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Come to Veterans Day Tribute Monday, November 11

By R.S. Semple

All Villagers are invited, indeed encouraged, to attend this year's Veterans Day Tribute on **Monday, November 11** at **11 a.m.** in the Cribari Auditorium.

Ricky Deutsch, a former Captain in the U.S. Air Force, will speak at the tribute. There will also be a 29-voice chorus, a Villager soloist with a tremendous voice, a color guard of four ROTC cadets from San Jose State, two ROTC cadet speakers, and an invocation and benediction by Pastor Bill Hayden.

One will learn the Oath of Enlistment and how the Marines say it! And, of course, what the Army cadence does to indoctrinate its new recruits.

More than the entertainment value, come listen to your neighbors, fellow veterans and speakers about what military service has meant to their lives. Stand with us as we remember and celebrate!



See a horse, burro and more in 'Man of La Mancha'

By Tom Carson

"Horses on the Cribari Stage? You're kidding us, right?" Nope. That's what's coming to Cribari **November 15, 16 and 17.**

A horse and a burro will appear in "Man of La Mancha," presented by the VAT for your pleasure. Wonderful music. A compelling and inspiring story. Fabulous costumes and sets. All for the price of admission, that includes 10 percent off dinner the night of the show.

Tickets go on sale **Saturday, November 2 and 9** from **9 a.m. to noon** in the Sequoia room.

"The Impossible Dream," "Dulcinea," "It's all the Same" are just three of the wonderful songs to be a part of this musical.

Don't miss it. The cast has been working on this show for 9 months and promises a great performance.



Susan Pastorini and Larry Miller rehearsing for "Man of La Mancha."

Holiday Faire keeps promise of biggest yet



The Holiday Faire featured 36 artists in six Cribari rooms with more than 400 shoppers and a completely sold-out Bake Sale. (See page 14 for a wrap-up article and picture of this year's Holiday Faire.)

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.

- 0 Pulse letters received this week.
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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.

ABOVE & BEYOND

Did you know that for over 10 years, three of our Villager men have been repairing and selling used golf carts to benefit our VMA? I wanted to recognize and praise these unsung heroes! They are Dick Fry, Gary Walden and Noel Lanctot (an engineer and two policemen). What a selfless service.
—Susan Mackenzie, recent golf cart donor

Thank you to the 11 individuals who stepped up to volunteer as medical appointment drivers. Your commitment ensures that we won't have to turn away residents due to a shortage of drivers. While my goal of 20 may have been a bit ambitious, I'm still hopeful we can reach a few more.
—Karen Kosmala, VMA President

IN MEMORIAM

Robert Lee Foster
January 21, 1946—February 24, 2024
(Please see obituary in the Classified Advertising section)

Ray Lee Leisy
April 13, 1946—October 17, 2024
(Please see obituary in the Classified Advertising section)

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BOARDS & COMMITTEES

Ad Hoc Fire Safe/Firewise Committee Data Collection Starting Soon

A group of dedicated volunteers from The Villages participated in a two-day training program on October 16 and 18 to help the community work toward becoming designated as a Firewise community. Organized by The Villages' Ad Hoc Fire Safety Committee, the training was conducted by the Santa Clara County FireSafe Council. Ten volunteers learned about wildfire science, fire behavior, and methods for enhancing wildfire resiliency in The Villages.

In addition to classroom learning, the training included field-work where volunteers were introduced to Fire Aside software, used on an iPad for data collection. They practiced using the software at both a single-family home and a condominium building. In the coming weeks, these volunteers will collect data on various homes and facilities in The Villages as part of the process for earning the Firewise designation. This effort will involve reviewing data from the 2,536 homes in the community, as well as Club Facilities, over the next few months.

Please see *Notice of Upcoming Exterior Home Inspection for Fire Safety from The Villages Firewise Committee* on this page.

Bylaws Update – Revised Schedule

The Club Board of Directors has decided to delay the vote on revising the Club Bylaws. The town hall meeting scheduled for November 14 and the vote scheduled to start with distribution of ballots on November 18 have been postponed.

In our efforts to ensure The Villages is in the strongest legal position, we continued to wade through our 50-year-old paper archives, which provided the Board and counsel with more information. Upon further investigation of underlying documentation, and the current California code, it has been determined that the initiation fee may not be allowed.

The Club Board Policy Committee had hoped to revise the bylaws before the FY26 budget to introduce an initiation fee as new source of revenue. This fee would have reduced the financial burden on current members for anticipated Club facility repair and replacement expenses.

The major issue requiring this postponement is the question of the legality of such a fee under current California law. While the Club, Association and Homeowners are separate legal entities the management agreements between them brings into question the legality of the Club imposing this fee. Although there may be grounds to justify it, the potential for challenges, and the lack of certainty that the Club would prevail, led the Board to decide against taking that risk on behalf of the community.

The Board plans to create an Ad Hoc Committee, in the new year, to draft a revision to the bylaws and work toward a membership vote no sooner than July of 2025. One benefit of this delay is that the FY26 Budget, the new Strategic Plan and the five-year Capital Program will be completed.

Your support and suggestions are always welcome.

—Richard Zahner, Club Board President

Notice of Upcoming Exterior Home Inspections for Fire Safety

Dear Condo and Single-Family Homeowners,

As part of The Villages Golf and Country Club's efforts to become a Firewise Community, exterior home inspections will be conducted in the coming weeks for all 2,309 condos to identify potential fire safety concerns. These inspections will be scheduled automatically. Single-family homeowners, however, must request an inspection for their property using the contact information below. Inspections for single-family homes will follow a separate schedule.

What to Expect:

- Weather permitting, a **volunteer** from the community will be inspecting the **exterior** of your home (condo or single-family) for **fire safety issues**, such as vegetation within five feet of structures, hazardous materials, and other related concerns. The volunteers will be wearing a red lanyard with their name for identification.

- The inspection will consist of a **walk-around** of your property and the taking of pictures.

You do not need to be present during the inspection.

- Inspections will take **up to 30-45 minutes**.

- While we do not have specific dates for when each home will be inspected, we will do our best to notify the DACs and leave a notice on your door handle once your property has been inspected.

- A Defensible Space & Home Hardening Evaluation report will be made available to **homeowners only** upon request, provided you have submitted your email address to the Firewise Team. This report will be issued after all condominium inspections have been completed, which we anticipate will be by the end of March 2025. Owners may choose to share their own report with anyone they wish.

This initiative is aimed at making our community safer and more resilient to **wildfires**. The inspections are for **evaluation purposes only** and will help identify areas that could improve your property's fire resilience. It is not for compliance or enforcement.

Thank you for your cooperation and support as we work toward becoming a Firewise Community.

If you have any questions, or if you are a single-family homeowner and would like to schedule an inspection, please contact us at:

- Email: Firewise@the-villages.com
- Phone: (408) 754-1334

—The Villages Firewise Committee

Ask the CBOD

Howie Blumstein submitted the following question to the Club Board in October 30:

A document (~40 pages), Approve Proposed FY 2024/2025 Operating Budget, Capital Replacement Funding Plan, Capital Improvement Fund and Schedule of Fees and Charges, was presented to the Board by staff and approved by the Club Board of Directors at the the Board's April 30, 2024, monthly meeting.

Until recently, this document was on the Member Portal and identified as the approved FY24/25 budget. Why was this document recently removed from the Member Portal and replaced by the following FY24/25 Operating Budget recap?

Club Board answer:

This revised budget statement is designed to provide clear and comprehensive transparency by presenting all expenses in a single, easy-to-read document. Historically, the budget format did not extend to the detail of showing Net Profit/(Loss). It only showed Major Revenues and Major Expenses. However, with the realignment of major budget categories this year such as the Intercompany Transfers, we've chosen to include Total Dues, Total Revenues, and Total Expenses, a shift from previous years, which primarily highlighted Major Expenses.

For Fiscal Year 24/25, the approved Operating Dues reflect a 12.74% increase, totaling \$10,529,776. This number has not changed.

The Recap on Fiscal Year 24/25 Operating and Capital Budget is available on the Members Portal under Governance/Club/Financials

Questions for the CBOD or ABOD?

The Club Board of Directors (CBOD) appreciates the need of having your questions answered. If you have any questions, please email them to Julia Meadows at jmeadows@the-villages.com.

The Association Board of Directors (ABOD) appreciates the need of having your questions answered. If you have any questions, please email them to Liz Ramos at LRamos@the-villages.com

Or, for either Board, submit your questions to *The Villager Online* through the article submission page, or you can put a written question in the drop-box in the parking lot of Building A.



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and COMMUNITY NOTICES on pages 4 & 5

MANAGEMENT

MESSAGE FROM THE GENERAL MANAGER

Dear Members,

As many of you are aware, the annual Financial Statement is required to be distributed within 120 days of the close of the fiscal year, per Civil Code 5305. Unfortunately, a server crash in July 2024 impacted our business operations financial software delaying access to essential information. While we have been able to recover the data gradually as the server was restored, this interruption has resulted in a multi-week delay in our audit process.

We anticipate that the Financial Statement will be ready for distribution by or before December 31, 2024. We apologize for any inconvenience caused by this delay and appreciate your patience as we work to complete the process thoroughly and accurately.

Thank you for your understanding and attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Theresa M. Ostrander, Villages General Manager

The Villages working To Earn Firewise Community Designation

Earlier this year Villager volunteers began to put the framework together to begin work towards becoming a designated Firewise community. The Firewise USA program, led by the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA), helps California communities improve their wildfire resilience. It encourages collaboration among residents, local fire departments, and stakeholders to make homes and areas more fire-resistant. Supported by CAL FIRE's Community Wildfire Preparedness & Mitigation Division, this initiative is key to California's wildfire preparedness strategy and assists communities in achieving Firewise designation.



Volunteers in training

The Ad Hoc Fire Safety/ Firewise Committee is a working on behalf of the three Villages corporations to increase wildfire resiliency for the entire community.

Soon, Villager volunteers will be out walking in the districts looking at building structures and landscaping. They will be recording the data on iPads. You may see them looking at roofs, fences, siding, windows, shrubs, trees, patios, balconies, etc. The Villages will use this collection of data to determine the wildfire mitigation work to be done over the next several years to enhance wildfire resilience.

Next Community Battery Recycling days

Who: Residents with small quantities of batteries to recycle
When: Friday, November 8 between **9 a.m.** and **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 the Wednesday before the recycle date (October 9, October 16, November 6) with Sustainability Services at (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 or times are not convenient, please contact the Santa Clara County Hazardous Waste Drop Off Site directly for an appointment: 408-299-7300.



Vehicle Bar Code Reminder

Are all your vehicles registered and bar coded? Just a friendly reminder that all resident vehicles are required to be registered and must have a resident bar code sticker on them. Please contact the Public Safety Administration office at 408-239-5246 option 2, or you may email: mhidalgo@the-villages.com to register your vehicle.

If you registered a vehicle that had a temporary plate at the time of registration, but have not provided the permanent license plate number, please contact Public Safety Administration to update your registration with the current license plate number.

See

LANDSCAPE & MAINTENANCE on page 22
and THANKSGIVING MENUS on page 24



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

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GOVERNANCE MEETINGS

THE DACs

Heights DAC to meet November 11

The Heights DAC meets **Monday, November 11** at **6 p.m.** in Montgomery Center.

Sonata DAC to meet November 12

The Sonata DAC will hold a meeting on **Tuesday, November 12** at **4 p.m.** at Montgomery Center.

Highland DAC to meet November 14

The Highland DAC meets **Thursday, November 14** at **4 p.m.** in Foothill Center. We strongly encourage your attendance as we will be discussing next year's budget, turf conversion projects, Fire Wise vegetation and home fire hardening projects, ongoing Fire Wise inspections, and repainting the village. If time allows, we will also cover our District Financials, water usage, the status of the Club Bylaws Revision process and other topics of interest.

For any questions, please contact Jim Ware at 530-919-1246 or email at VillageHighlandDAC@outlook.com.

More COMMUNITY NOTICES

(SRS) SENIOR RESOURCE SERVICES

How long to keep tax returns and records?

How long should you keep tax returns and other records? The answer depends on the type of document and the kinds of transactions you engage in.

Tax returns

As a general rule, you should keep your tax returns for at least three years from the due date of your return. That's generally how long the IRS has to question items on your return and to bill you for any additional tax. It's also the timeframe for you to file an amended return to seek a refund. IRS can go back up to six years if your return omits more than 25% of income. If fraud is proven, there is no time limit. However, California intentionally has a year longer than the IRS meaning you should keep your tax returns for at least four years or seven years.

Tax Returns and Records You Should Keep for Longer

Don't automatically throw out all of your tax returns and records after three years. Look over old documents to see if you might need any parts of them in the future. Here are some common examples of records and returns that you should keep longer than three years.

Real Estate

- Hold on to records that help establish the adjusted basis (tax cost) of real estate
- Save your escrow sheet whenever you buy real property, including your home
- Don't throw away invoices for major improvements made to the property
- If you have multiple real estate properties, each property should have a folder
- Retain all files until at least three years after you dispose of the property

Taxpayers who keep good records will find it easier to calculate the adjusted basis of their real estate investments compared with people who don't maintain records.

Securities

The same rules that apply to real estate apply to securities transactions. Be sure to keep your purchase documents for taxable mutual funds, stocks and the like. You'll need to include the purchase date and cost on your return in the year you sell the assets. Most people keep their securities at a brokerage firm. The annual statement from the firm should provide this information.

IRAs and 401(k)s

If you've made nondeductible pay-ins to IRAs or post-tax pay-ins to 401(k)s:

- Save records until three years after the accounts are depleted
- File Form 8606 with your return each year you make a nondeductible IRA contribution. If you don't, those contributions will be treated the same as deductible pay-ins when withdrawn – i.e., as income

- Retain copies of Form 8606 and your 1040s for each year that such pay-ins are made

Inheritance

If you inherit property or receive property as a gift, heed this advice:

- For inheritances, you'll need to know the date-of-death value; this includes inheritances from your spouse.

- For gifts, you'll need to know the donor's cost.

- So, keep documentation of these figures until three years after you sell the asset.

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 villagessrs@sbcglobal.net. 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.

BOARD MEETINGS

Association

• The Villages Association Board of Directors Monthly Board hybrid meeting is **Tuesday, December 10** 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, December 10 at 1:30 p.m. in Foothill Center and on Zoom.

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

Homeowners

• The Villages Homeowners' Corporation Board of Directors FY 24/25 Quarterly Business Meeting Schedule is as follows:

Thursday, December 19 at 9 a.m.

Thursday, March 20, 2025 at 9 a.m.

Thursday, June 12, 2025 at 9 a.m.

SRS Reminder:

Property tax bills

2024-25 property tax bills were mailed out in October 1, 2024. The first installment of property tax payments for fiscal year 2024-25 is due Nov. 1 and becomes delinquent after Dec. 10. **Monday, December 10** is the last date for paying your first installment of your Santa Clara County real estate tax without paying a 10% penalty and late fees.

You may pay online at <https://payments.sccgov.org/propertytax>. There is no fee for paying electronically. Just have your checkbook handy so you can enter the bank routing number and your account number. A 2.22% convenience fee with a \$1.49 minimum will be charged by the payment processing vendor when using a debit or credit card.

If you pay with a paper check, your payment envelope needs to be post-marked by **December 10**. Paying online eliminates the worry as to whether or not the post office processes your mail by the due date, or the county loses your envelope.

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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.

See Doox of Yale perform



On **Saturday, January 4**, see the Doox of Yale perform at Cribari Auditorium from **2 to 3 p.m.** Tickets are \$20 per person. The Doox of Yale has a long history of entertaining audience members with their timeless classics, dynamic performance energy and heartfelt singing. This group of talented tenor and bass a capella singers was formed in 1952 with the name, The Duke's Men, but in 2017 the group became mixed-gender and changed their name. The Villages has joined the diverse venues who have hosted them, including the White House, the Smithsonian and Drew Barrymore's birthday party. Their repertoire includes nostalgic rock ballads, soulful jazz standards, classic folk tunes and even some catchy pop songs. Pre-registration is required in Building B.

Register during office hours beginning **Monday, November 4** and ending **Friday, December 6** or sooner if spots fill up.

Pool and Spa schedule updates

The Vineyard pool and spa and the Foothill pool and spa will remain open with the same hours year-round for your enjoyment. Children's hours at Vineyard Pool (2–4 p.m.) will continue to operate unchanged. Foothill Pool remains open for adults only.

The Montgomery pool and spa are currently closed and will remain closed until pools reopen on April 1. A recent inspection by the County of Santa Clara identified several issues, including one with the pool enclosure fence that will require permits and work to bring it up to code. This work will occur in the off-season.

The Cribari pool and spa will close as usual on **November 1**. During the off-season, we will complete several projects to improve our pools: updating pool signage, updating pool deck furniture, deep cleaning, and more.

We appreciate your understanding and look forward to seeing you at the pools!

Register now for Mat Pilates

Register for the next Mat Pilates session, being offered **10:30 – 11:30 a.m.** on **Tuesdays, November 26 to December 17** (four classes) in Cribari Conference Room.

The cost per student is **\$46**. Register now in Building B. The deadline is **Friday, November 15**.

Taught by Natsuko Tsuji, Mat Pilates is a strengthening and lengthening form of exercise. It 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.

Don't wait to find your flow! Register now and take the first step toward a healthier, more balanced you. We can't wait to see you on the mat!

Register now for Yoga class

Discover the transformative power of yoga in our class designed for all levels! This session combines easy moves that enhance body awareness, flexibility and range of motion. You'll strengthen your muscles and improve balance through standing poses, along with seated, prone (lying face down), and supine (lying face up) postures on the mat.

With options for both beginners and those seeking a more advanced challenge, our slow and mindful movements let you connect deeply with your body and breath. Participants should be able to get up and down from the mat.

Taught by Mariko Dugay, this session runs **10-11 a.m., Wednesdays, December 4 to 18** in Cribari Auditorium. The session price includes three classes and is **\$35** per person. Register in Building B. The registration deadline is **Friday, November 15**.

Don't wait to find your flow! Register and **take the first step** toward a healthier, more balanced you. We can't wait to see you on the mat!

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: Monday and Friday mornings, 10 a.m. – 12 noon and every weekday afternoon, 2 p.m. – 5 p.m.

November 12: Free Art Film: "The Impressionists" with host Marion Rose. Cribari Conference Room, 2 p.m. Popcorn and door prize! Free to all Villagers and their guests!

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

November 8 – December 3: Paint, Print and Trade with Pat Remington. Three Fridays and one Tuesday. 1 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. \$60. Max: 8 participants.

November 9: "Making Christmas Wreaths" with Stephanie Torres. Saturday, 1 – 4 p.m. 10 participants. \$30. All materials furnished. Full.

November 13 and 20 and December 4 and 11: "Drawing" with Swati Mohari, Wednesday evenings, 7 – 9 p.m. \$70. All materials furnished. 10 a.m. – 12 noon.

November 14 and 21 and December 5 and 12: "Traditional Oil Painting" with Swati Mohari. Four Thursdays, \$90 all materials furnished. \$70 bring your own materials. 10 a.m. – 12-noon for the morning class and 7-9 p.m. for the evening class.

December 12: "Holiday Paint Night" with Nicole Alexander. 5 p.m. – 7 p.m. \$45. All materials furnished. Registration deadline: December 5.

January 7 – 28: "Ink and Alcohol Based Markers for Drawing" with Zoe Caron. Tuesdays, 10 a.m. – 12 noon. \$40. All materials included. Registration deadline: December 31.

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

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

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.

TECH CORNER

Villager Online tip #5

For readers viewing The Villager Online, here is another tip to improve your experience.

The Search is On

The Villager Online has an updated Search Bar at the top of the page. Need to find the article about an upcoming presentation on California condors, but can't remember which club is hosting it—and you don't have the patience or time perhaps to skim through the entire paper? Simply type in key words like "California" or "condor" or both, and articles containing those words will show up as results.

The screenshot shows the top navigation area of the Villager Online website. On the left, there is a 'Skip to Content' link. In the center, a large advertisement placeholder reads 'YOUR AD HERE' with a mouse cursor icon and 'CLICK HERE TO CONTACT US'. To the right of the ad is a search bar with a magnifying glass icon and the text '728 x 90px'. Further right is a search bar with the text 'Search Q' and a notification icon with the number '0'. Below the search bar is the Villager Online logo with the URL 'thevillagesgcc.com/news'. At the bottom of the header is a navigation menu with the following items: MANAGEMENT, BOARDS & COMMITTEES, COMMUNITY NEWS, SPORTS, FROM OUR READERS, THE CLUBHOUSE, and CLASSIFIEDS.

'Tis the Season for Online Scamming

As we prepare for the end of 2024, more people prefer to shop online for the holiday season. That is why the FBI is warning you to be on the lookout for online scammers hoping to drain your holiday spirit and bank account.

Two shopping seasons ago, the FBI's Internet Crime Complaint Center (IC3) received reports from almost 12,000 victims with a loss of over \$73 million.

Online: The two most prevalent holiday scams were the non-delivery and non-payment types. In a non-delivery scam, a buyer pays for goods or services they order online, but never receive those items.

Conversely, the non-payment scam involves goods or services being shipped, but the seller is never paid. Sometimes packages show up that haven't even been ordered by the recipient.

Probably the most important thing you can do to avoid becoming a victim of these types of scams, and others, is to make sure you do your homework before you go online to shop. Heed the old saying, "If it's too good to be true, it probably is."

Some suggestions offered by the FBI include:

- * E-mails advertising hot-ticket or wildly popular items, such as event tickets or gaming systems, that aren't from a legitimate source.
- * Untrusted websites and social media ads promoting unrealistic discounts and bargains for brand-name items.
- * Social media posts, often appearing to have been shared by a known friend, offering vouchers, gift cards, freebies, and contests.
- * Online surveys designed to steal personal information.
- * Do not click on links in an unsolicited email or provide personal or financial information.
- * Online retailers who use a free email service instead of a company email address.
- * Sellers posting under one name but requesting funds to be sent to another individual, or any seller claiming to be inside the country but requesting funds to be sent to another country.
- * Be wary of online transactions that use payment methods such as wire transfers, virtual currency, gift cards, or cash.
- * Sellers who request payments through online payment methods that are not protected by the transfer company.
- * Buyers signed up for a subscription or renewal service that wasn't advertised as part of the initial purchase. Read the fine print, know the company's return/exchange policy, ensure the purchase is clearly defined and understood, and monitor financial statements for any unauthorized charges.
- * Verify the websites utilized to purchase and sell items. Web addresses should begin with https:// and include a locked padlock icon.
- * Do not judge a company solely by its website, as flashy websites can be set up and taken



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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
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Soup of the Day



For the week of 11/11 to 11/17

Monday, November 11
Vegetable White Minestrone

Tuesday, November 12
Chicken Lentil Soup with
Leeks and Potatoes

Wednesday, November 13
Hot and Sour Soup

Thursday, November 14
Vegetable Beef Soup

Friday, November 15
Clam Chowder

Saturday, November 16
Chef's Choice

Sunday, November 17
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.

Scan the QR code to see Clubhouse Menus

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.

See all menus on The Villager Online:
news.thevillagesgcc.com/menus

Weekly Specials

For the week of 11/11 to 11/17

Breakfast Special:

Tuesday 11/12 to Sunday 11/17

Chicken Fried Steak & Eggs: Two Fried Eggs and Clubhouse Country Potatoes **\$22**

Lunch Specials:

Monday 11/11 to Sunday 11/17—11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Pulled Pork Sandwich: Coleslaw & Pickle Chip on Brioche Bun with Choice of Side **\$17**

Grilled Korean Short Ribs: Steamed White Rice and Kimchi with Grilled Zucchini **\$24**

Dinner Specials:

Tuesday 11/12 to Sunday 11/17—5 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Pan Seared Duck Breast: Baby Vegetables and Mango Chutney with Fondant Potato **\$33**

Seafood Paella: Bay Scallops, Mussels, Clams, Shrimp and Sausage over Saffron Rice, Bell Peppers and Sweet Peas **\$36**

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. *

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. *
Dinner Menu:
5 p.m. to 8 p.m. *

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. *
Dinner Menu:
5 p.m. to 8 p.m. *

* Last seating at 7:30 p.m.

Main phone line: 408-223-4687

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

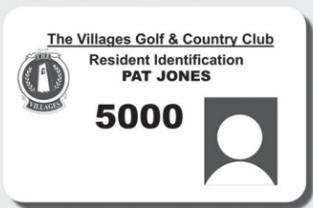
Manager on duty: Press #4, Events and Catering: Press #5

Online

Reservation or Curbside Order: Clubhouserreservation.com

Email: theclubhouse@the-villages.com

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




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

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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 11 a.m. to 8 p.m.



\$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.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Friday, November 8

8:30 a.m.	Jazzercise	A
9 a.m.	Catholic Mass	CR
9 a.m.	Chinese Morning Exercise	P
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED
10 a.m.	Art&Craft Member Studio	AR
10 a.m.	Line Dance Club-Adv	A
10 a.m.	Quilters	PR
12:30 p.m.	Bridge Club	RED
1 p.m.	Association Rules Cmte.	F
2 p.m.	Art Open Studio	AR
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.	World Today	PR

Saturday, November 9

7 a.m.	Men's Golf Coffee Station	CH
9 a.m.	Tai Chi Group 2	CR
9 a.m.	VAT Fall Show Ticket Sale	L
10 a.m.	Watercolor Class	AR
10 a.m.	Quilters	PR
10 a.m.	Ukulele Sing Along	SEQ
1 p.m.	Christmas Wreath Making	AR
2 p.m.	Chinese Arts-Crafts Demo	VC
2 p.m.	Diwali:Festival of Lights	FC
4 p.m.	Chinese Ballroom Dancing	A

Sunday, November 10

7 a.m.	Catholic Hospitality	RED, SEQ
7:30 a.m.	Catholic Choir	CR
8:15 a.m.	Catholic Mass	A
9 a.m.	Episcopal Church	MC
10 a.m.	Community Chapel	A
10 a.m.	Quilters	PR
3 p.m.	Bocce Club	FC
5:30 p.m.	Hiking Club Game Night	VC
7 p.m.	VAT Fall Show Rehearsal	A

Monday, November 11

8:30 a.m.	Jazzercise	VC
9 a.m.	Chinese Morning Exercise	P
9 a.m.	EPC Dir. & Sector Chiefs	FC
9 a.m.	Nirvana Fitness	CR
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED
9:30 a.m.	Jewish Community Board	MC
9:30 a.m.	Veterans Day Choir Rhrl	SEQ
10 a.m.	Art&Craft Member Studio	AR
11 a.m.	Veterans Day Program	A
12 p.m.	Quilts of Valor	CR

1 p.m.	Stitchery	PR
2 p.m.	Art Open Studio	AR
2 p.m.	Supreme Court lecture	FC
2 p.m.	VAT Fall Show Rehearsal	A
5:30 p.m.	Village Dancers 1	VC
6 p.m.	The Heights DAC	MC
7 p.m.	Duplicate Bridge	RED

Tuesday, November 12

8 a.m.	Tai Chi Group 1	CR
8:45 a.m.	Tai Chi Group 2	CR
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED
10 a.m.	Art Class	AR
11:30 a.m.	LSAL Fitness	A
12 p.m.	P.E.O. Club Social	SEQ
1 p.m.	Bocce Board	PR
1 p.m.	VAT Fall Show Rehearsal	A
2 p.m.	Art Open Studio	AR
2 p.m.	Free Art Film	CR
2 p.m.	Crafters Club	VC
3:30 p.m.	Village Voices Board	PR
4 p.m.	Sonata DAC	MC
5 p.m.	Music Society (VMS) Board	PR
7 p.m.	Amateur Radio Club	FC
7 p.m.	Concert Band Rehearsal	A

Wednesday, November 13

8:30 a.m.	Jazzercise	A
9 a.m.	Chinese Morning Exercise	P
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED
9:15 a.m.	VMA Board	MC
10 a.m.	Art Class	AR
10 a.m.	Bocce Club Champ Potluck	GP
10 a.m.	Yoga	A
10 a.m.	Cribari Social Cmte.	PR
10 a.m.	Folk Dance	CR
11 a.m.	Folk Dance	CR
2 p.m.	Art Open Studio	AR
2 p.m.	WOW Tech Support	SEQ
3:30 p.m.	EVF Board	PR
5:30 p.m.	Village Dancers Group 2	VC
6:30 p.m.	Mexican Train Dominoes	MC
7 p.m.	Art Class	AR

7 p.m.	Duplicate Bridge	RED
7 p.m.	Village Voices Rehearsal	FC
7 p.m.	Village Dancers Group 3	VC
7 p.m.	VAT Fall Show Tech Rhrl	A

Thursday, November 14

8 a.m.	Tai Chi Group 1	CR
8:45 a.m.	Tai Chi Group 2	CR
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED
10 a.m.	Art Class	AR
10 a.m.	Comms Advisory Cmte.	F
10 a.m.	WOW Tech Support	SEQ
10 a.m.	LSAL Fitness	A
11:30 a.m.	18-H Women's Golf Lunch	CH
1 p.m.	Bible Small Group	SEQ
1:30 p.m.	Ukulele Club	VC
2 p.m.	Art Open Studio	AR
3 p.m.	Community Chapel Choir	CR
3 p.m.	Villages Golf Cmte.	MC
3:30 p.m.	RV Open Forum	SEQ
4 p.m.	Highland DAC	FC
4 p.m.	Pickleball Club	PR
4 p.m.	VAT Fall Show Dress Rhrl	A
5:30 p.m.	Desi Club Social Hour	SEQ
7 p.m.	Art Class	AR
7 p.m.	Villages Folksters	VC
7:30 p.m.	Chinese Club Leadership	MC

Friday, November 15

8:30 a.m.	Jazzercise	A
9 a.m.	Catholic Mass	CR
9 a.m.	Chinese Morning Exercise	P
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED
10 a.m.	Art&Craft Member Studio	AR
10 a.m.	Quilters	PR
12:30 p.m.	Bridge Club	RED
2 p.m.	Art Open Studio	AR
5 p.m.	VAT Fall Show Performance	A
6 p.m.	Chinese Club Line Dance	VC
6:30 p.m.	Mexican Train Dominoes	MC
7:15 p.m.	Jewish Shabbat	FC

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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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)

Villages Medical Auxiliary - Since 1976

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Service Coordinator: 408-238-4029

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

Upcoming Programs

Hearing Aid Clean and Check—Hearing Life will be offering their free service on **Tuesday, November 19** from **10 a.m. to noon** in Montgomery Center. Please call the VMA office to register for a time.

Parkinson's Treatments - Dr. Fahd Khan, neurosurgeon affiliated with Good Samaritan Hospital will be giving a talk to the Parkinson's Support group **Thursday, November 21** at **10 a.m.** in the Sequoia Room. All welcome! Register at vmavillages.vgcc.club or call 408-238-4029.

Joint Pain and Advances in Joint Replacements—Dr. Daljeet Sagoo with Silicon Valley Joint Replacement Center will talk about joint pain and cover advanced treatment options on **Wednesday, December 4** at **1 p.m.** in Vineyard Center. Register at vmavillages.vgcc.club or call 408-238-4029.

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 on **Monday, November 18** (the group is not meeting November 11) at **10:30 a.m. to 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, November 21** at **10:30 a.m. to noon** 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—November 21** at **10 a.m.** in the **Sequoia Room**. This month Dr. Fahd Khan will be speaking so please call 408-238-4029 or register online.



CLUBS & EVENTS



Join Villages Dog Club for pictures with Santa

By Barbara Sunseri

Santa comes early for the Villages Dog Club and residents. Please come and join us for Christmas card photos this **Saturday, November 9 at 10 a.m.** at Montgomery Lake. Lou Alexander, a professional photographer, will be there taking the pictures.

Show up for Game Night on November 10

Have fun! Greet old friends! Meet new friends! Play some games and enjoy some delicious snacks!

Please join The Hiking Club on **Sunday, November 10** for our fantastic Game Night at Foothill Center beginning at **7 p.m.** Members and Guests are asked to bring their favorite board or card game(s) to play with their tablemates.

Popcorn will be served. Bring your own snacks. If you wish, bring an "adult" or other beverage of your choice. As always, to save the environment, bringing your own cup or glass from home is appreciated.

No RSVP necessary. Hope to see you there!



Join Walking/Chair Dancing class and sustain power to keep growing

For those battling pain, frustration, and exhaustion due to chronic health challenges, don't give up—your health journey is worth it! You are stronger than your struggles. You have the power to change your life. Join the LSAL fitness club, and let us help you regain the hope, energy, and resilience to build a quality life. The class is open to everyone, so bring friends and join us. We meet Tuesdays from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and Thursdays from 10 to 11 a.m. in Cribari Auditorium. The first class is *free*. Sign up in class.



Help honor our Vets through Quilts of Valor

By Nancy Chesterton

The Villages Quilters will be honoring some of our Villages veterans on **Monday, November 11, Veterans Day at 12:30 p.m.** in the conference room at Cribari (after the Veterans Day program).

These quilts are made by the Villages Quilters for Villages vets through a national organization called Quilts of Valor (QOV). The mission of QOV is to honor our men and women who have given their time and skills in service to their country. The quilt is symbolic of a warm hug of thank you and meant to wrap them in our love and help them heal.

Those of us who did not serve have an obligation to recognize and honor those among us who put their life and plans on hold to help our country. Come and join us in this ceremony of thank you.



Senior Academy: Take inside look at today's Supreme Court

By Arlene Versaw

Today's Supreme Court is not the Supreme Court of 20 years ago, when Justices were accepted as above reproach and their decisions were under the radar until rendered. Today's Court, some would say, is upending established law and has evolved into a far more activist branch of government. Under a new public lens, questions arise about Chief Justice Roberts' leadership, conflict among the Justices and whether the Court is doing its job. Ethical issues, calls for reform and a tanking approval rating are the "new normal" for today's Court.

Barbara Creed has been studying and lecturing on the Supreme Court for more than 12 years and has watched the Court evolve over time. An ever-popular Senior Academy presenter, Barbara is returning to provide us with an inside look into these issues, as well as relaying inside information on Court decisions in the last session and issues it will be acting on in the new year that began the first Monday in October.

Discover the inner workings of the Supreme Court on **Monday, November 11 at 2 p.m.** in the Foothill Center. Please register at VillagesSA.org or by calling Diane Taylor at 408-912-5594.



Barbara Creed

Explore Great Apes through a lens at Camera Club meeting

Please join the Villages Camera Club as we explore the world of gorillas, chimpanzees and orangutans through the lens of Tom Yin. Tom's talk is entitled, "How ecotourism can help endangered wildlife: observations from trekking in Africa and Borneo." The program will be held **Tuesday, November 19** at Foothill Center at **7 p.m.**

Tom is a Villager and semi-retired professor of Neuroscience at the University of Wisconsin-Madison where he has done research and teaching for over 40 years. Last year he made a tour of the Great Apes, going to see gorillas and chimpanzees in Rwanda and orangutans in Borneo. This talk will discuss the spectacular success of ecotourism for the mountain gorillas in Rwanda in contrast to the situation for orangutans in Borneo. It will also highlight interesting photos and video of golden monkeys and colobus monkeys in Rwanda and the Serengeti.

We invite anyone who wants to know more about these primates through the eyes of a photographer. If you are not a member of the Camera Club and wish to attend, please contact Sy Gelman at s.gelman@ymail.com to be put on our guest list.



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Nearly 70 Montgomery Villagers turn out for 'Fall Frolic'

By Susan Howe

"Fall Frolic" was the theme of the Montgomery Villages Party of October 6. The complimentary event was hosted by the Montgomery Social Committee (including chair Marie Dillon, Pam Watson, Arlene Holmboe, Celia Schiffner, Carol Hoffman and Susan Howe) in appreciation for our Villagers' attendance and support of social events.

Approximately 70 attendees savored pizza, salad, and pumpkin pie at Montgomery Park. While the temperature was high the guests enjoyed the shade of the park's giant willow tree.

Sabrina Malcolmson captured special moments with photographs that can be viewed on the display board (designed by Arlene Holmboe) at Montgomery Center.

Stay tuned for details about the 2024 Montgomery Holiday event!



Get ready for a hand-crafted Holiday!

Are you ready for some shopping? Our talented elves have been busy crafting superb creations for our year-end Holiday Boutique on **Saturday, November 30** at Cribari Center! This will be your last chance to snag unique, hand-crafted items for all the people on your holiday shopping list! Bring your friends and family to this one-day event and visit dozens of crafters waiting to share their exquisite work! Be prepared to shop among fine ceramics, quilts, jewelry, holiday decorations, paper goods, woodworking, clothing and accessories. Our exceptional crafters will also have unique items such as succulents, biscotti, diamond art, steampunk decorations, walking sticks, and children's wear. You can find something for everyone on your holiday list at our show! And the best part—each item is a one-of-a-kind work of art that has been crafted with care. So if you missed the last show or just can't get enough of our hand-crafted treasures be sure to come by on **Saturday, November 30** from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. at Cribari Center! Hot coffee and holiday cookies will be on hand!



Stop by and check out Marissa Dionela's exquisite Diamond Art pieces!

Village Voices to present 'A Winter Spectacular'

By Sherle Frost, Village Voices Board Member

Get ready for the holiday season with the Village Voices who will present "A Winter Spectacular" on **Saturday, December 7 at 7 p.m. and Sunday, December 8 at 2 p.m.** in Cribari Auditorium. Return in song, dance, and handbells to that special time of year when each of us can recall memories that moved and delighted us earlier in our lives. We can delight once again with our multi-talented choral director Catherine Ellacer and pianist Tammy Welsh. As Village Voices President Myra Johnson says, A Winter Spectacular celebrates "our connection in community and the magic of the season."

This year the Voices will be joined by the Village Dancers and the Villages Handbells for both performances. Tickets are \$20 each. Buy your tickets for The Winter Spectacular in Cribari Lobby on **Saturday, November 23 from 10 a.m. to noon.** You can also purchase online through the Villages Music Society. Go to www.villagesmusicsociety.org. Click on the VOICES tab and follow the directions. Plus—your neighbors in Village Voices, Dancers and Handbells can help you with tickets. Buy early because we expect our traditional sold-out house. Need a ride? VMA will get you there and back.

Mark your calendars—"A Winter Spectacular"—December 7 and 8. What a lively, luscious, love-filled beginning to a magical season—complete with hot chocolate and fresh-baked cookies!



Verano volunteers needed

Verano Volunteers are needed to put up tree lights on **Saturday, December 7 at 9 a.m.** The taking down of the lights will be Saturday, January 11, 25 at 9 a.m. Meet at the upper Verano Monument near the Bocce Courts. Call or text Kerry Besmehn at 408-499-1773

Conference Room Coffee House coming to you November 23

Come to The Conference Room Coffee House and hear Trillium, a trio composed of Kellen Perry, Connie Hendrickson, and Dan Kato, known for their amazing harmony. They'll perform in the Cribari Conference Room across from the Auditorium, Saturday night, **November 23 from 7 to 9 p.m.** Trillium's Coffee House Concert will benefit the **Villages Medical Auxiliary (VMA).**

Space is limited so come early. **A \$10 per person minimum donation is requested,** and the money collected will go directly to VMA, and, in essence then, all Villagers will actually benefit from your donations.

Many a familiar tune will ring throughout the Conference Room... so join us for two sets of 45 minutes each, jammed full of fabulous songs, the kind we grew up with, the songs that brought us joy. Songs of the '50s, '60s and '70s will reverberate throughout, and the harmony will be a salve for the soul!

So grab a cuppa coffee or some apple cider, sit back, and listen to some wonderful music: Peter, Paul and Mary, The Eagles and even Simon and Garfunkel will tickle your fancy. Join Trillium as they celebrate music and the VMA! Gather with friends from 7 to 9 p.m. on November 23 in the Conference Room. Hot coffee (decaf) and apple cider, along with cookies will be served. Come relive the music of old and have a delightful evening with Trillium!



Learn about California condors in Pinnacles National Park

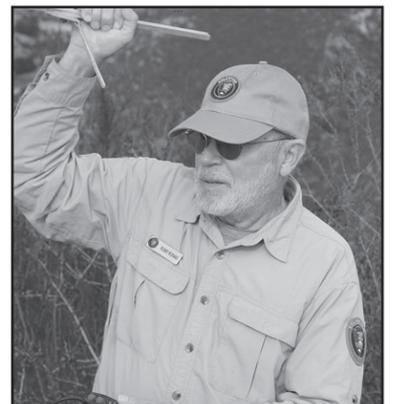
Come to the Hiking Club's presentation on California condors in Pinnacles National Park on **Monday, November 25 at 7 p.m.** at Foothill Center. The program will follow a short business



meeting and a break for socializing with snacks and beverages. The meeting is free and all Villagers are welcome to attend.

Pinnacles National Park is located 75 miles south of The Villages. Since 2003, Pinnacles National Park has been a release site for endangered California condors. The program now co-manages over 100 birds of the more than 250 flying free in the wild. The Pinnacles National Park Foundation assists biologists in their efforts to preserve and protect California condors at Pinnacles National Park. Richard Neidhardt, Director and Condor Fund Chair will be the Hiking Club's featured speaker at its November 25th meeting.

Richard is a long-time volunteer with the condor program at Pinnacles National Park and heads up the Pinnacles Condor Fund committee of Pinnacles National Park Foundation. Having grown up on a lake in South Carolina, Richard has been involved with the outdoors his whole life and enjoys birding, hiking, and generally enjoys the natural world.



Free Art Film: 'Claude Monet: The Impressionists'

On **Tuesday, November 12 at 2 p.m.** in the Cribari Conference Room, The Villages Arts & Crafts Association will present another excellent film on the life and work of Claude Monet hosted by Marion Rose.

Monet was considered the greatest of the impressionists; painting in the open air, he sought a natural style that went against the classical, representational painting of his day. His attention to natural light and color as he observed it (not as how he "knew" it to be) allowed him to capture "impressions" of what he was seeing. He saw that shadows had colors in them besides black and brown that reflected the colors of the objects themselves. He brought new approaches to light and shadow and the beginning of abstraction in art. His career culminates with his paintings at his home in Giverny of water lilies and the flowers he grew in his gorgeous gardens.

This event is free to all Villagers and their guests. Popcorn will be served. An art related door prize will be presented at the end of the film. This film run for one hour and there will be no intermission.



Get in the swing of things with 'Apples, Peaches, Pumpkin Pie'

By **B. Brown**

Yummy! It's time to celebrate fall favorites along with "Apples, Peaches, Pumpkin Pie." Jay and the Techniques sang the song of the same name, in 1967; where it reached #6 on the Billboard chart and #8 on the U.S. R&B chart. It had far-reaching impacts (as pie often does) and peaked at #6 on the Canadian R&B chart.



Join the Village Dancers in November when the style of dance will be a lively combination of Jazz and Swing. This is going to be awesome.

Dance, socialize and exercise with us every Monday night at 5:30 p.m. in Cribari Auditorium. No partner needed. All are welcome. Each month brings a new dance theme, loads of fun and even a few new friends!

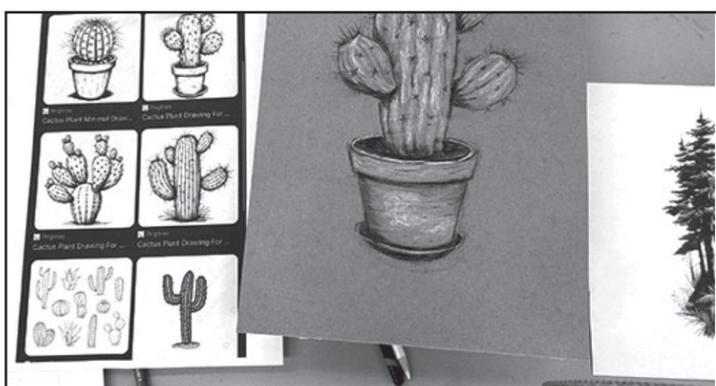
Bernice Toy is the Club President and choreographer of The VMS Village Dancers. She can be reached at vms.dancers@gmail.com. Please see the Music Society website

at villagesmusicsociety.org/about-us-3. The Village Dancers charge an annual \$20 membership fee to participants. All monies go towards support of the club.

Take evening drawing class with Swati Mohari

Swati Mohari is a new Villager, having recently moved here from Cupertino. She is offering a special evening class on Wednesdays, specifically geared for working people and night owls. She is offering a four-week class on Wednesday evenings in the Art Room, **November 13 and 20 and December 4 and 11, from 7 - 9 p.m.** The cost is \$70. Register by emailing barb.gottesman@gmail.com

Build your artistic foundation in this structured introduction to drawing or brush up on your skills. Learn about



Example of previous student work.

line variety, value, composition and perspective to create a series of artworks. Train your artistic eye through drawings from both observations and reference. Projects include still life, compositions, reference drawing and figure drawing.

Swati has over 15 years of teaching experience and has a Master's Degree in Art. She has taught art to students of all ages—from elementary school to high school to adults to elders.

In her first drawing class offered to Villagers, Swati's students completed these drawings. Some said they could not "draw a straight line," but look at their finished work!

Cat rescue groups to present at next Cat Club meeting



By **Bette Loomis**

The next Cat Club meeting will be held on **Monday, November 18** in the Cribari Conference Room from **2 to 4 p.m.** Gatos de La Noche, a cat rescue group in San Jose and Pink Paws from Los Altos will be our presenters at this meeting. They will be sharing how seniors can foster/adopt a senior cat.

What a great way to add a furry friend to your home. Call it an early Christmas. All cats have been spayed/neutered, microchipped and up-to-date on all vaccines.

You're encouraged to invite a Villager who might also be interested in hearing this informative presentation. Meetings are free and there are no dues.

Please continue to bring something for the "leave something, take something" table.

Note the new location: Cribari Conference Room time from 2 to 4 p.m.

Ana Thompson will again be at the meeting to schedule your pets grooming needs.

Sign up for our meeting through the website: <https://sites.google.com/view/villages-cat-club>



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Thanks, Residents of The Villages.

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Gemütlichkeit rules at Glen Arden Oktoberfest



Glen Arden resident Kathy Pope hanging the Oktoberfest welcome sign.



Many of the 70 Guests attending Glen Arden's Oktoberfest.



An Oktoberfest table centerpiece.



Glen Arden resident Joanne Fraser (right) with guest Laurie Aknin (left).



An Oktoberfest table centerpiece.

By Gabriele Ondine

A rousing good time was had by all at the Glen Arden Oktoberfest celebration held at the Vineyard Center on October 19. Highlights of the event included Dittmer's bratwurst hot off the grill, potluck specialties offered by guests, 13 awesome silent auction lots, fresh-baked soft pretzels, a roaming photographer taking photos in front of a charming German village backdrop, and wonderful entertainment. A no-host bar was provided by the Clubhouse.

The crowd was thrilled and delighted with the wandering accordion player and singer, Joe Domitrowich. Joe provided a virtuoso performance featuring many German drinking songs in both English and German. Encouraged by Joe, the crowd was swaying side to side with the music, singing enthusiastically, and waving their beer cups in the air. A sing-along songbook was furnished for each participant.

The Vineyard Center interior was transformed into a festive Bavarian environment. Joyful blue table cloths and vibrant fall centerpieces added cheerful accents. Sparkling blue star balloons swayed overhead. Upon entering, guests were immediately transported to Munich for Oktoberfest hospitality. Great fun for sure!

Artists, bakers, volunteers and shoppers come together for amazing Holiday Faire

By Diane Finley

Thank you to all that attended our annual Holiday Faire event sponsored by The Villages Arts & Crafts Association on Saturday. What a fun day! Here are some fun stats: We had 36 artists in six rooms, over 400 shoppers and I even saw a couple of kiddos! Our super popular Bake Sale was amazing! Over 37 Villager bakers contributed a range of different items from the tried-and-true Chocolate Chip cookies to mincemeat empanadas and Russian fruit bars. We completely sold out of baked goods. We have some great bakers living here—and a bunch of folks with a sweet tooth. Our volunteers worked behind the scenes for weeks to have such a successful day. Even the weather cooperated.

Thank you to all 29 volunteers that worked together to make it a fun day for everyone.

All proceeds go to enhance and educate residents of The Villages in Arts & Crafts. The Club offers over 30 free events a year for our neighbors.



Susan Sunzeri, Swati Mohari, Linda Planting, Suzanne Ferris and Ciel Duke at the successful Bake Sale.

The pumpkins are on a roll!



Robert Chin, Walter Howald and Maurice Mow convene for the Pumpkin Roll.

Never underestimate an opportunity to come together for some seasonal fun. Current and former residents of Olivias Village along with relatives and friends gathered on Loma Azules for the annual Pumpkin Roll contest where contestants competed for the fastest, slowest and longest toss.

Some 50 Villagers attended the October 24 event to see whose hand-picked pumpkin would win. Pumpkins rolled across lawns, struck trees and mailbox stands and into down driveways on the way! Even the Amazon truck weaved its way among the pumpkins and participants as it made a delivery. But it wasn't just about the roll, as guests were encouraged to bring their chairs and refreshments to stay awhile and enjoy the fall lazy afternoon with friends and neighbors.

At the conclusion of the pumpkin roll, Judy Hecht's son, Toben, won the fastest roll, with Heidi Cavagnolo winning the slowest and Judy (keeping it in the family) bring home the prize for the farthest.



Judy Hecht and her son Toben got farthest and fastest roll, respectively.



Jim Livingstone and Brian Sullivan dress up in costume for the Olivias Pumpkin roll.



Doris Rowe rolls her pumpkin down Loma Azules. See the video on The Villager Online.



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RV CLUB CALENDAR

More information and photos on villagesrvclub.org
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November 14 - Quarterly Meeting, Sequoia Room (Cribari) 3:30 p.m.

December 11 - Holiday Party at Clubhouse
2025

January 25, 26, 27, 28 - Fountain of Youth Spa & RV Park, Niland

January 29, 30, 31, February 1 - Indian Waters RV Resort, Indio

March 24, 25, 26, 27 - Black Oak Casino Resort, Tuolumne

April 21, 22, 23, 24 - River Point Landing Marina Resort, Stockton

May 6 - Quarterly Meeting - Sequoia Room (Cribari) 3:30 PM

May 9, 10, 11, 12 - Costanoa KOA, Pescadero

June 14 - Open House at the RV Storage Lot



Neurosurgeon to speak at Parkinson's Support Group

Parkinson's disease can baffle patients, families, and physicians. Yet, advanced treatments and improvements for current treatments are emerging. On **Thursday, November 21 at 10 a.m.** in the Sequoia Room, Dr. Fahd Kahn, a neurosurgeon affiliated with Good Samaritan Hospital will discuss treatments for Parkinson's disease including Deep Brain Stimulation (DBS). Dr. Kahn explains, "Deep Brain Stimulation involves placing thin little wires into the brain for diseases such as Parkinson's. Essential Tremor, and Dystonia. The DBS provides an electrical current to the deep structure of the brain called the basal ganglia. The basal ganglia are responsible for coordination. The impulse help regulate the abnormal function of the brain because of various diseases." A board-certified neurosurgeon, Dr. Kahn is also a biomedical engineer.



In his one-hour presentation, Dr. Kahn will cover other aspects of treatment for neurological conditions. He will also answer questions. This meeting is the regular meeting for The Villages Parkinson's Support Group, headed by Alice Pratte. All who are interested in the latest updates in neurosurgery for neurological conditions, such as Parkinson's Disease, are invited to participate.

To register online, go to vmavillages.vgcc.club. Click on Register for Programs or call 408-238-4029.

and hiking along Coyote Trail to the Wildcat Loop and return. Elevation gain is ~700ft. Round trip driving distance is about 45 miles. Optional lunch at Lazy Dog Restaurant, Stevens Creek Blvd, Cupertino. Please arrive at Cribari Center by 9 a.m. for a 9:15 departure.

Rambler Lite Hike Wednesday, November 27: Katy Peretti (408-531-0917) will lead a walk to the CVS shopping center where you will have an opportunity to buy a coffee at Boulanger. The hike will start at the Clubhouse and continue through the estates to Yerba Buena. We will reverse the route back to the Villages. Meet at the Clubhouse at 9 a.m.

HIKING CLUB SCHEDULE

Rambler Lite Hike Wednesday, November 13: Katy Peretti (408-531-0917) will lead a hike along the southern perimeter of Olivas and down through the lakes and gnomes. Meet at Vineyard at 9 a.m.

Rambler Lite Hike Wednesday, November 20: Katy Peretti (408-531-0917) will lead a hike through south and north Verano and into Highland. Meet at Vineyard at 9 a.m.

Rambler Hike, Wednesday, November 20: Rich Bainbridge (408-499-1789) will lead a 4.2-mile hike at Rancho San Antonio County Park/Open Space Preserve starting at the first parking lot



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Join Villages Community Chapel Hymn Sing

By Carol Strong

If you enjoy singing old time hymns, be sure to come to the Villages Community Chapel Hymn Sing which will be held on **Sunday, November 24 at 6 p.m.** in the Cribari Conference Room. Hymnals will be provided and you are encouraged to suggest your favorite hymns for everyone to sing and enjoy. All are welcome. Bring a friend and plan to stay for coffee and fellowship at the conclusion of the singing.

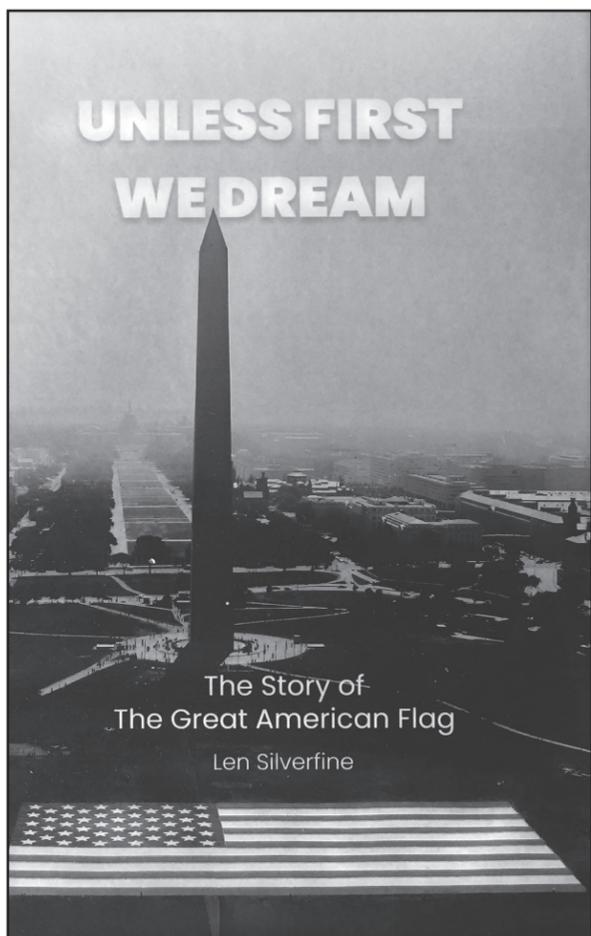


Did You Know?

Resident's book describes the realization of a big dream unfurled

A Cribari resident, Len Silverfine, has just published a book "Unless First We Dream, The Story of the Great American Flag," available through Amazon and other booksellers.

The book recounts the saga of Len's big dream of breaking the Guinness world record of largest flag prior to the celebration of the bicentennial of the United States in 1976.



Silverfine thought that a giant American flag welcoming US citizens and the world to the bicentennial celebrations in Washington D.C. would help in bringing joy and a renewed sense of patriotism in post-Vietnam, post-Watergate America. It wasn't to be, however because the flag did not survive its trial run.

That evening New York's TV and radio stations were overwhelmed with offers to repair the flag in time for the big event. Repair was not possible, however the outpouring of patriotism the flag sparked was real and not to be ignored. With this palpable outpouring of public sentiment, thus began a campaign to build an even larger flag that would redeem and inspire and become a reality six years later at The Washington Monument as part of Flag Day festivities in 1980.

Silverfine's book describes the life story of both Great American Flags and the challenges, setbacks and eventual success of installing this 14,000-lb flag in front of The Washington Monument in time for the ceremonies.

As a symbol of our nation, the Great Flag then welcomed the Iranian Hostages home at Andrews Air Base (1981) and celebrated the First Colum-

bia Shuttle astronauts at New York's Central Park (1982). And on Flag Day in 1983 the Great Flag was accepted by President Ronald Reagan as a gift to the nation, meant to be unfurled every year at the monument.

Alas, this Great Flag, meant to be a source of pride and inspiration, was consigned to years of dismal storage, "re-gifted," put on eBay auction, and saved by a Veteran who feared it might fall into wrong hands.

It's quite a story. The hope is that you will consider it a good read, and perhaps an important lesson for all Americans, those who remember those times as well as your grandchildren.

The book is available on Amazon as an eBook, also in hard and soft cover versions on amazon.com.

Opera Lovers to show all-time favorite 'La Bohème'

Please join The Villages Music Society's Opera Lovers on **Thursday, November 21 at 1:30 p.m.** in Montgomery Center, when we present Giacomo Puccini's "La Bohème."

This most popular opera includes three showstopper arias: "Your tiny hand is frozen," "They call me Mimi," and the glorious duet "O lovely girl in the moonlight."

The story is set in bohemian Paris, with a poet, a painter, a musician and a philosopher living together in Paris, when one freezing Christmas Eve their lives are changed forever. A girl named Mimi knocks on their door looking for a candle light, and she and Rodolfo fall in love.

However, the rush of love at first sight soon gives way to something much darker—it becomes clear that Mimi is desperately ill, and that Rodolfo, in his poverty, cannot provide for her.

This Metropolitan Opera production was a "Live From the Met" broadcast starring Luciano Pavarotti as Rodolfo, Renata Scotta as Mimi, Ingvar Wixell as Marcello, Maralin Niska as Musetta and Paul Plishka as Colline. James Levine conducts. The opera is sung in Italian with English subtitles and runs two hours.

No registration is needed and all Villagers are welcome to attend. For additional information, please call Mary Stradner at 408-887-3293 and visit VillagesMusicSociety.org for information about other VMS events. We look forward to seeing you on November 21.

Warm Coat Drive—update

By Toni Thunen

Thank you to those who have recently donated jackets and coats to the One Warm Coat Drive. I hope that more Villagers will consider donating. The coat drive is a great solution after you have committed to (finally) cleaning a closet or two. Remember the (no longer fitting) grandkid's jackets are a welcome donation as well.

All of the coats that are donated will be distributed in our San Jose community to help those who need them stay safe and warm this winter. Donated coats and jackets are saved from landfills and given a second life to people in need. One Warm Coat's focus on fashion circularity and reducing textile waste is keeping millions of pounds of textiles out of landfills each year.

The coat drive, which is located at 8345 Riesling Way will be available for donations until **December 13**. If you have donations but are unable to drive to the drop off location, please call me at 408-809-4856 to arrange for a pickup.



Remember your loved one with a memorial gift to EVF

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

'Tis the Season...

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down quickly. Use other methods to verify credentials.

* Pay for items using a credit card dedicated for online purchases, check the card statement regularly, and never save payment information in online accounts.

* Limit the use of public Wi-Fi, if possible.

* Verify the legitimacy of all parties involved by looking at consumer reviews and social media pages, as well as checking with the Better Business Bureau.

* Make sure anti-virus/malware software is up to date and block pop-up windows.

* Use safe passwords or pass phrases. Never use the same password on multiple accounts.

* As always—if the deal sounds too good to be true, chances are it is a scam.

Other common holiday season scams to watch for include investment scams, smartphone app scams, work-from-home scams and gift card and charity scams.

If you are a victim of a fraud, the FBI recommends taking the following actions:

- Report to the FBI IC3 at www.ic3.gov as quickly as possible.
- Report the activity to the online payment service used for the financial transaction.

- Contact your financial institution immediately to stop or reverse the transaction. Ask your financial institution to contact the corresponding financial institution where the fraudulent or suspicious transfer was sent.

SPORTS NEWS

TENNIS TALK

By Tim Keys



Marty Fucell and Paul Spiser

The Villages Men's USTA 6.5 team finished a fun season Saturday, November 2 at The Villages in the middle of the pack, playing all of the top teams near the league's end. Thanks for all of the support from the viewing stand.

The league consisted of three teams from Los Gatos, one from Morgan Hill, and some from San Jose including our neighbor Silver Creek. We will build on the season and look forward to 2025! Such a successful year for a brand new team from The Villages!

IRONMEN

By Bill Travis and Jerry Juracich

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

Thursday, October 31, 2024, was partly cloudy and cool and the course, after some overnight rain, was a bit wet. Ten Ironmen played.

Hiei Takazawa won **Third Place** with a net 28; there was a three-way tie for **Second Place** between Joe Alarcon, Sang Nam, and Jim White each with a net 27; and Jerry Juracich won **First Place** with a net 26.

There were two **Birdies** today: one by Larry Dorsey on hole 9; and the other by Jerry Juracich on hole 1.

Closest to the Flag was on our shortest hole, #2, but no one got on! So no CTF award!

Sang Nam won **Low Gross** with a 29.

Two golfers shared **Golfer of the Day** honors: Jerry Juracich with a first place finish and a birdie; and Sang Nam with low gross and a second place finish. Way to go Jerry and Sang.

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: "Duffers who continually shank their balls are urged to buy and study 'Shanks-No Thanks,' by R.K. Hoffman, or, in extreme cases, M.S. Howard's excellent 'Tennis for Beginners.'" -Henry Beard, author and humorist, and one of the founders of National Lampoon Magazine

"I know I'm getting better at golf because I'm hitting fewer spectators." - Gerald Ford, 38th President of the United States



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18-HOLE WOMEN

By Judy Rodriguez

We played our annual Halloween Tournament on Halloween this year! In addition to regular Sweeps, we played a very special "Get to Know Your Foursome" team game cleverly created by Vicki Krattli and Donna Quartaro. Our teams thoroughly enjoyed playing this special game and fun was had by all! The winners with the lowest score were Camille Giuliodibari, Millie Ann Scherin, Betty Sharps, and Marky Olsen. The winners with the highest score were Janet Gonzales, Jan Kiernan, Barbara Nielsen, and Carol Zaccheo! Closest to the Pin on hole #4 was Michele Chung, and to hole #11 was Kerry Besmehn! Way to go, ladies!



Closest to the Pin winners, Michele Chung #4 and Kerry Besmehn #11!

Kudos to all the women who had chip-ins: Helen Varenkamp #17, Dau Hyong Suk #8 and #11, Alice Gennai #14, Suzanne Fazio #10, Mary Jo O'Neill #8, Christine Leisy #5, Diana Flanigan #16, and Kerry Besmehn #18! Congratulations to the following birdie ladies: Vicki Krattli #2, Janis LeCompte #2, Helen Varenkamp #17, Monica Saneholtz #11, Sachiko Coleman #11, and Gwen Bindon #11!

Next Thursday is our General Meeting which entails voting for our 2025 Officers. Please plan to have lunch and join in the fun for this special day!



Marky Olsen, Millie Ann Schwerin, Betty Sharps, Camille Giuliodibari are the low net winners of the Halloween "Get to know your Foursome" contest!

WOMEN'S 9-HOLE

By Vicki Krattli



Carleen Corsello, Cookie Hales, and Cynthia Jackson

Sachiko Coleman, Suzy Kim and Song Cho with -7, followed by Carleen Corsello, Cookie Hales, Cynthia Jackson and Carol Begley who won the scorecard play-off against Josephine Chan, Emily Li, Kitty Ohtaka and Valerie Dimmick.



The 9 Hole Women's Halloween goodies table.

discomfort. Sign up for bunker lessons so when those new bunkers are in play you will feel like a professional getting out of them.

Happy Halloween. The 9 hole ladies had a great Halloween Tournament on Tuesday, October 29. The treats provided by Pam and Sheryl were delightful and spending time in the Bistro enjoying our new chef's menu was filled with laughter.

Our winners on the Back 9 were Sue Daughtrey, Carol Zaccheo, Barb Nilsen and Jan Kiernan with a stellar -10, followed closely by Vivian Brown, Jini Kang, Mary Wagle and Maxine Amundsen with -8. Pam Leonard, Nancy Carson, Rita Karlsten and Linda Curyea who also had -8 but finished third with a scorecard playoff.

The front 9 winners were Joyce Mukuno, Sachiko Coleman, Suzy Kim and Song Cho with -7, followed by Carleen Corsello, Cookie Hales, Cynthia Jackson and Carol Begley who won the scorecard play-off against Josephine Chan, Emily Li, Kitty Ohtaka and Valerie Dimmick.

Congratulations to all the winners.

Our next tournament coming up is the Turkey Shoot. Our hosts will be Karen Carlson and Susan Sunzeri for Tuesday, November 19. More to come in our "Let's Talk Golf" email blast.

The bunker project is set to begin November 4 with the closing of holes 1-3 which will have us playing the back nine, which might be a little crowded, but the result will be worth the



Phyllis Mueller



WOUNDED WARRIOR PROJECT

Men's 18 Hole Golf Club Veterans Day tournament Saturday, November 9, 2024

In Honor of our Wounded Warriors

Wounded Warrior Project – Donations (Cash or Check) will be taken prior to the 8:30 a.m. Shotgun start at a table next to the coffee/donuts.

Please give generously and make checks payable to: The Villages Men's Golf Club.

Donate to Help Our Veterans – Wounded Warrior Project not only values donations from our community—they depend on them. WWP provides life-changing programs and services to warriors and veterans at no cost to them. They are only able to do this thanks to help from generous people like you. When you support wounded warriors and veterans through donations, you are assuring they receive the physical and mental support that they need to thrive.

Donations are an impactful way to provide assistance to our warriors. Your gift, no matter how big or small, will change lives! Thank you so much in advance,
Doug Moore, Men's 18 Hole Golf Club Chairman



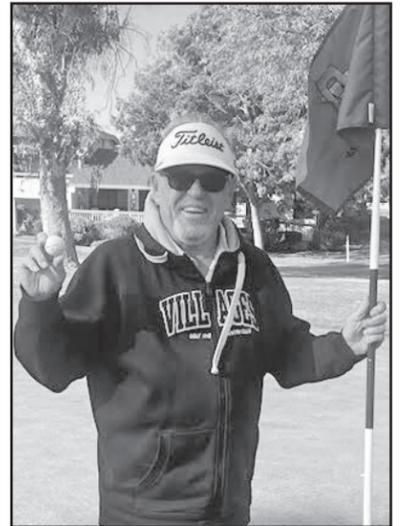
MEN'S GOLF CLUB



By Kurt Pagnini, kmpagnini@gmail.com

John Seeger got a Hole in One on #6! It was a windy day on the course and the last full round before the bunker reconstruction project kicks off. John choked up on a driver to punch the ball under the wind toward the front of the green. The ball hit on a great line, rolled toward the blue flag at the back of the green, and dropped for an ace! Great shooting, John!

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.



John Seeger gets a Hole in One!

Executive Committee Meeting: The Men's Golf Club Executive Committee meets the first Tuesday of the month (except in July) at 8:30 a.m. in the Montgomery Center. The next meeting will be **December 3, 2024**. MGC Members are always welcomed and encouraged to attend.

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

SHONIS



Shonis get creative with costumes for Halloween.

We gave out "spooky" pins to those in the scary shirts—Meg Rogers, Rose Loy, Teddy Morse, Jonna Robinson and Fran Schumaker. And while awaiting our food we voted for the best costumes. Lots of great costumes in the mix. Candy corn, donut, Christmas tree, NY Yankee, good witch, a couple ghosts.

Our winning costumes were: #1 Scarecrow (Donna Erickson), #2 Fish-erwoman (Nancy Canepa), #3 Octopus (Kathy Tanaka). They all received special Halloween pins for their costumes and their efforts.



Donna Erickson and Nancy Canepa win first and second place, respectively for their scarecrow and fisherwoman costumes.

Then 21 of us golfed. It was a beautiful day for our last official 2024 outing as well as our October birthday game for Meg Rogers and Betty Hall. Drop that high score to help your numbers.

We didn't have Putting for Pesos but it will be back in November. Any putting monies you've won will be included in the December sweeps payouts at the Holiday Luncheon December 17.

We had two birdies today to wrap up the year. Marty Blinde had hers on #9 while Joyce Baptiste got her fifth of the year on

#8. The birdie pot was emptied and will start over again on our first November golf date.

Thanks to all who "costumed" for this morning's breakfast get together. Great ideas. Congratulations to all of the sweeps winners.

By Betty Hall

Wow. Shonis really turned out for breakfast this morning. There were 30 of us! A great time for socializing with Shonis that you might not play with or get to visit with often. And hi to Johanna Baker!



Thirty Shonis turn out for the pre-Halloween breakfast.

PICKLEBALL

The Pickleball Club has supported bringing Pickleball to underprivileged middle schools in San Jose. In the past, we've donated paddles and balls to the Herbert Hoover Middle School. This has been very successful, and we've donated over 25 paddles and over 200 balls.

We are expanding this program to support a second school: George V. LeyVa Middle School in the Evergreen School District. Nancy Domingo, an avid new Pickleball player and Tennis player, teaches Special Ed to seventh and eighth graders.

Nancy is establishing a Racquet Sport Club at LeyVa, which includes pickleball! Her intent is to provide a positive opportunity for middle schoolers (ages 12 and 13). These activities promote team building, social and emotional development, self-esteem, and confidence. It's a fact that interactions such as this during and after school deter negative influences in their communities, such as gang related activities.

To that end... we are looking for your donations of used paddles and balls. Many people have replaced paddles, or have non-compliant paddles they cannot use here at The Villages. Can you think of a better use for them? We can't! You can drop off your donations at 3213 Bracciano Court.

Donations will be shared between George LeyVa and Herbert Hoover School. One donation of paddles and balls we had has already been given to Nancy. Way to go, Nancy—great job looking out for the youth of our community!

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FROM THE PRO



By Scott Steele, PGA Head Golf Professional

Bunker Renovation Project

The Golf Course Bunker Renovation Project started Monday, November 4. The preliminary timeline for the project is five months through March of 2025. The construction team will be working each week (weather permitting) Monday-Saturday. The first block of holes being done will be Holes #1, #2 & #3 – these 3 holes will be closed while under construction.

More specific and detailed information about the project and logistics for golfers is available at the pro shop.

Golf Winter Schedule now in effect

The Pro Shop and golf play hours of operation will be adjusted around the resultant constricted daylight hours.

The Monday shotgun will move to 12 p.m.

The Driving Range will close at 2pm on Mondays.

The Swingers Tuesday 9-Hole Women's shotgun will move to 9 a.m.

The Shonis Par-3 women will move to 10:30 a.m. on Tuesdays.

The Ironmen Par-3 men will move to 1 p.m. on Thursdays (starting in December).

The Pinseekers Men's 9-hole Club Friday tee times start at noon.

November Golf Schedule

Saturday, November 9 – Men's Club Veteran's Tournament 8:30 a.m. Shotgun – 1 p.m. Open Shotgun

Thursday, November 28 – Thanksgiving Day – 7 a.m. Tee Times – Pro Shop & Driving Range closed 1 p.m.

Local Rules Update—We have added a new Local Rule for The Villages effective immediately. **Goose Droppings:** If your ball comes to rest on or near a Goose Dropping, and/or that Goose Dropping has adhered on your ball; you are entitled to lift, clean and replace your ball within 6 inches of its original location, with no penalty, and you may move the Goose Dropping to avoid interference.

Fall Maintenance Schedule

Fall Overseeding will continue through November 30.

Fairway Sand Top-Dressing will start October 25 and continue through November 11.

During these processes we will move to 6-inch relief, Pick-Clean-Place, no nearer the hole on the holes that are completed.

Maintenance Projects on the Golf Course

1. This is the time of year when the golf course experiences some turf uprooting and damage due to grub worms and the resultant grubbing from the small animals. If your golf ball comes to rest in a grubbing area of disturbed turf, you are entitled to free relief from stance and swing defined as one-club-length no nearer the hole. This is regardless of whether or not the area is officially marked as Ground Under Repair. The ball must be dropped from knee height. And again, no penalty is incurred. Let us know if you have any questions.

2. The stream on Hole #9 & #18 will be dry for several weeks as the construction and installation of the new electrical panel is in progress. While the stream will be dry, it is still defined as

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From The Pro...

a Penalty Area and the standard rules of golf for a Penalty area apply.

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—Keep Your Eyes on the Prize

How important are your eyes in the game of golf? The answer is that they are imperative!

The ability of our eyes to gauge distance, see obstacles and recognize changes in the terrain makes them one of the most important tools in our game. But as we know, at address, our eyes are on the ball...so the timing of when to use our eyes to your advantage is the key!

Here's what I mean:

1. On the tee use your eyes to see the hole in its entirety. Stand on the tee box and look at any trees, hazards, and where fairway and rough merge

2. Use your eyes to choose a specific and small target to aim at from tee to green; such as a rooftop, a mountain, a patch of grass, or a tree in the distance

3. Use your eyes when chipping and pitching to determine the proper trajectory for the shot and more importantly the landing spot for the shot. Focus on the landing spot during your rehearsal swings.

4. Use your eyes when putting during your pre-shot routine. Look at the hole during your practice strokes and your eyes will tell your arms how hard or soft to swing the putter. Use your eyes to see the top line of the break of the putt and be sure to putt toward that spot.

In all cases your eyes are best employed from behind the ball, using your eyes as a set of two, in line, using your binocular vision...it is *not* best to wait until you have addressed the ball to finally tilt your head and use your one-eyed peripheral vision. Again, the timing of when you use your eyes is the key.

To sign up for a lesson with me, email ssteele@the-villages.com

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BOCCE NEWS



SCOREBOARD

WANTED

Become a member of the Bocce Board!

Interested in becoming involved? Want to help make the Bocce Club even better?

Then consider self nomination and having your name placed on this year's ballot.

If you would like to run for the Bocce Board, please contact the nomination chair Marie Colvaizzi at 408-666-2576 or mpcolaizzi@gmail.com



MEXICAN TRAIN DOMINOES

Wednesday, October 30

Maribeth Berlie	156
Sylvia Rozewicz	182
Shirley Bellavance	236
Sandy Gardiner	279

Friday, November 11

Aloma Lazetera	205
Sandy Gardiner	248
Bev Waller-Wharton	255
Shirley Bellavance	259

BRIDGE



Monday, October 28:

1. Jonna Robinson – Guest
2. Hank Koransky
- Jane Michaels
3. Alan Waltho
- Maureen Waltho

Wednesday, October 30:

1. Ed Logg – Guest
- 2/3 Art Lind
- Jonna Robinson;
Hank Koransky
- Jane Michaels

Friday, November:

1. Ed Logg - Jonna Robinson
2. Guests
3. Carol Reid - Lorrie Scott

SHONIS

Tuesday, October 29

All Nets

Flight One:

1. Joyce Baptiste 23.
2. Tied Marty Blinde,
Betty Hall 25
3. Amy Lo 27

Flight Two:

1. Meg Rogers 15
2. Karen Rooney 22
3. Jonna Robinson 23

Flight Three:

1. Rose Loy 18
2. Schinae Ogihara 23
3. Donna Erickson 24

BOCCE

Fall Round Robin Week #5

Monday 10 a.m. (win/loss)

UBocceU 1-9	Lawn & Order 0-10	Crazy "8"s 8-2
Goomba's 8-2	Ball Busters 6-4	Agitators 9-1

Monday 12:30 p.m.

Momma Mia 1-3	Lotsa Bocce 2-2
Bocce Rascals 2-2	Bloodbath & Beyond 3-1

Wednesday 10 a.m.

Bocce Pals 2-2	La Bocce Vita 3-1	Bocce Bowlers 2-0
Baabooloos 3-1	Crazy Ladies 2-2	Hot Shots 1-1

Wednesday 12:30 p.m.

Breakfast Club 2-2	Straight Shooters 2-0
Team DeBoccery 4-0	Charlie's Angels 0-2

Wednesday 3 p.m.

Game of Throws 8-2	Rolling Rock 1-9
Balls, Sweat & Tears 6-4	The Seven & One 5-5

Thursday 10 a.m.

Lady Bugs & Bull Frogs 8-2	Gals & Guys Bashers 6-4
Bocce & Gabanna 5-5	Sweet Rollers 4-6
Kings 4-6	Warriors 3-7

Thursday 3 p.m.

Bocce Beatles 6-4	2 Be Reckoned With 5-5
Chewbocces 2-8	Merry Bocce Band 7-3

18-HOLE WOMEN

Halloween Tournament

Thursday, October 31

Flight One

Low Gross:	
Camille Giuliodibari	84
Low Net: Vicki Krattli	70
2. Priscilla Piper	71
3. Janis LeCompte	73
4. Millie-Anne Schwerin	75

Flight Two

Low Gross:	
Cheryl Heusser	97
Low Net:	
1. Jay Lee	69
2. Sue Park	70
3. Chris Leisy	72
4. Loanne Rube	73
5. Michelle Chung	75

Flight Three

Low Gross:	
Joyce Mukuno	103
Low Net:	
1. Hyong Pau	72
2. Kitty Ohtaka	74
3. Diana Hallock	76

2 Tees Flight

Low Gross:	
Sachiko Coleman	98
Low Net:	
1. Judy Rodriguez	73
2. Barbara Weisend	73
3. Edie Herbst	75
4. Gail Tuft	75
5. Delma Juarez	76
6. Valerie Dimmick	76

Saturday Tournament, November 2

Cha Cha Cha

1. Valerie Dimmick, Janet Gonzales, Carol Zaccheo, Vivian Brown	130
2. Helen Varenkamp, Camille Giuliodibari, Millie-Anne Schwerin, Betty Sharps	137
3. Alyce Gennai, Janis LeCompte, Donna Quartaro, Sheryl Driskell	140
4. Diana Hallock, Chris Leisy, Patti Bell, Mary Ann Diridon	140



Waiting to roll... Minnie (Karen Peters) and friends.

By Betty Hall

The last Friday afternoon Bocce Bash of 2024 had a Halloween theme and Minnie got it started by stopping traffic. Today's Bash was hosted by the bocce president, Jana King and her sidekick, Scout Master Roger King. Throughout 2024 these Friday afternoon bashes have been coordinated

by Patti Smith with assistance from multiple volunteers. Thanks for all your hard work. These Friday afternoon bashes will start back up again in March so watch for the starting information.

These 3 p.m. Bashes are a great way to hone your skills, have lots of fun and socialize with other bocce members not during a competitive tournament. If you're not a member, you're also welcome. This is a great time and place to find out if bocce is your "sport."



Glinda and her Lollipop kid (Sharmin and Steve).

A table full of snacks is usually available to munch on brought by Bashers. Everyone who wants to munch is asked to contribute something.

A year of hard work by the board has now culminated in three bocce courts, all ADA compliant. So you can sign up to roll for 30 minutes on a court, either clock

or street end. You can work on your bank shots or just try to pick off the pallino. Or just sit around, munching and visiting. A bathroom is also adjacent to the courts near Gazebo Park.

Today's theme being Halloween, there were lots of costumed participant. But the top voted costumes were Glinda the Good Witch and the Lollipop kid or Sharmin Watkins and Steve Balter.

Don't forget the General Membership Meeting on November 10 from 3-5 p.m. at Foothill Center for members only. There will be a tailgate event and board member selection.

The last big event of 2024 is the Holiday Party on December 6 at Cribari Auditorium from 5 to 9 p.m. Reservations required. Watch for the flyer.

RELIGION

Villages Religious Services

Weekly:

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

Regularly Scheduled:

Friday	9 a.m. Catholic Mass	Cribari
	First three Fridays of each month	
	Contact: Louise Connors	408-221-6485
Friday	7:00 p.m. Jewish Shabbat	Foothill
	Next date: November 15	
	Contact: Marilyn Goldsmith	732-672-8601

Everyone is welcome! Please call for more information!

COMMUNITY CHAPEL

‘Stormy Weather Approaching’

By Pastor Bill Hayden

Storms in our lives seem to come out of nowhere. There are times when you may see a storm approaching, and you may have time to prepare for it. Other times, they come with no apparent signs or warnings unless you are one of those whose bones ache. Some people retire from work, anticipating continued good health to enjoy their long-awaited retirement, and to their surprise, the doctors discover a significant health problem, dashing their plans.

If there was ever a time in life when we witnessed the presence of unexpected storms, it's now. But remember, we are not powerless in the face of these storms. Our resilience, our ability to bounce back, is a powerful tool in our arsenal!

Storms in life have a way of changing our direction, but we always hope that there will be a brighter day beyond the veil. I can testify that things in life can work for our good, even when we don't understand why the storm came at such a time. Sometimes, we must slow down and reevaluate what is essential in our lives with eternity in view.

As an ex-serviceman in the United States Navy, aboard an aircraft carrier, I have experienced some significant storms in life. The ship went side to side and up and down as the waves of the sea came crashing over the flight deck. Though the journey was tempestuous, the captain knew there was a destination to reach and how best to get there.

In recent years, I survived a heart transplant surgery, with the captain of my soul knowing that He needed me to be around, to ensure others of their eternal security, before I reached my final destination.

In times of storms, I find these words most comforting: *“For I know the thoughts that I think to ward you, says the Lord, thoughts of peace and not evil, to give you a future and a hope.”* Jeremiah 29:11 NKJV

Please celebrate with us and experience the Good Life at the Villages Community Chapel in Cribari Auditorium every Sunday at 10 a.m. to be encouraged over the Word of Life 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](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCvillagescommunitychapel)



VILLAGES JEWISH COMMUNITY

Friday night Shabbat Services will be held at **7:15 p.m. on November 15** at Foothill Center. Our guest speaker will be Daniel Klein, CEO of Jewish Silicon Valley. We will also have Board elections for the following year,

Following the presentation we will have our usual Oneg Shabbat celebration.

All Villagers are welcome. If you are interested in joining The Villages Jewish Group, please contact Bob Lapidus 408-693-9398.

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

‘One Size Fits All’

We are now in the season of giving and receiving. Halloween has passed, and fast approaching is Thanksgiving and Christmas. I like to ease into the holidays, giving some time to be grateful for being here, happy at where my gratitude lies. At this time of year I clearly remember an incident that occurred when our son was one month old. My husband and I had some holiday shopping to do. My neighbor insisted we not take our little son with us but leave him with her, which we did. Driving to our destination a car came out of a side street, the driver didn't look as he was crossing the road in front of us. We could have stopped, but a driver coming behind us could not and we were sandwiched between the two cars. In those days a baby seat was a plastic type of seat that you held on your lap, with a small belt for safety. Had our son been with us he would not have survived. My husband and I sustained minor injuries. I clearly remember my husband saying “Thank God our son was not with us.” How many times would I have said “Wow, were we lucky”? Now, 59 years later we remember with gratitude that incident, and how much more we have to be grateful for each and every day. Learning to say “Thank you, God” did take some practice, and now it is a constant. Seldom do we say, “Were we ever lucky!”

Our family takes time each Thanksgiving at dinner to express what made us thankful this year, and it is heartwarming to hear each person's gratitude list. It is a wonderful and positive way to celebrate and express ourselves. As we go from home to Church or shop at the local store we can remember a smile, or hold the door for someone, and see the joy this gesture brings.

I personally cannot do much of anything to stop the wars, the violence and the hatred all around us. I certainly can put a smile on my face and greet people with kindness, maybe pay a visit to a shut-in. I know these gestures will bring joy to some and how about a hug? You do know that one size fits all.

SEARCH THE SCRIPTURES

Search the Scriptures is meeting at **10 a.m., November 25 at Vineyard**. We are meeting on the second and fourth Monday of each month. Any questions, contact Everett Jacobson at 408-629-7210 or Ron Speer at 408-223-2025



EPISCOPAL

‘They are still with us’

By The Rev. Joel P. Miller

I once had a bishop who told the congregation where I was serving at the time: “The only thing that doesn't change is change itself.” Life is full of changes and transitions, isn't it? Nobody said, “amen,” in the congregation, but intuitively we all knew how true his words were. By the way, just so you know we Episcopalians are a welcoming but quiet bunch and we aren't known for saying amen when someone is preaching even when the bishop comes for a visit. All Saints Sunday is a time when we recognize and celebrate one of the biggest transitions and changes in our lives: the passing of our beloved departed. Though they are departed we probably all also intuitively know that they are still with us—just with us in a different way. We would love you to join us and bring a photo or memento of your beloved departed as we recognize and celebrate their lives on **November 10** at the Montgomery Center. We will set up an altar with all the photos and mementos for all those that we love but see no longer. Please note that we have changed the date for All Saints Sunday from November 3 to November 10, and of course we will sing:

*For all the saints who from their labors rest,
Who thee by faith before the world confessed,
Thy Name O Jesus, be for ever blessed.
Alleluia, Alleluia*

We sing knowing that all our beloved departed are created, energized and sanctified by the Holy Spirit, making them each saints. Please don't hesitate to bring a photo or a memento.

Join us at the Montgomery Center at **9 a.m. on November 10.**



THANKSGIVING BUFFET MENU

November 28th, 2024

Two Seatings: 12:30 p.m. and 3:30 p.m.

Adults: \$70 | Children Ages 5-12: \$28
Plus 18% Service Charge & Taxes

Displays

Cheese Board with Gourmet Crackers & Sliced Baguettes
Fruit Platter with Assorted Wild Berries and Grapes

Seafood Station

Peel & Eat Shrimp with Cocktail Sauce
Crab Claws

Oysters on Half Shells with Mignonette Sauce, Mini Tabasco & Lemons
Smoked Salmon with Whipped Cream Cheese, Capers, Sliced Red Onions, Tomatoes & Mini Bagels

Salad Bar Station

Caprese Salad
Roasted Root Vegetable Salad
Pesto Tortellini Salad
Yukon Gold Potato Salad
Club House Baby Mix Salad
Caesar Salad
Assorted Dressings & Vinaigrettes

Carving Station

Prime Rib with Horseradish Cream & Au Jus
Roasted Spiral Ham with Mustard Grain Honey Glaze
Assorted Rolls & Butter

Entrees

Roasted Turkey with Giblet Gravy & Cranberry Sauce
Pan Roasted Cod Fish
Wild Mushroom & Leek Bread Stuffing
Buttermilk Whipped Potatoes Side Gravy
Candied Yams
Steamed Seasonal Vegetables and Green Bean Casserole

Dessert

Pumpkin Pie | Apple Pie | Pecan Pie | Assorted Dessert Bars | Chocolate Cake |
Petite Fours | Cheesecake | Cookies

Beverages

Mimosa | Coke | Diet Coke | Sprite | Sparkling Water | Iced Teas | Coffee | Hot
Tea | Hot Chocolate

For Reservations:

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Buttermilk Whipped Potatoes
Green Bean Casserole

Dessert

Pumpkin Pie

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Do homes sell well in the fall? Homes do sell during the Holiday Season, but at a slower rate as you get near the actual holiday dates. There are always a few buyers that want to get into their new home before the holidays.

The VMA home tour was a great success. I went through the beautiful homes on tour with a client who wanted to gather ideas for her own remodel. We enjoyed the variety of interior designs. From the ultra-modern to the comfortable, cozy, all the homes were beautifully designed and decorated. It is always exciting to see a home that has had a wall or two removed, creating a new floorplan.

Most Villages homes were not built with an "Open Floor Plan" but there are many Villagers altering their homes to create that same feel. I have a listing in Hermosa that had a floorplan change. The dining and living rooms are now huge. The previous owners removed the hallway and repurposed it into useable living space. It is very clever to alter your environment to suit your lifestyle.



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MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE

Maintenance Activities

Landscape Maintenance

• General Maintenance Schedule (General weeding control, pruning, and cleaning)

BellaVista, the new landscape contractor, is now providing landscape services for The Villages. Please see high-level maps and outlines of the vendors' various activities for November on The Villager Online at news.thevillagesgcc.com. The schedule reflects days for mowing, combined mowing/cleaning, cleaning, and detailing. Detailing includes pruning, pulling weeds, and detailing plant material.

• Fertilizer

Custom blend fertilizers are arriving within the next two weeks and pre-emergent to be completed alongside it. Four applications are to be completed throughout the year. First turf fertilizer application and first pre-emergent applications to be completed on the week of 12/9 to 12/13 throughout the districts and club properties.

• Fire Fuel Zones

The following fire fuel zones will be addressed in November

- 11/5- Cribari Fire Fuel Areas
- 11/7- Verano and Highland Fuel Areas
- 11/8 Montgomery Fire Fuel Areas
- 11/12 – Glen Arden and Valle Vista Fire Fuel Areas

• Pest Control

Treatment for voles, moles, gophers, and squirrels—Village Valle Vista, Village Glen Arden, and Village Highland—will occur on 11/11.

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

• Treatment for voles, moles, gophers, and squirrels—Village Olivas, Village Hermosa, and Village Heights—will occur on 11/18.

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• Watering Schedule

BellaVista and management has been adjusted/reduced the watering schedule based on the latest weather conditions. BellaVista and Management continue to review the irrigation of The Villages and are actively working to optimize irrigation while minimizing waste and cost.

• Beta Sites/Non-functional turf conversions—The Villages entry along Sonata/Del Lago in progress.

Association Maintenance

If your village is not listed below, there is not a large-scale project occurring within your community. However, Public Works continues to address ongoing standard maintenance and landscape requests within each village.

- **Village Glen Arden**—The roof replacement project is on hold for one week due to weather.
- **Village Valle Vista**—Fire Hardening Project Delayed

Update: There are continued delays receiving the correct vent from the manufacturer. Management is working with our existing vendor to verify the updated schedule. Notices will be posted before beginning the work.

• Village Montgomery

On October 30, the Public Works team began a final repair of a hard water line leak and shut off the water that supplies the outside hose bibs for the residents at 6276 Blauer through 6281 Blauer. The repair was scheduled to be completed in two days but was delayed. Additional information regarding the delay is being sent to the Village Montgomery DAC under separate cover. The project will be completed by the end of the day, today, November 5, 2024.

On November 6, the City of San Jose will repair a water meter valve. Water will be shut off between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. to the residents at 6318 Whaley through 6326 Whaley as well as the residents of 6337 Whaley through 6343 Whaley. The repair should be completed in one day and water will be restored to the residents by 1 p.m. on November 6, 2024.



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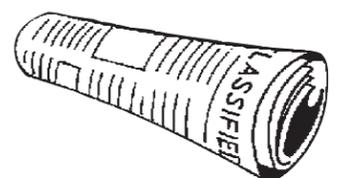
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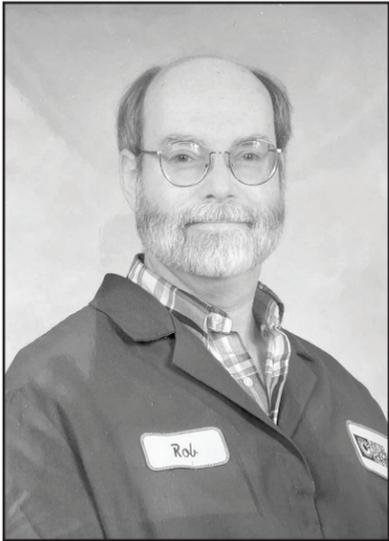
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OBITUARY

Robert Lee Foster

January 21, 1946 – February 24, 2024



Rob passed away peacefully with his family at his side on February 24, 2024 from Lou Gehrig's (ALS) disease. Born January 21, 1946 in Detroit, Michigan to Lee & Ruth Foster. Always a curious soul, Rob studied Electrical Engineering at the University of Michigan. While a student, he was employed by the Space Physics Research Laboratory working on pioneering experiments that were utilized in the Space Lab 1 mission, and NASA's Pioneer Venus mission. His skill at solving complex technical problems led to a long and varied career in aerospace, computer science, and manufacturing.

Rob could "fix" anything, from scientific equipment to antique door hardware, and was always generous with friends and neighbors. Rob leaves behind his sister Patricia L. Henry and her husband Joseph B. Henry, nephews

Robert, David, Michael, stepdaughter Piper Major, and nieces Helen & Paxton.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Rob's name can be made to the Palliative Care Center General Gift Fund at Stanford University.

To place an obituary in The Villager, 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.

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Ray Lee Leisy

April 13, 1946 – October 17, 2024



Ray Lee Leisy passed away unexpectedly but peacefully on October 17, 2024 at the age of 78. Ray was the life of every party. If Ray was around, you knew you were in for a good time full of laughter and fun. He loved his golfing buddies and his life in The Villages.

Ray is survived by his loving wife Christine, daughter Michelle, her husband Todd, and his three grandchildren.

Ray was born and raised in Paso Robles. He served in the US Navy on an aircraft carrier in the Vietnam War.

There will be a party celebrating Ray's life on January 3, 2025 at Cribari Auditorium at 2 p.m.

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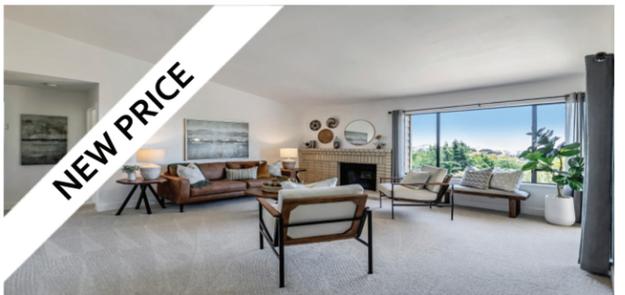
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