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The Villager Online numbers increase

The Villager Online launched July 1. 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. In addition, you'll receive emails that link you to highlighted online news taking you directly to *The Villager Online* articles—and we hope you stay to enjoy the colorful photos and take advantage of the online advertisements. To be a part of it, please visit: news.thevillagesgcc.com

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Home Studio Art Tour to return in August

We're excited to bring back the Home Studio Art Tour! Save the Date: **Saturday, August 17** from **10 a.m. to 3 p.m.** Resident artists can showcase their talent in their home studio, garage or driveway. This is a unique and fun event to present and share the items you make to hundreds of buyers from the convenience of your own home.

How does this work? Easy—you sign up, we promote, you profit. This is a popular event sponsored by the Arts & Crafts Association. Do you want to participate? Artist contracts are now being accepted—download one from villagesartsandcrafts.org or pick one up in the Arts & Crafts mail slot in Cribari Center (across from the VMA office). Questions? Email Diane Finley at dianefinley1@gmail.com



Learn from Lorrie—'Breathe, Stretch, De-Stress'

By Barbara Zahner, VMA Health Education

Learn how to de-stress **Monday, August 5** at Vineyard Center from **10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.** In one interactive hour, learn to let go of your anxiety and to keep your cool.

Lorrie Escobar, CEO and Founder of Elemental Stretch, stays calm—despite working daily with stressed patients, families, and caregivers. Lorrie's secret? She breathes, stretches, and tunes into the sources of stress in her body and in her mind. According to Lorrie, with degrees in Occupational Therapy and Gerontology, "The key to stress management is to learn how to recognize stress when we are experiencing it. Then identify the stress. Finally, practice easy stretching exercises and simple breathing techniques to move stress out of your body."

Lorrie says she is passionate about promoting wellness, flexibility, and functional mobility for all, especially for those with physical limitations and for their caregivers. In "Breathe, Stretch and De-Stress," Lorrie will cover:

- Creating a safe place to express negative emotions.
- Recognizing where you may be holding stress in your body.
- Learning two stretches and breathing techniques calm your body and center your mind.

In addition to working as a co-administrator of Lorrie Residential Care Homes, Lorrie will visit your home to design personalized stretching routines to enliven your health and well-being.

Register today! Go online at vmavillages.vgcc.club and click on programs. Or call 408-238-4029.



Lorrie Escobar

Barbara Gottesman solo art exhibit to debut July 20

By Michael Sunzeri

Barbara Gottesman is the next Arts & Crafts member to have a solo exhibit of her artwork in Cribari Conference Room. Her paintings will be hung on July 16 with a reception on **Saturday, July 20**.

Barbara painted several oils in her 20s, but 40 years of a career intervened. She worked as a teacher, principal, center director, state education department program manager and finally as a college professor. She decided to retire as chair of the Educational Leadership Department at SJSU to find out if she could become an artist during her golden years. She took classes in Chinese Brush Painting and Calligraphy, watercolor and acrylics during her first summer of retirement. She became very involved with Arts & Crafts and served eight years as president. She continues serving in various jobs, now as class scheduler and webmaster. The Arts and Crafts Association recognized her as Volunteer of the Decade.

Her solo show includes her first watercolor from 1999 and her latest work, "The Comfort of Birds," which she finished in June. Barbara keeps her ties to academe as chair for the Doris Prince Education Foundation, which awards six \$15,000 scholarships to women who are studying to be principals and superintendents in schools.

All are invited to her reception on **Saturday, July 20**, from **1 to 3 p.m.** in Cribari Conference Room. Her exhibit will be up until the Annual Members Juried Show in October.



Barbara Gottesman

Your traditional Villager newspaper is still here!
Look in your tubes and on your porch the first and third Fridays of the month.

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.

All Pulse letters are posted on The Villager Online. Pulse letters submitted for the print-on-paper Villager are published the first week and the third week of the month. If you have a preference for any specific edition, please submit letter prior to the deadline for that particular edition.

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.

Letters may be submitted electronically through the Submission Form on The Villager Online: news.thevillagesgcc.com/article-submission-form/, or emailed to Villager Managing Editor S. Hinrichs: shinrichs@the-villages.com.

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

Typed or legibly written letters must include your signature and may be hand delivered to The Villager office in Building B or by mailing to the Communications Advisory Committee, 5000 Cribari Lane, San Jose, CA 95135.

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

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

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

The Villages Communications Advisory Committee advises the General Manager and Club Board on issues pertaining to The Villager, including Pulse letters. Residents may contact the committee through Chair Barbara Clurman at 669-234-4180, or Co-Chair Debbie Champion at 408-960-6994.

To the person who took the "blue bird" from the Verano sign. Why? Who are you? Please return ASAP!

— Geri Wilk

On July 4 my wife, daughter, grandson and another family were harassed by a woman regarding pool hours for children on July 4. The Villages Rules (page 44) states that pool hours for children in Montgomery Pool on July 4 is 12-4. Her conduct was reprehensible.

This could have been avoided if the pool hours for July 4 were clearly stated in all Village communication and if the sign at the pool stated the July 4 hours.

— Robert Eisenberg

Sign up now to get access to The Villager Online!

The Villager Online launched July 1

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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

John Wesley Epperheimer

November 28, 1946 — June 26, 2024

(Please see obituary in the Classified Advertising section)

New—Obituaries are now also available online at news.thevillagesgcc.com/in-memoriam

For more information about In Memoriam notices, please contact Kory Tran at ktran@the-villages.com or 408-754-1341 or Scott Hinrichs at shinrichs@the-villages.com or 408-223-4655.

DEADLINES

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

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

Classified Ads: Classified ads, renewals, cancellations and changes are due by 4 p.m. on the Monday before publication. Holiday deadlines differ. You may fax classified ads to 408-274-2843 or e-mail to: ktran@the-villages.com. For more information, please call 408-223-4657, 408-754-1341 or 408-223-4655.

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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

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.

Seeking volunteers to serve on the CBOD Architectural Committee

The CBOD is seeking residents who would like to be considered for service on the CBOD Architectural Committee for 2024 and 2025.

If you are interested, please complete an application (link: <https://resident.thevillagesgcc.com/club/ccom/ccomapp/>) and return it to Julia Meadows by July 25.

For questions, contact CBOD Directors Larry Versaw larryversaw@gmail.com or Diana Hallock dianahallock@yahoo.com

Association/Homeowners documents available via email

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

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

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

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

'Ask the ABOD'

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



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

The Villages Executive Leadership Round Table

Come meet and chat with The Villages Board Presidents Richard Zahner (Club), Michael Schwerin (Association) and Teddy Morse (Homeowners) and General Manager Theresa Ostrander.

This open event is scheduled for Wednesday, August 7 from 3 to 4 p.m. in the Clubhouse Fairway Room and provides an opportunity for you to ask questions, provide suggestions and share concerns.

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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>



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Thanks, Residents of The Villages.

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MANAGEMENT

Frequently asked questions (FAQ) about The Villager Online

With its July 1 go live, *The Villager Online* received 1,160 registrants and the number continues to grow. Readers now enjoy news that's able to keep up with the daily activities as they get reported—in full color! The Communications team

welcomes your photos. The Villager Online calls for each article to be accompanied with an eye-catching visual, giving the staff opportunity to post high-quality images that capture the life and good times members share. Although your online news is there for you every day, all day (and night), *The Villager* printed version will continue to be delivered in its traditional way the first and third weeks of every month.

Since going live, we've been answering your questions. Below are the most common ones so far:

Why do I need to register to read *The Villager Online*?

After receiving member's comments and considering the privacy and safety of our community and its information, the GM Office decided to password protect *The Villager Online* content. This password protection process requires everyone wishing to access the online version to register. Remember, this registration is a one-time occurrence.

Why are we just now concerned about protecting *The Villager* content from the public?

While the printed *Villager* could be dispersed outside our gates and the pdf version could be searched and found, having an entire newspaper online brings our vulnerability to the forefront. *The Villager Online* gives us an opportunity to evaluate our online presence and we decided to move forward conservatively, and password protect.

What if I think password protecting is silly and too inconvenient?

As we make changes such as getting onboard with Cobalt's automated business operations system, introducing the new Member Portal and now having access to an online version of *The Villager*, we will be taking surveys and conducting town halls where Villagers' feedback is always welcomed and taken into account as we continue to chart the course forward.

What if I need help with *The Villager Online* registration or password reset?

The Communications team has set up WOW drop-in sessions (Welcome to Our Website) at Cribari's Sequoia Room where volunteers are there periodically for in-person one-on-one sessions.

Posted on the Sequoia door are volunteer names and phone numbers if you need assistance outside of the scheduled drop-in times. Also posted on the bulletin board outside of Cribari's Redwood Room are Step-By-Step guides to provide self-help support.

You can view these Step-By-Step guides online when you go to *The Villager Online* Login page. Click on "How to Register" or "How to Log In."

I already have a resident Portal account. Shouldn't *The Villager Online* know my account information?

The Resident Portal is on a separate database. *The Villager Online* is completely different. The two repositories are not designed to communicate with each other.

Can I use the same username and password I used for the Resident Portal for *The Villager Online* registration?

Yes. Less to remember. Remember, everyone must register first.

What if I want to use my phone to get to my online news?

Remember, the phone view is going to look different. You will see individual tabs on the top and you will have to swipe left or right to get to the news you're interested in. There's also the "hamburger" menu (three horizontal lines) on the top right corner. If you click on this, you will be directed to the Search function. By typing in a topic, you will go directly to those related topics. Don't forget the function bar at the bottom of your phone where you have the arrows to go back or forward, and the double page icon that makes the web page smaller so you can push the "X" on the top right corner to close the page.

Providing all this personal information and registering is inconvenient. Can't we make it simpler?

We understand and if there is a way to do it, we'll find it.

To make sure you are able to view content, visit news.thevillagesgcc.com now to register.



Update on delay in launching business software

Dear Villagers,

We want to provide an update regarding the delay in launching additional software modules and systems. When we introduced new software on our existing, outdated IT environment, we anticipated uncovering some vulnerabilities. However, we did not expect the magnitude and severity of the systems and network outages that have occurred.

To address these issues, we are pausing the phased roll-out of Cobalt and other software systems. We have developed a comprehensive plan with our new master service IT provider to move forward prudently. Our new launch date is set for August 5.

We appreciate your patience and understanding as we work to enhance our technology infrastructure.

Sincerely,

The Villages Team

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

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| Thursday, July 18: | 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. |
| Friday, July 19: | 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. – all day |
| Monday, July 22 | 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. – all day |
| Tuesday, July 23 | 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. |
| Wednesday, July 24 | 9 a.m. to 1:45 p.m. |
| Thursday, July 25 | 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. |
| Friday, July 26 | 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. – all day |
| Monday, July 29 | 12:30 p.m. to 6 p.m. |
| Tuesday, July 30 | 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. – all day |
| Wednesday, July 31 | 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.

Missed your Villager?

The Villager newspaper is being printed on the first and third weeks of the month. If you missed delivery of your copy of *The Villager*, please call 408-223-4655 after 11:30 a.m. to report it.

You may pick up a replacement copy of your paper at the newsstand at the entrance of Building B or on the table outside The Villages Post Office in the Cribari Center hallway.



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GOVERNANCE MEETINGS

THE DACs

Cribari DAC to meet July 22

The Cribari DAC will meet Monday, July 22, at 6:30 p.m. in the Cribari Conference Room. Come meet your new DAC Chair, Rita Holiday! For questions, please contact Rita at 408-887-3560.

Olivas DAC to meet August 5

The Olivas DAC will meet Monday, August 5 at 4 p.m. at Foothill Center.

Heights DAC to meet August 5

The Heights DAC will meet **Monday, August 5 at 6 p.m.** in Montgomery Center

Montgomery DAC to meet August 5

The Montgomery DAC will meet **Monday, August 5 at 10 a.m.** in Montgomery Center and also via Zoom. Zoom Meeting ID: 851 8067 6450. Passcode: 597012

More COMMUNITY NOTICES

(SRS) SENIOR RESOURCE SERVICES

Choosing the right trustee for your living trust

A revocable living trust is a means to pass assets to heirs without going through probate court proceedings. If you are the creator of the living trust ("trustor"), choosing a trustee is usually easy—you pick yourself, so that you have complete control over your trust estate during your lifetime. If trustors are husband and wife, it is common for them to name themselves as co-trustees. If one dies, the survivor acts as sole trustee, but usually with only limited power to make any changes to the terms of the trust.

But whom do you pick to be "successor trustee" if the last trustor is ill and cannot manage the assets? Or whom do you pick to manage the assets at the death of the final person who created the trust? The successor trustee manages the trust estate and makes sure it is distributed to all beneficiaries. Beneficiaries may be family members, other named individuals, or a charity.

Under California law, any adult may be a trustee, even a non-resident of California or the U.S. Typically, trustors choose one of their beneficiaries to act as successor trustee, but a bank or trust company may also be named. If you choose a family member, such as one of your children, you need to be sure that person has the intelligence and ability to handle trust property with integrity, so you are confident that each of the beneficiaries will receive their proper share.

Sometimes trustors who have two or more children believe that one will be offended if not named as a co-trustee. But if multiple parties are to be co-trustees, they must agree completely on all decisions concerning the estate. If ever there is a disagreement, they may have to end up in court for resolution. As a general rule, it is preferable to name only one successor trustee. The second, or third, may be named as "alternates" in case the first-named is unable to carry out the duties.

Suppose you don't have any children? Now your choice of successor trustee may be some other family member, a good friend, or it may be a corporate trustee. Most banks have trust departments that will act in this capacity, but often require that trust assets be valued at more than some amount, such as \$1 million. There are also firms that specialize in trust administration services. Frequently your tax accountant or financial advisor can recommend a firm. While family members sometimes don't charge to act as trustee, or only charge for out-of-pocket expenses, corporate trustees will charge the trust estate with a monthly fee for their services.

A corporate trustee might be a good idea if you expect there will be squabbling among the beneficiaries, or if management of trust assets is likely to be unusually complex.

As in all legal matters, it is a good idea to consult with an estate attorney who is experienced in trusts before making a final decision.

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.

The VMA needs you!

Do you find that there are days of the week that you do not have a constructive activity? Maybe those could be hours that you devote to driving fellow residents to doctor's appointments, deliver equipment to their home or take them grocery shopping. Your schedule counts, so share with the Villages Medical Auxiliary (VMA) the times you are available to help out.

Perhaps you could answer phones one day a week or help with the planning for an event or actually working an event? There are so many opportunities to give back to the community.

Go to VMAvillages.vgcc.club and fill out a volunteer application. You won't be sorry.

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

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



Call 911 for medical emergencies

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

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

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

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RECREATION

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

Building B business hours

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

2025 Master Calendar time is coming!



Attention all boards, board-appointed committees and board recognized organizations, the time for reserving your meetings and events in 2025 is near. The Master Calendar process is the way the above groups request Club facilities for the next year. It also meets the requirements for being a board-recognized organization as stated in Club Rule 1.40.

- At the beginning of next month, the leader of these groups will receive email notification that the Master Calendar 2025 packet is available. If you have new email addresses or leadership, please make sure that Recreation Services has the correct information on file.

- Think about what your facility needs for next year will be. Please

remember that the calendar changes every year; even if your requests remain the same you could be affected by another group. Come up with alternatives if your first choice is not available.

An invitation will go out to group leaders for an opportunity to meet with Recreation Services later this month (July).

Event Coordinator Rebecca Dreitlein will also be available by appointment during August if you need help. She can be reached at rdreitlein@the-villages.com or 408-223-4644.

Questions about the Clubhouse Master Calendar 2025 packet can be discussed with Albert Salcedo at 408-223-4688 or asalcedo@the-villages.com

Sign up for Chair Yoga

Sign up for Chair Yoga on Tuesdays, 9:30 to 10:15 a.m., August 20 to September 24 (six classes) in the Cribari Conference Room. The cost is \$68.50 per person (equipment bought independently; see below).

Taught by Natsuko Tsuji, Chair Yoga uses a chair as a prop to change traditional yoga poses so they can be done while seated. This class can be suitable for people who have difficulty with standard yoga poses and can also be a good introduction to yoga for people who want to focus on balance, coordination and strength training.

Register in Building B during business hours beginning Monday, July 22. The signup deadline is Friday, August 9 or sooner if class is filled.

Note: To accommodate this class, the time for Mat Pilates (also taught by Natsuko Tsuji) has been changed. Natsuko is a certified Yoga and Pilates instructor, with 10 years of experience teaching Yoga and over eight years teaching Pilates.

Japanese art trip canceled

The trip to see the Kimono Design and Japanese Print exhibits at the Legion of Honor has been canceled because we did not have enough registrants to cover the cost of the trip. All Recreation Services programs are self-supporting. Our office has contacted everyone who signed up. Please contact us if you have questions.

Guest Rooms 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 \$120 per night for a room with one queen bed and \$130 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 408-223-4643.

Look what's coming

| Date | Event | Reg. Date |
|-------------|--------------------------------|-----------|
| 7/25 | Japanese Art Trip | CANCELED |
| 8/1 | DeRose Winery | 6/24 |
| 8/14 | Girl from the North Country | SOLD OUT |
| 8/19 – 9/23 | Nirvana Fitness | 7/22 |
| 8/20 – 9/24 | Chair Yoga | 7/22 |
| 8/20-9/24 | Mat Pilates | 7/22 |
| 9/5 | Chinatown with Craig Smith | 8/5 |
| 9/26 | Walt Disney Museum | 8/19 |
| 10/10 | Wicked | 8/5 |
| 10/24 | Barbary Coast with Craig Smith | 9/16 |

Enhance mind-body connection with Nirvana® Fitness

Sign up for the next set of Nirvana® fitness classes scheduled for Mondays, 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. **August 19 to September 23** (five classes, skipping September 2) in the Cribari Conference Room. The cost is \$51 per person (equipment recommendations are listed below).

Instructed by Barbara Bitonti, these classes blend Yoga and Pilates movements with mood-enhancing music. This unique combination provides the ideal rhythm for breathing throughout the entire session. The result is an enhanced mind-body connection. In these classes, you'll do movements both standing and on the floor. You need to get down to and up from the floor on your own. This class requires you to bring your own yoga mat. Kneepads are also recommended.

Register in Building B beginning Monday, July 22. Registration ends Friday, August 9 or sooner if spots fill up.

Barbara Bitonti is a certified FWHA Wellness Health Coach, a Nirvana® fitness instructor and an immunologist. With a solid medical background, she stays updated on health and wellness best practices. Barbara advocates for holistic well-being and invites you to explore the benefits of this cutting-edge exercise technique.

Strengthen and lengthen with Mat Pilates

Sign up for the next set of Mat Pilates classes, being offered 10:30 – 11:30 a.m. on **Tuesdays, August 20 to September 24** (three classes) in Cribari Conference Room.

The cost per student is **\$68.50** (equipment purchased independently as needed, more details below). Register in Building B during business hours beginning Monday, July 22. The deadline is Friday, August 9 or sooner if the class fills up.

Mat Pilates is a strengthening and lengthening form of exercise that focuses on your core muscles while also training your arms and legs. It is a mind and body practice that improves posture, coordination, balance, focus, body awareness, stress management and injury prevention. Participants should be comfortable performing exercises on a mat on the floor and able to get up from the floor without help. A yoga mat is required for this class and must be purchased on your own.

Note: the class time has been changed to accommodate the earlier Chair Yoga class also taught by Natsuko Tsuji. She is a certified Yoga and Pilates instructor, with 10 years of experience teaching Yoga and over eight years teaching Pilates.

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.

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN ARTS AND CRAFTS?

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

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



July 18: Advisory Board Meeting, 4 p.m.

July 20: Reception for Barbara Gottesman's Solo Exhibit in Cribari Conference Room, Saturday, 1 p.m. – 3 p.m.

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

Art Classes—Register with 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.

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

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

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.

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.

Special Hike, Thursday, July 25: Cheryl Allmen will lead a hike to Happy Hollow's Senior Safari, a special time when Seniors

get free admission/parking at Happy Hollow. You can enjoy the animals, rides and special Senior activities, and there may be free items and handouts. You can even stay all day and meetup with your grandkids after 10 a.m. Our group will plan to meet at the Cribari bell at 8:15 and leave at 8:25 for anyone who wants to carpool. Parking entrance to Happy Hollow is on Story Road just east of Senter Rd. We will enter the park about 9 a.m. and stay as long as you like, especially if you want to get your 10,000 steps accomplished along the park's trails. Cheryl plans to leave the park mid-day. Food/beverages are available for purchase at the park. Hikers have many choices if driving on their own: stop for lunch with other interested hikers, complete errands (Costco on Senter Road is nearby) or return to The Villages. Round trip is about 20 miles. Message Cheryl at 408-307-3979 with questions.

Rambler Hike, Wednesday, July 31: Jim Koski (408-313-4848) will lead a 4-mile hike at Henry Cowell Redwoods State Park in Felton. Elevation gain is about 500 ft. We'll hike through the ancient redwood forest then up Pipeline and Ridge Fire Roads to the Observation Deck for our snack, then descend the Eagle Creek Trail back to the ancient redwoods and parking lot. We can have lunch in Felton afterward. Meet at the Cribari bell at 8:45 a.m. for a 9 a.m. departure. Round-trip distance from The Villages is approximately 80 miles.

Rambler-Lite Hike, Wednesday, July 31: Katy Peretti (408-531-0917) will lead a hike to Glen Arden and Highlands. We'll walk around Glen Aden, then along Caledonia to Buckhaven and back to Foothill. Meet at Foothill at 9 a.m.

More COMMUNITY NOTICES

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 through August. 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 is 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 19 from 9 to 10 a.m. (no early drop-off)

Friday, August 2 from 9 to 10 a.m. (no early drop-off)

Friday, August 16 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, July 17 for July 19, 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

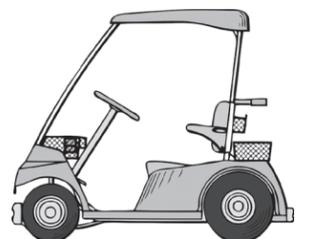
If the above dates/times are not convenient, please contact the Santa Clara County Hazardous Waste Drop Off Site directly for an appointment at 408-299-7300.

Golf cart donations help support the VMA

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

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

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



Business Card Ads

Call 408-223-4657

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 7/22 to 7/28

Monday, July 22

Cream of Broccoli

Tuesday, July 23

Split Pea

Wednesday, July 24

Chicken Fiesta

Thursday, July 25

Minestrone

Friday, July 26

Clam Chowder

Saturday, July 27

Chef's Choice

Sunday, July 28

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 7/22 to 7/28

Breakfast Special:

Tuesday 7/23 to Sunday 7/28

Spanish Omelet: Salsa, Cheddar Cheese, Green Onions, Guacamole and Sour Cream with Choice of Breakfast Side **\$16.95**

Lunch Specials:

Monday 7/22 to Sunday 7/28—11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Villager Melt: Roast Beef, Pepper Jack Cheese, Sweet peppers and Avocado on Grilled Sourdough with Choice of Side **\$17.95**

Chicken Fajita Salad: Grilled Chicken Strips, Onions, Peppers, Avocado and Tortilla Strips over Iceberg Lettuce with Chipotle Ranch Dressing **\$17.95**

Dinner Specials:

Tuesday 7/23 to Sunday 7/28—5 p.m. to 8 p.m. (Last Seating)

Seafood Piccata Linguini: Prawns, Scallops and Green Mussels sautéed with a Wine, Garlic, Caper, Lemon and Butter Sauce **\$29.95**

Chicken Cacciatore: Airline Chicken Breast braised with Mushroom, Peppers, Onions and Olives in a Tomato Basil Stew with Choice of Sides **\$28.95**

Clubhouse Indoor, Patio Dining and Curbside Hours of Operation

Monday

Lunch:
11 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Bistro Menu
2 p.m. to 8 p.m. (last seating)

Tuesday to Friday

Breakfast:
8 a.m. to 11 a.m.
Lunch:
11 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Bistro Menu:
2 p.m. to 8 p.m. (last seating)
Dinner Menu:
5 p.m. to 8 p.m. (last seating)

Saturday and Sunday

Saturday Breakfast:
7 a.m. to 11 a.m.
Sunday Breakfast:
7 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Lunch:
11 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Bistro Menu:
2 p.m. to 8 p.m. (last seating)
Dinner Menu:
5 p.m. to 8 p.m. (last seating)

Main phone line: 408-223-4687
Reservation: Press #1, Curbside Order and Pick-up: Press #2
Manager on duty: Press #4, Events and Catering: Press #5
Online
Reservation or Curbside Order: Clubhouserreservation.com
Email: theclubhouse@the-villages.com

More COMMUNITY NOTICES



EPC's epic Emergency Preparedness Fair to return!

By Arlene Versaw

It's been two years since EPC's very successful Emergency Preparedness Fair drew more than 450 Villagers to the Cribari Center. We are delighted to announce its return with the best of the last one (remember the Go-Bag drawing, the earthquake film, all the community organizations?) and a number of enhancements. We will have some of the same community groups, but new ones too, and additional speakers because they were in such high demand. We are reorganizing the tables to provide for better traffic flow, and we are increasing the number of Go-Bags for the opportunity drawing to eight (8) bags!

So mark your calendar for **Saturday, August 10**, from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. in Cribari Center, watch this space for additional information in the coming weeks, and join us. It's a great way to get all the information you need to prepare yourself for emergencies of any kind. In a perfect world, we would not have to worry about fire, earthquake, long power outages and personal challenges to our welfare. But we don't live in that idyllic world. So, we do need to take responsibility for ensuring we are ready and we know what to do. See you there!

Classified ads are now also online!

We will also have classified ads on The Villager Online during weeks when we are not in print, for a lower rate. Visit news.thevillagesgcc.com/classified

A GREAT DEAL! Villager Business Card Ads \$43 per week!

Call 408-223-4657

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



Whole Rotisserie Chicken

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

New Price \$9.95 plus Service Charge & Tax

408.223.4687 opt 2 or online at clubhouserreservation.com

Click for more information

Clubhouse Special Offers

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



Bring your favorite bottle of wine* and your friends any and every Wednesday or Thursday at the Clubhouse and enjoy our no-corkage fee offer.

* 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. This special offer is every Wednesday and Thursday.

Single Diners' Night



Let's dine together every Wednesday at 6 p.m.

Shared table. Every Wednesday at 6 p.m. when you come as a single with your favorite bottle of wine and share your table with another single dining member, the corkage fee is on the house!* Please see restrictions below.

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.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS



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

Friday, July 19

| | | |
|------------|--------------------------|------|
| 8:30 a.m. | Jazzercise | A |
| 9 a.m. | Catholic Mass | CR |
| 9 a.m. | Chinese Morning Exercise | P |
| 9 a.m. | Villager Online drop-ins | SEQ |
| 9 a.m. | Game Day | RED |
| 9 a.m. | Table Tennis | TTC |
| 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 |
| 5 p.m. | Tennis Mixer Tourney | TS |
| 6 p.m. | Chinese Club Line Dance | VC |
| 6:30 p.m. | Mexican Train Dominoes | MC |
| 7:15 p.m. | Jewish Shabbat | FC d |

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| 9:30 a.m. | Association Rules Cmte. | PR |
| 9:45 a.m. | Search the Scriptures | FC |
| 10 a.m. | Art&Craft Member Studio | AR |
| 10 a.m. | Montgomery DAC | MC |
| 10 a.m. | VGC Six Clubs | VR |
| 11 a.m. | VMA Health Program | VC |
| 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 |
| 6:30 p.m. | Cribari DAC | CR |
| 7 p.m. | Duplicate Bridge | RED |

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| 7 p.m. | Duplicate Bridge | RED |
| 7 p.m. | Village Dancers 3 | VC |

Thursday, July 25

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| 8:30 a.m. | Tai Chi | P |
| 9 a.m. | Villager Online drop-ins | SEQ |
| 9 a.m. | Game Day | RED |
| 9 a.m. | Table Tennis | TTC |
| 10 a.m. | Art Class | AR |
| 10 a.m. | Line Dance Club | CR |
| 10 a.m. | LSAL Fitness | A |
| 10 a.m. | Master Calendar overview | FC |
| 11:30 a.m. | 18-H Women's Golf Lunch | CH |
| 12:30 p.m. | Comm. Chapel Music Rhrl | A |
| 1 p.m. | Bible Small Group | SEQ |
| 1:30 p.m. | Ukulele Club | VC |
| 2 p.m. | Open Studio | AR |
| 2 p.m. | Meditation | MC |
| 3 p.m. | Community Chapel Choir | CR |
| 3 p.m. | Senior Academy Board | PR |
| 7 p.m. | Folksters | VC |

Tuesday, July 23

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|------------|--------------------------|-----|
| 8:30 a.m. | Tai Chi | P |
| 9 a.m. | Villager Online drop-ins | SEQ |
| 9 a.m. | Game Day | RED |
| 9 a.m. | Table Tennis | TTC |
| 10 a.m. | Art Class | AR |
| 11 a.m. | High Twelve Board Lunch | VC |
| 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. | Tennis Club Board | PR |

Wednesday, July 24

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| 8:30 a.m. | Jazzercise (Empty Floor) | A |
| 9 a.m. | Chinese Morning Exercise | P |
| 9 a.m. | Villager Online drop-ins | SEQ |
| 9 a.m. | Game Day | RED |
| 9 a.m. | Table Tennis | TTC |
| 10 a.m. | Art Class | AR |
| 10 a.m. | Bocce Champions Potluck | GP |
| 10 a.m. | Yoga | A |
| 11 a.m. | Folk Dance | CR |
| 2 p.m. | Open Studio | AR |
| 3:45 p.m. | Aqua Zumba | FHP |
| 4 p.m. | Jewish History | SEQ |
| 6:30 p.m. | Mexican Train Dominoes | MC |

Friday, July 26

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| 8:30 a.m. | Jazzercise | A |
| 9 a.m. | Chinese Morning Exercise | P |
| 9 a.m. | Villager Online drop-ins | SEQ |
| 9 a.m. | Game Day | RED |
| 9 a.m. | Table Tennis | TTC |
| 10 a.m. | Art&Craft Member Studio | AR |
| 10 a.m. | Line Dance Club-Advanced | A |
| 12:30 p.m. | Bridge Club | RED |
| 2 p.m. | Open Studio | AR |
| 3 p.m. | Bocce Bash | GP |
| 3 p.m. | Handbell Ensemble | CR |
| 6 p.m. | Chinese Club Line Dance | FC |
| 6:30 p.m. | Mexican Train Dominoes | MC |
| 7 p.m. | Long-9 Twilight Dinner | CH |
| 7 p.m. | VAT Fall Show Auditions | A |

Saturday, July 20

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| 8:30 a.m. | Tai Chi | P |
| 9 a.m. | P.E.O. Social | MC |
| 9 a.m. | Table Tennis | TTC |
| 10 a.m. | Quilters | PR |
| 10 a.m. | Ukulele Sing Along | SEQ |
| 12 p.m. | Arts & Crafts Reception | CR |
| 2 p.m. | Korean Club | VC |
| 4 p.m. | Chinese Ballroom Dancing | FC |

Sunday, July 21

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|-----------|--------------------------|-----|
| 7:30 a.m. | Catholic Choir | CR |
| 8:15 a.m. | Catholic Mass | A |
| 9 a.m. | Community Chapel Choir | SEQ |
| 9 a.m. | Episcopal Church | MC |
| 9 a.m. | Table Tennis | TTC |
| 10 a.m. | Community Chapel Worship | A |
| 10 a.m. | Quilters | PR |
| 11 a.m. | Montgomery DAC | SEQ |
| 2 p.m. | Chinese Club Cooking | |
| Demo | MC | |
| 5 p.m. | Community Chapel Hymns | CR |
| 5 p.m. | Fairweather Friends | VC |

Monday, July 22

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| 7:30 a.m. | Silicon Valley Team Play | CH |
| 8:30 a.m. | Jazzercise | A |
| 8:30 a.m. | Nirvana Fitness | CR |
| 9 a.m. | Chinese Morning Exercise | P |
| 9 a.m. | Villager Online drop-ins | SEQ |
| 9 a.m. | Game Day | RED |
| 9 a.m. | Table Tennis | TTC |

| 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 | |
| TTC | Table Tennis Center | (Montgomery) |
| VC | Vineyard Center | |
| VR | Voyage Room | (Montgomery) |

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 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

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.

Stress Management – How to Move it Out of Your Body – Lorrie Escobar, a stretch therapist, CEO and founder of Elemental Stretch will help you recognize how and where your body holds stress and provide techniques to calm and center your body and mind. **Monday, August 5** at 10:30 a.m. in 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 next week and will resume **Monday, July 29** 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, August 15** 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 **August 15** at **10 a.m.** in the Forum Room. No need to register, all welcome.

Fire Safety Town Hall (2023)

Daily
12:00 & 6:00

The Villages Landscape & Functional Turf (2023)

Daily
1:45 & 7:45

Aerial Views of The Villages (2015)

Daily
2:30, 5:30, 8:30 & 11:30

Avoiding Senior Scams (2014)

Daily
3:00 & 9:00

Welcome to Our Website (2021)

Daily
5:15 & 11:15



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CLUBS & EVENTS

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.



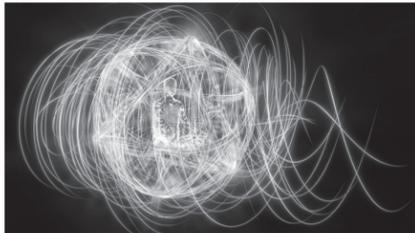
Dr. Gary Lee

- 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.

Join Global Village for Healing Room's Sound Bath

By Liz Adams

In a serene sanctuary, individuals find solace and connection through the power of sound. Enveloped in the harmonious vibrations of gongs and singing bowls, they embark on a journey of deep relaxation and inner peace.



For this month's Healing Room, sponsored by the Global Village Community, join us and experience relaxation like never before, as we harmonize our energies and embrace the profound serenity that lies within. Holistic Intuitive Practitioner Sabrina Huang will guide us on a journey of self-discovery and empowerment using Sound Bath.

The Healing Room event will be held **Thursday, July 25** from 2 p.m.-4 p.m. in Montgomery Center. To register, provide your name, phone number and email address to 408-827-8860 (text or call) or by email kims@kimsilvermantransformation.com

You must pre-register. Registrations will be accepted on a first come basis. There is no cost to attend this event.

For more information about the Global Villages club, visit the GVC Club website at sites.google.com/view/gvcclub/home or email globalvcclub@gmail.com.

The heat is on! Consider solar power

By Beth DeVincenzi

Having just experienced an extended heat wave, I expect some of you are wondering if there is anything you can do to head off the climate changes that we and others are experiencing. If you, in response, are considering whether to add solar to your home, take a look at the article in the July 8 San Jose Mercury News newspaper titled "Are solar panels a good investment?"

If you know that your unit can't support a solar installation, or it is too pricy for your budget, keep in mind that you can opt up to 100 percent



renewable energy from San Jose Clean energy (who are our electrical energy providers). They have committed to buying and supplying enough renewable energy (solar, water, wind) to supply their customers. Their default is to supply you with 50 percent renewable, however you can opt up to 100 percent; it may cost you a few dollars more per month but it is a bargain compared to solar installations. Go to San Jose Clean Energy to sign up.



Calling classic car owners

Corvettes, Thunderbirds, Camaros, Mustangs, Chevelles, Porsches, Caddies, European cars, hot rods and convertibles, put them all together and you have a car show. But first we have to find these vintage cars. If you have a classic American car and are interested in participating in a car show, text Ron MacInnes at 408-306-5936.



Create Abstract Art with Wendy Fitzgerald

Wendy Fitzgerald is offering a rare and unusual class with her expertise in collage and mindful drawing.



If you wish to create abstract art but have problems getting started, this is the class for you, as incorporating collage will help you to speed up this process. Wendy will brief students on the secret to creating balanced art and will in-class exercises on various ways to create abstract art by incorporating collage pieces as inspiration. The metaphor of collage triggers magical

responses in your brain and unexpected creativity will surprise you as a result. All levels are welcome.

Join Wendy on **Tuesdays, July 23, August 6, 13 and 20** from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. for this fascinating class in the Cribari Center Art Room. All materials furnished. The cost is \$45 person; limit 8. Register by emailing barb.gottesman@gmail.com.

You're invited to the del Lago/Sonata Annual Ice Cream Social!



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Yeeha! Montgomery puts on Western-themed picnic

By Susan Howe

Western was this year's theme for the annual Montgomery Picnic. Eighty-eight guests were greeted with goody bags containing trail mix, pony suckers, cow tail candies and more. The dress for the event included gallon hats, bandana scarves, cowboy boots and miles of denim.

The Montgomery social committee (including Chair Marie Dillon and members Pam Watson, Carol Hoffman, Celia Schiffner, Arlene Holmboe and Susan Howe) hosted the event on Sunday, June 30 at the Gazebo.

MCs Dave Raskin and Richard Holmboe facilitated the event by thanking the many volunteers, introducing the games (including western trivia, volleyball and cornhole), describing the catered meal, while sprinkling riddles and jokes throughout the evening.

Posing for pictures at the photo booth, listening and dancing to the tunes of DJ Ed Knott and enjoying a surprise visit by the Flash Dance Performers were a few of the many activities.

Citaly food truck catered the dinner with a vast menu of handcrafted Mexican specialties. They also prepared a thirst-quenching watermelon aqua fresca. Guests described the meal as delicious and abundant!

Fabulous photographs were taken by Sabrina Malcolmson. These photographs and more may be viewed on the bulletin board at Montgomery Center in a colorful collage, designed by Arlene Holmboe. Arlene also created all the stunning print material for the event.



Some cowpokes enjoying the 2024 Montgomery Picnic.

Create art, have 'Fun with Florals'

Sign up for "Fun with Florals," where we will use acrylics, simple hand carved stamps and your imagination to create a bright quirky floral bouquet on wood.



We will prepare a background, carve flowers and leaves, stamp on your wood canvas, and finish with acrylics. Instructor Pat Remington will demonstrate how to transfer your drawing and carve three different size flowers or leaves. There will also be a variety of stamps to share to compose your flower arrangement. Flower reference will



be provided or bring your own photos.

Wood canvas and speedy carve material will be provided. A variety of acrylic paints, carving tools, brayers and brushes will be provided to share.

The class will take place on three **Fridays, July 26, and August 2 and 9** from 1 to 3:30 p.m. at the Cribari Center Art Room. The fee is \$50. Register by emailing barb.gottesman@gmail.com



Donate used shoes at pickleball courts

Repurpose your used athletic shoes! Look for the bin next to the shed at the pickleball courts. VMA Volunteer and Resident, Peter Miron-Conk, will pick them up and personally deliver to the homeless camps in San Jose. Every pair counts.

Join Doug Canepa's Watercolor with Mixed Media class

In Doug Canepa's new class in Watercolor Plus Mixed Media, he will teach traditional watercolor and also simple techniques that will enhance students' ability to produce their own artwork. Adding mixed media to watercolor may help students develop their own style beyond basic watercolor.

In this class, Doug will explore strategies beyond traditional watercolor painting by adding acrylics to make images pop. Textured paste, colored pencils and charcoal pencils will be used for texture. Burnishing and blending tools will be introduced as will pen and ink. Individual critiques will help students progress along their chosen path.

Join Doug for this daring class, **Wednesdays, August 7 to 28, 10 a.m. – 12 noon** in the Cribari Center Art Room. One Open Studio Day is included. The fee for this class is \$70.



Bring your own materials and Doug will furnish burnishing tools, charcoal, colored pencils, texturing paste, charcoal pencils and ink. A wide range of subject matter will be based on student interest during the class.

Join the fun and explore the possibilities by emailing barb.gottesman@gmail.com to register.

Slice of Humor



Q: What is the name of that young lady standing in the middle of the pickleball court?

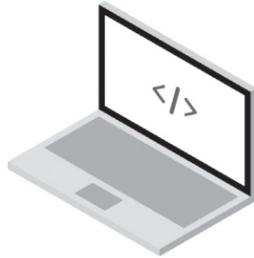
A: Annette

Q: And what is the name of her twin-sister?

A: Courtney

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"!

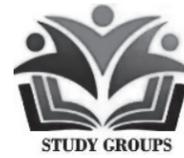
Junior Golf Camp schedule

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 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.

Upcoming Events from the Villages Study Group



The Study Groups Club at The Villages has many upcoming events. For more information, visit studygroups.vgcc.club

Jewish History Through The Ages
Facilitator: Israel Littman, 201-573-

0747, irl856@gmail.com

When: Fourth Wednesday of the month at 4 p.m.

Where: This group meets in the Sequoia Room

We are excited to announce that on **Wednesday, July 24 at 4 p.m.** we will meet again in the Sequoia room to discuss the continuation of the Jews travelling in the desert, their settling in Israel and the related events.

Non-Fiction Book Club

Facilitator: Nan Holmes, 408-841-9775, nankind@gmail.com

When: Fourth Thursday at 3 p.m.

Where: This group meets on Zoom.

The Nonfiction Book Group will be discussing "The Sixth Extinction" by Elizabeth Kolbert on **Thursday, July 25** on Zoom at 3 p.m. The presenter is Martha Stillman. Because of low attendance and conflicts (fire safety training) in June, we decided to postpone discussion of the book until July Meeting

Movie Group

Facilitator: Judy Rogers, 408-233-9020, judy.rogers488@gmail.com

When: Fourth Saturday of the month at 5 p.m.

Our July movie is "American Fiction." We will be meeting in the Sequoia room (Cribari) on **Saturday, July 27** at 5 p.m. Our discussion leader is Bob Lapidus. Dinner at the Clubhouse after the movie discussion is optional.



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More CLUBS

Explore RV options at RV Club Open House



By Jim Koski

Join members of the Villages RV Club for their summer Open House at the RV storage lot this **Saturday, July 20** from **11 a.m. to 2 p.m.**

Several styles of RVs will be on display including a Class A motorhome (about the size of a school bus), a Class B van conversion, a Class C built on a truck frame with sleeping space above the cab and a "Fifth Wheel," a large towable trailer that hitches into the bed of a truck.

As you look at the RVs, we'll grill up some hot dogs until they are gone. The RV Lot is across from 6324 Whaley Drive.

FROM THE VILLAGES LIBRARY

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

"The House at the End of the World" by **Dean Koontz.** In retreat from a devastating loss and crushing injustice, Katie lives alone in a fortress like stone house on Jacob's Ladder island. Once a rising star in the art world, she finds refuge in her painting. The neighboring island of Ringrock houses a secret: a government research facility. And now two agents have arrived on Jacob's Ladder in search of someone—or something—they refuse to identify. Katie soon finds herself in an epic and terrifying battle with a mysterious enemy. But Katie's not alone after all: a brave young girl appears out of the violent squall. As Katie and her companion struggle across a dark and eerie landscape, against them is an omnipresent terror that could bring about the end of the world. Fiction, 2023.

"The Curse of Pietro Houdini" by **Derek B. Miller.** This is a work of storytelling bravado: a thrilling action-packed adventure heist, an imaginative chronicle of forgotten history, and a philosophical coming-of-age epic where a child navigates one of the most enigmatic and morally complex fronts of World War II and lives to tell the tale. Fiction, 2024.



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| 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:

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| 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!

COMMUNITY CHAPEL

'Before You Concur'

By Pastor Bill Hayden

How many times have you said, "That's not right!" when you hear of someone's troubling story? It's difficult at times for us to understand the mistreatment of a person who, as we perceive, has been denied justice.

As you know, a person can tell you their side of a story and make it sound unfair by explaining their side of it. However, due to their emotions, our natural response and temptation is to judge it before we have all the facts.

Teenagers have cried to their friend's parents about how unreasonable and unfair their parents or teachers are. When you investigate the situation, you may realize the teenager was upset because they couldn't manipulate their parents or teachers to have their own way. So, they may make up elaborate stories that pull you into their web of deceit and lies, putting you on the wrong side. If you live long enough, those teenagers may become adults and masters of deceit.

I once saw a preview of the Dr. Phil show, several years ago, when a woman was trying to sway Dr. Phil's opinion. She was confronted with the truth while playing the innocent victim. She became angry and left the stage, going in the wrong direction. Dr. Phil called her on it, so her response was to burst into tears and crash to the floor. It was over the top and reminded me of the stunts and performances of teenagers out of control, attempting to convince others to see their way.

With eyes open, whenever someone shares a melodramatic story with you, before you get on the bandwagon, breathe, listen prayerfully, and breathe again. Gather all the facts before you make an emotional commitment, remain neutral, ask lots of questions, and offer prayer. In other words, be a good listener and ask the Lord to give you wisdom. As they say, "Cream will always rise to the top."

Use this life lesson: Before you say, "That's not right!" remember to search for the true facts. Sometimes, you can let your emotions cloud your judgment and later discover you made an unwise decision.

May the wisdom of God help you in mending the broken. James 3:17 NKJV *But the wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality and without hypocrisy.*

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

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

'Seeking Peace'

By Jean Gillette

In a recent conversation with a friend the topic of quiet and solitude came up. We asked each other, "Where do you go when you want peace and quiet?" One would think that living here in The Villages that would be so easy. I like to meditate when my life gets out of control and I need a nice restful quiet place without phones, and chatter and other noise, and I go to my patio although the peace may be disturbed by the lawn mowers and blowers.

In Mark's gospel (Chapter 6) the apostles complain that they were so busy teaching and preaching that they had no time to eat. Jesus took them in his boat to a place to eat and rest, but found the crowd was already there awaiting them. Jesus' heart was moved with pity because these people were like sheep without a shepherd and were seeking guidance. He was willing to teach them what they needed to hear.

We are often like that crowd, looking for help and guidance in confusing times. The challenges in our lives can be overwhelming at times. Yet when we surrender to the love and compassion of Jesus as our shepherd, we will find peace, joy, and restful hearts. Then as Jesus did, we can help others around us.

St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross (Edith Stein) said "Just take everything as it is, put it in God's hands and leave it with God. Then you will be able to rest in God – really rest and start the next day as a new life."

Celebrating the Eucharist

The Catholic Community celebrates Eucharist in the Villages on the first three Fridays of each month at 9 a.m. in the Cribari Conference Room and on Sundays at 8:15 a.m. in the Cribari Auditorium. At each celebration a public intercession (intention) for specific prayers of remembrance and thanksgiving can be said aloud by the presider. These intercessions can be for the living or the deceased. They can commemorate a wedding anniversary, a milestone birthday or event, a request for healing or a remembrance for a deceased person. To request a special intercession, contact Jean Gillette at 408-270-5723.

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.

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 22 at Vineyard Center.**

EPISCOPAL

'Sister Macrina'

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

So devout were the women of the 4th-century family of St. Basil the Great and St. Gregory of Nyssa, that we have to distinguish them by generation. Macrina the Elder was the grandmother of two great church leaders, and also of a granddaughter who shared her name. This week the Episcopal Church remembers Macrina the Younger—a monastic who did not have children of her own—but whose piety was so influential that her more famous brother Gregory wrote of her: "She speaks as if were inspired by the Holy Spirit." Because of his biography of his elder sister, we are able to remember and give thanks for her faithful witness now.

Macrina was born around 327 to a wealthy Christian family in Cappadocia (modern day Turkey), and distinguished herself through both her beauty and intelligence. Her father, Basil the Elder, arranged for Macrina to marry a young lawyer, but when he died unexpectedly, Macrina decided never to marry and instead devoted herself to study, prayer, and service to the poor. Her education was unusual for a young woman of her era, but such were the values of her entire family. Her brothers considered her their intellectual equal, and while she pursued the quiet life of a monastic, Gregory looked to her as his wisdom teacher. She revealed to him the gifts of her contemplation, "uplifted as it was by her words and set down inside the heavenly sanctuaries by the guidance of her discourse."

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

SPORTS NEWS

New Golf Fees

Please note the new golf fees



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| 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 |

WOMEN'S 9-HOLE

By Vicki Krattli

We have definitely had some warm weather lately but many ladies still came out to golf. A "no sweeps" day did not deter the ladies from honing their skills and getting ready for the Club Challenge beginning on July 16. Good luck to all those playing, play well and have fun.

An interesting fact in women's golf history occurred in 1950 when the LPGA was founded, allowing women to compete professionally and show off their skills. Also, in 1893, Issette Miller invented the first golf handicap. Women are so often at the forefront of sports but not always acknowledged.

Mark your calendars for upcoming events.

Wednesday, July 17, 2024 – Saratoga Exchange Day

7:45 a.m. registration 8:45 shotgun start. \$60 includes breakfast, lunch, cart and sweeps. Contact Wendy Ledamun for details at 408-712-7908 or wledamun49@gmail.com

Friday, July 26, 2024 – Twilight Nine and Dine Mixer "Malt Shoppe"

Signups are through the Pro Shop and will begin Friday, July 12. 4:30 p.m. shotgun start with dinner to follow.

Thursday, August 1, 2024 – Almaden GCC Exchange Day

7:30 a.m. registration. 9 a.m. shotgun start. \$60 Includes breakfast, golf, cart and lunch. Contact Wendy Ledamun.

Thursday, August 22, 2024 – WNHGA Open Day Invitation at Cameron Park Country Club 7:15 a.m. registration and breakfast, 9 a.m. shotgun start. \$55 includes breakfast, golf, sweeps, cart and lunch. Contact Wendy Ledamun.

18-HOLE WOMEN

By Karen Davidsen

Please note that this will be the last Women's 18 Hole Golf Group article in July to be published in paper form as well as online. The July 25 edition will be online only, but our online articles can also be accessed easily thanks to our savvy computer guru Vivian Brown. On our web page vil-lageswomensgolf.vgcc.club, click on the "Villager Article" link for access to our golf clubs' articles on The Villager Online. Remember, you must create a new login to view The Villager Online.

Twenty-seven women altered their weekly golf schedules to play on a Wednesday (July 10) rather than our usual Thursday Play Day. This change accommodated the Evergreen Invitational Practice Day event. The Wednesday play was casual with no Sweeps. Birdies and Chip-Ins acknowledged and paid, but there were none, so the July 18 kitty should have yielded big Chip-In bucks. Look for emailed info.

Our ABCD modified Cha Cha Cha tournament on July 18 was played from the #2 tees. "Modified" means that one score was counted on the par 5s, two on the par 4s, and three on the par 3s, all net scores. However, there were Sweeps, so no picking up if a player was out of the hole for competition purposes.

On July 25, we return to normal play, but no Sweeps. Then Captain's Trophy returns to the first Thursday of the month.

Signups began for one of our Majors—the Member/Member, August 8 and 15. Usually M&Ms of the candy sort are to be found, so if you want them to "melt in your mouth, not in your hands" or all over your cart, a small cooler is suggested. Some people claim they can tell the color of the M&M by blind taste test, but a challenge to this claim at lunch may be fun. Sign up for the tournament (not the M&M candy thing) by August 1. Forms will be available at lunch or use the form blasted out online. It's a 2-person best ball eclectic format played from the #2 tees. Lyn Strong and Suzanne Fazzio are in charge.

SHONIS

By Betty Hall

A fun morning Tuesday, July 9! The 21 Shonis golfing this morning drew numbered golf balls to determine their shotgun hole. It's a fun way to maybe golf with someone new and start on different holes.

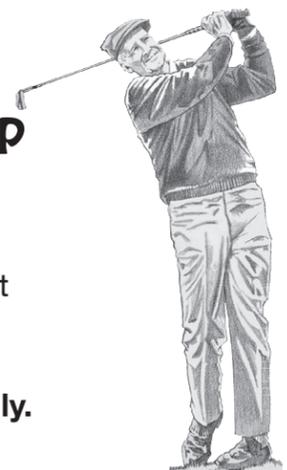
A first-time birdie for MaryAnn Haggerty. This occurred on hole 5. Congratulations.

And she was golfing with Teddy Morse who had an amazing gross of 34! What a twosome.

Putting for Pesos had three winners this morning. Donna Erickson, Elena Johal, and Meg Rogers. They will get an extra dollar in the next sweeps payout.

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.

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TENNIS TALK

Tennis Club welcomes Manny Juarez and Mary Green

By Betty Olsen

Meet new Tennis Club members Mary Green and Manny Juarez who moved into Hermosa about a month ago. This tennis couple has been together for 25 years. They met playing tennis at Cuesta Park in Mountain View.

Mary retired in 2016 from working at Stanford University. Her final position at Stanford was working in their Graduate School Business Department working with data. Manny also retired in 2016 from Agilent, and they decided to move to Arizona for their retirement. They built a lovely home and spent three years in Arizona, but eventually found it too hot and missed the Bay Area weather, their friends and familiar surroundings.

Therefore in 2019 they moved back to the Bay Area, first renting and then buying a condo in Sunnyvale. Next came the opportunity to buy a condo in Hermosa, first doing a little remodeling, but finally moving into The Villages last month. They are currently emptying boxes in their garage and trying to sell their condo in Sunnyvale.

Mary is ready to get back on the courts and I suggested Brett's Thursday clinic at 10:30 a.m. In her tennis past, she played for several different USTA teams in the South Bay, but mainly for Cupertino. Manny does not play much tennis anymore due to an aging slow-down, but I assured him he would fit right in with the rest of us slower tennis players and advised trying the Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday drop-in.

Please say hi to Mary and Manny when you see them around the courts.



BOCCE NEWS



By Tom Hunt

Back by popular demand, our Guys & Gals tournament is now open for registration at the bocce website at villagesbocce.vgcc.club To register, please fill in all of the required fields and be sure to click on the final "submit" button to complete your form.

The tournament will start on **August 5** for six weeks. Get your teams together now!

Captains, sign up for your preferred times you wish your Team to play. For those without a Team yet, select Individual signup, and be placed on a Team. Choices for play times are Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday mornings or afternoons.

The tournament will take place August 5 - September 13, 2024.

Playoffs start on Monday and Tuesday, September 16 and 17, with the Championship game on Wednesday, September 18 at the Villages Bocce Courts

Contact Todd Horvatch at BocceBoy777@gmail.com for more information.

The deadline for registration is July 31, 2024.

PICKLEBALL

Pickleball gives back!

By Anahid Gregg

Visit our website for more information at villagespickleball.vgcc.club

The Pickleball Club wants to remind everyone that our club continues to give back to our community. Peter Conk organized our shoe collection four months ago. During this time, he's collected over *three hundred* pairs of shoes!

There's a big need for sports footwear (flexible and easy to fit), as the homeless live outside and are exposed to dirt and weather elements. This requires them to frequently change or seek cleaner or better footwear. It's not only for comfort, this can help to improve their quality of life and prevent foot injuries and problems. Footwear is the most requested article of clothing.

We had an amazing anonymous donor, who left \$100 in my mail tube, requesting I spend it on whatever was needed. After speaking with Peter, we purchased 13 dozen pairs of socks. We are happy to take new (or clean and like-new) socks as well. Any monetary donation will be spent in a similar fashion, and we'll report how it was used.

If you play 2 or 3 times per week, your court shoes should be replaced every 6-12 months. Not only do they lose tread, but also cushioning. Strenuous activity puts a load of 5-7 times your body weight on your joints. But those shoes can still be used by other people! Instead of needlessly filling our landfills, please consider donating them to those in need instead!

We have placed a clearly identified collection box on the side of the Pickleball Ball Machine shed, which is right next to Court 1. Won't you help us to help others? We can also accept other types of sturdy footwear.

PINSEEKERS

By Jim White

Friday, July 12, 2024 was another beautiful morning for golf. However, The Pinseekers, once again, have stood down as The Villages and the Villages Men's Golf Club hosted the Evergreen Invitational Golf Tournament. The Evergreen Invitational is one of several Tournaments during the golf season that need Pinseekers to step aside for the event.

We do have two scheduled "No Sweeps Day" from now until the end of December, November 29, and December 27. To check on active play dates for the next couple of months, please go to The Villages Resident Portal at resident.thevillagesgcc.com/golf/gacal/

This is the time of year that many of our members are happy to just play nine holes as the afternoon temperatures from June to September are often greater than 100 degrees. Remember to sign up at Chelsea for your Friday tee times any time after 12:01 a.m. 14 days prior but no later than Wednesday at noon preceding the play date to ensure that the Pro Shop hasn't opened our unused times to non Pinseekers. We will continue to permit our members to bring a guest to play during our established tee times; however, this can only be permitted if the guest is not causing a member to be inactive for that week. Clearance for allowing guests to be on the tee sheet during our designated time block must be approved with the Pro Shop, by a member of our Executive Committee

Upcoming events of interest: Friday, July 26, 4:30, 9-hole co-ed mixer, "Malt Shop." August 23, 4:30, 9-hole, co-ed mixer, "Home in the Islands." Both events include golf, themed dinner, and prizes. See the signup information at the Pro Shop. Check posters for additional fun golf events sponsored by the women's golf clubs.

A final bit of golf knowledge. We've all taken more practice swings than we have ball strike swings over the course of nine or eighteen holes of golf. We've also had more whiffs than we care to remember. The easiest way to confirm that your partner has had a swing and a miss rather than a practice swing is nobody will curse after a practice swing.



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MEN'S GOLF CLUB



By Kurt Pagnini, kmpagnini@gmail.com

The Evergreen Invitational was this past weekend! See the list of winners on the Scoreboard page.

Senior Net Individual Match Play Championship - Saturday, August 10

Individual Low Net Competition - Flighted by Age. 8 a.m. Shotgun. Catered BBQ Pork Rib Lunch at the Gazebo - BYOB - If possible, use aluminum cans since the VMA will collect them again. MGC Tournament Players *only*. No guest/spouse.

2024 Club Championship - Match Play

We want to make sure that all of you that are planning to participate in this year's event. Play will be conducted over two consecutive weekends.

September 14-15 Club Championship - 1st and 2nd Rounds
September 21-22 Club Championship - 3rd Rd & 4th Finals Championship Flight

Tee times will be assigned by the Pro Shop. Rescheduling tee times will not be permitted.

This is always considered to be an "MGC Major." See you there!

Remember if you record a **Hole In One, an Eagle, or if you Shoot Your Age**, please notify Donald Chaisson at dachaisson@comcast.net. We want to make sure to get you posted in The Villager and on the Men's Club website.

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.






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FROM THE PRO



By Scott Steele, PGA Head Golf Professional

Upcoming Golf Schedule

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

Saturday, August 10 - Men's Club 8 a.m. Shotgun - Open Play Shotgun 1 p.m.

Sunday, August 11 - 8 a.m. Open Shotgun - 1 p.m. Shotgun Couples Invitational - course closed

Saturday, August 17 - Italian Club Annual Golf Classico 12 p.m. Tee Times - Front-9 closed

Friday, August 23 - Twilight Mixer 4:30 p.m. Shotgun - Last Tee Time 18-Hole Course at 11:45 a.m.

Monday, August 26 - Charity Tournament Shotgun 12 p.m. - Course closed all day

Wednesday, August 28 - Wednesday Casual Nine & Dine 4 p.m. Shotgun - Front-9 closed 2 p.m.

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 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 marywagle@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 - The Grip for The Chip

Have you ever tried chipping with your putting grip? This is something that I do, and some tour players do as well. It helps to keep the hands out of the chipping stroke and creates a softer rolling action. The intent with a chip shot is to get the ball on the green and rolling quickly so it reacts like a putt around the hole. And with all chips and putts, speed control is the most important element to success. If the hands and wrists get too active when you chip, the swing has too much force and two things can happen...the ball goes too far; or the golfer decelerates at the ball and hits it fat. So experiment with your putting stoke for chipping; be sure to play the ball back in your stance and set your hands ahead, keep the shaft vertical and set up with the toe of the club down and the heel up... then just stroke it like a putt. See if this doesn't help your chipping and speed control. **To sign up for a lesson with me, email ss Steele@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.

Thursday, July 11, 2024, was a “no sweeps day” and it was hotter than the benches of Hades. However, seven intrepid Ironmen played, and the results are as follows:

Dave Hathaway and Victor Hong shared **Third Place** with net 30s; Bill Travis and Jim White shared **Second Place** with net 26s; and Chuck Benjamin and Jerry Juracich shared **First Place** with net 23s!

There was one **Birdie** by Jerry Juracich on hole 2.

Jerry Juracich also won **Closest to the Flag** on hole 4 at 24 feet, 9 inches.

In addition, Jerry Juracich had the **Low Gross** with a 31.

As a result of his fine play, Jerry won **Golfer of the Day** honors with low gross, a first place finish, a birdie, and closest to the flag. Way to go Jerry!

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:

“Don’t play too much golf. Two rounds a day are plenty.” - Harry Vardon, winner of the US Open and six British Open Championships

“I’m a golfaholic, no question about that. Counseling wouldn’t help me. They’d have to put me in prison, and then I’d talk the warden into building a hole or two and teach him how to play.” - Lee Trevino, two-time winner of three major championships: The US Open, The British Open, and the PGA



TABLE TENNIS

Table Tennis Club invites all to join

The Table Tennis Club is a hidden gem in The Villages, boasting a membership of over 200 enthusiasts. Our club provides a unique opportunity to engage both body and brain in a safe, air-conditioned environment throughout the year.

We cater to a wide range of skill levels, from beginners who haven’t played in decades to seasoned players looking for a challenge. Everyone is warmly invited to join us.

In addition to our passion for table tennis, we maintain an active social calendar including events such as communal lunches, barbecues, and various social activities.

Join us any Wednesday afternoon from 3 to 5 p.m. for open play, specifically welcoming novice and intermediate players. Visit our website, VillagesTT.org, to sign up and find more information.

Experience the joy of table tennis and community at The Villages Table Tennis Club—where fun meets fitness!

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

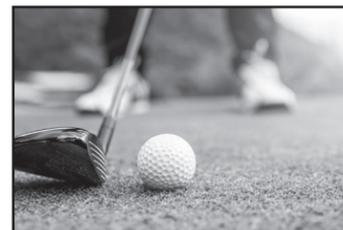
SCOREBOARD

BRIDGE

- Monday, July 8:**
1. Jane Michaels – Guest
 2. Hank Koransky - Mary LeGrand
 3. Ed Logg - Jonna Robinson

- Friday, July 12:**
1. Ed Logg - Jonna Robinson
 2. Mary LeGrand – Guest
 3. Lorrie Scott - Guest

SHONIS



Tuesday, July 9
All Nets

- Flight One:**
1. Teddy Morse 21
 2. Manoli Kelly 24
 3. Marty Blinde 26

- Flight Two:**
1. Kathy Tanaka 22
 2. Nancy Chesterton 23
 3. Lesley Robinson 24

- Flight Three:**
1. Tied –
MaryAnn Haggerty and Schinae Ogihara 26
 2. Fran Schumaker 27
 3. Elena Johal 28

MEXICAN TRAIN DOMINOES

- Wednesday, July 10**
- | | |
|--------------------|-----|
| Sylvia Rozewicz | 245 |
| Aloma Lazetera | 308 |
| Shirley Bellavance | 349 |
| Audrey Osuna | 352 |

- Friday, July 12**
- | | |
|-----------------|-----|
| Dennis Webb | 242 |
| Maribeth Berlie | 243 |
| Sandy Gardiner | 271 |

MEN’S CLUB - EVERGREEN

2024 Evergreen Two-day total
For complete scores, visit news.thevillagesgcc.com

T1: Friday 1 BB 90% Stableford
T2: Saturday 2 BB Stableford 100%

| | | Stableford | | |
|---------------------------------------|----|------------|----|-------|
| | | T1 | T2 | Total |
| Flight One: | | | | |
| 1. Gordon Carbonetti, Ryan Carbonetti | 41 | 39 | | 80 |
| 2. Ted Escobar, Brad Baldinger | 28 | 43 | | 71 |
| 3. Larry Soto, Pete Imamura | 28 | 43 | | 71 |
| Flight Two: | | | | |
| 1. Kurt Pagnini, Minoru Taoyama | 40 | 47 | | 87 |
| 2. Mike Guidry, Jason Dessiaume | 27 | 48 | | 75 |
| 3. Tom Nedney, Glenn Tsukamoto | 33 | 35 | | 68 |
| Flight Three: | | | | |
| 1. Joe Cancilla, Doug Mullins | 25 | 60 | | 85 |
| 2. Arnold Bernal, Kirk Yokoyama | 33 | 46 | | 79 |
| 3. Bob Wilk, Gary Wilk | 37 | 35 | | 72 |
| Flight Four: | | | | |
| 1. Andrew Altman, Ian Altman | 39 | 42 | | 81 |
| 2. Geoff Gault, Scott Rhine | 35 | 44 | | 79 |
| 3. John Seeger, Bruce Kakimoto | 38 | 41 | | 79 |
| Flight Five: | | | | |
| 1. Robert Krattli, Shawn Krattli | 43 | 47 | | 90 |
| 2. Len Townsend, Mark Townsend | 34 | 43 | | 77 |
| 3. Larry Martinson, Dean Martinson | 29 | 46 | | 75 |
| Flight Six: | | | | |
| 1. David Korb, Gerald Kinoshita | 33 | 38 | | 71 |
| 2. James Livingstone, John McCormack | 36 | 30 | | 66 |
| 3. William Bowman, Majid Milani | 26 | 39 | | 65 |

LANDSCAPE & MAINTENANCE

Maintenance Emergencies and/or Advice

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

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

Report Irrigation Issues

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



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MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE

Landscape Maintenance

Weekly Landscaping Maintenance, hand, and mechanical weed control.

Cribari

5090-5153 and 5210-5233—In progress.

Cribari Center—7/22-7/26.

Fairways

4001-4024—7/22-7/26.

Verano

7001-7060 and 7395-7404—7/22-7/26.

Glen Arden

7754-7786 (even) and 7791-7867—In progress.

Montgomery

6184-6245, 6337-6361 and Montgomery Center—In progress.

Hermosa

8350-8387 and 8400-8446—In progress.

Heights

8448-8463 and 8510-8519—In progress.

Sonata

2000-2024 and 2032-2064—7/22-7/26.

Olivas

8740-8752, 8769-8807 and Foothill Center—7/22-7/26.

Valle Vista

9001-9014 and 9034-9036—7/22-7/26.

Club

Clubhouse, Tennis Courts and Driving Range—In progress.

Fire Fuel weed clearing in designated areas—In progress:

Olivas, Glen Arden and Valle Vista.

Olivas—McCarty Ranch and Lomas Azules— Creekside.

Hermosa—Colombard Ct – Creekside.

Pro chip jet mulching Cribari Court and Del Lago 3224-3239, 3304-3341—In progress.

Turf grub control treatment (Merit 0.5G EPA #432-1328).

Olivas—In progress.

Four dead white birch tree removals by creek area

6291, 6294 and 6334—In progress.

Treatment for voles, moles, gophers and squirrels:

(Rozol Vole Bait, Talpirid, Gopher Coetter Type 2 Bait, Rodent Bait Diphacinone .005% and .01%)

Olivas, Estates, Hermosa and Heights—In progress.

Watering Schedule—Monday, Wednesday and Friday:

Cribari, Fairways, Montgomery, Verano and Del Lago (shrubs only) Admin Office.

Watering Schedule—Tuesday, Thursday and Sunday:

Glen Arden, Highland, The Heights, Hermosa, Olivas, Valle Vista, Estates, Sonata and Del Lago (lawns only) Cribari Center.

Association Maintenance

Glen Arden roof replacement:

7698, 7700, 7743, 7741 and 7745—In progress.

7746, 7748, 7753, 7755 and 7757—In progress.

7742, 7744, 7759, 7761 and 7763—In progress.

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

Maintenance Project Notice:

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

Report Coyote Activity

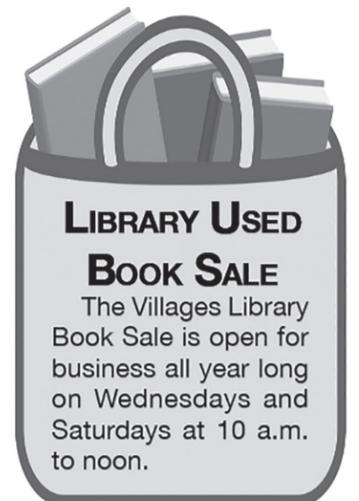
Please report all coyote sightings to Public Safety and Vector Control at the following email addresses:

• Public Safety at mhidalgo@the-villages.com and include in email the location day and time of the sighting.

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

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.



LIBRARY USED BOOK SALE

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

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.



Phyllis and John Mueller just returned from a 23-day cruise on the Silver Seas "Silver Shadow" from San Francisco to New York. They are shown in St. Thomas. Of the three islands, St. Thomas is the second-largest, with St. Croix being the largest and St. John the smaller. The US Virgin Islands are an unincorporated territory of the United States.

Phyllis and John (above) are shown on a mountain top in St. Thomas that offered the expansive vista of Megan Bay, pictured below!



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. And as photo contributions come in, please look at the growing gallery of images submitted by our talented contributors.

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!



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Real Estate

We are down to 24 homes for sale and 9 pending. It's an improvement. 6 less listings on the market and 2 more pending sale than 2 weeks ago. I believe these sales were spurred on by the sellers who did not sell their homes right away lowering their prices. Out of the 24 active listings, 9 of them have lowered their prices. Out of 9 pending sales, 4 of them (almost 50%) lowered their price and then sold. This tells me that the increase in prices stopped around the end of May. To sell in a timely manner, a home needs to be priced for the current market and as we know, the house condition and location is a big factor in pricing homes to sell in The Villages. Over pricing a home can backfire with the home being passed up for the new homes coming on the market. If it is on the market too long, the market may begin to think there is something wrong with it and typically it sells for a much lower price. The trick is to know how to predict market price and have some luck!

I thought the Fed was going to lower the mortgage rates. My husband listens to the business news every morning. I keep listening for the Fed to talk about lowering interest rates. They were supposed to lower rates 3 times this year. Then they were to be lowered in September, then it was said to happen in the last quarter of the year. I am not holding my breath. I think if it happens, it will be very good for the real estate market, but I have not heard anything from the powers that control rates about lowering any time this year. What I do hear from the Federal Reserve representatives is to "wait and see," so we wait...

Design corner. I noticed that we are now taking on a new version of the Mod Era of the '60s. I am now seeing art, furniture and wallpaper with big colorful blotches and flowers that looks like it came right off the set of an Austin Powers movie. Super fun, but not a lasting, classic type of style. It is for those who cannot tolerate the warm beige/camel classic style that is now flooding the market.



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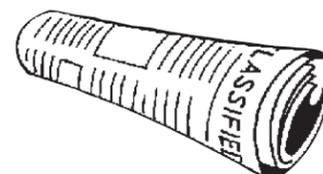
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Planning an estate, moving or garage sale?

Residents, or those working on the behalf of residents, are advised to call the Public Safety Administration office at 239-5246 before planning or opening a sale at the Villages. All sales on Villages property are subject to Association Rule 2.02 Residence Use and Occupancy Restrictions.

Homeowner Rule 3.2.10, Estate and Garage Sales states:

3.2.10 Estate and garage sales are permitted subject to the following:

A. A permit for the sale shall be obtained from the Public Safety Office prior to holding the sale and placement of advertising.

Also, effective July 1, 2012, all estate and garage sales in the Association will require a permit. The owner of the property must request the permit from Public Safety Administration in Building C.

The Villages Association Rule 2.02. 5., Residence Use and Occupancy Restrictions applies:

5. Estate and garage sales are permitted subject to the following:

A. Public Safety will not allow entry to anyone who is not authorized by name in advance (Club Rule 1.01, Access to the Villages).

B. All sales activity and sale items must be contained within the residence or garage.

C. Sales may be held only between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m.

D. Sales period may not exceed two days.

E. Only one sale per resident household per year will be permitted. In the event of the death of a resident of the unit, a subsequent estate sale will be permitted. A permit is required and can be obtained from Public Safety.

F. Residents may not use public media to invite members of the general public to attend estate or garage sales at The Villages.

In this context, "public media" includes the internet, social media such as Facebook and Twitter which will be seen by non-residents, and publications which circulate outside The Villages such as the Evergreen Times and Spotlight. Residents may post activities and notices on Next Door but must use the "Choose Neighbors: The Villages [only]" option.

Note: When placing classified ads for estate or garage sales in The Villager, you will need to attach proof of the permit to your Classified Advertising form.

Don't kick the can down the road—recycle!

The VMA currently has barrels specifically labeled for its Aluminum Can Recycling Program in most trash enclosures in each village and has a team of volunteers that do pickups. **Please, no pet food, soup, tin cans, plastic or glass—just aluminum.** For those of our neighbors who have curbside trash pickup, your aluminum cans are currently going to California Waste Solutions through The City of San Jose. We request, instead, that our residents deposit their aluminum cans in one of The Villages trash enclosures nearest you where our cans are located because this program directly benefits The Villages. The recycling proceeds the VMA receives go directly back into our community. We recycle over 2 ½ tons of aluminum annually.



Because we are considered a "Community Services Provider" by CalRecycle, we are only allowed to have receptacles for depositing aluminum cans in the trash enclosure and are not allowed to make collections. We are not licensed to recycle plastic, glass or tin cans. So, please separate those from your deposits.

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