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VMA: Organizing meds for your peace of mind

By Barbara F. Zahner, VMA Health Programs

Keeping medications in order can tax the most detailed-oriented person. "Oh my, did I take that pill or not?" "I can't believe I forgot to call in my prescription!" "Do I take this medication in the morning or evening?"

On Tuesday, January 24 at 1 p.m. at Vineyard Center, learn a peace-of-mind way to organize medications. Join Amy Wang RN, FNP, PA-C for an informative, interactive VMA workshop "Organize Your Meds for Peace of Mind."

A popular speaker with VMA on Longevity and Vibrant Health, Amy will cover how to:

- How—Organization methods and timing suggestions for safety and compliance
- Where—Best place to keep your organized box recommendations
- When—Recommendation for common drugs, such as Statins for cholesterol, Hormones such as thyroid supplements, and Blood Pressure medications
- What—What ought to be on your medications sheet and to be with you at all times in case of an emergency and/or doctor's appointment.

Amy invites participants to bring their current pill container or medication system to the presentation. She will evaluate them for effectiveness and possible improvements. Amy also invites all to bring their questions about medication management to the talk.

Amy is founder of Ready2 Nurse, a Home Health Care agency. Her professional focus is to help seniors stay in their homes. Amy holds an MS in Primary Care Medicine from Stanford School of Medicine. She is also board certified as a Nurse Practitioner. Since 2007, Amy has served in Senior Care.

Reservations requested as space is limited. Call VMA Service Coordinator Bonnie Grim at 408-238-4029.



Amy Wang

Our recent weather—a mixed bag



The New Year's Eve storm and recent storms that followed had cleanup crews scrambling, yet there were some spectacular sights to be had. A beautiful rainbow appeared on January 4 the same day that many trees blew over or were damaged.

Photos by Frank Langben and Jeanette Campa

Modified Golf Course Walking Notice

Monday, January 16 is a holiday schedule due to Martin Luther King Jr. Day. The golf course will be open for play at 7 a.m. Pedestrians on the golf course will be limited to before 7 a.m. and after dusk. Please be safe. Thank you for your cooperation!



Golf Course Winter walking schedule

Here are the days and times that walkers may enjoy walking on the golf course this winter:

- Mondays** before 12 p.m. and after 4 p.m. (except holidays)
 - Tuesdays** before 9 a.m. and after dusk
 - Wednesdays** before 7 a.m. and after dusk
 - Thursdays** before 8:20 a.m. and after dusk
 - Fridays-Sundays** before 6:50 a.m. and after dusk
- Walkers, please enter/exit the golf course at the above mentioned times.

COMMUNITY NEWS

PULSE

Dear Readers:

The Villager welcomes everyone's voice sharing ideas, opinions and accounts of life in The Villages in the Pulse column. Please follow the guidelines carefully.

Pulse deadline is 4 p.m. on Thursday of the week prior to publication. Pulse letters will be published in complete or abridged form at the discretion of the Publisher and in accordance with the editorial policies and rules established by the Club Board of Directors. (See VGCC Rule 1.30.) Opinions expressed by Pulse letter authors do not necessarily reflect the opinions of The Villager Publisher, staff, boards of directors or management.

All Pulse letters must be 200 words or fewer on a single topic relating to life in the Villages. Letter authors are limited to one published Pulse letter per month. Each letter must also include name, address, phone number, date and number of words. Typed or legibly written letters must include your signature and may be hand delivered to the Pulse mailbox in Administration Building B or by mailing to the Communications Advisory Committee, 5000 Cribari Lane, San Jose, CA 95135.

Letters may be submitted electronically through the Pulse Submission Form on the Resident Portal: resident.thevillagesgcc.com/pulse, or emailed to Villager Managing Editor S. Hinrichs: shinrichs@the-villages.com.

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

0 Pulse letters received this week.

0 Pulse letters not meeting Pulse Letter Guidelines.

0 Pulse letters published this week.

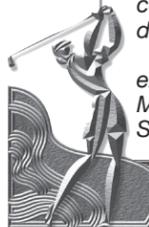
Note: Pulse authors are solely responsible for the statements and opinions contained in the Pulse letters. The Villager does not verify the accuracy of any statements.

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

Missed your Villager?

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

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



The What I Love About The Villages column is a place where you can share your positive comments about The Villages community. (To be in compliance with VGCC Rule 1.30, please do not name businesses or other commercial, religious or political entities.)

If you have an uplifting comment to share about some aspect of life at The Villages, please email your contribution to Villager Associate Editor Kory Tran: ktran@the-villages.com, Villager Managing Editor Scott Hinrichs: shinrichs@the-villages.com or submit it in the Villager Article Submission area on the Resident Portal: resident.thevillagesgcc.com/villager/artsub/

WHAT I LOVE ABOUT THE VILLAGES

The various ways to say 'Thank you!'

There are three types of articles available to readers of *The Villager* that allow you to thank an individual, a group, a club or organization.

A Villages club, organization or committee chair can thank an individual, another club or an employee with a **Bouquet**. Please limit the word count to between 50 and 100 words. Avoid long lists of names or the names of businesses.

An individual or family of a resident can thank other individuals, groups or organizations for help rendered in a death, injury, or other emergency through a **Thank You** item. Please keep word counts between 50 and 75 words.

Individual residents can thank other individuals, groups or organizations—not businesses or for-profit service providers—with an **Above & Beyond** item. This category is to thank others for acts of kindness, generosity and for jobs well done. Keep your Above & Beyond article as short as possible—from 50 to 150 words.

These three ways to thank individuals or groups are considered articles, and therefore are free of charge. They can be submitted directly to Associate Editor Kory Tran via email at: ktran@the-villages.com or submitted through the Resident Portal on *The Villager* page. (Articles may be dropped at *The Villager* office in Building B but the preference is that you submit these articles in digital form.)

Those wishing to thank or submit a testimonial to businesses, service providers or other for-profit entities may purchase a Classified Ad at the rate of \$1.60 per word, minimum of 10 words. To place a Classified Ad, contact Adrienne Reed at 408-223-4657 or email: areed@the-villages.com.

More MANAGEMENT and
COMMUNITY NOTICES on pages 4, 5, 22 & 28

IN MEMORIAM

Paulette Majel Dudley

March 20, 1946 — November 3, 2022

(Please see obituary in the Classified Advertising section)

A Celebration of Life will be held March 5, 2023 at The Villages.

Veronica LaVonia Williams Andersen

January 28, 1942 — December 2, 2022

(Please see obituary in the Classified Advertising section)

DEADLINES

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

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

Classified Ads: Classified ads, renewals, cancellations and changes are due by 10 a.m. on the Monday before publication. Holiday deadlines differ. All classified ads must be in writing. You may fax classified ads to 408-274-2843 or e-mail to: areed@the-villages.com or ktran@the-villages.com. For more information, please call 408-223-4657, 408-754-1341 or 408-223-4655.

Display Ads: Display ad rates and placement may be arranged by calling Adrienne at 408-223-4657. Display advertising information is available on The Villages web site at: www.thevillagesgcc.com.

Delivery: *The Villager* is published on Thursday and distributed to all residents Friday morning. Extra copies of the latest editions are usually available in *The Villager* office and in the Library.

Call 408-223-4655 to report missed deliveries.

POLICIES

Publication of advertising in *The Villager* does not constitute endorsement. Licensed real estate professionals advertising in *The Villager* are required to name themselves as agent or broker, or list the name of the brokerage for whom they work as part of their ad. This is in compliance with Real Estate Law Section 10140.6.

All copy is subject to editing and must be submitted with that understanding. *The Villager* reserves the right to reject or discontinue advertising or articles that are deemed unsuitable.

The Villages Communications Advisory Committee "To inform and connect Villagers" develops operational plans, reviews rules and policies, and advises the General Manager and Club Board on issues pertaining to *The Villager*, including Pulse letters, Channel 26, Fast Lane and the web site. Residents having relevant concerns may attend meetings or call committee members by phone: Chair Nick Yannaccone at 408-219-9296, Sue Callahan 408-238-2413, Jeanette Campa 408-661-0203, Debbie Champion at 408-960-6994, Barbara Clurman at 347-451-5309, Jac Fitzenz at 408-223-7749, Thomas Moore at 408-887-5322, and Patricia Reardon at 408-914-2432.

HOURS

The Villager editorial and classified advertising hours are Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. *The Villager* display advertising office hours are by appointment. Call 408-223-4657 to schedule.

The Villager is the official and legal communication medium for The Villages, a Senior Community. Its mission is to provide residents with timely information about activities, facilities and services at The Villages, and to promote a sense of community by documenting and celebrating those common experiences highlighting life at The Villages.

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BOARDS & COMMITTEES

HOMEOWNERS' CORPORATION BOARD

Updated Homeowners' Corporation rule on trees

With the ongoing storms and the chance of damage from trees, it's important for single-family homeowners to know what to do if removal of a tree on your property is needed. At its December 8, 2022 quarterly business meeting the Homeowners' Corporation Board voted on an updated tree rule for single-family homeowners. The text is stated below. Questions, contact Architectural Committee Administrator Elissa Caruso, 408-754-1353, ecaruso@the-villages.com.

B. Trees:

General—An ACC Alteration Request is required for the removal of a tree. When removing a tree, it is desired but not mandatory that it be replaced with a new one except for special rules for the Estates, see below. In addition, for large trees, the city of San Jose may require a replacement per its permit process. For large trees, homeowners must comply with the city of San Jose Municipal Codes 13.28 and 13.32 and must use a licensed and bonded contractor or arborist. When replacing or planting a new tree, homeowners are advised to consider the impact on views, shade, root systems, utilities, and adjoining homes. Facilities maintains a list of trees and bushes compatible with our location. See Guidelines for additional information.

The Estates Specific Rules—Removal of a tree for any reason requires an Alteration Request and replacement of the tree. Replacement trees should be planted in the nearest viable location to the original tree. The following trees are approved for replacement: Crepe Myrtle, Flowering Plum and Yoshino Flowering Cherry. The minimum size is a 15-gallon container.

NOTE: Guidelines to help expedite your project are available from the AC Administrator at the Corporation Yard, and residents must adhere to instructions outlined in the Guidelines associated with their application and project.

Association/Homeowners documents available via e-mail

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

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

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

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

Call 911 for medical emergencies

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

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

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



One of the fallen trees on the golf course.

Photo by Jeanette Campa

"Ask the ABOD"

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

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



Questions for the Club Board?

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

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



The Bulky Bins are back!

Great news! Green Team Bulky Bins for disposal of bulky items are scheduled to be delivered from Wednesday, January 18 to Friday, January 20.

There are items restricted from disposal at these dumpsters. Please **do not** drop off concrete, dirt, tires, engine parts, oil, televisions, computer monitors, refrigerators, freezers, medical waste or hazardous waste.

Garbage is not allowed inside the bulky bins—no exceptions. Contaminated boxes will not be removed from the premises until all garbage has been removed.

Please follow these guidelines:

- Dispose of items towards the front of the dumpsters so others may follow with their disposals.
- Do not overload beyond the height of the dumpster.
- Do not leave items outside of the dumpster in the parking lot.
- Do not block driveways at parking lot; as needed, wait along adjacent street and proceed when clearance is available.

Please comply with the above so that we can continue with this free service in the future.

The bins will be located at the usual areas:

- Cribari East parking lot
- Cribari West parking lot
- Foothill Center parking lot
- Montgomery Center parking lot

Please note that time of delivery and pickup is 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. on the delivery day of Wednesday, January 18 and the pickup day of Friday, January 20 (the bins might not be at the specified locations at 8 a.m. on the delivery day.) Please be patient.

Contact Association Operations Manager Maria Hernandez at 408-239-5248 or Maintenance Services at 408-223-4670, if you have any questions.

MANAGEMENT

POST OFFICE NOTICE

Postage price increase

The USPS new rates take effect January 22, 2023. The new rates include a three-cent increase in the price of a First-Class Mail Forever stamp from 60 cents to 63 cents. This will raise First-Class Mail prices 4.2 percent to offset the rise in inflation.

The price to send a domestic postcard will increase to 48 cents. A one-ounce letter to a foreign destination will increase to \$1.45. There will be no increase to the additional ounce which remains at 24 cents. There are also increases to Special Services and Priority Mail packaging.

The Postal Service generally receives no tax dollars for operating expenses and relies on the sale of postage, products and services to fund its operations.

Visit our Villages Contract Station for further information.

Welcome New Residents!

New Resident Orientation

Scheduled Wednesday, January 25

There will be a New Resident Orientation on Wednesday, January 25, 2023, at 3 p.m. at The Villages Clubhouse. This event is for new residents who have recently moved in and provides new residents with valuable information regarding community amenities, governance, rules, architectural control requirements, clubs and organizations, and other important information. Space is limited, so reserve soon by calling 408-223-4674.

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

Owners responsible for cleaning up after pets

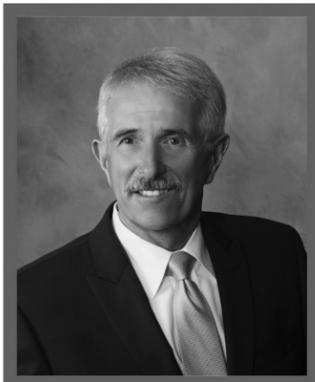
The Villages Rules and CC&Rs state that it is the owner's/handler's responsibility for immediately cleaning and disposing of pet excrements in a sealed container. We are finding and hearing that some owners are not immediately cleaning up after their pets and assume that it is the responsibility of the landscaping crew, which it is not.

The pet poop should be picked up immediately and placed into the dumpsters in the trash enclosure near your home or in the designated pet poop stations in the center parking lots. Please do not place any pet poop in any restrooms or other containers at any of the various centers.

Estate Planning Attorneys

Establishing or updating your Estate Plan has never been more important than it is right now. At Del Ponte and Hirz, we offer comprehensive Estate Planning, Probate, and Trust Administration services.

Call us to schedule your [Free Consultation!](#)



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Attorneys at Law

We have many family members, friends, and clients who call The Villages their home. We can accommodate COVID-19 concerns with telephonic or video consultations and social distanced or no-contact document execution.

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Villages Asset Sale

The Villages Maintenance Services Department will be holding an asset sale. The purpose of the sale is to dispose of replaced or unused assets.

The sale is scheduled to take place on Thursday, January 19 at the Lower areas of the Corporation Yard from 9 a.m. until noon.

Some of the items for sale include fixtures, furniture, and equipment. For this sale, we will include a bulk sale of banquet chairs and one set of stage risers. All items are sold in **as-is** condition and on a Best Offer basis. Payment for these items must be in cash or check and all sales are final.

Purchased item(s) must be removed by the buyer no later than 3 p.m. on the day of the sale or pre-arranged for later pickup. Deliveries are the responsibility of the buyer.

Residents of The Villages are offered priority at this sale. Please contact Ed Tan at 408-223-4686 with any questions.

Stay informed and be prepared during inclement weather

With the current high winds and heavy rainstorms sweeping across the Bay Area, it is important to stay informed and be prepared at The Villages Golf and Country Club.

What is happening?

Due to current storm weather and adverse conditions, high winds and heavy rain are impacting The Villages. The wind speeds and the rainfall are typically greater at higher elevations. At The Villages, the grounds are highly saturated due to the continued heavy rainfall. This condition leads to vulnerable conditions for trees during high winds. Furthermore, the winds and rainfall combined create falling debris conditions at the ground and street surfaces, roof structures, and impacts to storm water drainage.

As reported, The Villages Maintenance staff is taking proactive measures before storms and responding to urgent needs during and after storms. Staff and licensed contractors clear storm drains in the common area, clear streets and gutters, downspouts, and roofs of debris. In addition, to minimize potential flood conditions, staff inspects and removes vegetation and clears drains at the creek corridors and inspects water fill levels at water features.

Currently, throughout The Villages properties, we find increased tree and vegetation debris, trees falling, roof gutter backups, and storm drains backups. Given the weather forecast through January, we anticipate more storm-related weather conditions and impacts to continue.

Staff is here to help

Safety incidents related to these weather-related conditions are staff and contractor resources high priority. We are assessing reports and conditions for immediate response. Please contact Maintenance Services at 408-223-4670 or workorder@the-villages.com

After hours, contact Public Safety at 408-223-4665. Thank you in advance for the incident reports to Maintenance Services and Public Safety.

For safer conditions at your home, be aware of your surroundings and continue to report any incidents related to excessive debris, fallen trees, gutter backups and ground and street storm backups. For protection, consider parking vehicles and golf carts in garages or carports. Please drive safely and watch out for maintenance and landscape crews and equipment along streets.

As usual, we are creating work orders to address all maintenance needs and will address them in terms of given weather-related priorities. Rest assured, we will address each one based on priority and when time permits.

Closures

Due to weather conditions, closures may be in place at facilities, including the golf course and cart and walking paths, trails, streets and buildings. Please review announcements via FastLane, *The Villager* or other communications.

Volunteers sought for The Villager

The Villager weekly newspaper is currently seeking persons with copy editing skills to fill out recent openings in its volunteer proofreading schedule. Volunteers contribute to the editing of *The Villager* on Tuesday evenings. The time commitment is minimal—only a few hours once a month.

If interested, please contact Villager Managing Editor Scott Hinrichs at 408-223-4655 or email: shinrichs@the-villages.com

GOVERNANCE MEETINGS

THE DACs

Hermosa DAC to meet January 26

The Hermosa DAC will host a social (BYOB) and a DAC meeting at Foothill center on Thursday, January 26, 2023. The social starts 5:30 p.m. and the DAC Meeting starts at 6:30 p.m.

Verano DAC to meet February 6

The Verano District Advisory Committee will meet Monday, February 6, at 4 p.m. in the Vineyard Center.

Deadline for editorial materials is the Thursday before the date of publication. If your notice is late, please call Kory at The Villager copy desk at 408-754-1341 to arrange for space to be available. You may e-mail your copy to: ktran@the-villages.com

More COMMUNITY NOTICES

(SRS) SENIOR RESOURCE SERVICES

Tax appointments for 2022 tax returns

To make an appointment call the Evergreen Community Center at 408-270-2220.

Your appointment will be on a **Friday morning** at Foothill Center. Appointments made for 9, 10 and 11 a.m. will be for "in person" completion of the tax return. Appointments made for 12-noon will be for "drop off" only, with the completed returns to be picked up the following week.

When you arrive at Foothill for your appointment, a volunteer will review your documents and help you complete a check-in form, which you will sign. A tax counselor will then complete your returns and a second counselor will conduct a quality review before the returns are printed. A volunteer will give you your completed returns and, if you approve them, you will sign giving us permission to electronically file your returns.

Remember to bring your photo ID and all pertinent tax papers i.e., forms 1099, 1098, W-2, social security income statements, and medical, charitable donations, and other itemized deduction information as well as your 2021 tax returns.

Please note it is the intent of AARP and the IRS to assist seniors and people on low income with basic returns. Villagers with high income or complex returns are encouraged to use a professional service rather than take an appointment which could be used by seniors on lower income. This IRS sponsored program does not allow us to prepare returns with complex sole proprietorships or rentals with depreciation or alternative minimum tax.

If you are not sure whether your return is classified as complex, call Alan at 408-238-3435. SRS has a list of paid tax preparers. Stop by the SRS office or call for the list to be e-mailed to you.

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

SRS Reminder:

Estimated tax due January 17

If you file forms 1040ES and 540ES, the fourth payment for tax year 2022 estimated tax is due Tuesday, January 17.

Rather than mailing a check to the IRS, you may use the online Direct Pay Service. Go to irs.gov and click on the box labeled "Make a Payment" and then "Pay Now with Direct Pay." There is no fee to use the online Direct Pay service. Have your checkbook in front of you for your bank and account numbers.

There is also no fee to use the online Web Pay service to pay your Franchise Tax Board California tax. Go to ftb.ca.gov. In the middle of the screen click on the "Make a Payment" button. Then click on "Bank Account."

You may also pay your taxes with a credit or debit card. There will be a fee, which is explained.

Of course, you may always pay your tax with a paper check. Just be sure your envelope is postmarked by January 17.



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

BOARD MEETINGS

Association

The Villages Association Board of Directors Monthly Board hybrid meeting is Tuesday, January 31, at 9:30 a.m. at 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 Monthly Board hybrid meeting is Tuesday, January 31, at 1:30 p.m. at Foothill Center and on Zoom
Meeting ID: 961 5036 4740; Passcode: 260616; Dial: 669-900-6833

Homeowners

The Villages Homeowners' Corporation Board Quarterly Meeting is Thursday, March 9, at 9 a.m. via Zoom, location TBA
Meeting ID: 975 5873 6401; Passcode: 223468; Dial: 669-900-6833

AC NOTICE

Association applications for Owner Alteration Requests for the month of February are due to the Architectural Committee on or before January 20, 2023. Call Elissa at the Corporation Yard office to obtain an application. **Meeting date is scheduled for Thursday, February 2, 2023 at 9 a.m. at Montgomery Center.** Association AC Landscape meeting deadline date is **January 20, 2023.**

Stay in touch with essential developments on Fast Lane!

Because of the rapid and frequent developments in our world that directly affect our community during this crisis, keeping informed is essential. And now more than ever, it is important to be up on the latest developments in your community. Get those vital updates by signing up for Fast Lane, The Villages email newsletter. It is both quick and easy and you can do it online or over the phone. To sign up or get more information, contact Communications Coordinator Ken Patterson at 408-223-4681; kpatterson@the-villages.com, or on the Villages Resident Portal: resident.thevillagesgcc.com

There are currently six editions of The Fast Lane: Wednesday (general announcements and board-recognized events), Friday (Board and Committee meeting information), Saturday (Maintenance Services), The Clubhouse & Bistro every Monday, The Pro Shop Tuesday, and Community Activities every Thursday.



More COMMUNITY NOTICES on pages 22 & 28

AHA Auxilio-HomeAide "When You Can't, Together We Can"

Our premier person-centered in-home caregiver and personal concierge services allow people of all ages to live with dignity in the comfort of their home while maintaining their independence.

With our people and our expertise, we know how to achieve a quality service around your schedule that works for you.



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Phone: 408.489.9674
www.ahaindeed.com

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Friday, January 13

8 a.m.	Catholic Mass	A
8:30 a.m.	Jazzercise	A
9 a.m.	Chinese Morning Exercise	P
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED
9 a.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
10 a.m.	Line Dance Class	A
1 p.m.	Bridge Club at Villages	RED
3 p.m.	Handbells	CR
6 p.m.	Chinese Club Line Dance	FC
6:30 p.m.	Mexican Train Dominoes	MC
7 p.m.	World Today	CR

Saturday, January 14

9 a.m.	Open Sewing	PR
9 a.m.	Ukulele Singing	SEQ
9 a.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
4 p.m.	Table Tennis Social	MC

Sunday, January 15

6:30 a.m.	Catholic Choir	CR
8:15 a.m.	Catholic Mass	A
9 a.m.	Chapel Choir	SEQ
9 a.m.	Episcopal Services	MC
9 a.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
10 a.m.	Community Chapel	A
10 a.m.	Quilters Open Sewing	PR
7 p.m.	Chinese Club Line Dance	CR

Monday, January 16

8:30 a.m.	Jazzercise	A
9 a.m.	Chinese Morning Exercise	P
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED
9 a.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
10 a.m.	Line Dance Class	CR
1 p.m.	Stitchery	F
1 p.m.	Flower Ladies Arranging	VC
5:30 p.m.	Village Dancers	A
7 p.m.	Duplicate Bridge	RED

Tuesday, January 17

8:30 a.m.	Tai Chi	CR
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED
9 a.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
10 a.m.	VMA Hearing Screening	MC

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

10:30 a.m.	Chapel Lay Board	F
11 a.m.	Live Stronger Longer	CR
12 p.m.	Game Day	RED
6 p.m.	Concert Band	A

Wednesday, January 18

8:30 a.m.	Jazzercise	A
9 a.m.	Chinese Morning Exercise	P
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED
9 a.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
10 a.m.	Yoga Class	A
2 p.m.	Village Readers	MC
3 p.m.	Villages Macintosh Users	CR
6:30 p.m.	Mexican Train Dominoes	MC
6:30 p.m.	Village Dancers Prep	A
7 p.m.	Duplicate Bridge	RED

Thursday, January 19

8:30 a.m.	Tai Chi Club	CR
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED
9 a.m.	Table Tennis	MMP

10 a.m.	Line Dance Class	CR
10 a.m.	Live Stronger Longer	A
10 a.m.	Caregivers Support	SEQ
10 a.m.	Parkinson Support	F
11:30 a.m.	18 Hole Women Lunch	CH
12:30 p.m.	Ukulele Club	VC
1 p.m.	VMA Funeral Your Way	CR
3 p.m.	Chapel Choir	FC
7 p.m.	Catholic Choir	VC

Friday, January 20

8 a.m.	Catholic Mass	CR
8:30 a.m.	Jazzercise	A
9 a.m.	Chinese Morning Exercise	P
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED
9 a.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
10 a.m.	Line Dance Class	A
1 p.m.	Bridge Club at Villages	RED
3 p.m.	Handbells	CR
5 p.m.	Jewish Services	FC
6 p.m.	Chinese Line Dance	VC
6:30 p.m.	Mexican Train Dominoes	MC

Sequoia Room is now reservation-only

As of January 1, the Sequoia Room is no longer a drop-in space. The room is now a reservable meeting room seven days a week to accommodate the growing need for meeting spaces. The Redwood Room and Terrace Room Lounge are still available for drop-in use Monday through Thursday from 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. and on Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Villages Medical Auxiliary-Since 1976
Office: 408-238-4230
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The Villages Medical Auxiliary

January 2023 Programs

Hearing Screen – by Hearing Life, Tuesday January 17 in Montgomery Center from 10 a.m.– 12 p.m. Please call 408-238-4230 for an appointment time.

Your Funeral Your Way – presented by Bay Area Funeral Consumers Association. Byron Chan will provide information on all aspects of a funeral. Please join us on Thursday, January 19 in the Conference Room at 1 p.m. Please call 408-238-4029 to register.

Organize Your Medications – Amy Wang, R.N. of Ready2Nurse presents the first talk of her Longevity Series on Tuesday, January 24 at 1 p.m. at Vineyard Center. Amy will cover the How, When, and What of organizing and taking your medications and supplements. Please call 408-238-4029 to register.

Support Groups in January

Please note new meeting rooms.

Grief Support Group: Chaplain Dale Poland, M.Div, BCC - from Hospice of the Valley- Sutter Health will begin a new series starting January 23 in the Sequoia Room from 10:30 a.m. to noon. Please call 408-238-4029 with any questions.

Caregiver Support Group: Judith London Ph.D. will conduct the monthly group on January 19 at 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m. in the Sequoia Room and via Zoom. Please contact Judy London Ph.D. for all meeting specifics at judithlondon@sbcglobal.net or call 408-784-3325.

Parkinson's Caregiver Support Group: Meet with other caregivers of those with Parkinson's on Thursday, January 19 from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. in the Cribari Forum Room.

Thank you to all who participated in our 2022 presentations. We hope you enjoyed them and look forward to seeing you in the New Year!

Please check out vmavillages.org



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

Fitness Center

Daily
12:00 & 6:00

Fitness

1:00 & 7:00
Mon – Sat
15 Minute Exercise

1:15 & 7:15
Mon Wed Fri & Sun
Chair Fitness
Tue Thu Sat
Cardio Fitness

Avoiding Senior Scams

Daily
2:00 & 8:00

Welcome to Our Website

Daily
3:45 & 9:45

Living with Wildfires in Santa Clara County

Daily
4:30 & 10:30



Club Events & Notices



Network: Villages Public
Password: villages

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

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

The following events are sponsored by the Community Activities Department. Please telephone 408-223-4643 for additional information.

Building B walk-in hours

The Community Activities office in Building B is open for walk-ins Monday to Friday 8:30 a.m. – noon and from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Community Activities survey coming

Help guide Community Activities programs! The makeup of Villages residents is constantly evolving, and interests have changed over the past few eventful years. Therefore, Community Activities will be asking for Villager input on what is most important to them in a series of three surveys so we can gauge what kinds of activities we should focus on. The surveys will be divided up into: registration policy and trips, classes, and on-site events. More information about the first survey will be in next week's Fast Lane and Villager newspaper.

We hope to hear from as many Villagers as possible, even if they have never attended any of our programs before, so start thinking about what activities you would like to do!

Sign up for new Mat Pilates class!

Mat Pilates will be offered on **Mondays, 10 a.m. – 11 a.m. February 6 to March 20** (six classes, no class on February 20) in Cribari Auditorium. Taught by new instructor Natsuko Tsuji, the cost per student is \$68.50 (yoga mat purchased independently as needed, more details below).

Register in Building B during business hours beginning Monday, January 16. Deadline is Friday, February 3.

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

Please join us in welcoming new instructor Natsuko Tsuji! She is a certified Yoga and Pilates instructor with nearly 10 years of experience teaching Yoga and over seven years teaching Pilates. She is also a registered dietician nutritionist with experience providing nutritional assessments and counseling and creating food service programs for schools. Natsuko will also temporarily take over the next yoga class beginning in February.



Instructor Natsuko Tsuji

Community Activities and Back in Form wishes you a Happy, Healthy New Year!

Let's turn New Year's resolutions into results with a "Back in Form 2-for-1 Personal Fitness Training Special." Sign up for personal training for one person (\$121 per session) and add a spouse, friend, or neighbor to workout with you for free! This is a savings of \$44! All trainees must register at the same time, one registration slip per household. Training session scheduling will be determined by the trainer and trainee's availability.

Register in the Community Activities office, Building B during office hours. The registration deadline for this special offer is Tuesday, January 31.

Note: Fitness Center (all trainees should already be authorized to access)

Back-in-Form has provided Villagers, in partnership with Community Activities, with customized personal training at the Fitness Center for many years. For more information about registering or enabling access to the Fitness Center contact the Community Resource Center at 408-754-1336.

ARTS & CRAFTS CALENDAR

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

Art Room and Ceramics Room will be closed through January 20 for maintenance and repairs by The Villages management.

Ceramics Room has open studio days for approved members only. For hours and ceramics class info, visit villagesceramics.com

January 25 – March 1: Watercolor with Doug Canepa. Wednesdays, 10 a.m. -12:30 p.m. \$60. Register early at barb.gottesman@gmail.com

January 28: Collage with Julie Cline. Saturday, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. \$75, all materials furnished. Art Room. Register at barb.gottesman@gmail.com

February 6 – March 6: Oil and Acrylic Painting with Jane Hink. Monday, 10 a.m. – 12 noon, \$90. Register early at barb.gottesman@gmail.com

Stitchery Group on Mondays, next meetings: January 16 in the Forum Room from 1 – 3 p.m. Call Roberta at 408-218-8372

HIKING CLUB SCHEDULE



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

Ramble Hike January 18: Johanna and Wate Bakker will lead a hike in Coyote Lake Park. We will park at the boat launching site, go up the Calaveras trail to Harvey Bear trail, go back on Coyote Ridge trail. This is a 5.4-mile loop with nice views. Bring water, a snack, poles and suitable jackets, etc. We will meet at Cribari at 8:45 for a 9 a.m. departure. For inquiries, call 408-223-2190. Hope to see you there!

Rambler Lite Hike January 18: Katy Peretti (408-531-0917) will lead a hike to the three Montgomery ponds and steps. Meet at the Clubhouse at 9:30.

Rambler Hike January 25: Sandy and John Petrin (530-927-7024) will lead a r/t hike to Evergreen Village Square. The hike is easy and about 5.5 miles. We will stop for coffee and treats(?) while there. Meet at Cribari Center at 8:30 for an 8:45 a.m. departure.

Rambler Lite Hike January 25: Katy Peretti (408-531-0917) will lead a hike to Del Lago to walk around the five lakes. Meet at the Clubhouse at 9:30 a.m.

RESIDENT EXCURSION PARTICIPATION GUIDELINES

The Community Activities 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 respon-*

sible 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.

THE CLUBHOUSE

For Information:
408-223-4687

2800 Villages Fairway Drive, San Jose CA 95135

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

WHAT'S COOKING?

theclubhouse@the-villages.com
For **Curbside Grab-and-Go Service**, call in your order at **408-370-8553**. Call again when you get to the Clubhouse curbside and we will bring it out to your vehicle.

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

(Breakfast orders only
Saturday & Sunday
7 to 11 a.m.)

The Clubhouse Curbside service charge is 15 percent. The service charge for the Indoor and Patio Dining is 18 percent.



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

Clubhouse is open for full service

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 and Bistro 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.
- Seating capacity will be at 100 percent.
- Visitors do not have to be accompanied by Villagers to use Clubhouse.
- Credit cards and house charges will be accepted.
- Cash will not be accepted for payment but can be left as a tip.
- Villagers will not have to sign in for indoor seating.

Hours of Operation will be as follows:

Breakfast/Brunch: Saturdays 7 a.m. to 11a.m. Sundays 7 a.m. to 2 p.m.

All-Day Menu: 7 Days 11 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Dinner Menu: Tuesdays through Sundays 5 p.m. to 8 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.

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% Service Charge and Tax will be added to the price.**

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

Indoor and Patio dining or Curbside hours of Operation

Monday	Tuesday to Friday	Saturday and Sunday
Lunch: 11 a.m.–2 p.m.	Lunch: 11 a.m.–2 p.m.	Saturday Breakfast: 7 a.m.–11 a.m.
Bistro Menu: 2 p.m.–8 p.m. Last Seating	Bistro Menu: 2 p.m.–8 p.m. Last Seating	Sunday Breakfast: 7 a.m.–2 p.m.
	Dinner Menu: 5 p.m.–8 p.m. Last Seating	Lunch: 11 a.m.–2 p.m.
		Bistro Menu: 2 p.m.–8 p.m. Last Seating
		Dinner: 5 p.m.–8 p.m. Last Seating

Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner indoor dining now available as well as Patio Dining and Curbside Grab-and-Go pickup.



Soup of the Day

For the week of 1/16 to 1/22

Monday	January 16	Split Pea
Tuesday	January 17	Chicken Noodle with Mint
Wednesday	January 18	Cream of Zucchini
Thursday	January 19	Beef and Vegetable with Barley
Friday	January 20	Seafood Chowder
Saturday	January 21	Chef's Choice
Sunday	January 22	Chef's Choice

Bistro Menu
2 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Appetizers

GF Potato Skins \$14.00
Cheddar, Tomatoes, Bacon, Scallions and Sour Cream

Wings 6Pc \$13.95
Celery and Carrots, Ranch Dressing with BBQ, Teriyaki or Buffalo Sauce

V Villages Nacho \$12.95
Tortilla Chips with Cheddar, Jalapenos, Sour Cream, Black Olives Black Beans and Tomatoes Topped with Green onions Add Beef or Chicken \$4

GF Curried Chicken Lettuce Cups \$13.95
Minced Chicken, Water chestnuts, Mushrooms and Green Onions on Butter Lettuce

Breaded Chicken Tenders with Sauce \$10.95
Honey Mustard or Ranch

Fried Green Beans \$8.95

Pacific Rim Chicken Skewers \$13.95
On Grilled Pineapple Wedge with Pineapple Lime Dipping Sauce

Angus Beef Sliders \$12.95
2 Angus Beef with Tomato Relish

Southern Crab Cakes \$13.95
2 Panko Crusted with Cayenne Remoulade

Calamari \$13.95
Lightly Dusted Rings, and Tentacles with Parmesan Parsley

Soup of the Day or Chili Cup \$5.50 Bowl \$7.50

Entrée Caesar Salad \$11.95
Romaine, Cherry Tomatoes, Parmesan, Croutons Add Grilled Tofu \$3, Chicken \$4, Salmon \$6, Prawns \$6

Cobb Salad \$14.25
Mixed Greens, Tomato, Cucumber, Hard boil Egg, Olives, Avocado Bacon and Feta Cheese Add Grilled Tofu \$3, Chicken \$4, Prawns or Salmon \$6

V Asian Salad \$14.25
Cabbage, Carrots, Edamame, Peanuts, Fried Won Ton Skins, Bean Sprouts with Sesame Ginger Dressing Add Grilled Tofu \$3, Chicken \$4, Prawns or Salmon \$6

V Arugula Pear Cranberries Salad \$14.75
with Feta and Candied Walnuts

V Quesadilla \$13.95
Pico de Gallo, Sour Cream, Guacamole, Add Chicken or Beef \$4

Sweet and Sour Chicken Over Rice \$14.95
Pineapples, Red and Green Bell Peppers, Onions

Fish and Chips \$14.95
Batter Dipped Cod, Tartar Sauce, Fries, Cole Slaw and Malted Vinegar

Street Tacos \$13.95
Tofu, Cod, Beef or Chicken with Cilantro, Onions, Cabbage and Radish with Salsa on mini-Corn Tortillas

Sides By Itself : \$5.50
Potato Salad, Coleslaw, French Fries, Sweet Potato Fries, Garlic Fries, Onion Rings, Fresh Fruit, Small Salad, Cup of Soup or Chili

Sandwiches
Gluten Free Breads Sub \$1.50

Hot Dog with Side \$9.95
Toppings: Onions, Tomatoes & Red Onion Relish. Cheddar Add \$2

Burger with Side \$13.95 Or Impossible Burger with Side \$14.95
Angus Beef with LTO and Side Dish Or Plant Based Meat Add Avocado, Bacon \$2.50 or Cheese add \$2

Roast Beef French Dip Au Jus with Side \$14.95
Hoagie Loaf with Provolone and Sauteed Onions

Shrimp Roll Sandwich with Side \$16.95
Bay Shrimp, Celery, Green Onions and Dill Aioli

Naan Flatbread Pizzas Red Sauce and Mozzarella
Gluten Free Crust Sub \$2

V Cheese Pizza \$11.95 Pepperoni Pizza \$12.95

V Margarita Pizza \$12.25
Red Sauce, Mozzarella and Tomatoes

Combination Pizza \$14.95
Sausage, Pepperoni, Mushrooms, Onions, & Peppers

V Veggie Pizza \$14.95
Onions, Broccoli, Zucchini, Mushrooms, Peppers Arugula

GF Gluten Free V Vegetarian
Add or Sub Tofu to Menu Items as Marked

Breakfast Menu

Saturdays 7 a.m. to 11 a.m., Sundays 7 a.m. to 2 p.m.

V French Toast \$8.25
Whipped Butter, Maple Syrup, Seasonal Fruits Berries

V Short Stack Pancakes \$8.25
Whipped Butter, Maple Syrup, Seasonal Fruits Berries

V Belgium Waffles \$8.75
Whipped Butter, Maple Syrup, Seasonal Fruit Berries

Bagel BLT and Egg \$9.75
Bacon, Lettuce and Tomato with Cream Cheese

Breakfast Burrito \$9.75
Scrambled Egg, Potatoes, Cheese, Salsa Choice of Bacon, or sausage

Montgomery Muffin \$9.25
Scrambled Eggs, Bacon or Sausage, Cheddar Cheese and Fruit

Lox and Bagels \$13.95
Smoke Salmon, Cream Cheese, Red Onions, Egg Whites and Capers

Avocado Sourdough Toast \$12.95
Fried Egg, Bacon, and Tomato

Sides
Egg \$2.25, Breakfast Meats \$4, Hash Browns \$3, Toast \$2

Coffee \$1.95



Starbucks Espresso \$2.50 Extra Shot \$1.50

Starbucks Americano \$2.50

Starbucks Latte/Cappuccino \$3.25

Juice, Milk, or Hot Chocolate \$2.95

V Vegetarian GF Gluten Free

The Villager \$10.50
2 Eggs any style with Sausage, Ham or Bacon. With Hash Brown or Fruit, Choice of Toast Substitute Breakfast meat with NY Steak Add \$9

Three Egg Omelet \$10.95
Choice of Peppers, Mushrooms, Spinach or Tomatoes Ham, Bacon, Sausage, or Cheese, Add. \$2 each, Bay Shrimp \$3.00, Spanish Sauce Add \$.25 Served with Hash Brown or Fruit and Choice of Toast

Skillet Scrambler \$10.95
Choice of Peppers, Mushrooms, Spinach or Tomatoes Ham, Bacon, Sausage, or Cheese, Add. \$2 each, Bay Shrimp \$3, Spanish Sauce Add \$.25 Served with Hash Brown or Fruit and Choice of Toast

Huevos Rancheros \$10.50
Fried Corn Tortillas Topped with Lettuce Tomatoes, Sour Cream, Black Beans, Fried Egg and Salsa, Topped with Cotija Cheese

Eggs Benedict \$11.95
2 Poached Eggs, Canadian Bacon over English Muffins with Hollandaise Sauce Served with Choice of Hash Browns or Fruit

Eggs Florentine Benedict \$11.75
Two Poached Eggs, & Spinach, Feta and Tomatoes over English Muffins with Hollandaise Sauce. Served with Choice of Hash Browns or Fruit

Corned Beef Hash and Eggs \$11.95
2 Eggs any style with House Made Seasoned Hash. Served with Hash Brown or Fruit and Choice of Toast

GF Gluten Free Bread Available

Dessert Menu

\$6.50

Vanilla Crème Brulée with Berries
Creamy Custard Topped with Glazed Caramelized Sugar

Chocolate Salted Caramel Soufflé Cake (Warm)
Chocolate cake with creamy salted caramel center

Tiramisu
Espresso-soaked lady fingers and Mascarpone cream, dusted with cocoa Powder

New Orleans Bourbon Bread Pudding (Warm)
Caramel Toffee Sauce

Apple Torte
Fresh Apples combined with cinnamon butter & brown sugar in a shortbread crust

\$4.95

Flavors of the Day

Sherbet, Ice Cream, Sorbet, Milk Shakes

June 22

Weekly Specials

For the week of
1/16 to 1/22

Lunch Specials:

Monday 1/16 to Sunday 1/22
11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Roasted Beet & Goat Cheese Salad: Apples, Roasted Beets, Red Onions and Caramelized Walnuts Over Arugula with Balsamic Dressing **\$15.95**

Blackened Tilapia: Seasoned Tilapia with an Avocado Salsa. Served with Rice Pilaf and Vegetables **\$17.50**

Dinner Specials:

Tuesday 1/17 to Friday 1/22
5 p.m. to 8 p.m. (Last Seating)

Fettuccine Salmon with Asparagus: In a Garlic Cream Sauce **\$26.95**

Seared Scallops: In a Garlic Lemon Butter Sauce. with Choice of Sides **\$32.95**

Dinner Menu

Tuesday - Sunday 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Last Order

Starters

Soup of the Day or Chili Cup \$5.50 Bowl \$7.50

Small Caesar Salad \$6.75

Calamari \$13.95
Lightly Dusted Rings and Tentacles with Parmesan Parsley

V Fried Breaded Green Beans \$8.95

Southern Crab Cakes \$13.95
Crusted with Cayenne Remoulade

GF Curried Chicken Lettuce Cups \$13.95
Minced Chestnuts, Mushrooms and Green Onions Butter Lettuce Cups

Pacific Rim Chicken Skewers \$13.95
On Grilled Pineapple Wedge with Pineapple Lime Dipping Sauce

The Lighter Side

Served à la carte

Linguini and Clams \$16.95
White Wine, Butter, Olive Oil, Lemon Juice Parsley

V Cajun Alfredo Penne Pasta \$14.95
Cream Cajun Garlic Sauce, with Sundried tomatoes, Add Chicken or Bay Shrimp \$4,

V Eggplant Parmesan \$16.95
Eggplant breaded in Crispy Panko Crumbs, Layered in Marinara Sauce, Parmesan and Provolone

V Vegetarian GF Gluten Free

Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays
Slow Roasted Prime Rib \$39.95
Aged to Perfection with Choice of Sides

Dinner Entrées

Accompanied by 2 Sides
Mashed Potatoes, Saffron Infused Rice Baked Potato with Sour Cream and Chives Or Daily Vegetables Sides

Soup or Salad \$3.95 with Entrees

Rotisserie Half Chicken and Gravy \$26.95

Rotisserie Spice Rubbed Tri Tips \$27.95

Rotisserie Pork Roast \$27.95
With Granny Smith Apple Salsa

Grilled New York Steak \$33.95
Center Cut with Peppercorn Sauce

Villager Meat Loaf \$24.95

Calf Liver and Onions \$26.95
Sautéed Onions and Crispy Bacon Bits

Bacon Wrapped Stuffed Chicken \$26.95
with Spinach, Sundried Tomatoes and Ricotta Topped with Marinara Sauce

Filet of Sole Piccata \$26.95
Flour Dusted with Capers, White Wine, Lemon Butter Sauce

GF Lemon Saffron Salmon \$27.95

Prawns Scampi \$29.95
Lemon Butter Sauce Wilton Scallions

Lunch Menu

11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

GF Potato Skins \$14.00
Cheddar, Tomatoes, Bacon, Scallions, and Sour Cream

Wings 6Pc \$13.95
With Carrots, Celery, Ranch Dressing
With BBQ, Teriyaki or Buffalo Sauce

Breaded Chicken Tenders with Sauce \$10.95
Honey Mustard or Ranch

Fried Breaded Green Beans \$8.95

Pacific Rim Chicken Skewers \$13.95
On Grilled Pineapple Wedge with Pineapple Lime
Dipping Sauce

GF Curried Chicken Lettuce Cup \$13.95
Minced Chicken, Water chestnuts, Mushrooms and
Green Onions on Butter Lettuce

V Villages Nacho \$12.95
Tortilla Chips with Cheddar, Jalapenos, Sour
Cream, Black Olives Black Beans and Tomatoes
Topped with Green onions
Add Beef or Chicken \$4

Angus Beef Sliders \$12.95
2 Angus Beef with Tomato Relish

Southern Crab Cakes \$13.95
2 Panko Crusted with Cayenne Remoulade

Calamari \$13.95
Lightly Dusted Rings and Tentacles with Parmesan
Parsley

Soup of the Day or Chili Cup \$5.50 Bowl \$7.50

V Lunch 3 Egg Omelet with Fruit \$10.95
Choice of Peppers, Mushrooms, Spinach or Tomatoes.
Choice of Toast
Ham, Bacon, or Cheese Add \$2, Bay Shrimp \$4

GF Entrée Caesar Salad \$11.95
Romaine, Cherry Tomatoes, Parmesan and Croutons
Add Grilled Tofu \$3, Chicken \$4, Salmon \$6, Prawns \$6

V Asian Salad \$14.25
Chopped Cabbage, Carrots, Edamame, Peanuts, Fried
Won Ton Skins, Bean Sprouts with a Sesame Ginger
Dressing. Add Grilled Tofu \$3, Chicken \$4, Prawns \$6

Iceberg Wedge Salad \$12.95
Crisp Wedge with Cherry Tomatoes, Bacon Bits, Chives
and Blue Cheese and Dressing

V Arugula Pear Cranberries Salad \$14.75
with Feta and Candied Walnuts

Cobb Salad \$14.25
Mixed Greens, Tomato, Cucumber, Hard boil Egg,
Olives, Avocado Bacon and Feta Cheese
Add Grilled Tofu \$3, Chicken \$4, Prawns or Salmon \$6

Shrimp Louie \$16.25
Mixed Greens, with Avocados, Tomatoes, Cucumbers,
and Hard-Boiled Egg with 1,000 Island Dressing

Half Stuffed Avocado with Chicken Salad \$14.95
Tomato, Cucumber and Hard Boiled Egg

V Quesadilla \$13.95
Pico de Gallo, Sour Cream Guacamole,
Add Chicken or Beef \$4

Sweet and Sour Chicken Over Rice \$14.95
Pineapples, Red and Green Bell Peppers, Onions

V Egg Foo Yung over Rice \$12.95
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Add Bay Shrimps or Chicken or Both \$4

Fish and Chips \$14.95
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Malted Vinegar

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Tortillas

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CLUBS & EVENTS

VMA to present 'Your Funeral Your Way'

By Barbara Zahner, VMA Health Programs

"This year I'll get things in order!" Generally, our year's goal includes choosing our funeral and burial plans. Somehow another year passes...and the folder labeled "Funeral" remains empty. Byron Chan, a former high school counselor and science teacher, knows well our perennial tendencies to procrastinate—particularly in finalizing our end game plans. Byron volunteers with the Bay Area Funeral Consumers Association (www.bafca.org), a non-profit serving this area since 1952. With affability, humor, and knowledge, Byron will cover:



Byron Chan

- Funeral and Cemetery Services including price lists and planning ahead "to save a few bucks."

- Family Meeting to "everyone on board" to decrease loved ones' fear, conflict, and burdens.

- Body disposition including burial, cremation, aquamation, body donation, freezing, fungus suit, and composting.

You will leave refreshed with a practical plan, relief for facing reality, and a sense of joy in living life well—your life is in order! Attend "Your Funeral Your Way" on **Thursday, January 19**, in Cribari Conference Room, 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. Seating is limited. Kindly let VMA Service Coordinator Bonnie Grim know you plan to attend at 408-238-4029 or BGrim@sequoialiving.org

Village Readers: Do you want to join a book group?

A meeting of The Village Readers Club will be held at 2 p.m. on Wednesday, January 18, 2023, at Montgomery Center. Any Villager who would like to join an existing group or to form a new group is invited to attend. There are currently 13 book groups, each with eight to 10 members. Each book group is managed independently and functions differently, from the genre of books read to the snacks provided. Groups usually meet once a month in members' homes. If you love to read, want to make new friends, and enjoy interesting book discussions, please attend. Please contact Trudy Nicholls at trudy_nicholls@hotmail.com with any questions.

Learn tips and tricks for taking top-notch wildlife photos

By Pamela Pierson

Photographer and adventurer Alyce Bender shares her tips and tricks in a free Zoom presentation "Wildlife Photography" on Monday, January 16 from 7-9 p.m. for Villagers and the Villages Camera Club (VCC). Non-Villagers can get a Zoom link by contacting Ray Blinde at 408-406-6054 or rwblinde@earthlink.net.

Alyce Bender inspires photographers to capture portfolio-worthy wildlife images while connecting with nature. Topics in the presentation include finding wildlife, dressing for the occasion, in-field techniques, thoughts on composition, suggested gear, and maintaining ethical wildlife photography practices. Her goal is to give participants a "broad base of understanding for wildlife photography" to capture images of animals that draw attention to nature. Sharing both visual art and in-field experiences, she promotes conservation and creativity to connect others with wildlife, the natural environment and ethical photography. Her work has been recognized nationally and internationally, such as in "Journal of Wildlife Photography." Find examples of her work at abenderphotography.com



Alyce Bender

The VCC program committee includes Linda Koski, Kathy Baechle, Richard James, and Ernie Murata. Camera Club members can participate in monthly competitions. Go to villagescameraclub.com for a slideshow of the latest winners and honorable mentions. The Camera Club is a member of the Northern California Council of Camera Clubs (N4C) and The Photographic Society of America (PSA). You can join the VCC for \$30, which supports competitions and programs.

Beginner through advanced photographers can join Bender's photography adventures in California, in the United States, and around the world. Through providing group travel adventures and courses, she promotes conservation, creativity, and ethical photography. Respect for your subjects and their environments should always be a photographer's first consideration, she believes.

Take Beginning Ceramics class with Diane Finley

Sign up for a fun class to learn the basics of hand-building and slab work with clay. No experience necessary! Four-week class for beginners starting Wednesday, January 18 – February 8 from 10 a.m. – 12 p.m. in the Ceramic's Room in Cribari Center. All materials are supplied; just register and we'll make some clay projects for you to take home. Make sure you can attend all classes, as there are no make-up dates.

Total cost is \$95 for Arts & Crafts members and \$100 for non-members. Class is limited to six students, so register today and reserve your place. For more information, visit villagesceramics.com or register with Diane at dianefinley1@gmail.com





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VMUG to meet January 18

The Villages Macintosh Users Group (VMUG) will be meeting in person and on Zoom on Wednesday, January 18 at 3 p.m. in the Cribari Conference Room. If you don't yet feel comfortable meeting in person, please contact Larry Roben for the Zoom link. His phone number is 408-218-0851 and his email is larryroben21@gmail.com.



Sign up for Deconstructed Watercolor class



Winter doldrums and rain got you down? Enliven your days with learning a new skill or honing a previously learned skill! Doug Canepa has a different approach to watercolor painting. Instead of plunging in with a whole landscape or seascape, Doug takes apart the scene by deconstructing it. He leads you into painting the separate elements—a tree, a rock, a sky, a mountain—on small pieces of paper. Then he helps you put them together in a whole scene. This is an easy way to approach watercolor.

Doug's Watercolor Class is on Wednesdays, January 25 – March 1, from 10 am until 12:30 pm in the Cribari Center Art Room. Price is \$60, and the materials list is on our website, villagesartsandcrafts.org

Register at barb.gottesman@gmail.com before January 18.

VMA Afternoon Bingo to return February 1

Let the games begin! Villages Medical Auxiliary (VMA) afternoon bingo returns Wednesday, February 1, in Cribari Auditorium. Doors open at 3 p.m. First game starts at 3:30.

Each bingo card costs \$1 or you can get six cards for \$5. Bingo is one of many services offered by the VMA to residents. All money collected for the cards is returned to winning players. Attendance is free.

Come join in the fun, win

some prizes and enjoy the free cookies and coffee or tea. All players receive a complimentary drawing ticket. Two players win a Clubhouse gift card.

VMA afternoon bingo continues throughout the year on the first Wednesday of each month. Evening bingo 2023 begins Wednesday, February 22.

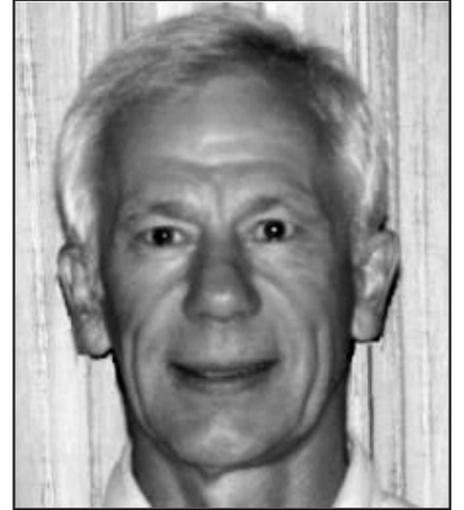


Senior Academy: 'Averting the Climate Crisis'

Storms. Hurricanes. Floods. Drought. Heat Waves. With increasing frequency and severity, they are negatively affecting our world, our economy and our lives. And left unchallenged, they will continue to do so, at our own peril. But there is a solution, if we have the will to take the steps necessary to halt this menace in its tracks.

Overwhelming scientific evidence points to carbon dioxide emissions from the burning of fossil fuels as the culprit. At the Senior Academy meeting on Tuesday, January 24 at 2 p.m. at Foothill Center, our speaker will summarize the evidence and discuss the well-known and accepted solution: the transition from fossil fuels to renewable energy, solar and wind, backed up by batteries and other storage. These technologies are not only less expensive than fossil fuel, but better for public health and for the environment. Nature provides processes to remove carbon from the atmosphere, but natural processes are now insufficient, and we must accelerate them by giving Nature a helping hand.

Join Campbell Scott, Ph.D. for an in-depth discussion of climate change. He is a member of the Climate Reality Project, a consortium of teachers, students, doctors, business professionals, non-profit leaders and even scientists with common purpose: to solve the climate crisis. Born and raised in Scotland, Scott has spent his career researching, lecturing and presenting at scientific conferences on the science, impacts and solutions of climate change.



Campbell Scott, Ph.D.

Averting the Climate Crisis: Tuesday, January 24, 2023, 2 p.m., Foothill Center. Register at VillagesSA.org or by calling Susan Dooley at 408-528-8881. Join us.

Montgomery hosts enchanting winter party

Brilliant shooting star lights and glittery backdrops were just a few of the festive decorations that transformed the

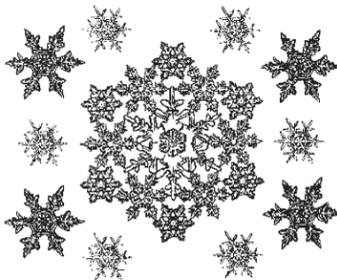
Villages banquet room into a winter wonderland. Thanks go to Pam and Jack McCarthy with help from Joe Player for creating an enchanting winter paradise for the Montgomery Holiday Party.

the party with both seasonal and dance tunes.

Pam Watson designed and created center pieces of whimsical gnomes, tiny tea lights and fresh holiday greenery.

Photographs and highlights of the event were prepared by Arlene Holmboe and are currently displayed on the Montgomery Center bulletin board.

Emcee Bob Dolci announced the lucky winners of fun and delicious door prize. Dave Raskin managed the festive photo booth. Ed Knott DJ'd



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Learn 'All About Collage' with Julie Cline

By Barbara Gottesman

Julie Cline is offering a one day workshop "All About Collage" to Villagers on Saturday, January 28, 2023. It is scheduled in the Art Room in person from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. For those who want to take a lunch break from 1 – 2 p.m., Julie will offer optional guided practice from 2 p.m. – 4 p.m. since many will want more time to complete their collages. Julie has offered many classes to Villagers, including pastels, collage and writing and illustrating children's books.

Collage first appeared on the art scene in the early 1900s in works by Picasso and Braque. Today collage can be either realistic, surrealistic or abstract. Many use it as a meditative process, letting the colors and shapes move on the blank canvas until a harmonious composition speaks to the artist. Most people can find collage a satisfactory artistic experience.

Register for this structured class so that you too can create interesting collages from scraps, pieces of paper and magazine cut-outs. Register at barb.gottesman@gmail.com by January 21. Price is \$75 with all materials furnished by Julie. Deadline for checks and teacher-required Covid proof is January 21. Examples of Julie's Collage work are posted on our website at villagesartsandcrafts.org Some are even more interesting than this one entitled "Compost Volunteers."



"Compost Volunteers" by Julie Cline

Patricia Galli: From VMA client to Festival volunteer

By Barbara F. Zahner, VMA Health Programs

Patricia Galli, RSM, with 25 years of experience at Kaiser Hospital as an Advice Nurse, Emergency Department Supervisor and working in the Medical Surgical Unit, knows first-hand the value of planning for post-surgery.

In addition, Pat, a Sister of Mercy, also worked in Catholic Parish Ministry for 25 years, including at nearby Most Holy Trinity Church. To her delight, Pat needed to only step across the Cribari Patio to the Villages Medical Auxiliary (VMA) Office to find the needed assistive devices following her recent hip surgery.

"The Desk Volunteers very helpfully explained the services of VMA. They even showed me a catalog of the VMA equipment," Pat said. "The process was so simple—a phone call request. Then a friendly volunteer came to my front door and promptly delivered what I requested."

Pat also consulted with Bonnie Grim, VMA Service coordinator about possible Home Health Care help. Fortunately, one of Pat's daughters provided TLC for her Mom during Pat's first few days home. In short, expecting delays and red tape, Pat found only simplicity and immediate, healing help.

To show her gratitude to VMA, Pat has volunteered to contact potential exhibitors about the upcoming Health Festival to be held April 29 at Cribari Center. The Festival theme is "Being Well: Mind, Body & Spirit." For Pat, her positive experience with VMA indeed contributed to the wellbeing of her Mind, Body, and Spirit.



Arts and Crafts Annual Members Juried Show to feature Karen Amicarelli

By Michael Sunzeri

Arts and Crafts would like to introduce Karen Amicarelli to you. Karen arrived here in The Villages a couple years ago, where she quickly joined Arts and Crafts and made herself available immediately. She has already helped with several of our event venues. We take pleasure in featuring her as an accomplished watercolor artist who will submit her work for our upcoming Annual Membership Juried Show coming February 23 in the Cribari Conference Room.

Karen has steeped herself in watercolor classes to hone her painting techniques since the '90s and in open studios here at The Villages with guidance from Jane Hink. There is a relaxed but deliberate look to her work which varies from floral, landscape or a variety of what will interest her at the time. But as she states, not figure painting. Watercolor requires skill and is not an easy painting technique, but Karen's work shows a very professional touch. Some of her work is slightly bold while other work is softer, thoughtful. One of her favorite painters is Georgia O'Keefe. That's inspiration in itself, but her photos also move her which she then paints and at times has them printed.

Karen has local roots. She attended Awalt High School in Mountain View, later lived in Boulder Creek and Santa Cruz and landed here at The Villages with the rest of our huge artist community to fit in perfectly with a ready smile. At some time or another, Karen might try acrylic painting to round out other skills. Like most artists, Karen may sell some of her work, give it away and probably keep a few to admire in her own home. We look forward to seeing more from Karen and we wish her the best in the watercolor category at our juried show.



Republican Club Kickoff was a Touchdown!

By Cathy Pope



Neither heavy winds nor rain kept Republican Club members from attending our first General Meeting of 2023. Republican Club President Burt Lancaster opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance, the invocation, and singing of "God Bless America."

Everyone brought a dish to share, and the food and friendship was wonderful. Matt Wendt from the South County Congress of Republicans addressed the group followed by an informative question and answer period.

Thank you to all our members and guests for your participation and willingness to brave the elements. To the Committee members who worked so hard to make the evening special, you are appreciated.

Wishing everyone a safe, healthy, and happy new year!

If you are missing a pie serving utensil, please contact Cathy Pope at 408-270-2141.

Democratic Club's first 2023 meeting to feature Bill James

By Howie Blumstein

The Democratic Club is kicking off a new year of engaging speakers with Bill James, chair of the Santa Clara County Democratic Party (SCCDP). Join us on Zoom on Thursday, January 26 at 7 p.m. for a look forward at the issues and decisions on tap in 2023 and beyond.

Besides the presidential primaries and election next year, California voters will determine which candidates will run for Diane Feinstein's Senate seat, as Congressional representatives and for San Jose mayor among other important positions. Villages residents also will be voting for Evergreen's District 8 San Jose City council representative. Zoom in to hear the SCCDP's plans for the upcoming year and the 2024 election cycle. There will be plenty of time to get your questions answered. To register for this meeting, email TheVillagesDemocraticClub@gmail.com

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Active	8670 French Oak Drive	1,675	2	2 1	\$1,050,000	123		\$626.87	
Active	3405 Lake Garda Drive	1,776	2	2 1	\$948,000	101		\$533.78	
Active	6140 Montgomery Place	1,740	3	2 0	\$899,000	94		\$516.67	
Active	8082 Winery Court	1,803	2	2 0	\$868,000	4		\$481.42	
Active	8358 Riesling Way	1,571	2	2 0	\$799,900	73		\$509.17	
Active	7700 Galloway Drive	1,490	2	2 0	\$799,000	42		\$536.24	
Active	8009 Pinot Noir Court	1,646	2	2 0	\$649,000	66		\$394.29	
Active	6197 Gerdts Drive	1,197	2	2 0	\$599,000	101		\$500.42	
Active	5063 Cribari Bluff	1,223	2	2 0	\$525,000	49		\$429.27	
Active	5504 Cribari Bend	1,240	2	2 0	\$500,000	165		\$403.23	
Contingent	7677 Helmsdale Drive	1,307	2	2 0	\$810,000	8		\$619.74	2/28/2023
Contingent	5360 Cribari Dell	1,240	2	2 0	\$529,000	62		\$426.61	1/31/2023
Pending	5049 Cribari Vale	1,223	2	2 0	\$480,000	9		\$392.48	1/11/2023
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Sold	5026 Cribari Vale , #5026	1,223	2	2 0	\$508,888	11	\$500,000	\$408.83	12/8/2022
Sold	5560 Cribari Circle	1,223	2	2 0	\$535,000	24	\$520,000	\$425.18	12/20/2022
Sold	5538 Cribari Circle	1,240	2	2 0	\$535,000	26	\$535,000	\$431.45	12/2/2022
Sold	5177 Cribari Knolls	1,223	2	2 0	\$540,000	0	\$540,000	\$441.54	12/16/2022
Sold	5021 Cribari Vale	1,348	2	2 0	\$589,950	20	\$585,000	\$433.98	12/29/2022
Sold	6354 Whaley Drive	1,197	2	2 0	\$699,000	111	\$665,000	\$555.56	12/15/2022
Sold	7235 Via Mimosa	1,815	2	2 0	\$799,997	53	\$805,000	\$443.53	12/16/2022
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Sold	2037 Folle Blanche Drive	1,735	3	2 0	\$949,000	3	\$965,000	\$556.20	12/21/2022
Sold	7947 Caledonia Drive	1,945	2	2 0	\$1,175,000	25	\$1,070,000	\$550.13	12/28/2022
Sold	7138 Via Solana	1,790	2	2 0	\$1,099,000	0	\$1,100,000	\$614.53	12/19/2022
Sold	8730 Mccarty Ranch Drive	2,305	2	2 1	\$1,328,800	20	\$1,200,000	\$520.61	12/20/2022

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Cont/Pend	3	1,257	\$606,333	26		\$479.61
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FROM THE VILLAGES LIBRARY

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By Sherle Frost

“Beyond Biden: Rebuilding the America We Love” by Newt Gingrich: According to Gingrich, the struggle between the defenders of America as an exceptional nation and the forces of anti-Americanism is reaching a fever pitch. These forces have grown so large, so well-financed, so entrenched and aggressive that they must be studied closely and understood completely if America is to survive this imminent civil war. In “Beyond Biden,” the author aims to bring together the various strands of the movement seeking to “destroy true, historic American values and replace this country with one that’s imposed on us by the combined power of government and social acceptance.” 320.5, Political Ideologies, 2021.

“The President and the Freedom Fighter: Abraham Lincoln, Frederick Douglass and Their Battle to Save America’s Soul” by Brian Kilmeade: Upon his election as President of the troubled United States, Abraham Lincoln faced a dilemma. He knew it was time for slavery to go, but how fast could the country change without being torn apart? Many abolitionists wanted Lincoln to move quickly, overturning the founding documents along the way. But Lincoln believed there was a way to extend equality to all while keeping and living up to the Constitution that he loved so much—if only he could buy enough time. Fortunately for Lincoln, Frederick Douglass agreed with him—or at least did eventually. Brian Kilmeade tells the little-known story of how the two men moved from strong disagreement to friendship, uniting over their love for the Constitution and over their surprising commonalities. Both came from destitution. Both were self-educated and self-made men. Both had fought hard for what they believed in. And though Douglass had had the harder fight, one for his very freedom, the two men shared a belief that the American dream was for everyone. 973.7, Administration of Abraham Lincoln, 2021.

“Fairy Tale” by Stephen King: Charlie Reade looks like a regular high school kid, great at baseball and football, a decent student. But he carries a heavy load. His mom was killed in a hit-and-run accident when he was 10, and grief drove his dad to drink. Charlie learned how to take care of himself—and his dad. Then, when Charlie is 17, he meets Howard Bowditch, a recluse with a big dog in a big house at the top of a big hill. In the backyard is a locked shed from which strange sounds emerge, as if some creature is trying to escape. When Mr. Bowditch dies, he leaves Charlie the house, a massive amount of gold, a cassette tape telling a story that is impossible to believe, and a responsibility far too massive for a boy to shoulder. Because within the shed is a portal to another world—one whose denizens are in peril and whose monstrous leaders may destroy their own world, and ours. In this parallel universe, where two moons race across the sky, and the grand towers of a sprawling palace pierce the clouds, there are exiled princesses and princes who suffer horrific punishments; there are dungeons; there are games in which men and women must fight each other to the death for the amusement of the “Fair One.” And there is a magic sundial that can turn back time. Fiction and Large Print, 2022.

“Blowback” by James Patterson and Brendan DuBois: U.S. President Keegan Barrett has swept into office on his success as Director of the CIA. Six months into his first term, he devises a clandestine power grab with deadly consequences. Barrett personally orders CIA agents Liam Grey and Noa Himel to execute his plan, but their loyalties are divided. The CIA serves at the pleasure of the president, yet they’ve sworn to support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic. When the threat comes directly from the Oval Office, that’s where the blowback begins. Mystery and Large Print, 2022.

Attention Mah Jongg players!

By Barbara Smith

Thank you to all the Mah Jongg players who have ordered cards for 2023. Last week’s article shared with you that the cost of Mah Jongg large cards had increased to \$15, standard cards had increased to \$14, and that Meril had not caught the price change. The orders which had been received were obviously for the old price. Within three days of the article being printed, 27 envelopes with the extra money were received! Based upon what happened the first three days, we expect the additional amount for most of the remaining orders may arrive even before this article is printed in the Villager.

There are still two ways you can help if you have not already sent an additional check:

- Write a second check for \$5 per card and mail it to Barbara or drop it in the mailbox tube at 2067 Folle Blanche Drive by Sunday, January 22. Meril will clip the two checks together so we can process each order, deposit the checks, finalize the order, and send in the order by February 1, so it will arrive in New York by February 4. You will receive your 2023 card the end of March.

- Call and leave a message for Meril at 408-624-6992 and tell him you want to cancel your order for the 2023 card. Let Meril know if you want him to return your check by mail or drop it by your home.

Please note that our phone number in the Villages Phone Directory has changed. Barbara’s current number is 408-624-6995. Meril’s number is 408-624-6992.

Thank you for your years of support.



Join ukulele players at Vineyard

Attention: Ukulele players and wannabe ukulele players! Come join us every Thursday from 1:30 to 3 p.m. in the Vineyard Center for playing the ukulele, singing and treats. Questions? Contact Bill Rodman at 408-274-4521.



Make Jazzercise your New Year’s Resolution

By Barbara Tommaney

Note: Kathy’s email address was listed incorrectly in last week’s article. See correction below. Many of us make a New Year’s Resolution to improve our health, get fit, and exercise. But often by February our resolution falters. If you select Jazzercise as your exercise program, you will find the motivation to stick to your resolution.



In a perfect environment, exercise should be fun, it should have regularity and should be done with people you enjoy being with. All of the above will be found in a Jazzercise class. In addition to boosting your energy, reversing the symptoms of aging, and improving your mind and memory, Jazzercise is *fun*. We offer a 60-minute workout, three times a week, Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, tailored to your individual needs. The class starts with a gradual warmup, followed by an aerobic segment, resistance training, stretching and range of motion routines, and a gradual cool down. If you are wondering if Jazzercise is right for you, why not come for a free session and see for yourself. We meet in the Cribari auditorium from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. A full month of classes costs only \$45. Any questions, email Kathy Schlosser at Km_Schlosser@yahoo.com

Bocce Club to celebrate Palentine’s Day!

Join the **2023 Bocce Club Board** for “Palentine’s Day” - a day to celebrate your Bocce friends and boost the “happiness chemicals” in your brain and body! **And witness our Officer Installation Ceremony!**

Saturday, February 11, 2023, Cribari Auditorium, from 5 – 9 p.m.
Members \$35, Guests \$45 billed to your home

Entertainment by the Island Wave Band!

Wine Reception • Assorted Wines and Appetizers • Buffet Dinner • Baby Spring Mix w/candied Pecans & Goat Cheese tossed in a Balsamic Vinaigrette • Chicken Alfredo w/Broccoli • Spiralized Baked Ham • Long Grain and Wild Rice • Oven-Roasted Carrots • Bread/Rolls • Assorted Sweets for Dessert

Reservations can be made by contacting Wendy Ledamun at wledamun49@gmail.com or 408-960-8335. Deadline and no refunds after February 7. Assigned seating for tables of eight. Please have your table pals and house numbers organized before reserving.



RELIGION

EPISCOPAL

‘Bright and Beautiful’

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

The season after Epiphany, where we find ourselves in the church calendar right now, is an apt time to reflect on all that is beautiful. The Bible calls us to worship in the beauty of holiness (Psalm 29:2), to notice how lovely is God’s dwelling place (Psalm 84:1) and to remember how beautiful are even the feet of those who bring good news (Isaiah 52:7). We traditionally think of Epiphany as a season of light—and don’t we need it so soon after the Winter Solstice!—but it’s also important to remember that light functions to make things clear to our sight. To the extent that Epiphany light shows us the glory of God’s creation and the compassion of God’s redemption, it is beautiful indeed.

My own Episcopal Church is sometimes described as an aesthetic tradition. We invite the worship of God through beauty (of prayers, music and physical sanctuary). Taken to extreme, these practices can of course become idolatry, as Protestant reformers sometimes accused our mother Church of England. William Laud, an early Anglican Archbishop of Canterbury, whom we remember as a saint this week, was zealous for a uniformly beautiful worship. While his measures may have been extreme, his goal remains a worthy one. Every child of God—poor and rich, villager and city-dweller—deserves to “dwell in the house of the Lord all their days... [and] to behold the beauty of the Lord.” (Psalm 27:4)



CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

‘Our Baptismal Call’

By Robert A. Dolci, M.Div., M.A.

We initiate the **Season of Ordinary Time** with the celebration of the Baptism of Jesus. This is a great time to renew our own baptism and our commitment to being Christ to our world. The Scriptures for this event can inspire us to a greater understanding of that commitment.

The Prophet Isaiah (42:1-7) presents the first of four Suffering Servant poems which presents the model that Jesus realized in his life. He was the servant who came to bring justice to all peoples. He established the new covenant relationship with all as the Light of the World, curing the blind, freeing the oppressed, and demonstrating mercy, compassion and love to all.

In the Acts of the Apostles (10:34-38) St. Luke has Peter preaching to a Roman Centurion and his friends about Jesus being the Lord of all peoples, bringing peace with the Spirit and power of God, healing the oppressed and all those in need.

St. Matthew (3:13-17) communicates Jesus participating in John’s baptism to fulfill all righteousness, thus manifesting himself as God’s love to all. The descent of the dove (God’s Spirit) is a sign of God revealing his presence in Jesus as the re-creator of the world, God’s new covenant with humankind.

With these scriptures in mind, we believe that through our baptism we are intimately united with God and called personally by God to be his servants, imbued and acting with Christ’s Spirit and power. We are to bring his mercy, compassion, justice and love to all those with whom we interact via our words, moods, prayers and actions. So, let us celebrate and renew our commitment to manifesting God’s real presence in our community and our world.

Cribari Masses: Sundays – 8:15 a.m. **First three Fridays** each month; Rosary 8:30 a.m., Mass 9 a.m. **St. Francis of Assisi Masses:** 1-408-223-1770 or parish website (sfoasj.com) for times. **Homebound communions:** Marilyn Rodman 408-274-4521. **Mass intentions:** Jean Gillette 408-270-5723.

Thanks to our writers. During the last 15 months this column has been written in turn by Catholic Villagers and clergy from St. Francis of Assisi who serve our community. Some of us are experienced writers, others have taken up writing only recently. What all share is a desire to help the Catholic community deepen its appreciation of the Sunday Liturgy via previewing the upcoming Sunday Scripture readings. Thanks to those who have already contributed their time and talent:

Fr. Matt Stanley, Msgr. Stephen Perata, Sr. Patricia Galli, Deacon Joe Cabrido, Robert Dolci, Barbara Zahner, Jean Gillette, Louise Connors, Margaret Lam, Msgr. Eugene O’Donnell, Kathy & Larry Lohman, Fr. Athanasius Kikoba, and Linda Schlageter.

Catholic writers old and new: Would you like to join us? We offer volunteer work you can do in your bathrobe. If interested, call Irene Groot (Editor) at 408-268-8413 or IGroot@aol.com.

COMMUNITY CHAPEL

‘No Need to Be Lonely’

By Pastor Bill Hayden

Friendships are vital in maintaining good mental and social health. It’s very rare these days to have good friends in our lives because people over time move on. The recent loss of a spouse or friend can cause a person to isolate themselves. Sometimes it could extend into years after your loss, as the waves of grief continue to consume.

Some might be thinking, “Well, you can always talk on your phone or Zoom these days.” I know that sounds good but it may only satisfy a portion of what you really enjoy from friendship. There is nothing like face to face, embracing and sharing a place at the table together.

There is something within our human spirit that craves affirmation from others and some are affirmed by a favorite pet. While pets can be good and fun to have, they can never take the place of another human being. Some people may differ with me on that statement but you and I can never be replaced by an animal. I do realize that there are those special pets who seem to have some human characteristics and they fulfill a certain need. We may choose to select an animal to keep us company but the reality is there’s nothing compared to another human being who was created a little lower than the angels.

I think that future generations are being isolated through the intervention and expansion of technology. The increasing use of cell phones, PCs and other technological devices prevent people from face-to-face interaction. People of my generation and perhaps your generation prefer the old-fashioned way of personal contact and developing friendships with people rather than objects.

Over a lifetime, you may have one or more people in your life that you could call a friend. As they say, “A friend in need is a friend indeed.” John 15:13 NLT “*There is no greater love than to lay down one’s life for one’s friends.*”

If you are in need of friendship, you can find it in our Chapel. Please join us at the Villages Community Chapel in Cribari Auditorium every Sunday at 10 a.m. to be encouraged over the Word, and enjoy a cup of coffee and cookies with friends. The chapel is a place for *needs to be met, faith to be affirmed and new friends to enjoy.*

You can view our worship services on YouTube at Villages Community Chapel San Jose, CA.

If you are experiencing grief in your life, it’s not too late to come to our grief share classes on Tuesdays from 4 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. at Evergreen Church, 2750 Yerba Buena Rd. If you would like to join, please call Pastor Bill’s office at 408-238-3079.

JEWISH COMMUNITY

By Barbara Tommaney

The Villages Jewish Community will host sabbath services on Friday, January 20, 2023 at Foothill Center beginning at 7:15 p.m. Rabbi Annette Koch will lead us in worship. The service will recognize Marty Hutchison for the Menorahs he constructed and donated to The Villages.

We are honored to welcome Santa Clara County District Attorney Jeff Rosen as our guest speaker for the evening. Mr. Rosen is a nationally recognized leader in criminal justice reform. The changes he introduced in Santa Clara County include reducing the jail population, diversion programs for non-violent offenders, expungement of low-level drug crimes, prison reform and promoting the highest ethical standards. All this while keeping crime at its lowest level in decades. The DA’s office has 620 employees, including 190 deputy District Attorneys. Under his leadership the office is more diverse than ever.

District Attorney Rosen has taken dozens of prosecutors and investigators to the Museum of Tolerance in Los Angeles to learn about the Holocaust, racial profiling, implicit bias, and the duty of law enforcement to safeguard people’s rights.

We invite all members of The Villages community to join us for this informative program. Refreshments will be served. We hope to see you there.

SPORTS NEWS

18-HOLE WOMEN



The downed tree on the 11th hole.

By Loanne Rube

A blustery, rainy day, and a black flag at the Pro Shop closed the course today, January 5. This put us all warmly inside peering out today. Perhaps a good day to brush up on golf tips, rules of golf, or a look back on the life of Kathy Whitworth. What a competitor! What an inspiration! What a mentor! Aye, what a lady! So for today, no golf, no sweeps, and no Captain's trophy. All rescheduled for Thursday, January 12. The rain is a tremendous blessing. A good soaking will result in our course greening up and the fairways fluffing up for spring play. Today it was really soggy. Scott reported a large tree down on hole #11 blocking the cart path and also a smaller tree down on hole #2. So the course remained closed on Friday, January 6, so that an arborist could survey the damage, and cleanup of debris could begin between raindrops. The next few weeks may be hit or miss with modifications to golf because rumor has it that the "pineapple express" will bring a series of storms in the upcoming weeks. Gloria Landry is keeping us abreast of golf conditions via email blasts. Thanks, Gloria! The grounds crew will have their hands full. Thank them with a shout out, a wave and a smile. They do a lot for us.

Looking ahead, the 2023 Invitational committee is already hard at work. The invitational is June 21, 22 and 23. This is a highlight for our golf group. The invitational is so well attended, includes tons of laughter, fun and wacky costumes, good food and some really good golf. Details coming, but start to get your teams together so you will not miss out. Applications will be coming out in March. Kudos to Patti Bell and Karen Harsany for their awesome efforts thus far. The theme reveal party will be in early February. Don't miss that luncheon!

Stay safe stay warm and see you on the course.



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TENNIS TALK

By Sherry Benz

Our 2023 Tennis Club Executive Board of Directors was unanimously approved at the December 4th Holiday Dinner Dance (see picture). The outgoing Board is due many thanks for a terrific job in 2022. The Club came back at full speed once Covid gave us a break and it was evident how much we enjoy playing, socializing and working together.

Special kudos to Peggy Seidel (President) for her leadership and countless hours. Thanks to Akiko Giordano (Master Scheduler), Penny Barcellos (Membership), Liz Kung (Communication Director), Tina Parsley (Treasurer) and Linda DuMont (Hospitality) for agreeing to serve another year. And a big welcome to Randy Shaw (President), Donna Gilmour (Vice President), Marty Funcell (Court Manager), Roy Pennington (Secretary), and Karen Hillis (Tournament Director).

The 2023 schedule is set and promises to be a fun-filled year both on the courts and socially. Check the website for dates, times and places. The first tennis event is the Prescott Tournament on March 18. Mark your calendars now! The Prescott will be followed by the Open House on March 28 which is an exciting annual event, open to all Villagers and complete with strawberry shortcake! Watch Tennis Talk and check the website (villagestennisclub.org) for details.

The VTL (Villages Tennis League) will begin in early Spring. If you would like to participate in this "in house" league lasting 10 sessions, contact Peggy Seidel (713-398-7955), Jim Murphy (408-274-4195) or Roy Pennington (505-410-3449). Space is limited!



2023 Tennis Club Executive Board (from left to right): Roy Pennington, Tina Parsley, Marty Funcell, Donna Gilmour, Karen Hillis, Peggy Seidel, Penny Barcellos, Liz Kung, Akiko Giordano. Not shown: Randy Shaw.

SHONIS

By Betty Hall

The Shonis played their first outing in 2023 on January 3 in dry but chilly weather. Our first Tuesday is always our Captain's Trophy day and our winners were Marty Blinde and Tahera Khalil. Marty took the gross Trophy with a 41 while Tahera got the net trophy with a 25.

Our sweeps last Tuesday were just two flights.

Flight One had a two-way tie for first: Marty Blinde and Joyce Baptiste net 29. Second place was Sharon Lingofelter net 30. Third was Meg Rogers net 32.

Flight Two: First place was Tahera Khalil net 25. Second was Olivia Spada net 26. Third place was Fran Schumaker net 32.

The Shonis would like to say goodbye and thank you for your service the last two years to our outgoing board. It was a tough two years navigating continued golf through the pandemic.

From left to right in the photo is the outgoing board: Acting Secretary Jonna Robinson, Shonis Captain Fran Schumaker, Treasurer Delma Juarez and Co-captain Betty Hall.



IRONMEN

By Bill Travis and Jerry Juracich

The Ironmen are in afternoon play, currently gathering every Thursday afternoon at 2 p.m. with a shotgun start, sweeps, birdie pool, and closest to the pin. This past Thursday, January 5, 2023, the "atmospheric river" that came through canceled our play for the day. So no results to report.

MEN'S GOLF CLUB



By Doug Moore, douglas.moore865@gmail.com

Upcoming Events

The Men's 18 Hole Golf Club Frostbite Tournament is Saturday. So stay warm and go low!

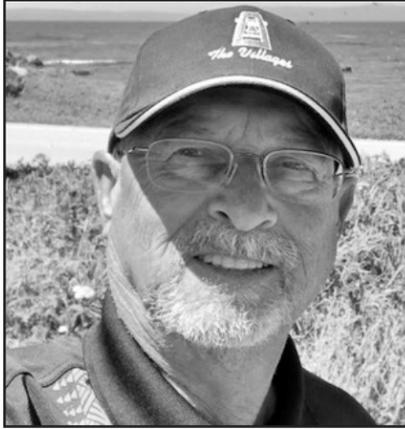
A Celebration of the Life of Ron Burke was held to honor and remember our long-time MGC member and dear friend. The service was held the afternoon of January 8 in the Villages Clubhouse.

Hole In Ones for December—The only dry spell going on around here as of late, are the Hole In One's.... Nothing for December

Eagle Shooters for December—When the weather gets colder the ball doesn't travel as far, but that factor did not deter this gentleman from recording an Eagle in December. He must have had a heater for his golf balls... **Pres Miranda** deuced an Eagle on #14 on the 7th of December. This guy does it all!

Age Shooters for December—You have seen all these names before, because they did it again!

Honestly this would not be an Age Shooters section, without **Dave Dimmick's** mug shot in it. Am I right? He shot a 73 on the 5th... wow! But wait there's more! We don't normally recognize Age Shooter

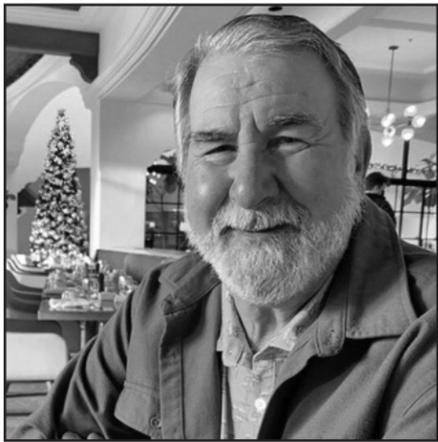


Dave Dimmick

scores unless they are recorded at The Villages. But in this case we are going to make an exception, because he went absolutely nuts in Palm Springs, and it deserves a mention. Dave shot a 71 at the Indian Canyon (South) Course on the 29th. And the next day on the Mission Hills (North)- Gary Player Signature, he recorded a 74. Man these courses are not easy...good for you Dave!

Bob Dolci is also becoming a monthly fixture in this section. Bob is seriously golfing his ball well! He went 1 under with a 71 on the 5th. That had to be very cool to watch. Congrats, Bob! I'm calling dibs on him for the next tournament, so don't even bother.

Mr. "Pres" Miranda is at it once again. He wants to be plastered all over these pages, and he should be. He managed to record an 81 on 12/7, and he did it once again with an 83 on the 14th



Bob Dolci

of December.

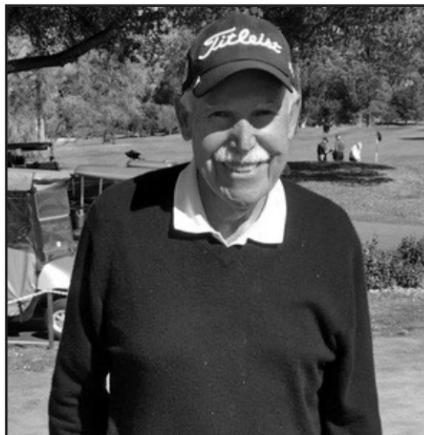
Remember if you record a Hole In One, an Eagle, or if you Shoot Your Age, please notify Don Chaisson at dachaisson@comcast.net. We want to make sure to get you posted in the Villager and on the Men's Club website.

And please have a friend take a quick picture of you so we can get your handsome mug in the monthly recognition article.

Golf Thoughts: The Circle of Life

The stages of golf are: sudden collapse, radical change, complete frustration, slow improvement, brief mastery, and sudden collapse. — from Mike Bailey's book "I wish I Could Play my Normal Game – Just Once."

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



Pres Miranda

PICKLEBALL

How do Pickleball rule changes happen every year?

By Kory Tran

For 2023, USA Pickleball received 78 rule change proposals, of which only a handful passed.

They publish the proposed changes for public comment. After public comments close, the Rules Committee reviews the proposed changes.

Next, the proposed changes are approved, rejected or reworded. Then the USA Pickleball Board of Directors take over. A final vote is taken on the proposed changes by the Board.

Last week's article covered the most important rule changes for 2023.

Here are two more rule changes/revisions:

1. Rule 6.D.8 has had wording revised: An "out" call must be made before the opponent hits the ball or before the ball dies. Otherwise, it is presumed that the ball is still in play.
2. If something a player is wearing or carrying lands on the court, the ball remains in play, even if it hits the item.

On a different note, here is an important reminder for use of the squeegees on the courts after rain. Our rollers are the highest rated way of removing water from the courts. **Do not roll them side to side because that will damage them. They must be used in a circular manner.** Thank you!

BOCCE NEWS



Bocce Court Director Helen Paris, Tournament Director George Paris, Court Manager Paul Andersen and Referee Trainer Michael Sunzeri

By Barbara Orlando

Some say it takes a Village, and it really does. Through the selfless efforts, dedication, and talents of our volunteers, our club is very lucky to have so many who give of their time, to the sport of bocce. Pictured are just four such people who support our club. Each has a specific job, and all together make the machine work. Your Courts Director, **Helen Paris**, makes sure anyone reserving court time, can access the online program and reserve court time for practice or casual play. She also reserves court times for groups and clubs.

Tournament Director **George Paris** is busy all bocce season, organizing each tournament, making sure everyone has an opportunity to play. This isn't an easy job, trying to please over 236 players in any given tournament. George coordinates not only tournaments, but oversees Boot Camp, Skilz classes and the referees. He makes sure everything runs smoothly and rules are followed.

Court Manager **Paul Andersen** takes care of our courts, making sure that equipment and upkeep of the courts is taken care of. This is a big job with so many Villagers and members playing during our bocce season. This past year our club also acquired a storage container and Paul has been busy building shelves and organizing the inventory that now has a permanent location in the RV lot. Gone are members' garages and closets. Paul is also busy with the anticipation of two new courts, that hopefully will be completed this year and will expand the demand for equipment and upkeep.

Referee Trainer **Michael Sunzeri** is a definite asset to the bocce club. Michael has been active in the bocce club for over 12 years serving on the board of directors and now training our referees. Referees are selfless volunteers who officiate each game. Twice a year, our club offers a chance to train and become a prestigious member of our club. On Saturday, February 18, from 11 a.m. to noon, members wishing to attend the next training session can sign up at the kiosk or email Michael at twosunzeris@comcast.net.

Boot Camp is now taking reservations online at Your Courts. Every Monday and Wednesday from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., throughout the month of February, residents who would like to know how to play bocce can sign up. You needn't be a member. We'd love to meet you and tell you about the social game of bocce. Note, playing bocce can be competitive or casual, your choice. Our club offers both.

Note: If you haven't signed up for our first social event of the year, the "Palentine Day Dinner/Dance" with the installation of new board members. You can do so by contacting Wendy Ledamun at 408-960-8335 or wledamun49@gmail.com



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Adopt-A-Green Initiative

At The Villages we pride ourselves in maintaining excellent golf course playing conditions. And the greens are a major focus of course conditions.

Toward that end, in January we are starting an "Adopt a Green" initiative for all resident golfers as a part of our continuing Culture of Care initiative.

The premise is simple – each resident golfer will be assigned a green(s) according to the first letter of their surname. Whenever you play, you will be asked to repair as many ball marks as possible on the green(s) to which you are assigned.

And remember to always repair your personal ball marks on every green played as well.

We encourage you to start repairing your assigned green(s) as soon as possible. We thank you for your efforts...This will make golf at The Villages more enjoyable for all!

Surname	Hole #	Surname	Hole #
A	1 & 4	L	12
B	2	M-Mc	9 & 17
C	3 & 15	N	8 & 11
D	1 & 4	O	8 & 11
E	2	P	12
F	5 & 6	Q	13 & 16
G	5 & 6	R	14
H	7	S	13 & 16
I	1 & 4	T	14
J	8 & 11	U	15
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FROM THE PRO



By Scott Steele, PGA Head Golf Professional

Golf Course Conditions – Daily Status – Recent Weather

We want to thank you for your patience over the last two weeks through the multitude of torrential storms and resultant challenges we have faced on the golf courses. We will always try to get the golf courses playable as soon as possible after a severe weather event. But our main goal is the safety and wellbeing of our Villages resident golfers and their guests; and at times Mother Nature temporarily forces us to react accordingly. We hope you understand. Thank you again for your cooperation. Big picture – we really do need the rain!

Maintenance Hotline and Daily Flag System— It's a good idea to stay informed now that the weather is more unpredictable. The Golf Course Maintenance Hotline and our colored Flag system is available for just that purpose. Each morning golf course maintenance will update the Maintenance Hotline to let you know about course conditions, cart access status and any maintenance going on that day. Please call 408-223-4663 to access the daily Maintenance Hotline.

Also, each day the colored flag at the driving range will be updated to reflect each day's course conditions according to the following color codes:

Green Flag – carts are permitted on the golf course as normal

Red Flag – carts are restricted to the cart paths only

Yellow Flag – frost delay – golf play suspended until further notice

Black Flag – all golf facilities closed due to dangerous conditions

New in the Pro Shop—Women's lifestyle and golf apparel from Greg Norman Company – fashion for the active lifestyle. Men's and Women's logo rainsuits from Sun Mountain Sports – seam sealed and completely waterproof

Pro Shop Sale Items

Srixon Soft Feel Balls – Buy 2 Dozen Get 1 Dozen *free*

Villages logo golf bags – Buy a bag, receive one free round of golf

50% off Table of assorted Items

50% off Men's & Women's Clothing Racks

Golf Carts – Golf Course Conditions—A few things to remember regarding golf cart policies on the golf course. Please follow these standards to help maintain our course conditions and the quality of the turf that we play on. Thank you for your cooperation!

1. If there are holes that are labeled as cart path only due to recent inclement weather – please do not drive your carts on the turf on those holes to avoid turf damage and cart tire ruts on playable areas. The Pro Shop will provide you a list of cart path only holes when applicable so that you can remember which holes are restricted as you play your round.

2. If your tee shot comes to rest in the first 1/3 of the hole, please enter the hole through the entrance gates.

3. If your tee shot comes to rest in the second 2/3 of the hole, please enter the hole using the 90-degree rule...drive on the cart path until you are parallel to your ball, then drive to your ball at a 90-degree angle.

4. Once you hit your second shot, please stay in the fairway and proceed from shot to shot driving in the fairway, avoiding driving in the rough.

5. Please keep your golf cart a minimum of 30 feet from the green fringe and never drive inside the bunkers or on greenside mounding.

6. Please exit every hole through the exit gates and stay on the cart path as you transition from hole to hole.

7. Please consider consolidating to two carts per group and two riders per cart to reduce overall cart traffic and resultant stresses to the turf.

Upcoming Golf Schedule

Saturday, January 14 - Men's Club Frost Bite Open – 8:30 a.m. Shotgun. 1 p.m. Open Play Shotgun

Monday, January 16 - Martin Luther King Day. Holiday Schedule – Open tee Times 7 a.m.-4 p.m. Driving Range open all day

Pedestrians on the golf course will be limited to before 7 a.m. and after dusk

Winter Rules—We are now playing Winter Rules until further notice. Winter Rules is defined as 6-inch relief, pick, clean and place, no nearer the hole, through the green (includes the rough). Let us know if you have any questions.

Roped Off Areas on Golf Course—The large fairway areas that are currently roped off on Holes #1, #5, #8 and #9 are **no carts** areas. They are not ground under repair; so you must play your ball from where it lies within those roped off areas. But please do not drive your carts in those areas. Thank you!

Tips from the Pro—Bounce but don't dig...

This is the time of year when the turf will be wet and soft under your ball. This can make pitching a bit more difficult as there is no resistance provided by the turf at impact. So, the tendency can be to hit it fat.

Here are three tips to help you pitch more effectively and hit it close off the wet turf...

1. Move the ball position back in your stance so you will be more apt to hit the ball first – play the ball behind center closer to you back foot

2. Open the clubface of your wedge to activate the sole's bounce...this will eliminate the leading edge digging sharply into the turf – the goal is to brush the turf with that wide sole on your wedge

3. Keep the swing arc or swing radius wide on the backswing...keep your wrists and elbows from picking up the club steeply; this will shallow the swing arc at impact and help you to pick it clean. Let us know if these tips help. To sign up for a lesson with me, email ssteele@the-villages.com

More SPORTS

Golf Cart Yellow Lines Initiative

As part of the Villages continuing Culture of Care initiative for our 18-Hole golf course, in January of 2023 we will begin the installation of yellow ground paint lines in front of the green complexes to clearly define the 30-foot golf cart restriction area at each green as prescribed in Golf Rule 1.14 Section 8-J:



The golf course yellow lines

8-J. Carts are to be kept on the cart path around all green complexes and teeing grounds. Carts must be kept a minimum of 30-feet from the green apron and are not permitted within the perimeter of greenside bunkers.

The yellow lines will take the place of stakes and ropes and serve as a visual reference point defining where golf carts cannot advance any closer to the green apron according to the 30-foot perimeter mandate in Rule 1.14, Section 8-J.

The former use of stakes and ropes for this purpose proved to be a challenge due to the following factors: Visually and aesthetically unappealing - Unsightly

Physical hindrance to golf shots – Formed an obstruction for advancing golf balls

Labor intensive – stakes and ropes were constantly moved, removed, and knocked down

Expense – the cost of attaining enough stakes and rope for each hole is very high

The yellow ground lines will serve as a better option than stakes and roping for the following reasons: Less Obtrusive – yellow ground lines will not create an above ground obstruction to golf shots approaching the green

Aesthetically Subtle – yellow ground lines will be more visually appealing than above ground stakes and roping

Permanence – yellow ground lines cannot be moved, knocked over or completely removed

It is important for the condition of the green complexes and associated turf to keep cart traffic a minimum of 30-feet from each green apron and outside the perimeter of the greenside bunkers. Cart traffic allowed too close to the greens damages turf, creates unsightly tire ruts and results in unfavorable playing conditions as the turf becomes thin, compacted, compressed and, in some cases, permanently damaged.

SWINGERS

By Jeannie Omel

Happy New Year everyone! Despite all the recent rain, our first play day of 2023 was dry and partly sunny with a mild temperature of 48 degrees at tee-off. Twenty-nine ladies ventured out to kick off the year.

Please join me in welcoming new member Suzy Kim. She has completed the qualification process and is looking forward to meeting everyone at Tuesday golf.

What is the three-minute rule in golf? The three-minute rule refers to a potentially lost ball. A ball is considered lost if not found in three (3) minutes after the player begins to search for it. Previously, golfers were allowed five minutes to conduct a search for a lost ball but that changed in 2019. Limiting the search time to three minutes helps us maintain pace of play!

PINSEEKERS

By Jack Bindon (subbing for Jim White)

Well we have no winners for January 6 since the course was completely closed. It was certainly understandable since the maintenance crews were all over the course cleaning up debris resulting from the storm. Scott Steele was correct in his effort to protect those working. With wind and rain continuing to pummel the course this week it will take a while before “winter” rules are lifted. Some good came out of the lapse in play. Lee Thompson was able to celebrate with his wife for their 44th wedding anniversary. Congrats, Lee.

The dues for 2023 should appear on your January bill so don't be surprised, that is our main source of revenue for the year.

While we were living under drought conditions I asked my son, who lives in the Seattle area to find a way to pipe some of their rain our way. I sent him a text this evening telling him, “Enough already!” Let's hope for fair weather this week so we can go back to the challenge.

SCOREBOARD

BRIDGE

Monday, January 2:

1. Louann Partridge - guest
- 2/3. Art Lind – Stan Davies
- 2/3. Sumi Minami – Jan Kiernan

Friday, January 6:

1. Mary Legrand - guest
2. Lorrie Scott - Selma Chastaine

MEXICAN TRAIN DOMINOES

Wednesday, January 4

- | | |
|--------------------|-----|
| Shirley Bellavance | 302 |
| Remy Pessah | 504 |
| Sylvia Rozewicz | 554 |

Friday, January 6

- | | |
|-----------------|-----|
| Berta Escamilla | 183 |
| Remy Pessah | 240 |
| Maribeth Berlie | 279 |
| Beverly Wharton | 283 |



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BOCCE

“BOOT CAMP”

Starting in February 2023, the Villages Bocce Club will have classes for all beginners and non-members living in the Villages. Everyone attending will have the opportunity to learn how to play bocce.

Boot Camp Coordinator Helen Paris is preparing your introduction to the social and competitive game of bocce. The sessions are free; sign up on “YourCourts” and be assigned to a qualified instructor for a 90-minute class.

You can also sign up on the list in the kiosk marked “Boot Camp”, at the bocce courts. Remember you can attend one or all the classes.

Dates & Times

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| Mondays, February 6, 13 & 20 | 11-12:30 p.m. |
| Wednesdays, February 1, 8 & 15 | 11-12:30 p.m. |
| Beginner's Tournament Wednesday, February 22 | Time: TBD |
| Awards/lunch immediately after tournament game at the Gazebo. | |

Please arrive for check-in a few minutes early before your class begins.

Signup questions can be directed to Helen at helentaitparis@gmail.com.

All boot camp attendees will also be given the opportunity to experience playing in an actual tournament designed just for them. To participate and play, you must become a member of the Bocce Club and make a commitment to a team. All the rest will be taken care of for you by a qualified Captain.

All participants who play in the Beginner's Tournament will enjoy a lunch provided by the Bocce Club immediately after the game on Wednesday, February 22.

LANDSCAPE & MAINTENANCE

MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE

Cribari

Cribari Center—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.

5320-5363, 5400-5432 and 5489-5499—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 1/16-1/20.

5452—Dry rot repairs in progress.

Del Lago

3301-3315—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 1/16-1/20.

Lake water levels closely monitored due to current rainstorms in progress.

Meter Rooms—Cleaning, dry rot repairs and hardware replacement in planning.

Gutter cleaning throughout the district in progress.

Estates

8809-8875—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 2/6-2/10.

Fairway

4001-4024—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.

4001-4024—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 3/6-3/10.

Glen Arden

7698-7752 and 7753-7787 (odd)—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 2/20-2/24.

7780—Live camphor tree removal due to property damages, etc. in planning.

7792, 7794, 7863, 7865 and 7867—Painting project in progress, weather permitting.

Gutter cleaning throughout the district scheduled to start 1/23.

Heights

8480-8505—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 2/13-2/17.

Montgomery Lane—Dead pine tree removals, in planning.

8474-8475—Repairs to leaking house meter in planning.

Hermosa

8005-8032, 8100-8121 and Lower Chardonay Lake—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 2/13-2/17.

Lake water levels closely monitored due to current rainstorms in progress.

Highland

7500-7573—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 1/30-2/3.

Lighting replacement project throughout the district in progress.

Montgomery

6001-6068 and 6127-6136—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 2/6-2/10.

Lake water levels closely monitored due to current rainstorms in progress.

Olivas

8740-8752, 8769-8807 and Foothill Center—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.

8713-8738 and 8753-8768—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 1/16-1/20.

8600-8692—Lighting replacement project in progress, weather permitting.

Sonata

2000-2024 and 2032-2064—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.

2025-2031 and 2065-2101—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 1/16-1/20.

Valle Vista

9001-9014 and 9034-9036—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.

9015-9033—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 1/16-1/20.

Verano

7001-7060 and 7395-7404—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.

7314-7394—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 1/16-1/20.

Lake water levels closely monitored due to current rainstorms in progress.

Association

Common Areas—Treatment for voles, moles, gophers and squirrels, ongoing.

Weed spraying at turf and shrub bed areas in progress throughout the Villages.

Fire fuel management weed/brush clearing and tree work in progress in selected areas around the property.

Irrigation repairs in progress throughout the Villages.

General fallen tree debris cleanup in progress throughout the Villages.

Turf aeration throughout the districts in progress.

Turf fertilization throughout the districts in progress.

Annual crape myrtle tree pruning in progress throughout the Villages.

Landscape drainage clearing out in progress throughout the districts.

Club Centers

Foothill, Montgomery and Cribari Pool—Closed for the winter.

Driving Range—Pole replacement in progress.

For Pesticide information on pest control or landscape, please contact Customer Service at (408) 223-4670 or visit the Corporation Yard at 9201 The Village Fairway Drive. San Jose, CA 95135 or visit the Resident Portal and click on the Pesticides button for pest control or landscape.

Maintenance Project Notice:

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

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Customer Service Line:

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Maintenance Emergencies and/or Advice

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

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



Rain Gutter Cleaning Schedule for 2022-2023

Del Lago: January 09 to January 21, 2023 – Completion (weather permitting)

Glen Arden: January 23 to January 28, 2023 – Completion (weather permitting)

Heights: January 30 to February 04, 2023 – Completion (weather permitting)

Fairway: February 06 to February 08, 2023 - Completion (weather permitting)

Cribari: February 09 to February 11, 2023, February 27 to March 04, 2023, March 20 to March 25, 2023 - Completion (weather permitting)

Verano: February 13 to February 18, 2023, March 06 to March 11, 2023—Completion (weather permitting)

Highland: February 20 to February 25, 2023, March 13 to March 18, 2023—Completion (weather permitting)

Club Buildings: March 27 to March 31, 2023—Completion (weather permitting)

Winter Season Readiness

The winter season is here and bringing along cold air conditions, rain, and windstorms. (Winter officially began December 21 and will end March 20.)

Maintenance staff takes proactive measures before storms and responds to urgent needs during and after storms. Staff and licensed contractors clear storm drains in the common area and clear streets and gutters, downspouts, and roofs of debris. In addition, to minimize potential flood conditions, staff inspects and removes vegetation and clears drains at the three creek corridors. Furthermore, at Association and Club water features, staff inspects water fill levels and maintains overall conditions.

For safer conditions near your home, it is important to be prepared and to respond to winter related conditions. You can take the following precautions and action to keep your home in a safer condition:

How May I Prepare for the Winter Season?

1. Periodically inspect and service your heating mechanical system (using qualified contractor services).
2. Periodically inspect and service your fireplace (using qualified contractor services).
3. Periodically inspect and service your skylight, sun tunnels and sunrooms (using qualified contractor services).
4. As needed, replace weather stripping at entry doors, garage doors and patio doors.
5. Keep exterior windows and doors closed during wind and rain storms.
6. As applicable, secure shade umbrellas and retract all awnings during windy conditions.
7. Periodically inspect and service **owner-maintained** patio covers, gutters and downspouts (using qualified contractor services).
8. For Association condo homes, if there are areas near your home that experience water entry, please contact Maintenance Services at 408-223-4670 or workorder@the-villages.com. Staff will create a work order for inspection and, as needed, take corrective measures. Depending upon the incident, staff will provide and use sandbags.
9. For single-family homes and for Association condo homes, as desired, you may locate and stage sandbags ahead of time. Valley Water and the City of San Jose offer free filled sandbags for residents of Santa Clara County. Several pickup sites are open from late November through April each season. The nearest pickup sites in San Jose are at:
 - The City Central Service Yard, 1661 Senter Road at Phelan Ave., San Jose, CA 95122.
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How to Respond to Winter Weather Incidents?

1. For Association condo homes, if water enters your home through doors, walls, floors, ceilings or other ways, please contact Maintenance Services at 408-223-4670 or workorder@the-villages.com. After hours, contact Public Safety at 408-223-4665. We will do our best to respond in a timely manner and with appropriate resources.

2. If any significant tree branches or trees fall onto your home or other property, contact Maintenance Services at 408-223-4670. After hours, contact Public Safety at 408-223-4665. We will dispatch crews to safely remove the tree debris and, as needed, perform repairs.

—Maintenance Services

Slice of Humor



"A young man decided to give back to his community by volunteering to sing to patients in local nursing homes and hospitals. He went to a hospital near his home and brought his musical instruments along. He told some jokes and sang some songs before a group assembled in the dining room. When he finished for the afternoon he said, in all sincerity, "I hope you all get better!" One elderly gentleman piped up, "I hope you get better, too!"

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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

Your Weekly Words of Wisdom



In the final analysis, your future is not going to depend on economic conditions or outside influences over which you have no control. Rather, your future depends on your purpose in life.

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**ITEMS
FOR SALE**

ESTATE SALE
8687 Lomas Azules Place

Friday - January 13, 2023
Saturday - Jan 14, 2023
9am Til 2pm

Bedroom Set, Dining set,
Sofa, Ottoman, Gold Mir-
rors, Art, Shelf System, Curio
Cabinet, Dinette Set, Books,
Antique Piano, Silver flat-
ware, Crystal, China, Tools,
Toys, Clothing, Collectables,
Lamps, much more.

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**FOR SALE
(CONT.)**

ESE ESTATE SALE

9013 Village View Drive
Valle Vista Village

Friday, January 13,
10AM to 2PM
Saturday, January 14,
10AM to 12Noon

Living, Dining, Bedroom,
Office, Patio Furniture; Fine
China; Refrigerator/Freezer;
Washer/Dryer; Rugs; Wall
Art; Small Appliances; Kitch-
enware; Glassware; Linen;
Flatware; Office Supplies;
Collectables, Electronic De-
vices; Two Bicycles; DVDs;
CDs; Books; Tools;
and much more.

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**CARS, RVs,
GOLF CARTS**

Wheelchair van,
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The Villages Lost & Found

Located in the Community
Resource Center (Building B).

Items are held for 30 days.
Items remaining
unclaimed after 30 days
are donated to a charity.

Please call 274-4400
if you have recently
lost an item.

**HIRING/HELP
WANTED**

HELP WANTED

Choir Director
Villages Community Chapel
Part time work.
Flexible hours.

Contact: Gary Hill
408-274-8086

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HIRING CAREGIVER ASAP
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EXPERIENCED
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650-207-2442

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**Volunteer and read with
kids at MPESD!**

No experience needed!
Contact: Dina Chung
dchung@mpesd.org
408-223-3783

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Volunteer Proofreader
Wanted For The Villager
once a month only
Tuesday evenings
For details call
Scott 408-223-4655

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**LOST &
FOUND**

LOST—Our beloved cat
Grady. Last seen 1/3 on
Buckhaven Drive. Ran out
of home on Beltane Drive
on 12/26. Solid grey, stout,
17 years old. If you see him,
please call Don/Laura:
408-313-7624.
Thank you!

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More COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

**Get a head start on trip
registration!**

Did you know there are a few ways that you can be an early bird and learn about trip registrations before other residents? Typically, registration for trips is held on the Monday after the article appears in The Villager newspaper or Fast Lane email blast, but occasionally we switch it up to accommodate a holiday or other timing issue. If you have missed out on the opportunity to join us for a trip, please consider the following options:

1) Sign up for the Community Activities edition of the Fast Lane which is sent out every Thursday at 5 p.m. This dedicated email will inform you of the trips, classes and on-site events sponsored by Community Activities. New users can sign up for the Fast Lane online when logged into the Resident Portal by scrolling all the way down to the bottom of the Home Page and clicking on the link under "Get in the Fast Lane." You can also contact our Communications Coordinator Ken Patterson to sign up or add the Thursday edition to your existing subscription by emailing kpatterson@the-villages.com. The Resident Portal website is resident.thevillagesgcc.com

2) Peruse The Villager newspaper early. You can grab the latest copies of the newspaper in the news bin outside Building B starting every Thursday at 5 p.m., or you can view the electronic version of the latest The Villager newspaper when it becomes available on the Resident Portal every Thursday at 6 p.m. You do not need to have a Portal account to view it, simply choose the "The Villager Newspaper" menu option and then select "The Villager Online." You can also see past editions of the newspaper this way.

3) Check out the "Look What's Coming" list of upcoming trips which is posted in Building B at the Community Resource Desk. This list may also be published in the newspaper as space allows.

If you are interested in a particular trip, class, or on-site event that is sponsored by Community Activities we recommend that you register as early as possible. Some trips have sold out within a few hours on the first day of registration. If you have questions about upcoming trips, how to register, or our registration policies, please reach out to us at 408-223-4643.

**Accessing Fitness Center
using your Villages ID**

The Fitness Center is accessible to residents who have attended the required Equipment Demonstration and thus have had their Villages ID Card activated to use as a key. When wanting access make sure to hold your ID up to the door sensor with your photo facing yourself. You may need to move the ID around a little so that the sensor can locate and read the microchip embedded in your card. Once the chip is read there should be a green light, some beeps, and you will have four seconds to open the door.

If the light does not turn green it could be because:

a) You have not attended the required demo. You can register for one online by logging on to the Resident Portal and using the "Reservations" menu option, or register via phone by calling the Community Resource Center (CRC) at 408-754-1336.

b) You have attended the required demo but not yet submitted the paperwork given to you after the session. If so please read and sign that paperwork and bring it to

Building B so we can process it. There should be two pages.

c) You have attended the required demo but moved out of The Villages and have since moved back in. You will need to re-establish your facility access by taking the Equipment Demonstration again.

d) The microchip in your card has been damaged in some way and your card must be replaced. Please contact the Public Safety Administration office at 408-239-5246, Option 2 for assistance.

For more information on accessing the Fitness Center or to register for a demo please call the CRC at 408-754-1336.



OBITUARY

Veronica LaVonia Williams Andersen

January 28, 1942 — December 2, 2022



Veronica W. Andersen embraced the arms of Jesus Christ on December 2, 2022 surrounded by family including older sister Harriett and older brother John from Pittsburgh, PA. She was born in Penn Hills, Pittsburgh, PA to parents Andrew and Florence Williams. Veronica was the middle child of eleven. She started working at an early age at a pie shop and doing laundry. She worked her way through school and put herself through college at Pittsburgh University where she got her Nursing Degree, and was in the top 5 of her class. Due to several operations through her teen years and college, her doctor said to her, "Is there anywhere you want to go and see? Because your health is not good, I cannot do anymore for you here." She decided to come to the Bay Area and went to work at the old Kaiser off of Keily Avenue from 1966 to 1973. In July of 1972, a co-worker invited her to Faith Temple to go to a church revival meeting where she said yes to Jesus and followed

Him until her death when her faith became sight. Shortly after this move, she became very ill and the doctor said, "No more we can do," and she spent two years in Kaiser Hospital Oakland. Her mom, Florence, flew out and prayed for Veronica and said, "This is not unto death," which confirmed what evangelist, Harold Woodson, told her a week before her illness. He said, "Say yes to God and He will bring you through." Two years later, they released her from Kaiser but said she would never walk without braces. Less than a year later she was walking without braces.

Veronica became a school nurse at Calvary Community Church in 1976 and was there for eight years. Since she could not have children, these students became family to her and she nurtured them. A co-worker named Mabel Tucker said to Veronica, "Come to The Villages and you can earn extra money as a nurse." That journey lasted 46 years here at The Villages. She ended up being a full-time nurse for 24 years for Gus and Ruth Steiner. Gus was Vice President of Atkinson development, which built Montgomery Village.

On October 14, 2000, she married her husband and best friend, Jens Andersen, with whom she celebrated 22 years of marriage. They met at Cathedral of Faith Church at an Easter production, where Veronica found her passion as Wardrobe Director for 30 years. She was busy all year round with Fourth of July pageants and Christmas productions—in the Easter productions in the '80s and '90s, the cast would have 200-300 costumes. She traveled with her husband Jens to Europe, Israel, and the Mediterranean.

Her clients here at The Villages were family—she believed in the best care and dignity. She had a special client who tried to teach her Hebrew, Adam Cintz, and she was engaged at how he survived the Holocaust in World War II. Her last clients were Margeurite Wyant and Bill & Dotty Beardsley. She believed in sharing her faith and had a great love for her family. She is survived by brothers Fran, Andy, John and sisters Harriett, Adrienne, Eileen, as well as goddaughters, nieces, nephews, and cousins. She was a mom to Jens' daughter, and Grandma Vern to their granddaughter.

Message from Jens Andersen: Special thanks to my brother, Niels, and his wife, Annette, for helping me through this time, as well as my niece, Krista, for helping me put this together—and love to my goddaughter, Kirsten. There are so many people to say thank you to and you know who you are, May God bless you!

Veronica said, "Our youth is the future foundation." In lieu of flowers, you can send a donation to Cathedral of Faith youth department: 2315 Canoas Garden Ave, San Jose, CA, 95125.

There will be a service held on January 28 at 10:00AM in the Main Sanctuary at Cathedral of Faith.

OBITUARY

Paulette Majel Dudley

March 20, 1946 — November 3, 2022

Paulette Majel Dudley passed away on November 3, 2022 in San Jose, California at the age of 76. A Celebration of Life will be held March 5, 2023 at The Villages Golf and Country Club.

Paulette was born in Birmingham, Alabama on March 20, 1946, and was preceded in death by her mother, Nellie Dudley, and brother, Rev. Walter L. Pierce. Paulette grew up in Birmingham where she was surrounded by her beloved extended family, including her sister, Willodean Davis.

Paulette graduated from Parker High School in 1963 and from Stillman College in Tuscaloosa, Alabama in 1967 with a Bachelor's Degree in English. During that time, she was also a dedicated member of the Baptist Church and choir and was active in the Civil Rights movement. After graduating from college, she headed to California and made it her home, working first as a third-grade teacher, then ultimately in finance roles in several large corporations. She married in 1969 and her daughter, Tarita Tiffany Whittingham, was born in 1974, her only child and the light of her life.

Paulette developed lifelong friendships in California, met Walter Hlavacek in the early '90s and eloped to Palm Springs in June 2005. Walter was the love of her life. They spent their time enjoying their beautiful home and delighting in many travels throughout California, as well as across the U.S. and Europe, visiting family and friends to attend weddings, graduations, reunions, and other joyous events. They migrated to The Villages in 2015.

Paulette fell into poor health three years before her passing, and her husband was the constant companion by her side. She enjoyed regular visits from her daughter and her precious grandchildren Jayla and Ray, and frequent phone calls from extended family and many dear friends from near and far.



MEMORIAL SERVICE

Services for Don Willey will be at the Clubhouse, January 22 at 2 p.m.

To attend, please email ddwilley@aol.com by January 16.



Obituary notices may be placed in the Classified Advertising section for a fee. For more information, 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.

In Memoriam notices on page 2 are run free of charge. Notices include name of deceased, date of birth and date of passing. Brief notices of memorial gatherings may be included with the notice, providing event is held in a Villages facility.

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Contacting PG&E during a power outage

You can report or get more information about power outages during stormy weather (and under regular conditions, too) through some of the following ways:

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

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

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

If you experience a power outage, do not be hesitant to contact PG&E and report it or to get more information about outages in your vicinity.

Donate your old golf cart to the VMA

You know you want to get a new cart, but what do you do with the old one? You don't have the time or any interest to fix it up. You absolutely don't want to put any money into it. You need to make room for the new one that's arriving in a few days.

The answer is simple... **donate that beauty to the VMA!**

The VMA takes donations of gas and electric golf carts (working or not). These carts are sold and the proceeds are used to support the VMA's mission to assist residents and help them lead active, independent, and healthy lives.

Your golf cart donation qualifies as a charitable contribution under Internal Revenue Code 501(c)(3). You will receive a receipt that you can use when you are completing your taxes.

The donated carts are available for Villagers to purchase. Contact the VMA office (408-238-4230) to put your name on the waiting list.

And please remember that the VMA also graciously accepts donations of cars!

When you can, take some time to visit the VMA website. You'll be amazed at all of the helpful information that you may not have been aware of. **Visit vmavillages.org**

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