moves. You can choose Monday, Wednesday or both. The water's resistance makes it easy on your joints. Water shoes are recommended, but not required. You'll keep your head above water, but a swim cap and goggles are suggested. Wearing appropriate swimwear is a must!

Register in Building B. Registration ends Friday, July 12 or sooner if spots fill up.



Villages Guest Rooms are available

The Villages has four guest rooms available by reservation for guests of residents. They are located in Cribari Center above the library. All rooms are furnished with queen sized beds, ensuite bathrooms, small refrigerator, complimentary coffee, complimentary Wi-Fi and cable television. Room rates are \$100 per night for a room with one queen bed and \$111 for a room with two queen beds inclusive. No pets are allowed. Reservations are available up to six months in advance. To reserve a room please call 408-754-1336.

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.

Tips for preparing for power outages

Extended power outages may be the result of wildfires, earthquakes or other emergencies and may impact the whole community as well as the economy. In the event of such a power outage, you may be able to reduce some of the impact by being prepared. Review the following tips for ways you can ease potential difficulties.

Prepare NOW before the power goes out.

Take an inventory of items you need that run on electricity.

Talk to your medical provider about a power outage plan for medical devices powered by electricity and refrigerated medicines. Find out how long medication can be stored at higher temperatures and get specific guidance for any critical medications.

Have batteries and other alternatives to meet your needs when the power goes out.

Sign up for local alerts and warning systems. Monitor weather reports.

Install carbon monoxide detectors with battery backup in central locations on every level of your home.

Determine whether your home phone will work in a power outage and how long battery backup will last.

Review the supplies that are available in case of a power outage. Have flashlights with extra batteries for every household member. Have enough nonperishable food and water.

Put thermometers in the refrigerator and freezer so that you can know the temperature when the power is restored. Throw out food if the temperature is 40 degrees or higher.

Keep mobile phones and other electric equipment charged and gas tanks full.

Survive DURING the outage.

Keep freezers and refrigerators closed. The refrigerator will keep food cold for a few hours. A full freezer will keep the temperature for about 48 hours. Use coolers with ice if necessary. Monitor temperatures with a thermometer.

Maintain food supplies that do not require refrigeration.

Avoid carbon monoxide poisoning. Generators, camp

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About the Ready! Set! Go! Wildfire Action Plan:

Successfully preparing for a wildfire requires you to take personal responsibility for protecting yourself, your family and your property. We hope to give you the tips and tools you need to prepare and be successful.

To find more information:

About Ready! Set! Go! : www.WildlandFireRSG.org

Contact the San Jose Fire Department—Local station 11.

Santa Clara County Emergency Alert System—www.AlertSCC.org (Text your Zip Code to 888777 for emergency alerts.)

San Jose Office of Emergency Management: oes@SanJoseCa.gov

NIXLE Emergency Alert System—Register on EPC website: thevillagesepc.com or sign up with Public Safety at 408-239-5246.

Get Ready!

Prepare your family

- Create a Family Disaster Plan that includes meeting locations and communication plans and rehearse it regularly. Include in your plan the evacuation of large animals such as horses.
- Have fire extinguishers on hand and train your family how to use them.
- Ensure that your family knows where your gas shut-off is and how to use it.
- Plan several different evacuation routes.
- Designate an emergency meeting location outside the fire hazard area.
- Assemble an emergency supply kit as recommended by the American Red Cross.
- Appoint an out-of-area friend or relative as a point of contact so you can communicate with family members who have relocated.
- Maintain a list of emergency contact numbers posted near your phone and in your emergency supply kit.
- Keep an extra emergency supply kit in your car in case you can't get to your home because of fire.
- Have a portable radio or scanner so you can stay updated on the fire.

Get Set!

As Fire Approaches

- Evacuate as soon as you are set!
- Alert family and neighbors.
- Dress in long sleeves and pants. Have goggles and a dry bandana/particle mask handy.
- Ensure that you have your emergency supply kit on hand.

Inside Checklist

- Close windows, unlock doors.
- Remove flammable window coverings.
- Move flammable furniture to center of room.
- Plan several different evacuation routes.
- Shut off gas and pilot lights.
- Shut off air conditioner.
- Leave your house lights on!

Outside Checklist

- Bring all flammables inside the house.
- Turn off propane tanks.
- Shut off sprinklers. Don't leave on!
- Back car into driveway, shut doors/windows.
- Have an outside ladder ready.
- Extinguish small outside fires until you leave.
- Seal off attic and ground vents, if able.

Tips—If You Are Trapped

- Stay away from outside walls.
- Bring garden hose inside house.
- Patrol inside home for spot fires—extinguish.
- Wear long sleeved, cotton clothing.
- Stay hydrated—keep drinking water.
- Ensure that it is safe to exit home if it catches fire.
- Fill sinks and tubs for emergency water.
- Place wet towels under doors.
- After the fire has passed, check roof for fire.
- Check inside attic space for embers.
- Patrol your property for fire.
- Call 911 if you cannot put out fires with small amount of water.

GO! EARLY!

When to Leave

Do not wait to be told by authorities to evacuate. Leave early enough to avoid being caught in the fire, smoke or road congestion. If and when you are advised to leave—don't hesitate!

Where to Go

Leave to a predetermined location (it should be a low-risk area, such as a well-prepared neighbor's or relative's house, a Red Cross shelter or evacuation center, motel, etc.)

How to Get There

Have several travel routes in case one route is blocked by the fire or emergency vehicles and equipment. Choose an escape route away from the fire.

Emergency Supplies

- One gallon of water per person per day.
- Non-perishable food.
- First Aid kit, emergency blanket, multi-purpose tool.
- Flashlight, radio, extra batteries.
- Keys, cash, credit cards, travelers checks, cell phones and chargers.
- Map with evacuation routes.
- Family/emergency contact information.
- Sanitation supplies/personal hygiene items.
- Prescriptions and medications.
- Important numbers and documents.
- Photos/easily carried valuables.
- Hard drive information.

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 7/8 to 7/14

Monday, July 8

Beef Barley

Tuesday, July 9

Cream of Mushroom

Wednesday, July 10

Lentil

Thursday, July 11

Roasted Bell Pepper
and Artichoke with Feta
Cheese and Cilantro

Friday, July 12

Fisherman Stew

Saturday, July 13

Chef's Choice

Sunday, July 14

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.

The Villages Golf & Country Club

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

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

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

New updated Dinner Menu began Friday, June 14

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



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

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

Weekly Specials

For the week of 7/8 to 7/14

Breakfast Special:

Tuesday 7/9 to Sunday 7/14

Joe's Scramble: Ground Beef, Spinach, Mushrooms and Onions with Choice of Breakfast Side **\$15.95**

Lunch Specials:

Monday 7/8 to Sunday 7/14—11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Prawn Cocktail: Four Prawns in Cocktail Sauce with Avocado Relish and Lemon **\$14.95**

Philly Cheesesteak Sandwich: Sliced Beef, onions and Peppers with Pepper Jack Cheese and Chipotle Mayo with Choice of Side **\$16.95**

Dinner Specials:

Tuesday 7/9 to Sunday 7/14—5 p.m. to 8 p.m. (Last Seating)

Trout Amandine: 8-oz. Idaho Trout with a Lemon Butter Sauce and Toasted Almonds with Choice of Sides **\$27.95**

Five Point Salad: Prosciutto Wrapped Asparagus, Hearts of Palm, Bay Shrimp and Goat Cheese over Greens with Balsamic Vinaigrette **\$27.95**

Clubhouse Indoor, Patio Dining and Curbside Hours of Operation

Monday

Lunch:

11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Bistro Menu

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

Tuesday to Friday

Breakfast:

8 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Lunch:

11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Bistro Menu:

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

Dinner Menu:

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

Saturday and Sunday

Saturday Breakfast:

7 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Sunday Breakfast:

7 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Lunch:

11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Bistro Menu:

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

Dinner Menu:

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

Main phone line: 408-223-4687

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

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

Online

Reservation or Curbside Order: Clubhouserreservation.com

Email: theclubhouse@the-villages.com

More COMMUNITY NOTICES

New law introduces regulations for service charges and fees

Dear Members,

We want to inform you about important changes going into effect on July 1, 2024, to address SB 478 & 1524. This new law introduces regulations for service charges and fees in the Food and Beverage Service Industry, impacting our Bistro, Restaurant, Curbside and Catering operations. Here's what you need to know:

Overview of SB 478 and SB 1524:

SB 478: Authored by California Attorney General Rob Bonta and co-sponsored by the California Low-Income Consumer Coalition, SB 478 aims to enhance price transparency and prohibit deceptive advertising practices by requiring businesses to include all mandatory fees in advertised prices. Governor Gavin Newsom signed SB 478 into law October 2023.

SB 1524: Introduced by State Senator Bill Dodd, SB 1524 provides an exemption for restaurants from the comprehensive pricing mandate of SB 478. It allows restaurants to add service fees or surcharges as long as these are clearly disclosed on menus or advertisements. Governor Newsom signed SB 1524 into law on July, 2024

Key Changes:

- **Comprehensive Pricing (SB 478):** All advertised prices must include mandatory fees and charges, such as automatic gratuities or surcharges. This ensures that the prices you see are the total amounts payable upfront.
- **Transparency (SB 478):** While itemized breakdowns of charges will still be provided, the total cost will be clearly reflected on menus, promotional materials, and online platforms.
- **Mandatory Disclosure (SB 1524):** This bill allows restaurants to add service fees or surcharges as long as these are clearly displayed on menus or advertisements. This amendment aims to provide flexibility while ensuring transparency.

Employee-Related: Voluntary tips and gratuities remain unaffected by these laws and are governed by separate regulations. The Villages Compliance Strategies.

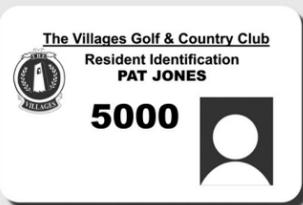
- We are updating all menus to reflect total prices, including any mandatory fees, ensuring you know the complete cost upfront.
- Our Villages Team are being trained on the new pricing requirements to ensure clear and consistent communication with you.
- We will update our marketing materials to highlight our compliance with SB 478 and keep you informed of these changes through various channels.

Adhering to SB 478 & SB1524 not only ensures our legal compliance but enhances transparent and competitive pricing.

After SB 478 & SB 1524:

Menu Disclaimer will be posted on all menus:
All prices listed include mandatory service charges and fees. Additional gratuity is at the customer's discretion.

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. **New Price \$9.95** plus Service Charge & Tax

For pickup between 5 and 7:30 p.m. **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 6 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.

A GREAT DEAL! Villager Business Card Ads
\$43 per week!
Call 408-223-4657

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Friday, July 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.	Table Tennis	TTF
9:30 a.m.	Comm. Chapel Music Cmte.	SEQ
10 a.m.	Art&Craft Member Studio	AR
10 a.m.	Line Dance Club-Advanced	A
10 a.m.	Quilters	PR
12:30 p.m.	Bridge Club	RED
2 p.m.	Open Studio	AR
3 p.m.	Bocce Bash	GP
6:30 p.m.	Mexican Train Dominoes	MC

Saturday, July 6

9 a.m.	Table Tennis	TTF
10 a.m.	Quilters	PR
10 a.m.	Ukulele Sing Along	SEQ

Sunday, July 7

7:30 a.m.	Catholic Choir	CR
8:15 a.m.	Catholic Mass	A
9 a.m.	Community Chapel Choir	SEQ
9 a.m.	Episcopal Church Service	MC
9 a.m.	Table Tennis	TTF
10 a.m.	Community Chapel	A
10 a.m.	Quilters	PR
11:30 a.m.	Community Chapel Picnic	GP

Monday, July 8

8:30 a.m.	Jazzercise	A
8:30 a.m.	Nirvana Fitness	CR
9 a.m.	Chinese Morning Exercise	P
9 a.m.	EPC Dir./Section Chiefs	FC
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED
9 a.m.	Table Tennis	TTF
9:30 a.m.	Jewish Community Board	MC
9:45 a.m.	Search the Scriptures	VC
10 a.m.	Art&Craft Member Studio	AR
10 a.m.	U-Jam	A
11:30 a.m.	Chapel Music Rehearsal	A
1 p.m.	Stitchery	PR
2 p.m.	Open Studio	AR
3:45 p.m.	Aqua Zumba	FHP
5:30 p.m.	Village Dancers 1	A
7 p.m.	Duplicate Bridge	RED
7 p.m.	Chess Study Group	SEQ

Tuesday, July 9

8:30 a.m.	Tai Chi	P
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EVENT LOCATIONS		
A	Auditorium	(Cribari)
AR	Art Room	(Cribari)
BC	Bocce Courts	
CER	Ceramics	(Cribari)
CH	Clubhouse	
CR	Conference Room	(Cribari)
F	Forum Room	(Cribari)
FC	Foothill Center	
FHP	Foothill Pool	
GP	Gazebo	
L	Lobby	(Cribari)
MC	Montgomery Center	
P	Patio	(Cribari)
PC	Pickleball Courts	
PR	Patio Room	(Cribari)
RED	Redwood Room	(Cribari)
SEQ	Sequoia Room	(Cribari)
TR	Terrace Room	(Cribari)
TS	Tennis Stand	
TTF	Table Tennis Facility	(Montgomery)
VC	Vineyard Center	
VR	Voyage Room	(Montgomery)

9 a.m.	Evergreen Invit. Cmte.	MC
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED
9 a.m.	Table Tennis	TTF
10 a.m.	Art Class	AR
10 a.m.	Intro to Line Dance	A
10 a.m.	Intermediate Ukulele	PR
11:30 a.m.	LSAL Fitness	A
2 p.m.	Open Studio	AR
5:30 p.m.	Desi Club Social Hour	SEQ
7 p.m.	Amateur Radio Club	FC

Wednesday, July 10

8:30 a.m.	Jazzercise	A
9 a.m.	Chinese Morning Exercise	P
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED
9 a.m.	Table Tennis	TTF
9:15 a.m.	VMA Board	MC
10 a.m.	Art Class	AR
10 a.m.	VMA Board Lunch	FC
11 a.m.	Folk Dance	CR
11:30 a.m.	18-H Women's Golf Lunch	CH
2 p.m.	Open Studio	AR
3 p.m.	VMA Bingo	A
3:30 p.m.	EVF Board Meeting	PR
3:45 p.m.	Aqua Zumba	FHP
6:30 p.m.	Mexican Train Dominoes	MC
7 p.m.	Duplicate Bridge	RED
7 p.m.	Village Dancers 3	VC

Thursday, July 11

8:30 a.m.	Tai Chi	P
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED
9 a.m.	Pool Advisory Cmte.	VR
9 a.m.	Table Tennis	TTF

9 a.m.	Driver Safety Training	SEQ
10 a.m.	Art Class	AR
10 a.m.	CAC Monthly Meeting	F
10 a.m.	Line Dance Class	CR
10 a.m.	LSAL Fitness	A
1 p.m.	Bible Small Group	SEQ
1:30 p.m.	Ukulele Club	VC
2 p.m.	Open Studio	AR
3 p.m.	Community Chapel Choir	CR
4 p.m.	Highland DAC	FC
4 p.m.	Pickleball Club Mtg.	PR
5:30 p.m.	Italian Club Board	PR
7 p.m.	Folksters	VC
7:30 p.m.	Chinese Club Leadership	MC

Friday, July 12

7 a.m.	Evergreen Golf Breakfast	CH
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.	Table Tennis	TTF
10 a.m.	Art&Craft Member Studio	AR
10 a.m.	Evergreen Invit. Tourney	GP
10 a.m.	Line Dance Club-Advanced	A
10 a.m.	Quilters	PR
10 a.m.	Republican Board	F
12:30 p.m.	Bridge Club	RED
2 p.m.	Open Studio	AR
3 p.m.	Handbell Ensemble	CR
4 p.m.	Bocce Bash	GP
4:30 p.m.	Pickleball Dink & Drink	PC
6 p.m.	Chinese Club Line Dance	FC
6:30 p.m.	Mexican Train Dominoes	MC
7 p.m.	Study Groups World Today	PR



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

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

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

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

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

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



**Club Events
& Notices**



Network: Villages Public
Password: villages

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

Villages Medical Auxiliary • Since 1976

Office: 408-238-4230

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

Service Coordinator: 408-238-4029



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

Upcoming Programs

AARP Driver Safety (renewal) Class – Tuesday, July 16 from (note time change) 9:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. in the Sequoia Room. Irv Kaplan will conduct this training, which when completed may reduce your car insurance payment! Class is limited to 25. Payment to be made at the start of class and must be in cash or check (no credit cards) payable to AARP. Cost: AARP members \$20; non-members \$25; Free to those with United Healthcare Supplemental Ins. Register on VMA website or call our office.

Hearing Aid Clean and Check – Hearing Life will be offering their free service on **Tuesday, July 16** from 10 a.m. - noon in Montgomery Center. Please call VMA office to register.

Go Wish – Dr. Gary Lee, a board-certified internist, geriatrician and palliative medicine physician will help us explore a fun way to share our end of life wishes with loved ones with the use of a card/sort game called "Go Wish" **Monday, July 22** at 11 a.m. in the Vineyard Center. Register on VMA website or call our office.

Support Groups

Grief Support Group: Chaplain Dale Poland, M.Div, BCC - from Hospice of the Valley-Sutter Health meets with those facing loss in their lives. Note the group will be off the next week and will resume **Monday, July 15** at 10:30 a.m. - noon in the Sequoia Room. Please call 408-238-4029 with any questions.

Caregiver Support Group: Judith London Ph.D. conducts the monthly group where caregivers meet to share, listen and learn. **Thursday, July 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 408-784-3325.

Parkinson's Support Group: This monthly group is for all people interested in Parkinson's. Meetings take place on the third Thursday. Next date is **July 18** at **10 a.m.** in the Sequoia Room. No need to register, all welcome.

CLUBS & EVENTS

Tuesday Night Live Big Band to perform— come and cut a rug



In the late '70s, Bay Area saxophonist Phil Aranda founded a band dedicated to playing his own jazz arrangements as well as those of others working in the big band format. Today, Roger Dahlberg, a Villages resident, helps lead the band and has played bass with them for 25 years. He hopes to see many Villager friends at the upcoming concert! And, if you want you may dance to your favorite tunes! This event is sponsored by the Villages Music Society. Tuesday Night Live will bring a lively mix of genres to Cribari Auditorium on **Sunday, June 14 at 2:30 p.m.** Tickets for \$20 will be sold at the door on June 14. The band rehearses on Tuesdays (hence its name), and draws from a library of over 500 selections from newly published works and contributions from its members. The repertoire includes tunes from the bands of Oliver Nelson, Count Basie, Duke Ellington, Gordon Goodwin, Maynard Ferguson, and arrangers like Billy Strayhorn, Sammy Nestico, Bill Holman, Tom Kubis, and Mike Tomaro. The band has explored a variety of musical styles over the years including jazz, swing, latin, rock, and pop. To sweeten your outing, the Villages Clubhouse restaurant is offering a 10 percent discount for dining on that date. Reservations are required. This concert is sponsored by The Villages Music Society (VMS), Inc. See VillagesMusicSociety.org for more information. Donations to VMS are welcome, as are volunteers for helping with its music programs.



Congressman Panetta to speak at Villages



The Villages Democratic Club is pleased to announce the return of Congressman Jimmy Panetta to The Villages during the summer recess. This visit provides a valuable opportunity for our community to engage directly with our representative in Washington. Join us at Foothill on **Thursday, July 18 at 7 p.m.** to hear Congressman Panetta discuss the latest developments from the Capitol. Don't miss this chance to gain insights into the legislative process and the efforts being made on our behalf. Mark your calendar and be part of this important event. We look forward to seeing you there!

Democratic Club: The Mysterious Case of the Missing Emails

The Democratic Club is working hard this year with the upcoming November 5th election in mind. We have hundreds of members who usually receive our regular emails. However, we've noticed that some members seem to have missed out due to a mysterious cyberspace glitch. We typically send about one email a week. If you haven't heard from us lately, please email us at thevillagesdemocraticclub@gmail.com, and we'll make sure you're back on our list. Thank you for your understanding!



Dancers, get ready to jazz up the summer

By B. Brown

First clue: "Summer fling don't mean a thing. But uh, oh those summer nights." Second clue: Danny Zuko and Sandy Olsson. Did you guess "Summer Nights" from the musical Grease? This song debuted in 1978 and was an enormous hit. John Travolta and Olivia Newton John were a huge draw to the box office. Let's revisit the '70s as we kick off a three-part, hot summer series with "Summer Nights." Join the Village Dancers and dance to a jazz routine with '50s dance influences for the month of July, beginning Monday, July 8. Dance, socialize and exercise with us every Monday night at 5:30 p.m. in Cribari Auditorium. No partner needed. Each month brings a new dance style and theme. Bernice

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



Junior Golf Camps are back!

Back by popular demand we are hosting Junior Camps this summer. Here are the remaining dates and times for this summer's junior camps.

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.

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

To register, call the Pro Shop at 408-274-3220 extension #1.



Villages Democrat Club hosts debate watch party

By Judy Rickard

Thursday, June 27 saw more than 70 Villagers, members of The Villages Democratic Club, at Foothill Center to eat pizza,



Photo by Frank Langben

salad and ice cream together as they watched the first Presidential debate on TV. Members

of the Democratic Club board set up, hosted and cleaned up. Watch The Villager for upcoming Democratic Club events or visit villagesdemclub.com for details.

Afternoon Bingo returns Wednesday

On **Wednesday, July 10** the Cribari Auditorium doors will open at 3 p.m. for a round of Afternoon Bingo! The game will start at 3:30 p.m. Cards are \$1 each or 6 for \$5. All money is put back into the game and paid to the winners. Complimentary cookies, coffee and tea will be served. Don't miss out on the fun, courtesy of VMA!



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Chinese Club holds elaborate Dragon Boat Festival Celebration



Performers dance to a number choreographed by Elisia Ng. Left to right: Guangwei Che, Ling Vhang, Lillian Qin, Cindy Yu.

By Val Smith

Over 200 Chinese Club members and their guests enjoyed another tasty banquet as they celebrated the traditional Dragon Boat Festival in Cribari Auditorium. This year's event was kicked off by the appearance of a Lion Dance and percussion team, performed by martial arts students from San Francisco who were the 2023 champion of the North America Lion Dance Competition. As the drumbeats rolled, two golden lions in artistically decorated costumes danced around greeting the audience and then performed acrobatic tricks on stage. Everyone felt the high energy excitement! It was truly enchanting!

The Dragon Boat Festival is one of the three major cultural events organized and hosted annually by the Chinese Club Board. Club members put in hundreds of hours of volunteer work ranging from planning, logistics, and procurement, dinner serving, performing and entertaining.

The Dragon Boat Festival (端午節) is a cultural Chinese tradition celebrated by Chinese all over the globe for over 2000 years. It occurs on the fifth day of the fifth month of the Lunar calendar. As the name indicates, dragon boat racing is an essential part of the celebration. It is meant to drive away evil energy and invite clean energy into your body. The festival also commemorates the patriotism of ancient hero Qu Yuan, a poet and minister during the Warring States Period (C. 340-278 BC) in China.

Members and guests were served a sumptuous dinner menu, which included three whole roasted pigs, beef and broccoli stir-fry, soy sauce noodles, eggrolls, and rice dumpling, and cakes for dessert.

After dinner, an elaborate entertainment program ensued, with all participants being Chinese Club members. Kicking it off, the club's "ladies in red" performed an umbrella dance, followed by a Tibetan dance, then Liwan Ma and Wesley Tanaka performed a kung-fu style sword dance. Other performances included Henry Lee's solo flute recital, a fluid fan dance by Xiong-Min, a funny couples' game named "How much do you know your wife?", and the grand finale dance: "Our Hopes for Longevity," choreographed and performed by the club's line dancers.

The Chinese Club Board expresses their sincere appreciation to all our member volunteers who contributed to the success of the festival.

The Villages Chinese club sponsors a wide variety of activities—from morning exercises to cooking demonstrations and line dance, and from tech talks to sumptuous banquets throughout the year. If you're interested in more information, please visit sites.google.com/site/villageschineseclub/home

Try 'Go Wish!' Clarify your end-of-life wishes with a card game

By Barbara F. Zahner, VMA Health Education

Join Gary Lee MD, Board-certified internist, geriatrician, and palliative medicine physician, on Monday, July 22 in Vineyard Center from 11 a.m. to 12 noon in playing "Go Wish," a fun and easy way to share your end-of-life wishes. Admittedly, end-of-life discussions can be tough. This tested and surprisingly fun, card-sorting card game can help you easily start a comfortable conversation and choose your own way—in life and at the end-of-life. With over 25 years' experience as a physician and a founder of the Palliative Care Services at Santa Clara Valley Medical Center, Dr. Lee knows well the challenges—as well as the peace of mind—of clarifying your desires for your health care decisions. As part of the hour-long, interactive presentation, Dr. Lee will:

- Cover the importance of having a trusted relative or friend help you make health care decisions.
- Review the origins and development of the "Go Wish" cards. Go-Wish cards are available in English, Spanish, Chinese, Japanese, Vietnamese, Swedish, British English, French, Hebrew, Brazilian, and Portuguese.
- Provide an opportunity for you to play the Go Wish Game and to share your choices, if you desire. I have played the "Go Wish" card game in clinical and home settings with family, friends, and hospital and hospice patients. I can affirm the value of the Go-Wish Cards in eliciting stories, giving meaning, and calming fears of not being heeded or remembered. Bring a trusted friend or relative to Dr. Lee's energizing presentation. Have fun, play "Go Wish," and say now what you want, when or if, you are unable to speak for yourself. Face fear and savor fun. Register today online at vmavillages.vgcc.club or call 408-238-4029.



Dr. Gary Lee

Arts and Crafts to display new Barbara Gottesman exhibit

By Michael Sunzeri

On Tuesday, July 16, Arts and Crafts will hang a new exhibit featuring paintings by Barbara Gottesman. Barbara is a long-time board member of Arts and Crafts. She has an impressive portfolio of work that she has done over the years covering several genres. You can see her art at various times until October 15 when the Cribari Conference room is open. In an ensuing article in The Villager, we will give you a glimpse of her journey in art and a bit of bio background about Barbara. Many of you know her and have seen her art but probably just as many people have not. There will be 12 to 13 pieces she will have exhibited, and we are sure you will be pleased with the art you will see.

Get internet training and keep up with the grandkids

By Mazie Rice

When was the last time you asked a grandchild to help you do something on your computer, phone or tablet? How often do they do something on their phone, and you are in awe or confusion as to what they actually just did? Welcome to the 21st Century! The Villages Medical Auxiliary (VMA) recognizes that there is a population of Villagers who are not comfortable accessing "internet" information from their devices, but they want to, just to show off to those whippersnappers, if for no other reason. VMA is offering one-on-one training sessions with Villages volunteers. Our volunteers will come to your house to work with you on your own device and with your own internet.

To ensure we all cover the same thing initially, our first session begins with how to access the VMA website, register for a program online, find your confirming email, and check the equipment catalog. Then your instructor will show you the new online version of The Villager! These sessions take approximately an hour and are scheduled between the instructor and the student. VMA believes this is just the beginning of making friends with technology for many of our residents. If you are a student in need of this service, email villagesvmacommunications@gmail.com or call 408-238-4230. Email Subject Line "Tech Help." Tell us what kind of device you have (Apple, Microsoft, Google), and your phone number and address. If you'd like to join the instructor group, please do the same as above, but stipulate "instructor"!

Macintosh Users Group to meet July 17



The Macintosh Users Group will have a hybrid meeting at 3 p.m. on **Wednesday, July 17** in the Cribari Conference Room and by Zoom. Contact Larry Roben, club treasurer, if you wish to be sent email notices or the link to join our Zoom meetings. Give Larry your address, phone number and email address. His phone number is 408-218-0851 and email is larryroben21@gmail.com.

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WHAT'S HAPPENING IN ARTS AND CRAFTS?

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

Open Studio in the Art Room with Jane Hink and Taf Tafaroddi beginning at 10 a.m. Mondays and Fridays. All Arts & Crafts members and all media welcome!

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

Art Classes—Register by emailing barb.gottesman@gmail.com

July 23 and August 6, 13, 20: Abstract Art and Collage with Wendy Fitzgerald. Tuesdays, 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. \$45.

August 7 – 28: Watercolor plus mixed media with Doug Canepa. Wednesdays, 10 a.m. – 12 noon. \$70.

Saturday, August 17: Home Studio Art Tour, 10 a.m. – 3 p.m.

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

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

RV CLUB SCHEDULE

More information and photos from recent outings can be found on villagesrvclub.org

July 20 - Open House at RV storage lot – 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

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

August 4 – RV Club Barbecue at Vineyard Center

August 19, 20, 21 - Moss Landing KOA

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

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

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

December 11 - Holiday Party at the Clubhouse



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. All hiking abilities are welcome. **Every Monday** – Walk around the golf course with Terri Vivoli and/or Cheryl Allmen, meet at the clubhouse parking lot at 8:20, leave at 8:30.

Long Hike, Saturday, July 6: Kimberly Sandstrom (sandstromkj@gmail.com) will lead a Sierra Club hike at Montara Mountain at 9:30 a.m., 7.5 mi, 1650 ft gain. Starting at San Pedro Valley Park (water/restroom available), we'll hike up the Montara Mountain Trail to enjoy expansive views. Meet at San Pedro Valley Park at 9:15 for 9:30 departure. \$6 fee to park. After the hike enjoy the refreshments we brought in the picnic area. At the trailhead: you will sign in to the hike, indicating your acceptance of the Sierra Club's Participation Agreement, which you can preview here. Wear/bring: sturdy hiking boots/shoes, 1.5L water, layered clothing, lunch, snacks, sun protection, hiking poles (optional), potluck dish/drink to share at post-hike picnic and place setting for yourself. Dogs not allowed. Meet at the Cribari bell at 7:55 a.m. for 8:05 departure. The hike begins at 9:30. Round trip mileage is about 118 miles. Leader: Kimberly Sandstrom sandstromkj@gmail.com. Location: 600 Oddstad Blvd, Pacifica, CA 94044, GPS: 37.57795936886233, -122.47572829421051

Rambler Hike, Wednesday, July 10: Sandy and John Petrin (530-927-7024) will lead a hike beginning a short drive away at the parking lot behind Subway/Village Grill by Evergreen Square (across Michelangelo Dr from the Walmart Store). The hike then goes to Lake Murillo and by Evergreen Valley High School, on by Carolyn Clark Elementary School and continues toward the Sikh Temple. Next, we'll head to Fowler Creek Park via an off-street trail. This then takes us back to the Farmers Market at Evergreen Square. There, folks can buy some fruits and veggies, and conveniently bring them home in the returning cars. This hike is about 4 miles and has a max elevation climb of about 110 feet. We will meet at the Cribari Bell at 8:45 for a 9 a.m. departure.

Rambler-Lite Hike, Wednesday, July 10: Katy Peretti (408-531-0917) will lead a hike through Hounds Estate and up to the wooded area at the end of Park Estates. We will then walk along the path outside the north perimeter of the Villages. We will retrace our steps to return to the Villages. Meet at the parking lot opposite the security gate at 9 a.m.

Rambler Hike, Wednesday, July 17: Rich and Wendy (408-499-1789) will lead a rambler hike to Alum Rock along the valley trail which is about five miles round trip. There is an elevation gain of 300 feet. It is almost all in shade which is a good thing for July. We will have an optional lunch at Lee's Sandwich shop on Berryessa. The driving round trip is 20 miles. Water is a must. We will meet at 9 a.m. at Cribari for a 9:15 a.m. departure.

Rambler-Lite Hike, Wednesday, July 17: Katy Peretti (408-531-0917) will lead a hike to Del Lago to walk around the five lakes. Meet at the clubhouse at 9 a.m.

Rambler-Lite Hike, Wednesday, July 24: Katy Peretti (408-531-0917) will lead a hike through the Estates to the CVS shopping center to have coffee at either McDonalds, Starbucks or Boulanger. We will retrace our steps to return to the Villages. Meet at the clubhouse at 9 a.m.

Senior Academy takes summer break



Senior Academy will be on hiatus until September—an annual ritual that provides the Board with some respite and the time to plan for our Fall/Winter programing.

Here are some of our upcoming topics that you may look forward to, starting in September: All About the League of Women Voters; A History of California Wine; U.S. Presidential Elections; The Mystery of Infinity; Islam; The History of Broadway; New Supreme Court Decisions

A thank you to those of you who joined us last week for an interesting and informative travel review of Buenos Aires, courtesy of popular presenter John Trudeau. There was much to be learned about Argentina's capital and largest city. As an example, we got to visit the Palermo District's Central Park with its small lakes, rose garden, and a sculpture garden dedicated to iconic poets. And we were introduced to the famous Recoleta Cemetery, the final resting place of many Argentine elites and notable political figures, such as Eva Peron, and an array of art nouveau, art deco and modernist mausoleums.

You won't want to miss our other intriguing programs. See you in September! And thank you for your continued support of Senior Academy.

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SPORTS NEWS

WOMEN'S 9-HOLE

By Vicki Krattli

The weather was still a little toasty this week, but cooler temps are forecast before another heat wave arrives next week. I think our membership likes the warm weather as their scores were very good.

The front nine, first flight winners were Sheryl Driskell, net 32, followed by Judy Steinberg, Gloria Lowry and Barb Weisend. The second flight winner was Linda Curyea, net 37, followed by Nancy Carson, Pam Short and Alice Glazer.

Not to be outdone, the back nine players scored equally as well. In the first flight, Mazie Rice had a gross 44, net 33, winning a scorecard playoff with Barb Nilsen, also a net 33. Mary Wagle and Valerie Dimmick followed close behind. Flight two winners were Kathleen Pennington, Delma Juarez, Madeline Naftzger and Song Cho. Ladies, you are all very impressive.

A note from our captain and membership chair talks about the process of joining the Villages Nine Hole Golf Group. Many of you have friends/neighbors within The Villages that would like to join the Swingers group. New applicants must apply online at womens9holegolf.vgcc.club. After application, the qualifying period commences. Once the six qualifying rounds are successfully done, we will collect your membership and NCGA fees and give you access to the 9 Hole drop down on Chelsea for Tuesdays Play Day. For additional information check out our online portal and encourage your friends to join and play with us. It's fun, challenging and a great way to spend your Tuesday mornings.



SHONIS

By Betty Hall

Happy Birthday, America—248 years strong. Last Tuesday was the Shonis Happy Birthday game for Nancy Chesterton, Fran Schumaker and Peggy White.

Weather was a little drizzly in the morning but once we started golfing, it was very nice.

There were 20 Shonis this morning, and again, we ended up with just two flights. Either our high handicap Shonis aren't golfing or we all have improved so much that we're mostly 20 or less.

No birdies today and no putting contest either. So the birthday Shonis all got into sweeps. Remember, they get to drop their worst holes to improve gross. Nancy Chesterton moved to first flight with a 38 gross and net 22 and in first place. Peggy White and Fran Schumaker are in our second flight. Peggy grabbed #1 with her 39 and net 20 while Fran tied for fourth with a 45 and net 26.

This Tuesday, the Shonis celebrated an early 4th with a social breakfast in the Clubhouse. More than 20 of us got together before golf to just visit and enjoy ourselves.

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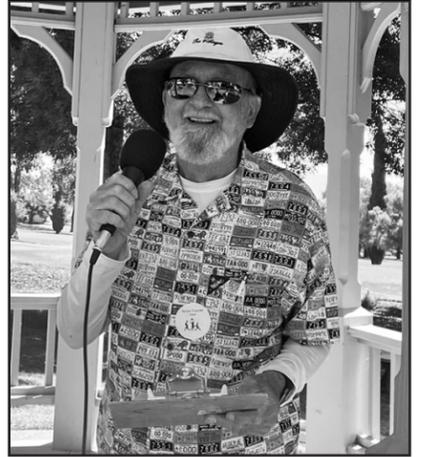
TENNIS TALK

Tennis Club hosts BBQ and Bocce event

By Nancy Domingo



John Viray makes his famous paella.



Adrien Fournier emcees the event.

It was worth the wait—John Viray the Paella Guy's vegetarian paella was the food highlight of the day. Adrien Fournier did a wonderful job as the master of ceremonies!

It was Brett Appreciation Day! Thank you, Brett, for your expertise and patience in making us tennis members better players inside and outside of the court! You rock!

Special thanks to all of our volunteers for the Bocci Play: Tina Parsley and crew, Sherry Benz and Art Lindt. Also, all of the committee members who showed their due diligence: Jayme and Lynn Dickson, Mary and Gerhard Ringel, Don Clarke, Robert Diaz, and Ruth Liu. Let's not forget our master grillers: Mike Castle, Glen Seidel, and Brian Domvromski. I need to mention Nancy Domingo and Andrea Alvarez as the Directors of Hospitality- keep up the good work!



Brett Foreman gets recognized for his contributions to the club.

PINSEEKERS

By Jim White

Today, July 5, the Pinseekers begin another season of fun, friendship, and enjoyment of the game of golf. Once again it is forecast to be a gentle coolness as we begin the day, but quickly warming to higher temperatures in the early afternoon. One of the upsides of beginning play between 8 and 8:30 a.m. is finishing before the sun has created an uncomfortably hot afternoon. With today's high around 3 p.m. estimated to hit over 100 degrees, we should be teeing off at about seventy degrees and finishing before the temperature passes the mid-80s.

Last week, 10 Pinseekers played on Friday morning in warm temperatures but not yet in the uncomfortable heat of the late afternoon. The fairways were dry, and the greens were fast leading to a chance for ego boosting scores that always find an opportunity to give us a challenge.

It seems, particularly as we get a bit older, our handicaps go up as the weather gets colder and the handicap seems to recede as we return to warmer weather. Unfortunately, the drop in handicap is often slightly less than the previous winter's increase. If we just accept that with age comes wisdom, but not necessarily a lower golf score, we continue to enjoy the game we love.

The Pinseekers recognize that all Villagers do not have the ability to commit four or more hours to playing a round of golf, either due to physical issues, a long-term absence from playing, or from other commitments, but we do have a love for this game and a desire to keep hitting that little round ball. We encourage all Villagers of all skill levels to join us for a couple of hours each Friday that we do not stand down due to a scheduled weekend tournament. If you have any interest or questions, contact our Vice President, Jim White at 408-348-8370, or President, Jack Bindon, at 408-759-2968. We hope you would like to join us.





By Doug Moore, douglas.moore865@gmail.com

Upcoming Events:

2024 Evergreen Invitational: You know it... It's less than one week away! This year's event is scheduled for July 11-13. This is a MGC Major Event, so plan accordingly to be there for the fun and festivities! Use the following link to find the information you need regarding the Evergreen, and the online sign-up form: villagesgolfers.com/page.php?page_id=36



Also, should you know a club member who may be interested in helping out, or if you have some extra time that you can spare, it would be very much appreciated. Please contact Bill Morefield (The Evergreen Chairman) at bill_morefield@yahoo.com. Remember, we can always use and appreciate the help.

The 2024 18 Hole Men's Club Senior Net Championship! Make room on your calendars for this one, you won't want to miss it! Signups will start July 27! (We're just getting the word out early because we know how busy you are.) They will go on through July 27 to August 8. Sign up in the Pro Shop either as a team, or individually, and the Pro Shop will pair you with other players. There will be a catered lunch at the Gazebo by The Catering Angels. Beverages will be on a BYOB basis. Please tournament players only! No guests or spouses.

Men's 18 Hole Golf Club Club Championship – Match Play. This is going to take place September 14 through 22. Play is going to be conducted over two consecutive weekends. Tee times will be assigned by The Pro Shop. Rescheduling tee times will not be permitted so please make sure to plan accordingly to attend this event. Signups will start August 31 through September 12. Please sign up in The Pro Shop. They will make the pairings.

Golf Thoughts

- May the 4th be with you
- Golf forth and prosper
- Fairway to heaven
- A chip off the old block
- Over the hill and fore away
- Asking fore a friend
- Un-fore-gettable

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 we 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 **August 6**. MGC Members are always welcome to attend.

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

Men's 18 Hole Golf Club Senior Net Championship

Individual Low Net

When: Saturday, August 10, 2024
What: Individual Low Net Tournament
 Catered BBQ Pork Rib Lunch at the Gazebo - **BYOB**
MGC Tournament players only. No guest/spouses

Format: Individual Low Net Competition
Signup: July 27 through August 8 – Sign up with the Pro Shop either as a team, or individually, and the pro shop will pair you with other players.

Handicaps: 100% of August 8 Handicap
Flights: Flighted by AGE, depending on the number of players
Tees: TBD
Tee Times: 8 a.m. Shotgun.
Cost: **\$50** – This includes green fees and sweeps
 Coffee and Donuts from 6:45 to 8 a.m.



By Barbara Nilsen

Today was a General Membership Meeting and Captains Trophy Day.



Captain's Trophy winner Mazie Rice with Pro Scott Steele.

Captain Patti Bell led the meeting and reports were heard by several board members. Gloria Landry the Treasurer reported that the budget is on track to finish with a surplus.

The members approved the selection of Kathy Appgar, Kerry Besmehn and Betty Sharps to serve on the Nominating Committee. Members were encouraged to call them and volunteer to serve on

the Board of Directors

Janet Gonzales advised members should be using the USGA/GHIN App for posting, the old MYNCGA App is no longer valid. You can download the app from the App store and then contact Janet and she will give you a link to put in a new password. If you have any questions or problems, contact Janet, and she can help you.

Kerry Besmehn described several future tournaments being planned for our play days. Sound like a lot of fun times ahead!

Mazie Rice as Membership Chair reported that we currently have 120 Members and that she was planning some special events to get more acquainted with our new members.

Captain's Trophy winner today was Mazie Rice with a net 66. Birdies: Pricilla Piper and Barbara Nilsen both on hole 11. See the complete list of winners on the *Scoreboard* page.



Low Putts winners Gwen Bindon and Jay Lee with Pro Scott Steele.



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BOCCE NEWS



By Tom Hunt

Back by popular demand, our Guys & Gals tournament will be open for registration at the bocce web site beginning July 9. The tournament will start on August 5 for six weeks. Get your teams together now!

Friday Bash: Come celebrate the 4th of July with us at the bocce courts at Gazebo Park on Friday, July 5 from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. Please bring along a snack to share, and your favorite beverage. All residents are welcome, you don't need to be a member of the bocce club to attend, just a desire to have fun and meet new people!

Spring Round Robin Week 3 Standings:

Monday 10 a.m. Win/Loss

Artists 2-4, Goombas 4-2, The 24's 2-4, The Agitators 5-1, Ball Breakers 1-5, Sonia's Rollers 4-2

Monday 12:30 p.m.

Bocce Brigade 2-4, Carpe Diem 5-1, Bocce Rascals 3-3, Happy Friends 2-4

Monday 3 p.m.

Game of Throws 5-1, 2B Reckoned With 2-4, Bloodbath & Beyond 3-3, La Bocce Vita II 2-4

Wednesday 10 a.m.

Charlie's Angels 3-3, The Big La Bocce 2-4, La Bocce Vita 6-0, Bocce Pals 1-5

Wednesday 12:30 p.m.

Bocce Babes 'N Bros 4-2, Bocce Beatles 4-1, Team Debocery 3-3, Bocce Bowlers 1-5

Wednesday 3 p.m.

Lankers Lobbers 4-2, Straight Shooters 3-3, Holy Rollers 0-6, Rolling Rock 4-2, Crazy "8" S 3-3, Playpals 4-2

Thursday 10 a.m.

Chewbocces 2-4, Breeze 2-4, Bocce Badgers 5-1, Bowl Movements 3-3

Thursday 12:30 p.m.

Baabaloos 3-3, 13 Sweet Rollers 2-4, Lady Bugs & Bull Frogs 3-3, Merry Bocce Band 4-2

For the latest updates on Bocce Club activities we encourage you to stay informed by visiting the bocce website, villages-bocce.vgcc.club. We're looking forward to seeing you on the courts soon.



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FROM THE PRO



By Scott Steele, PGA Head Golf Professional

July Golf Schedule

Thursday, July 11 – Men's Evergreen Practice Rounds 7:30 a.m. / Horserace 3:30 p.m. – course closed 3 p.m.

Friday, July 12 – Men's Evergreen Invitational 9 a.m. Shotgun – course closed all day – Range Opens 12 p.m.

Saturday, July 13 – Men's Evergreen Invitational 9 a.m. Shotgun – course reopens 4 p.m. – Range Opens 12 p.m.

Saturday, July 20 – 18-Hole Women Saturday Tournament 8:30 a.m.-9:42 a.m. Tee Times

Monday, July 22 – Women's Team Play – 8:30 a.m. Shotgun – 1:30 p.m. Open Shotgun – Range Open 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

Friday, July 26 – Twilight Mixer 4:30 p.m. Shotgun – Last 18-Hole Tee Time 11:30 a.m.

Saturday, July 27 – Villages Korean Club 1 p.m. Tee Times

Sunday, July 28 – Sunday Sweeps

4th Of July Celebration—Thursday, July 4th is Independence

Day! Tee Times will be available all day starting at 7:30 a.m. We will celebrate Independence Day with American Flags on the tees and greens, complimentary American Flag golf tees in the Pro Shop, and a Hit the Firecracker Contest on Hole #4...anyone who hits their tee shot into the firecracker on Hole #4 will win a prize!

Cobra Fitting Day—Sunday, July 28 – 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Come and try or get fitted for the new Conta Dark Speed woods and irons. Boasting the hottest clubface of 2024! Increase your ball speed and distance with the new Cobra Dark Speed! As used by PGA Tour players Rickie Fowler, Lexie Thompson, Gary Woodland, Justin Suh, and World Long Drive Champion Kyle Berkshire!

Montgomery Bunker—The street side practice sand bunker at the Montgomery short game area has been refilled with the new G3 Premium White Sand that is the proposed sand for the golf course bunkers as part of the bunker renovation project. Please try out the new sand and let us know your thoughts.

Summer Invitational – Mark Your Calendars!

We have a new and fun event this summer – The Summer "Couples" Invitational on Sunday, August 11 – 1 p.m. Shotgun. Four-some teams – two net best balls.

Four-some teams must consist of two Villagers and two guests (all players *must* have an official USGA Handicap). Pairs can be man-woman / woman-woman / man-man or any combination as such. The day will include golf and a banquet awards dinner after golf with lots of prizes! Entry fee will be \$100 per player includes: green fees, cart fees, range fees, one free drink, banquet dinner and prizes. Signup starts soon so get your team together! Sign up with Mary Wagle at marylwagle@gmail.com or call her at 408-829-4021. *Let's have some fun!*

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

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

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

Tips from the Pro—Three Set Up Tricks to turn that Slice into a Draw

If you hit a nasty slice, your set-up could be the reason. Try these set up principles to straighten your ball flight:

1. Bump your hips to the left at address
2. Make sure your right arm is relaxed and lower than your left arm at address with a bit of right elbow flex
3. Hold your hands, wrists and the handle higher at address

Try these tips and then swing your normal swing and watch that slice go away. **To sign up for a lesson with me, email ssteele@the-villages.com**



IRONMEN

By Bill Travis and Jerry Juracich

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

On Thursday, June 27, 2024, it was another sunny and warm day. Another great day for some golf. Eleven Ironmen played.

There was a two-way tie for **Third Place** between Arki Galicki and Victor Hong with net 28s; there was a two-way tie for **Second Place** between Bob Pritchard and Bill Travis with net 26s; and Walter Lucas won **First Place** with a net 25.

There were four **Birdies**: one by Jerry Juracich on hole 8; one by Bob Pritchard on hole 5; one by Hiei Takazawa on hole 4; and one by Bill Travis on hole 1.

Sang Nam won **Closest to the Flag** again, this time on hole 3 at 5 feet, 1 inch.

Victor Hong won **Low Gross** with a 30.

Three golfers shared **Golfer of the Day** honors: Victor Hong with low gross and third place; Bob Pritchard with second place and a birdie; and Bill Travis with second place and a birdie. Way to go Guys.

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

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

Deep Thoughts:

"If only I kept my eye on the ball, looking downward as does the pro there, I might not see where it was going, at all, but there might be a chance it would go there." - Richard Armour, writer and poet

"Some golfers blast their ball from traps, with one adroit explosion, but others, out in 10 perhaps, depend upon erosion." - Richard Armour

New Golf Fees as of July 1

Please note the new golf fees starting July 1, 2024:

Resident 18-Holes	\$35
Resident 9-Holes	\$23
Resident Par-3 Course	\$13
Guest Weekday 18-Holes	\$62
Guest Weekend 18-Holes	\$82
Guest Weekday 9-Holes	\$42
Guest Weekend 9-Holes	\$47
Guest Par-3 Course	\$21
Unaccompanied Guest Weekday	\$66
Unaccompanied Guest Weekend	\$86
Guest Day Weekday	\$57
Guest Replay	\$21
Resident Cart 18-Holes	\$16 Per Rider
Resident Cart 9-Holes	\$11 Per Rider
Guest Cart 18-Holes	\$22 Per Rider
Guest Cart 9-Holes	\$16 Per Rider



PICKLEBALL

Pickleball etiquette time again

By Joyce Kludt

Remember when you were told as a child to chew with your mouth closed and don't make fun of others? Well, the game of pickleball has rules of etiquette as well! Behavior on the court plays a vital role in upholding the etiquette and spirit of Pickleball. We have had lots of new members join since our last etiquette article, so it's time for another.

1. Good sportsmanship is the rule. Yes, we all love the game, but it is only a game. Respect all players.

2. Start each game by greeting other players.

3. If the ball is out and it's on your side, call it out **loudly**. If it's close, give your opponent the benefit of the doubt. (This is an official rule) This might be hard if the game is close, but do it anyway. Do **not** call a ball out or in if the ball is on your opponents' court.

4. If you or your partner step into the kitchen on a volley (no bounce) call it. Don't call it on opponents. (Many of us are at an age where our vision is questionable)

5. Sometimes spectators comment on the plays, which is normal and fun. But, if their comments are loud, disruptive, argumentative, or hostile, ask them not to.

6. Don't play "keep away" from the best player on the other team during rec play just so you can win. They want to play, too.

7. If you are the strongest player in your foursome, tone down the competitiveness and hit your opponents' balls so that they can return.

8. Don't lob behind movement-restricted players during rec play.

9. Call out the score **loudly** before you serve.

10. Meet at the net after the game for paddle tapping...a sign of appreciation for good play or sportsmanship.

11. Always refrain from unsportsmanlike conduct like outbursts, loud cursing, or criticism.

We look forward to seeing many of you next Friday, July 12 at our Dink & Drink! You can play or just enjoy spectating and visiting!

Visit our website at villagespickleball.vgcc.club.

Wishing you a happy week of Pickleball!

Men's 18 Hole Golf Club Club Championship - Match Play



When: September 14 through September 22, 2024

- Round 1 Matches – Saturday, Sept. 14
- Round 2 Matches – Sunday, Sept. 15
- Round 3 Matches – Saturday, Sept. 21
- Round 4 Matches – Sunday, Sept. 22 Final Flight Championships

Note: Play will be conducted over two consecutive weekends.

Tee times will be assigned by the Pro Shop.

Rescheduling tee times will not be permitted.

What: Club Championship

Format: Individual Match Play

Signup: Aug. 31 through Sept. 12 – Sign up with the Pro Shop.

The Pro Shop will make the pairings.

Handicaps: 100% of Sept. 12 Handicap

Flights: Flighted, determined by Handicap

Tees: #5, #4, #4/3, #3, and #3/2 Tees. Determined by Handicap

Tee Times: Tee Times TBD

Cost: \$20 plus Green Fees per Round

Remember someone with a memorial gift to VMA

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

Junior Golf Camps are back!

Back by popular demand we are hosting Junior Camps this summer. Here are the remaining dates and times for this summer's junior camps.

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.

Cost is \$380 per junior per camp. Junior Camps will be limited to 12 juniors per session, first come first served. To register, call the Pro Shop at 408-274-3220 extension #1.

SCOREBOARD

18-HOLE WOMEN

'Those Lazy, Hazy, Crazy Dayz of Summer' 2024 18 Hole Women's Invitational

Two-day event

Overall Winners:

Ann Bassford, Michelle Wash, Monica Saneholtz, Jung Hee Ra - Gross: 292 Net: 257

Flight 1: Flip Floppers

Low Gross: Lyn Strong, Debbie Ford, Janis LeCompte, Anne Hoyt - Gross: 309 Net: 269

Low Net:

1. Janice Mahoney, Dorothy Christian, Priscilla Piper, Laura Atherton - Gross: 325 Net: 263
2. Loanne Rube, Shelia Highe, Kerry Besmehn, Meredith Ross - Gross: 309 Net: 265
3. Janelle Salvatierra, Angie Urn, Millie-Anne Schwerin, Julie Campo - Gross: 317 Net: 272
4. Cheryl Heusser, Sue Baldinger, Suzanne Fazzio, Marie Dorish - Gross: 343 Net: 272
5. Marky Olsen, Connie Kobayashi, Julie Henig, Ellen Kim - Gross: 330 Net: 276

Flight 2: Sweet Surfers

Low Gross: Michelle Chung, Grace Lee, Jane Hong, Soonja Song - Gross: 341 Net: 272

Low Net:

1. Jay Lee, Mila Quibilan, Sue Park, Lisa Westerinen - Gross: 346 Net: 272
2. Beverly Poellot, Barbara Bailey, Linda Lutschan, Bonnie Tomei - Gross: 348 Net: 278
3. Beverly Rees, Bernita Holm, Mazie Rice, Lily Hagan - Gross: 355 Net: 279
4. Mary Wagle, Robbie Gray, Laura Swenson, Ann Berry - Gross: 362 Net: 289
5. Sue Daughtrey, Jan Schneider, Vivian Brown, Debbie Rue - Gross: 365 Net 293

Flight 3: Beach Ballers

Low Gross: Judy Owen, Jeanne Schow, Judy Rodriguez, Jan Hogan - Gross: 350 Net: 273

Low Net:

1. Jini Kang, Joyce Reynolds, Marion Whittaker, Peggy Jeng - Gross: 351 Net: 270
2. Diana Hallock, Catherine Romanchuk, Pam Schramm, Angelina Herrera - Gross: 354 Net: 275
3. Mary Jo O'Neill, Liz McQueen, Bette Samdahl, Janice O'Sullivan - Gross: 355 Net: 285
4. Gisele Barber, Cathi Mickow, Mary Ann Diridon, Julie Richards - Gross: 363 Net: 286
5. Joyce Mukuno, Joyce Yoshioka, Sachiko Coleman, Gloria Fields - Gross: 367 Net: 287

Flight 4: Bikini Babes

Low Gross: Gail Tuft, Kim Crary, Delma Juarez, Patti Miller - Gross: 350 Net: 267

1. Carol Zaccheo, Michele O'Brien, Laurie Gallegos, Andrea Sargis - Gross: 366 Net: 287
2. Barbara Nilsen, Shirley Heinsen, Janis Kiernan, Mary Clark - Gross: 386 Net: 289
3. Dianne Doughty, Diana Adams, Diana Flanigan, Gayle Peck - Gross: 385 Net: 293
4. Pat Sear, Sherry Britt, Karen Davidsen, Chris Honda - Gross: 391 Net: 296
5. Jeannie Shimada, Shirley Nakasora, Sumi Minami, Joyce Toothman - Gross: 395 Net 296

Sea Horse Race

1. Bev Poellot and Barbara Bailey
2. Helen Varenkamp and Liz Dreyer
3. Michelle Chung and Grace Lee

Putting Contest

1. Debbie Moore/ Jaime Mehl-Fulton 6 ft. 9 in.
2. Lyn Strong/ Debbie Ford 7 ft. 10 in.
3. Julie Henig/ Ellen Kim 8 ft. 4in.

Captain's Trophy

Thursday, June 27

Captain's Trophy: Maziebelle Rice Net: 66

Low Putts:

Tied at 31 putts - Gwen Bindon and Jay Lee

Flight One

- Low Gross: Priscilla Piper 92
- Low Net:
1. Susie-0 Conklin 73
 2. Michelle Chung 74

Flight Two

- Low Gross: Maziebelle Rice 92
- Low Net:
1. Jay Lee 70
 2. Geri Wilk 73
 3. Mary Ann Diridon 76
 4. Chris Leisy 76

Flight Three

- Low Gross: Tamsen Burke 98
- Low Net: Hyong Pau 70

2 Tees Flight One

- Low Gross: Gisele Barber 95
- Low Net:
1. Barbara Nilsen 71
 2. Barbara Weisend 73

2 Tees Flight Two

- Low Gross: Gwen Bindon 109
- Low Net: Alice Glazer 75

SHONIS

Tuesday, June 25
All Nets

Flight One:

1. Nancy Chesterton 22
2. Meg Rogers 23
3. Teddy Morse 24
4. Tied - Marty Blinde, Betty Hall, Manoli Kelly 26

Flight Two:

1. Peggy White 20
2. Donna Erickson 23
3. Karen Potts 25
4. Tied - Sabrina Malcolmson and Fran Schumaker 26

BRIDGE

Monday, June 24:
1. Jonna Robinson - Roy Tsai
2. Selma Chastaine - Sylvia Rozewicz
3. Mary LeGrand - Art Lind

Wednesday, June 26:
1/2. Mary LeGrand - Lorrie Scott; Jonna Robinson - Roy Tsai
3. Art Lind — Guest

Friday, June 28:
1. Ed Logg - Jonna Robinson
2. Mary LeGrand — Guest
3. Joe Henry - Bonnie Taylor

MEXICAN TRAIN DOMINOES

Sylvia Rozewicz	220	Friday, June 28	
Kit Hultquist	263	Bev Waller-Wharton	122
Gjo Bennett	285	Kitty Heston	182
Maribeth Berlie	320	Kit Hultquist	224

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RELIGION

Villages Religious Services

Weekly:

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

Regularly Scheduled:

Friday	9 a.m. Catholic Mass	Cribari
	First three Fridays of each month	
	Contact: Louise Connors	408-221-6485
Friday	7:15 p.m. Jewish Shabbat	Foothill
	Next date: July 19	
	Contact: Marilyn Goldsmith	732-672-8601

Everyone is welcome! Please call for more information!

VILLAGES JEWISH COMMUNITY

Friday night Shabbat Services will be held at 7:15 p.m. on **July 19, 2024**, at Foothill Center. We will have Rabbi Miller officiating as our guest Rabbi; he is considering joining the VJC professionally. Our speaker will be Jeff Rosen, Santa Clara County District Attorney who will be speaking about Antisemitism and other topics.

All Villagers are welcome. We will have our usual Oneg following service with time for munching and socializing.

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

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

'Freedom'

By Sally Brandt and Patricia Galli

In our country we have just celebrated the Fourth of July, the day that represents the freedom we hold as so important. In the life of Jesus, we see freedom in the miracles or wonders of Jesus encounters that transform lives. Recently we had two stories in succession in both stories the persons had strong faith. A woman with who has been hemorrhaging for years is healed and Jesus says, "Daughter, your faith has saved you." Also, Jairus, a synagogue official who asked that his daughter be saved from death is told, "Do not be afraid; just have faith." Both the woman and the daughter were healed. How strong is my faith? What can I do to make it stronger? We are called to love Jesus with our whole heart, mind, body and soul. We approach this by seeking our inner truth.

Prayer, participation in the life of the church (sacraments), helping others in need and stepping outside ourselves to put others first. The mental picture I had when meditating on this reading was the action of the woman with the hemorrhage after her healing. Frightened when Jesus spoke to her, she fell down before Jesus and **told him the whole truth** and she was set free. Jesus says: "Go in peace and be cured of your affliction."

These words echo those of the Sacrament of Reconciliation:

"May God, the Father of mercies...grant you pardon and peace, and I absolve you of all your sins."

This is the peace that brings freedom. Does that sound familiar? Have you experienced the Sacrament of Reconciliation lately? Just a thought...

Sacrament of Reconciliation Saturdays, 11 a.m. – noon
St. Francis of Assisi, 5111 San Felipe Rd, San Jose, 95135

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., July 8 at Vineyard Center.**

EPISCOPAL

'Between Silence and Service'

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

Although he's widely known as the father of Western monasticism, there's no evidence that Benedict of Nursia had any intention of founding a community of monks when he moved into a cave outside of Rome. What we do know is that he wanted to get out of town, away from the corruption and political instability of 6th-century urban life. But he was a pragmatic hermit. As others sought him out and joined him in the caves around Lake Subiaco, Benedict found himself having to make both room and rules for his followers.

That's the curious irony of spiritual practitioners, especially those whose practices—inspired by love of God—are obviously appropriate to their times. Benedict may have wanted to get away from it all—as all of us surely do at times—just as Jesus sometimes wanted to pray by himself. What then do we do, when others want to get in on the contemplative life? Loving both God and neighbor, Benedict did what a Christian would do. He helped his neighbors find God in a simpler and quieter way of life, but always with attention to the needs of the next spiritual seeker. "Let all the guests at their arrival be received as Christ," Benedict wrote in his Rule, for he himself will one day say: "I was a guest, and you received me" (Matt 25:35). So let fitting honor be shown to all, especially to the household of faith and to travelers."

Please join us Sundays at 9 a.m. at Montgomery Center for worship and fellowship.

COMMUNITY CHAPEL

'Finding What You Need'

By Pastor Bill Hayden

The other day, as I was checking out of Costco, the clerk asked me, "Did you find everything you needed?" I told her that I also needed smaller items and I would find them at another store. I'm asked that question almost whenever I purchase items at most stores. To complete the inquiry, when I returned home, my wife asked, "Did you get everything on the list?"

While sitting at the dining table talking about one of our granddaughters who was interviewing for a job, I thought about "finding what you need." I brushed it off because I had seen everything I needed on the list, shopping at several stores. However, the thought kept reoccurring, and I began thinking about other people who had been asked the same question. The wheels started to turn, and I thought about life.

I thought about the many times I had gone from store to store to find an item on my list. Sometimes, it was an exercise in futility because some things were no longer available anywhere. Can you imagine someone going through life running from place to place and never finding what they are looking for or need? It would be a nightmare to live constantly looking for something out of reach or nonexistent.

Many businesses aim to be a one-stop shopping entity for all the wants and needs to have satisfied returning customers. Out of all the stores and aisles I have walked up and down, I have yet to see an aisle for mending broken hearts, forgiveness, acceptance, love, joy, peace, happiness, or wealth. I realize that some things can only come from the One who created us and knows exactly what we need over what we want, which could lead to injury and significant loss. Philippians 4:19 NLT: "And this same God who takes care of me will supply all your needs from His glorious riches, which have been given to us in Christ Jesus."

Today, I can say, "Yes, I've found everything I need to have a relationship with God through Jesus Christ."

Please celebrate with us and experience the Good Life at the Villages Community Chapel in Cribari Auditorium every Sunday at 10 a.m. to be encouraged over the Word of Life. Join us afterward on **Sunday, July 7**, for our Annual Church Picnic at the Gazebo. The chapel is a place for needs to be met, faith to be affirmed, and new friends to embrace. You can view our worship services on YouTube at [villagescommunitychapel.vgcc.club](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCvillagescommunitychapel)

More COMMUNITY NOTICES

The Villages new automated business operations system Go Live a success

On Monday, July 1, The Villages new business operations system went live with accounting and membership services along with a new process for point of sale transactions. If you dined at the Clubhouse and Bistro or made a purchase at the Pro Shop, you might have noticed your receipts looking a bit more detailed. The Cobalt phased implementation will be ongoing throughout the months. Each phase will bring more online conveniences to our members.

Cobalt - Phase 1:

Real-time accounting modules

• Accounting automation that eliminates Pay Lease, replaced by a more robust automated monthly billing where residents get a deeper view into Club charges.

Member Data Management

- Property Records
- Member Information, with a self-serve option

Point of sales (POS) transactions with detailed receipts in:

- Food and Beverage
- Pro Shop

The Villages team is working to put the final touches on phase 1's module prior to launching:

MaintainX:

• A new work order system with increased capabilities and end-to-end processes

Public and member portal (formerly the Resident Portal)

- Improved Member site organization

Member Phone App

Online dining reservations

• Automated floor management to improve your dining experience

Phase 2 scheduled for this fall will include:

- Online court bookings
- Online activity/trip reservations

Look for future communications to keep you informed and up-to-date.

More CLUBS

FROM THE VILLAGES LIBRARY

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

“Bewitched, Bothered and Beheaded” (Alvarez Family Murder Mysteries #10) by Heather Haven (Resident Author). In this wacky and hilarious whodunit, private eye Lee Alvarez slips into the role of magician’s assistant for a fundraiser and finds herself dead center in a beyond-grisly murder. Despite meticulous planning and rehearsal, the magician’s guillotine trick goes as wrong as it possibly can when Lee pulls the cord and shimmies to divert attention from the horrifying fall of the blade. With her back to the guillotine, she’s the last to know of the real-life beheading. But the first to know she’s the number one suspect. Mystery, 2024.

“The #1 Lawyer” by James Patterson and Nancy Allen. Stafford Lee Penney is a small-town lawyer with a big-time reputation for winning every case he tries. In his sharp suits and polished Oxford shoes, Penney is Biloxi, Mississippi’s #1 Lawyer and top local celebrity. Just as Penney notches his latest courtroom victory, his wife is killed and he spirals into a losing streak, ruining his career. So, he makes a bold decision, and creates a new lawyer lifeguard. Moonlighting at the beach, showing up to court in flip-flops, and mentoring a law student, the new Penney is at first unrecognizable. It’s said that a lawyer who represents himself has a fool for a client. But when Penney’s accused of murder, the #1 Lawyer will find a way to triumph. Mystery, 2024.

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

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

Power outages... (Continued from page 7)

stoves, or charcoal grills should always be used outdoors and at least 20 feet away from windows. Never use a gas stovetop or oven to heat your home.

Check on your neighbors. Older adults and young children are especially vulnerable to extreme temperatures.

Go to a community location with power if heat or cold is extreme. (Be aware that community shelters may not be available during the coronavirus emergency.)

Turn off or disconnect appliances, equipment, or electronics. Power may return with momentary “surges” or “spikes” that can cause damage.

Be Safe AFTER the outage.

When in doubt, throw it out! Throw away any food that has been exposed to temperatures 40 degrees or higher for two hours or more, or that has an unusual odor, color, or texture.

If the power is out for more than a day, discard any medication that should be refrigerated, unless the drug’s label says otherwise. If a life depends on the refrigerated drugs, consult a doctor or pharmacist and use medicine only until a new supply is available.

Information from: ready.gov/power-outages

Report Irrigation Issues

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



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

Remember your loved one with a memorial gift to EVF

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Getting on the Road to the 21st Century

Fireside Chat with Theresa Ostrander



Wednesday, July 31, 3-4 p.m. - Fairway Room
Topic: **Public Safety with Theresa Ostrander (GM), Matt Hidalgo (Director of Public Safety) and Desiree Lopez (Public Safety Administrative Assistant)**

Audience - First come, first served. Maximum 50.

For call-in registration, please contact Andrea Garibaldo, Building A receptionist, at 408.223.4674. To register online, please visit: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/vgccfireside7>

Community Battery Recycling Dates

The Villages is excited to offer a trial community battery recycling program. The Villages has been offered free battery recycling through the Santa Clara County Hazardous Waste Drop Off Site for the next few months. On two Friday mornings each month, residents can bring their household batteries (A, AA, AAA, C, D, 9 Volt and button batteries only) to a Villages vehicle located in the parking lot adjacent to the Carport/Air Station near the tennis courts and place them in the container provided. Any corroded batteries (leaking or with residue) must be separated and bagged in a plastic bag. Collection will be between 9 a.m. and 10 a.m. only. There are no designated storage or early drop off opportunities. DACs wishing to use this time to dispose of batteries will need to make an advance appointment and indicate the quantity of batteries they wish to recycle. California State Department of Toxic Substances Control and California State Health and Safety Code regulations (HSC 25218-5.1) allow only 125 pounds of batteries to be transported at a given time. Please contact Mary Tatum 408 754-1334 with any questions.



Who: Villagers with small quantity of batteries to recycle
When: Friday, July 5 from 9 to 10 a.m. (no early drop off)
 Friday, July 19 from 9 to 10 a.m. (no early drop off)
Where: Tennis court parking lot near air station
What: Household batteries only (A, AA, AAA, C, D, 9 Volt and Button Batteries)—corroded batteries need to be bagged in plastic—no e-waste or rubbish

DACs – Make appointment by Wednesday, June 19 for June 21 with Sustainability Services (408-754-1334 or mtatum@the-villages.com) for a drop-off time and quantity. Only 125 pounds can be transported at one time—California State Health and Safety Code, HSC 25218-5.1

If the above dates/times are not convenient, please contact the Santa Clara County Hazardous Waste Drop Off Site directly for an appointment—408-299-7300.

Help us capture special moments at The Villages!



As we are live for the new Villager Online we're looking for fresh images that capture The Villages beautiful surroundings and the activities that take place here.

Because content in the new format works best accompanied by photos and graphics we're asking sports enthusiasts, socialites, event attendees, and club fans to submit engaging photos of favorite moments that illustrate some of the things that make The Villages special.

Please submit your original photos to Scott at The Villager office at shinrichs@the-villages.com.

To provide you with helpful guidelines and important details, please read Submitting Your Photo or Graphic Artwork (<https://news.thevillagesgcc.com/submission-guidelines/>). Thank you for photos that enhance our Villages publications!

WHERE IN THE WORLD IS THE VILLAGER?

Here's how it works: Take along a copy of The Villager on your next vacation—it's not heavy—and have your picture taken holding up the paper with a well-known landmark or celebrity. Just tell them it's for the folks back home. (And be sure to get your camera back!) Then after you unpack and process your pictures from your vacation, e-mail your Villager picture (in Jpeg format) and perhaps a couple of "zingers" from your vacation and e-mail the files to shinrichs@the-villages.com. We'll publish your smiling face with your favorite local paper for all to see.



Asra and Doug making their way through the Panama Canal

Asra Batool, Doug Koenig with their Villager made a transit through the Panama Canal entering the Gatun locks where Doug's grandfather worked as a plumber. His mother was born and raised in the adjacent US Canal Zone. As fate would have it Doug's father, an artillery officer, was stationed in Panama at the time to protect the Canal where the two met. While at sea, Asra and Doug sharpened their paddle ball skills with excellent coaching from the ship's resident pro, Anand Amritraj, a former professional tennis player from India.

They got close to the Cayman Islands but not close enough. However, there were other opportunities to go ashore to many exotic places like Cartagena, Cabo, Costa Rica and Acapulco.



Asra and Doug on the Mexican Riviera



Asra and Anand



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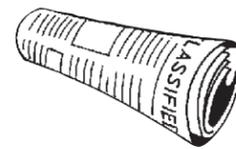
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OBITUARY

Donna Myers

February 27, 1936 — May 26, 2024

Donna Myers, beloved mother, wife, daughter, sister, and friend, passed away peacefully on May 26, 2024, at the age of 88.

Born on February 27, 1936, in Bismarck, ND, Donna grew up on a large working farm with her three sisters and hard-working parents. On the farm, with her family, she developed a strong work ethic and learned the life skills that would contribute to her success throughout her life.

After graduating from Seattle University, she and her husband Mike, moved to Santa Clara where she began a 40 plus year career in education. During the first half of her career, she was an elementary school teacher and was a principal during the second half.

Donna was a remarkable woman known for her kindness, grace, and unwavering love for her family and friends. She had many special talents including cooking, sewing, knitting, painting, gardening and anything to do with crafts.

She spent many years in The Villages and was active as President of the Flower Club and as a Library Volunteer. She had many friends and was a member of Bunko, Bridge and Golf groups.

She will be deeply missed by her son, Michael, and his wife Helen and her grandchildren Julianne, Michael and Michele.

Funeral services will be held on Friday, July 19 at 12 p.m. at St. Francis of Assisi Church. The service will be followed by a Celebration of Life at 1:30 p.m. in the Fairway Room at the Clubhouse in the Villages. Friends are encouraged to attend one or both events.



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