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Senior Academy to welcome Mayor Matt Mahan

Join us on Wednesday, February 15 at 7 p.m. in the Fairway Room to meet our new mayor in person. Please pre-register at VillagesSA.org.

When Matt Mahan won November's election for mayor, outgoing mayor Sam Liccardo had sage advice for him: "Tag. You're it. Don't screw up." Mahan is putting forth his level best to do just that in the two years he has to prove himself worthy of re-election in 2024.

He's got an ambitious agenda and not a lot of time; hence he's hit the ground running, maintaining an aggressive schedule. His first two weeks were filled with meetings, community events and media interviews on atmospheric rivers—even on the weekends, according to his daily calendar.

Mahan said the busy schedule during his first two weeks is just the beginning, adding it's his mission to meet with as many stakeholders and community leaders as he can. "During the campaign I promised to hit the ground running—but these days, I'd call it more of a sprint," Mahan told San José Spotlight. "Community engagement in government is a hallmark of a functioning democracy. I was elected to serve the people, and anyone who has a stake in how our city is run deserves my time."

Join us on Wednesday, February 15 at 7 p.m. in The Fairway Room to meet our new mayor in person. This event is open to all Villagers! Pre-registration at the Senior Academy website VillagesSA.org or by contacting by Susan Dooley on 408-528-8881. If you are responding by phone, please provide the name and date of the event, your name, email address, house number and names of any guests.

The Villages Executive Leadership Round Table

Come meet and chat with The Villages Board Presidents Leslie Lambert (Club), David Cook (Association) and Teddy Morse (Homeowners) and General Manager Theresa Ostrander.

This open event is scheduled for Monday, February 13 from 3 to 4 p.m. in Foothill Center and provides an opportunity for you to ask questions, provide suggestions and share concerns.

Operating Financial Commentary for the Month of December 2022

Club Operating Statement Review

For the month of December 2022

Total revenue was $36,400 (3.2 percent) unfavorable to the budget of $1,140,700. The most significant unfavorable to budget revenue category was food/bar sales with a combined negative budget variance of $24,800, or 9.5 percent (actual $236,200 vs. budget of $261,000). Other notable unfavorable to budget revenue categories were resident activities (actual $100 vs. budget of $10,000) and green fees coming in 10 percent less than budget at $68,500 for the month. Notable favorable to budget revenue categories were advertising income, with a positive variance of $5,800 (42.4 percent) and billable services with a positive variance of $6,300 (170 percent), offset in expenses.

Total expenses were $17,100 favorable to budget, or 1.5 percent less than the budget of $1,153,100. The most significant favorable to budget expense category was water expense, with a positive variance of $28,100, or 87 percent (actual $4,100 vs. budget of $32,300) with heavy December rainfall. Other notable favorable to budget expense categories for the month were as follows: 1) printing expense (actual $8,100 vs. budget of $26,300) due to timing of directory printing, 2) Comcast expense (actual $83,900 vs. budget of $92,400) due to new contract less than budget, and 3) tree trimming (actual $3,300 vs. budget of $10,700) due to timing of golf course work. Highlights of unfavorable to budget expense categories were the following: 1) employee expenses (actual $782,500 vs. budget of $759,500) due to out-of-class pay adjustments, 2) professional fees (actual $22,400 vs. budget of $10,500) due to HR consultant (offset in salaries), and 3) advertising/promotion (actual $8,600 vs. budget of $2,100) for New Year's Eve at the Clubhouse.

The net negative operating budget variance for the month of December was $19,300. See table below.

December 2022 Club Operating Results

	Actual	*Budget*	*Variance*
Revenue	$1,104,300	$1,140,700	$ -36,400
Expenses	$1,136,000	$1,153,100	$ 17,100
Net	$ -31,700	$ -12,400	$ -19,300

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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.

1 Pulse letters received this week.
0 Pulse letters not meeting Pulse Letter Guidelines.
1 Pulse letters published this week.

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

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

Experience is a very sobering teacher. Last week my wallet was stolen from my purse while I was grocery shopping. A "slick pair" pulled off the caper—he asked which squash was best for soup, while his female partner quietly zipped open my purse located in the cart behind me. I only realized the crime when I arrived at the checkout counter. I later learned that another shopper had the same experience with the pair. I contacted Life-lock; they immediately placed a fraud alert with the three credit bureaus and stopped my credit card payments. They worked with me to identify all the organizations involved and actions to be taken. I filed a police report. Unfortunately with no actual evidence, it will be difficult to find the culprits. I told the store manager I would spread the word for shoppers to be careful; he finds purses in carts frequently and he always calls for the owner. I was stunned to learn that the crooks had attempted using my credit cards within 15 minutes of when they were stolen. I spent most of the week on the phone or computer, trying to rebuild my life again. Please be vigilant.

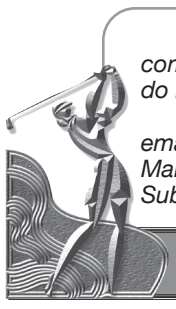
—Vera Buescher

Villages 2023 Telephone Directory distribution

The delivery of the Villages 2023 Telephone Directory has been completed.

Missed or damaged books may be replaced without charge for a month until Friday, March 3. Replacement directories may be picked up at the Community Resource Center in the Building B lobby. After that, Villages residents may purchase a telephone directory (or extra directories) for $10 each.

To make changes to your directory listing, call the Public Safety Administration office in Building C. Telephone number is 408-239-5246, option 2.



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

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.

Correction:

The Villager printed an incorrect byline for the Catholic Community article in the January 26 edition.

The article's author was Jean Gillette.

IN MEMORIAM

Robert Vierra
October 24, 1926—January 27, 2023
(Please see obituary in the Classified Advertising section)

In Memoriam notices are run free of charge.

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

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" d*evelops 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 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

Club Board President's Message—January 31, 2023

Hello, Villagers! We're off to a fast start in the New Year, with over one foot of very welcome rain to aid in overcoming current drought conditions. Big winds arrived with the rain, and we've lost several trees across the property. The remaining downed trees on the golf course will be removed as soon as the golf course turf dries sufficiently to permit heavy equipment to drive on top.

Hundreds of extra work orders from residents were submitted due to the stormy conditions and they are being cleared by staff as quickly as possible. I want to extend a big thank you from the Club Board to The Villages and BrightView teams for their quick response and dedicated support—being out in the bad weather, taking care of clogged drains, downed trees, and several other rough situations. Thank you to the dedicated Villages Team members for their actions in keeping us safe and removing problems as quickly as they can. Temperatures have also been very cool. Please keep yourselves warm and safe as we progress through the remaining seven weeks of winter.

I think of the New Year as a time to look forward, to anticipate change, and to plan for new opportunities. The Villages is constantly evolving and improving, moving forward, as we invest in the care and renewal of our lovely property. To support positive change at The Villages, we are very fortunate to have a new employee, Ryan Bell, join us as the Director of Capital and Reserve Projects, reporting to our General Manager, Theresa Ostrander. This is Ryan's first week and he's jumped in right away to have a positive impact on several projects across The Villages property. Please join me in welcoming Ryan Bell to The Villages Team!

We have much to be thankful for at The Villages, the beautiful surroundings and the tremendous number of activities and amenities to keep ourselves busy. There truly is something here for everyone! I'm fascinated and gratified each week when I pick up *The Villager* newspaper and see the level of activity, engagement, and fun taking place. If you have questions about activities at The Villages, or can't find information about something you're interested in, please reach out to The Villages Community Activities office. Go, Villagers, Go!

The Nominating Committee of the Club Board has begun its process of seeking interested candidates interested in participating in the annual Villages-wide May elections. Please see their contact information in recent editions of *The Villager* newspaper and in the Board Edition of the FastLane. As a reminder, this year's members of the Club Board Nominating Committee are Andy Altman, John Laws. Vivian Brown, Beverly Poellot, and Mohan Rao Aiyagari. The Club Board sincerely thanks them for their service. Please contact any these fine folks to engage in this year's Club Board nomination and election process. *(See article on page 23.)*

As always, the Club Board appreciates hearing the views and ideas of Villagers and we commit to continue to listen to you and address your questions with our "Ask the CBOD" communications channel. We encourage you to write to us!

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

—Leslie Lambert, Villages Golf & Country Club President

Association President's Report—January 31, 2023

Welcome to the January 2023 Villages Association Board Regular Monthly Meeting.

Happy New Year! We just turned the calendar to the year 2023 and here it is already almost February! Everyone must have asked for rain as one their holiday gifts, because it came down in buckets! The Bay Area hasn't seen this much rain in such a short time in over a hundred years! The storms were a "stress test" for The Villages—knocking down trees, flooding yards, overflowing rain gutters. Like any stressful event, it points out areas that need repair or improvement, but also how resilient our staff and community are when working together. Working in the rain, cold, and dark days our staff responded quickly for our safety and protecting our property. Please join me in thanking them and being patient while we recover from the damages.

The positive side of all the rain is that all our hillsides have turned a verdant green and the drought has been lessened. Lessened, but still present, and The Villages remains under the same water use restrictions as before. Spring is coming, the days are getting longer, the pandemic is receding, and new growth and opportunities are all around us.

Growth, renewal, and new opportunities are here for The Villages as well with a new General Manager and the three boards working closely together. We have many challenges this year to deal with as inflation and insurance losses continue to ratchet up our expenses, the drought continues, and drought recovery costs accrue for future payment. This is a good time to study Villages operations and look creatively for ways to improve, manage costs, and continue to build the synergy across staff and the boards.

This is also the time for our condo owners to consider stepping up to the challenges of setting the policy and direction of the Association, as there will be four director positions coming up for elections in a few months. Talk to your friends, talk to the current directors, think about learning more about how The Villages operates and how you can contribute to the Association's mission—to Protect, Maintain, and Enhance the common property of its members.

The opportunities are in front of us, come join us!

Best regards,

—David Cook, Villages Association President

Governance Meetings

THE DACs

Verano DAC to meet February 6

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

Del Lago DAC meeting cancelled

The Del Lago DAC residents' meeting originally scheduled for Thursday, February 9 has been cancelled. For more information, contact: Emil Pisarri at 669-609-0461 or puffycat7@iCloud.com or Judith Bushey at 408-930-2985 or judy.bushey@sbcglobal.net

Montgomery DAC to meet February 13

The Montgomery DAC will host a meeting on Zoom on Monday, February 13 at 10 a.m. Meeting ID is 840 7492 3482 and the Passcode is 243713. If you wish to dial in by phone, call 408-638-0968.

Sonata DAC to meet February 16

The first quarterly Sonata DAC Meeting of the year will be held on Thursday, February 16 at 9:30 a.m. at Vineyard Center.

BOARD MEETINGS

Association

- The Villages Association Board of Directors Monthly Board hybrid meeting is Tuesday, February 28, 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, February 28, 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

More BOARDS & COMMITTEES
and COMMUNITY NOTICES
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Operating Financial Commentary…

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Year-to-date (six months), revenue is $28,000 favorable to budget, 0.4 percent higher than the budget of $6,960,000. Year-to-date, expenses are $370,000 favorable to budget, 5.2 percent less than the budget of $7,059,000. The year-to-date net positive operating budget variance is $398,000. See table below for results by department. The monthly solar lease payments and contribution to the balloon payment fund (to be paid in September 2023) are being funded from a portion of the FY22 Operating surplus. The year-to-date total for these two items is $127,000.

The Villages Golf and Country Club
FY23 Club Operating Budget Summary
For Six Months ended December 31, 2022

	Revenues ($)			*Expenditures ($)*			*FY '23 Net ($)*
Department	**Actual**	**Budget**	**Variance**	**Actual**	**Budget**	**Variance**	**Variance**
G&A	524,000	513,000	11,000	475,000	503,000	28,000	39,000
Maintenance Admin	90,000	89,000	1,000	79,000	81,000	2,000	3,000
Golf Course/Pro Shop	1,440,000	1,440,000	0	1,377,000	1,449,000	72,000	72,000
Community Activities	517,000	569,000	-52,000	450,000	567,000	117,000	65,000
Community Centers	405,000	402,000	3,000	417,000	404,000	-13,000	-10,000
Public Safety	638,000	635,000	3,000	616,000	645,000	29,000	32,000
Pools	117,000	117,000	0	125,000	110,000	-15,000	-15,000
Clubhouse/Restaurant	2,073,000	2,010,000	63,000	2,048,000	2,050,000	2,000	65,000
All Other	1,184,000	1,185,000	-1,000	1,102,000	1,250,000	148,000	147,000
Totals	6,988,000	6,960,000	28,000	6,689,000	7,059,000	370,000	398,000

All Other shows a $147,000 net positive variance due to favorable water expense, Comcast expense, and planting expense. Golf Course/Pro Shop shows a $72,000 net positive variance from savings in employee expenses, water expense and tree trimming (timing), offset by more than planned electricity, chemical supplies and pest control expenses. Clubhouse/Restaurant shows a $65,000 net positive variance due to favorable food sales. Community Activities shows a $65,000 net positive variance from favorable employee expenses and advertising income. G&A has posted a $39,000 net positive variance due to reduced employee expenses with the vacancy in the General Manager position for most of the first four months of the fiscal year. Public Safety has posted a $32,000 net positive variance due to less than planned employee expenses. Pools have a $15,000 net negative variance from higher than planned repair and maintenance, gas, and electricity expenses. Community centers show a $10,000 net negative variance from higher than planned electricity expense, offset by more than planned rental income.

Association Operating Statement Review

For the month of December 2022

Revenue was on budget for the month at $1,014,200.

Expenses for the month were $34,200 (3.7 percent) favorable to the budget of $934,300.

Notable **favorable** to budget expense categories for the month were the following:

- Water Expense, $66,300 (45 percent) less than budget (actual $81,100 vs. budget of $147,400)
  - -Results from two-month water bill for November/December
  - -Irrigation water usage restrictions in force and significant rainfall
- Planting Expense, $14,300 (74.5 percent) less than budget (actual $4,900 vs. budget of $19,200)

Significant **unfavorable** to budget expense category for the month was the following:

- Insurance Expense, $37,800 (15 percent) more than budget (actual $290,300 vs. budget of $252,500) due to impact of 2022 property insurance renewal effective May 30, 2022
- Irrigation Maintenance, $4,000 (93 percent) more than budget (actual $8,300 vs. budget of $4,300)

The net positive operating budget variance for the month of December was $34,200. See table below.

December 2022 Association Operating Results

	Actual	*Budget*	*Variance*
Revenue	$1,014,200	$1,014,200	$ 0
Expenses	$ 900,100	$ 934,300	$34,200
Net	$ 114,100	$ 79,900	$34,200

Year-to-date (six months of operations), total revenue is $6,085,900, or .01 percent ($700) more than the budget of $6,085,200. Year-to-date, operating expenses are $6,042,300, or 4.5 percent ($283,600) less than the budget of $6,325,900. The positive budget variance is attributed to savings in water expense, repair and maintenance and planting expense, offset by more than planned insurance expense and operating supplies. **The year-to-date net positive operating budget variance is $284,300.**

Association Board Voting Record for January 2023

Association Voting Record for January 31, 2023

		Board Members*							Comments	Costs
		DC	DH	RH	JW	GP	MS	SG		
1	Approval Consideration of Election Timeline for The Villages Association 2023 Election of Directors and IRS Resolution Vote	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	A	The Board approved The Villages Association Timeline for the 2023 Election of Directors, IRS Resolution Vote and Annual Meeting as proposed, and appointed Jeanne Filice, Kathy Weatherford, and Janelle Marines as the Inspectors of Elections for this election and any additional votes in 2023.	$0
2	Vote and Ballot Count - Exclusionary Encroachment into Common Area Request from the Owner at 7205 Via Carrizo	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	A	The Board accepted the vote count of the CC&Rs Amendment as read and presented by Inspectors of Elections. "FOR" votes = 37; "AGAINST" votes = 6. The vote did not pass as it did not received the 39 approval, or "FOR", votes needed.	$0
3	Finance and Reserve Committee DAC Budget List Recommendations	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	A	The Board reviewed the Finance and Reserves Committee DAC Budget List Recommendations.	$0
4	District Advisory Committee (DAC) Appointments and Resignations	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	A	**Approved the following DAC appointments:** Olivas DAC- Vickie Cook as voting member and Valle Vista DAC - Maxine Amundson and Rita Karlsten as voting members. **Approved with appreciation for service the following DAC resignations:** Glen Arden DAC - Garry Gray, Camille Giuliodibari, Kristin McCarthy and Louann Partridge; Valle Vista DAC - Elsa McLaughlin	$0
5	Approve Resolution to Record Lien: 665-25-XXX	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	A	The Board approved the recordation of a lien on unit # 665-25-XXX, for unpaid assessments totaling $4,013.63	$4,014
6	Review to Approve- AC Solar Conditionally Approved Applications: 4012 Clubhouse Court 7694 Galloway Drive 9067 Village View Loop	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	AB	A	The Board conditionally approved the installation of solar system on common area sloped roofs located at 4012 Clubhouse Court, 7694 Galloway Drive, and 9067 Village View Loop pending alternative proof of receipt of revocable easement recordation, including a copy of the signed and notarized documents and owners submitting required insurance and city permit paperwork including comments to AC prior to starting construction.	$0
7	Approval Consideration to Transfer Funds for Partial Payment on Outstanding Loan for 2022 Property Insurance Premium	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	A	The Board approved the transfer of $300,000 from the Association's Operating Fund to the Reserve Fund for the partial payment on the outstanding loan of $1,970,000 used to help pay the 2022 property insurance premium renewal in June 2022, with a balance of $1,670,000 to be paid back by June 30,2023.	$300,000
8	Approval Consideration to Vote to Ratify the Monthly Review of Accounts per Civil Code §5500	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	A	The Board approved to ratify the monthly review of accounts as presented.	$0
	Total APPROVED Expenditures this meeting									**$304,014**

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

* DC = David Cook | DH = Diana Hallock | RH = Richard Holmboe | JW = Julie Wash | GP = George Paris | MS = Michael Schwerin | SG = Stephen Gilbert

Homeowners' Operating Statement Review

For the month of December 2022

December 2022 Non-Estates Operating Results

	Actual	*Budget*	*Variance*
Revenue	$3,900	$3,902	$ -2
Expenses	$3,723	$3,961	$238
Net	$ 177	$ -59	$236

Non-Estates revenue was short of budget by $2 (rounding) at $3,900 for the month. December expenses were $238 favorable to budget, 6 percent less than the budget of $3,961, due to less than planned legal fees ($112) and insurance expense ($126). **The net positive operating budget variance for the month of December was $236.**

Year-to-date (six months of operations), total revenue is $23,402, short of budget by $10 (rounding). Year-to-date, operating expenses total $22,338, less than budget by $1,428 (6 percent). The positive budget variance is attributed to savings in insurance expense and legal fees. **The year-to-date net positive operating budget variance is $1,418.**

December 2022 Estates Operating Results

	Actual	*Budget*	*Variance*
Revenue	$16,004	$ 16,003	$ 1
Expenses	$ 9,190	$ 12,144	$2,954
Net	$ 6,814	$ 3,859	$2,955

Estates revenue for the month tracked budget at $16,004. December expenses were $2,954 favorable to budget, 24.3 percent less than the budget of $12,144, mostly due to favorable water expense. **The net positive operating budget variance for the month of December was $2,955.**

Year-to-date (six months of operations), total revenue is $96,021, higher than budget by $3 (rounding). Year-to-date, operating expenses total $90,350, less than budget by $10,695 (10.6 percent). The positive budget variance is attributed to savings in water and planting expenses. **The year-to-date net positive operating budget variance is $10,698.**

Combined Financials Audit Note: It has come to our attention that an inadvertent disclosure error was made in Note 9 of the Combined Financial Statements and Independent Auditor's Report for Years Ended June 30, 2022, and 2021. Note 9 is a disclosure statement regarding related parties and concentration of vendors. It is found on page 17 of the most recent audit report (Years Ended June 30, 2022, and 2021) and on page 18 of the prior year's report (Years Ended June 30, 2021, and 2020). The amount reported to have been paid to the landscape maintenance contract vendor for the year ended June 30, 2021, was $2,444,797, but should have been $3,453,882. The error does not change the financial statements in any way since the correct number was used in all calculations and the remainder of the report. The Boards believe that disclosure of the error at the monthly Board meetings and in *The Villager* are the most effective and efficient methods to inform the membership.

Club Board Voting Record for January 2023

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	January 31, 2023 Monthly Meeting Agenda Items	Board Members*							Comments	Costs
		LL	JO	BK	RZ	GA	LK	BW		
1	Quarterly Projects Review	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	The Board conducted a quarterly review of the Club projects with management and staff providing updates of various projects. General Manager Theresa Ostrander discussed the revised report formatting noting that there will updates monthly moving forward.	0
2	Rules Committee Recommendation for Proposed Changes to Rule 1.14 Golf Facilities to Require Two Riders in Each Golf Cart.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	The Board approved to publish for 30-day notice proposed changes to Rule 1.14 Golf Facilities. The purpose of changes is to 1) require that two riders be in each golf cart to reduce wear on the golf course and save on maintenance costs, and 2) to take language on golf tournament green fees from VGCC Board Policy CPo 312 and add it, instead to Rule 1.14.	0
3	Approval Consideration of Committee Appointments and Re-Appointments (Emergency Preparedness Committee).	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	The Board approved the reappointment of Bob Dolci and Vera Buescher and the appointment of Michael Gilbert, Marie Colaizzi, Jean Corrigan, Amy Meier, Kyle Finley, Irene Browne-Grimm, Linda McMullen and Lorraine Silva to the Emergency Preparedness Committee for terms of three years per the VCGG Policy CPo 208 Emergency Preparedness Committee Charter.	0
4	Approval Consideration of Committee Appointments and Re-Appointments (Rules Committee and Swimming Pools Advisory Committee).	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	The Board approved the appointment of Helen Varenkamp to the Rules Committee for a term of two years per VGCC Policy CPo 204 Rules Committee and approved the reappointment of Michael Jablon to the Swimming Pools Advisory Committee for a term of two years per VGCC Policy CPo 209 Swimming Pools Advisory Committee.	0
5	Requests for Revision to VGCC Policies CPo 204 Rules Committee and CPo 207 Communications Advisory Committee.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	The Board approved to publish for 30-day notice changes to Policies CPo 204 Rules Committee and CPo 207 Communications Advisory Committee. The purpose of the proposed changes is to remove the limitations on the number of terms and consecutive terms committee members may serve.	0
6	Approval Consideration of Pool Re-Surfacing Projects at Foothill and Cribari Pools.	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	This item was removed from the agenda.	0
7	Approval Consideration for Landscape Proposal at the 18th Hole.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	AB	Y	The Board approved landscape proposal at a cost of not-to-exceed $21,768 for the FY22/23 Golf Course #18 Pond Boundary Landscape Renovation Project with the vendor to be determined; said work to be funded from the Reserve Fund and to be complete before annual invitationals commence.	$21,768
8	Approval Consideration of Quarterly Review of Accounts Per VGCC Bylaws Section 8.2.7.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	The Board accepted the quarterly review of accounts as presented.	0
	Total APPROVED Expenditures this meeting									$21,768

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

* LL = Leslie Lambert |JO = Judy Owen | BK = Bob Krattli | RZ = Richard Zahner | GA = Garry Ashby | LK = Liz Kung | BW = Bob Wilk

Calendar of Events

Friday, February 3

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.	SRS Tax Services	FC
9 a.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
9:30 a.m.	Ceramics Open Studio	CER
9:30 a.m.	Open Studio	AR
10 a.m.	Quilters	PR
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.	Theater Rehearsal – Spring	A

Saturday, February 4

9 a.m.	Open Sewing	PR
9 a.m.	Ukulele Singing	SEQ
9 a.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
9:30 a.m.	Ceramics Open Studio	CER

Sunday, February 5

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

Monday, February 6

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
9:30 a.m.	Ceramics Open Studio	CER
10 a.m.	9 Hole Women Golf Board	FC
10 a.m.	Drawing Class	AR
10 a.m.	Mat Pilates Class	A
10:30 a.m.	Fitness Center Committee	F
10:30 a.m.	VMA Grief Support	SEQ
11 a.m.	Bocce Boot Camp	GP
1 p.m.	Stitchery	PR
1 p.m.	Olivas DAC	FC
1:30 p.m.	Arts & Crafts Meeting	CR
2 p.m.	Theater Rehearsal – Spring	A
3 p.m.	Verano DAC	VC
3:45 p.m.	18 Hole Women Golf Board	PR
4 p.m.	EPC Training	F
5:30 p.m.	Villages Dancers	A
7 p.m.	Duplicate Bridge	RED

Tuesday, February 7

8:30 a.m.	Men's Golf Club Ex Committee	MC
8:30 a.m.	Tai Chi	A
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED
9 a.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
9:30 a.m.	Ceramics Open Studio	CER
9:30 a.m.	Poetry In Art & Pastel	AR
10 a.m.	Ukulele - Intermediate	PR
10 a.m.	Line Dance	A
11 a.m.	Live Stronger Walking	CR
11 a.m.	Men's Social Club Lunch	CH
12 p.m.	Live Stronger Walking	CR
1:45 p.m.	Veteran's Club	VC
6 p.m.	Concert Band	A
6:30 p.m.	Catholic Council	MC
7 p.m.	Astronomy Club	FC

Wednesday, February 8

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
9:30 a.m.	Ceramics Open Studio	CER
9:30 a.m.	VMA Ex. Board	MC
10 a.m.	VMA General Board Meet.	MC
10 a.m.	Watercolor Classes	AR
10 a.m.	Yoga Class	A
11 a.m.	Bocce Boot Camp	BC
11 a.m.	Israeli Folk Dance	CR
2 p.m.	Theater Rehearsal – Spring	A
3:30 p.m.	Evergreen Foundation	PR
6 p.m.	Village Dancers Prep	A
6:30 p.m.	Mexican Train Dominoes	MC
7 p.m.	Duplicate Bridge	RED
7 p.m.	Village Voices	FC

Thursday, February 9

8:30 a.m.	Tai Chi	CR
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED
9 a.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
9:30 a.m.	Acrylic Class	AR
9:30 a.m.	Ceramics Open Studio	CER
10 a.m.	Communications Committee	F
10 a.m.	Del Lago DAC	FC
10 a.m.	Live Stronger Walking	A
11 a.m.	Vibrant Health Program	MC
11:30 a.m.	18 Hole Women Golf Lunch	CH
1 p.m.	Chapel Small Group	SEQ
1:30 p.m.	Ukulele Club	VC
3 p.m.	Chapel Choir Rehearsal	MC
3 p.m.	Villages Golf Committee	CR
4 p.m.	Pickleball Board Meet.	PR
5:30 p.m.	Hiking Club Soup Supper	FC
7 p.m.	Folksters	VC
7 p.m.	Theater Rehearsal – Spring	A

Friday, February 10

8 a.m.	Catholic Mass	A
9 a.m.	Chinese Morning Exercise	P
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED
9 a.m.	SRS Income Tax	FC
9 a.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
9:30 a.m.	Ceramics Open Studio	CER
9:30 a.m.	Friday Open Studio	AR
10 a.m.	Quilters	PR
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.	Theater Rehearsal – Spring	A

EVENT LOCATIONS

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

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February 2023 Programs

Shoulder Strength and Mobility – Patrick Madriaga PT with Silver Creek Fitness and Physical Therapy will present a talk on "the shoulder." He will discuss the shoulder's anatomy, some diagnoses and how to improve its mobility and strength. Thursday, February 9 at 11 a.m. in Montgomery Center. Please call to register 408-238-4029.

Advance Healthcare Directives – With Grace Hospice will discuss the different types of healthcare planning documents. Join us February 15 at 10:30 a.m. in the Sequoia Room. Please call 408-238-4029 to register.

Support Groups in February

Please note new meeting rooms.

Grief Support Group: Chaplain Dale Poland, M.Div, BCC - from Hospice of the Valley-Sutter Health will meet on Mondays, February 6 and 13 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 February 16 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, February 16 from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. in Forum Center.

Please check out vmavillages.org

CHANNEL 27

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

CHANNEL 26

Club Events & Notices

Complimentary WiFi
Network: Villages Public
Password: villages

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

Club Calendars

ARTS & CRAFTS CALENDAR

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

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

February 22: In-Take Day for Annual Members Juried Show, 1 to 1:30 p.m. in the Art Room. Director Michael Sunzeri at twosunzeris@comcast.net. Contracts in Arts & Crafts mailbox.

February 23: Reception for Juried Show Artists and Friends, Thursday, 1:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m., Cribari Conference Room. All Villagers are invited.

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

Stitchery Group on Mondays: Patio Room from 1 – 3 p.m. Call Roberta at 408-218-8372.

HIKING CLUB SCHEDULE

Bring water, snacks, poles, and lunch, as necessary. Wear layer clothing appropriate to the current weather.

In addition to scheduled hikes, the following hikes occur regularly: **Every Wednesday and Saturday** – Villages hill hike with Russ Glines at 8:30 a.m. from Foothill Center.

Every Monday – at Clubhouse parking lot, meet at 8:20 a.m., leave at 8:30 a.m. to walk around golf course with Terri Vivoli and/or Cheryl Allmen.

Rambler Hike February 8: Sandy and John Petrin (530-927-7024) will lead a hike from Tree Life Cycle Trail Head/Coyote Creek Trail to Metcalf Park which is along Coyote Creek Trail. The free parking lot is just past Silicon Valley Road as you go south on Hellyer (it becomes Basking Ridge Drive). R/T mileage is about 8 miles. Bring water, a hat, and a snack. For those interested we can stop for coffee at Starbucks by the VA Medical Center or at New Seasons after the hike. We will meet at Cribari Center at 8:30 a.m. for an 8:45 a.m. departure.

Rambler Lite Hike February 8: Katy Peretti (408-531-0917) will lead a hike to Glen Arden and Highlands. We'll walk around Glen Aden then along Caledonia to Buckhaven and back to Foothill. Meet at Foothill at 9:30.

Rambler Hike February 15: John and Sandy Petrin (530-927-7024/530-412-1744) will lead a hike at Mountain View's Shoreline Park. This location on SF Bay offers flat and mostly paved trails where many types of waterfowl can be seen. (Binoculars recommended). The hike will be about 4 miles with an optional lunch at the adjacent Shoreline Lake American Bistro where parking is available and free. We will meet at Cribari Center at 9 am and carpool about 20 miles to the park.

Rambler Lite Hike February 15: Katy Peretti (408-531-0917) will lead a hike along the south perimeter of Olivas and down through the lakes and gnomes. Meet at Vineyard at 9:30.

Rambler Lite Hike February 22: Katy Peretti (408-532-0917) will lead a hike through both South and North Verano. Meet at Vineyard at 9:30.

AC NOTICE

Association applications for Owner Alteration Requests for the month of March are due to the Architectural Committee on or before February 17, 2023. Call Elissa at the Corporation Yard office to obtain an application. **Meeting date is scheduled for Thursday, March 2, 2023 at 9 a.m. at Montgomery Center.**

Association AC Landscape meeting deadline date is **February 17, 2023.**

"Ask the CBOD" Response—February 2, 2023

Judy Gergurich, writes:

Is the Restaurant/Bistro service charge subject to Sales Tax?

CBOD Response:

Thank you for your question concerning the Restaurant/Bistro service charges and whether they are subject to sales tax. The quickest and most direct response to your question is "yes," under California state law, a service charge, when presented to a customer on their bill, is subject to sales tax.

What are the "service charges" included in the amount of the total bill at The Villages Clubhouse? The service charges imposed by The Villages Clubhouse are a mandatory fee to all patrons. Service charges are intended as a guaranteed form of "tip" to our Clubhouse personnel. The aggregate amount of service charges is collected and distributed across several employees, not only your server, and is included in their W-2 taxable wages.

Any "Additional Gratuity" that you add to your bill is held for your specific server and paid to them by The Villages and is also considered taxable wages. Any additional cash gratuity you pay to your server or other Clubhouse employee is theirs to keep and is not collected nor managed by The Villages. The employee is responsible for tax reporting and paying any taxes on cash gratuities.

To be complete, any additional gratuity or tip that you add to your bill is considered an optional payment by you and is not subject to California state sales tax.

At The Villages, the current mandatory service charges are as follows:

For a Curbside order; service charges are 15 percent.

A Restaurant or Bistro order, service charges are 18 percent.

A Villages resident-sponsored banquet event, service charges are 18 percent.

An outside banquet event without a Villages resident sponsor, service charges are 21 percent.

Service charges of 18 percent are the industry norm. Some hotels have service charges of 20 percent to 22 percent for banquets. The Villages has benchmarked our service charges with Silver Creek Country Club and San Jose Country Club, and both organizations have service charges of 18 percent.

Back in 2014, The Villages service charges were 15 percent for Restaurant, Bistro, and To-Go orders. It was 18 percent for banquets. In July 2017, The Villages service charges were increased to 18 percent for Restaurant and Bistro orders to match the service charges assessed by our closest competitors.

In 2018, The Villages Clubhouse began its "Curbside Service," and lowered those service charges to 10 percent in September 2019. The service charges for Curbside Service were increased to 15 percent in May 2021.

The Villages seeks to provide the highest quality service in all its Clubhouse food and beverage operations. Feedback from Villagers is valued and is used to improve everyone's experience at the Clubhouse. Please don't hesitate to provide your feedback via the available comment cards available in the Clubhouse, and via your questions to the "Ask the CBOD" column.

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.

'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.

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More BOARDS & COMMITTEES and COMMUNITY NOTICES on pages 16, 23 & 28

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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: clubhousereservation.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.*

Soup of the Day

For the week of 2/6 to 2/12

Monday	***February 6***	Split Pea
Tuesday	***February 7***	Chicken and Shiitake Mushroom
Wednesday	***February 8***	Steak and Mushroom
Thursday	***February 9***	Roasted Pepper and Artichoke with Feta Cheese and Cilantro
Friday	***February 10***	Clam Chowder
Saturday	***February 11***	Chef's Choice
Sunday	***February 12***	Chef's Choice

Indoor and Patio dining or Curbside hours of Operation

Monday
Lunch:
11 a.m.–2 p.m.
Bistro Menu:
2 p.m.–8 p.m. Last Seating

Tuesday to Friday
Lunch:
11 a.m.–2 p.m.
Bistro Menu:
2 p.m.–8 p.m. Last Seating
Dinner Menu:
5 p.m.–8 p.m. Last Seating

Saturday and Sunday
Saturday Breakfast:
7 a.m.–11 a.m.
Sunday Breakfast:
7 a.m.–2 p.m.
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.

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 Cilantros, 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

Weekly Specials

For the week of 2/6 to 2/12

Lunch Specials:

Monday 2/6 to Sunday 2/12
11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Pastrami Sandwich: Grilled Pastrami, Caramelized Onions and Provolone Cheese on Sourdough Bread with Choice of Side ***$14.95***

Jumbo Cheese Ravioli: In Marinara Sauce ***$15.50***

Dinner Specials:

Tuesday 2/7 to Sunday 2/12
5 p.m. to 8 p.m. (Last Seating)

Surf & Turf: Grilled Strip Sirloin and Prawns in a Garlic Butter Sauce with Choice of Sides **$32.50**

Shrimp Louie: Shrimp over Greens, Hard Boiled Egg, Tomato, Cucmber and Avocado with Thousand Island Dressing **$18.95**

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

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$4.95

Flavors of the Day

Sherbet, Ice Cream, Sorbet, Milk Shakes

June 22

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
Chinese Omelet with
Green Onions, Cabbage, Bean Sprouts
Add Bay Shrimps or Chicken or Both $4

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

Street Tacos *$13.95*
Grilled Tofu, Cod, Beef or Chicken with Cilantros, Onions, Cabbage and Radish with Salsa on mini–Corn Tortillas

V **Ralph's Burritos or Bowl (No Tortilla)** *$12.95*
Cilantro Rice, Black Beans, Lettuce, Pico De Gallo, Cheddar, and Guacamole, Topped with Spanish Sauce, and Sour Cream,
With Grilled Tofu $3, Steak, or Chicken $ 4

Sandwiches and Such with choice of Sides Included
Gluten Free Breads Sub $1.50

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 Cup of Chili

Hot Dog *$9.95*
Toppings: Onions, Tomatoes & Red Onion Relish.
Cheddar add $2.50

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

Turkey Brie On Focaccia Bread *$15.95*
With Cranberry Chutney and Alfalfa Sprout

Roast Beef French Dip Au Jus *$14.95*
Hoagie Loaf with Provolone Cheese, and Sauteed Onions

Melts Tuna Salad or Patty $*14.95*
Grilled Sourdough, Cheddar Cheese Caramelized Onions

Chicken Gyro Pita Sandwich *$15.95*
Tzatziki Sauce Red Onions, Tomatoes, Cucumbers, and Lettuce

Shrimp Roll on Hoagie $16.95
Bay Shrimp, Celery, Green onions and Dill Aioli

Villages BLT Sandwich *$14.95*
Bacon, Lettuce and Tomato, Turkey and Avocado Served on choice of Bread

Open Faced NY Steak Sandwich $19.50
On Grilled Brioche, Topped with Buttermilk Onion Strings

Pesto Chicken Sandwich on Focaccia Bread
$*15.95*
Provolone and Tomato with Alfalfa and Arugula
Sub Grilled Tofu for Chicken $14.95

Deli Sandwich LTO $*13.50*
Choice of Bread, Turkey, Ham, Chicken Salad or Tuna Salad

½ Deli and Soup or Salad *$12.95*

V **Veggie Melt** $15.95
Herbed Garlic Aioli, Grilled Veggies, including Bell Pepper, Zucchini, Onions, and Portabella packed into Hoagie Roll with Mozzarella Cheese

Naan Flatbread Pizzas All with Red Sauce and Mozzarella

V **Cheese Pizza** *$11.95* **Pepperoni Pizza** *$12.95* *V* **Margarita Tomato Pizza** *$12.25*

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

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

Gluten Free Pizza Crust Available $ 2.00

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

Single Diners' Night

Let's Dine Together!

Every Wednesday at The Clubhouse

Shared Table
Bring your favorite wine to share with no corkage!
Free Corkage will be applied with purchase
from the Lighter Side and Dinner Entrees
from the Dinner Menu.

Please make reservations and note: 'Single Diners' Reservation"

Every Wednesday at 5 p.m.

Wednesdays & Thursdays

Dinner Service Only

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

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

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Bistro Happy Hour

$5 House Cocktails

$5 House Wines

$5 Draft Beers 16oz

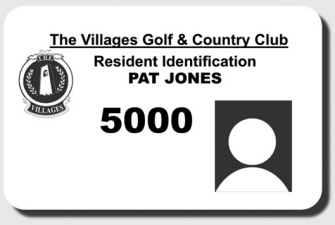
2 to 5 p.m. Tuesday to Sunday

All day on Monday

Prices subject to service charge and tax

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.*

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



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HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY

Tuesday February 14, 2023
Valentines Day Restaurant Dinner Special

Starter

Strawberry Spinach Salad
Candied Walnuts, Feta Cheese & Bermuda Onions
Raspberry Walnut Dressing

Entrée
Choose Between:

Filet Mignon with Pink Peppercorn Sauce
Yukon Gold Mashed Potatoes
Grilled Asparagus and Red Peppers

Pan Seared Scallops with Garlic Butter
Lemon Orzo
Grilled Asparagus and Red Peppers

Dessert

Sweetheart Strawberry Cheesecake

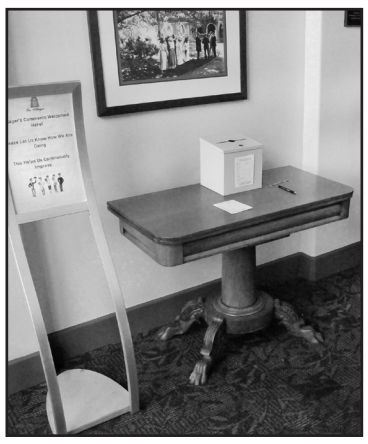
$49 per person
plus service charge and tax
Specials Must Be Pre-Ordered At Time of Making Restaurant Reservation
For Reservations:
call: 408-754-1339
e-mail: theclubhouse@the-villages.com

Attention diners: We want your opinion!

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

Thanks for taking the time to let us know what you think!

Please deposit comments directly to the locked comment card box at the Clubhouse foyer.



The Clubhouse

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Appetizer Special!
2 p.m. to 5 p.m.
Monday through Friday

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Community Activities

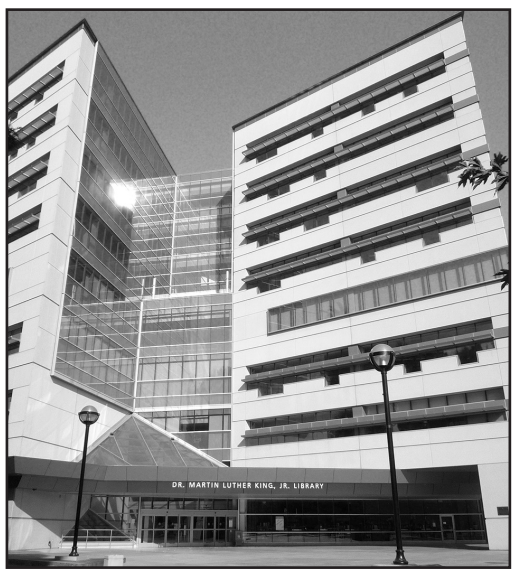
The following events are sponsored by the Community Activities Department. Please telephone 408-223-4643 for additional information.

Building B business 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.

Sign up for trip to see 'Great Compositions: Beethoven and Steinbeck'

Join us on **Wednesday, March 29** as we visit the Ira F. Brilliant Center for Beethoven Studies and the Martha Heasley Cox Center for Steinbeck Studies, which are part of the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Library's special collections. The former is an extensive library and museum founded in 1985 and devoted solely to the life, works, and accomplishments of Ludwig van Beethoven (1770-1827). The latter, founded in 1973, is a research center dedicated to the author John Steinbeck (1902-1968) and is now the largest archive committed to his work in the world.



We will depart from Cribari East Parking Lot at 12:30 p.m. with an estimated return time of 4:30 p.m.

Both centers have personal items, historical artifacts, print media and other materials curated from their extensive individual collections on display. In addition to their exhibit the Beethoven Center will provide a demonstration of the historical 18th and 19th century musical instruments– which include a harpsichord, a fortepiano, and a clavichord. Then a member of the Steinbeck Center staff will provide a tour of their exhibit and be available for questions. Materials from other library special collections should be available to view as well.

Activity Level: Light to moderate activity (elevator to exhibits, seating may not be available).

The cost of $33.50 per person includes round trip transportation and donation to venues. Space is limited, please register early! Donations to both centers are included in the price; additional donations may be made at your discretion. Gratuity for driver is included in price, additional tipping is at your discretion. Register in Building B during business hours. **Registration begins Monday, February 6 and ends Friday, February 24.**

After the trip, participants will receive a 10 percent discount at the Clubhouse restaurant once the trip is complete. You will need to make a reservation for the main dining room and show your registration receipt to your waiter to claim the discount. This discount does not apply to alcohol and cannot be used with other discounts.

Take our Community Activities Trip Survey

Help guide our registration policy and trip programs! We would like feedback on whether to change the resident priority registration period. Because we have the same registration policy for all Community Activities sponsored trip, classes, and on-site events this issue affects all our programming.

We also need your input on the type and scheduling of trips we offer and what factors are most important to you when choosing to register. What are your interests? What days of the week are best? What criteria do you use when choosing to register?

The online survey is available through the following link: surveymonkey.com/r/S85NKK6

We will also have paper copies available in Building B. The deadline to complete the survey is Friday, February 10. The survey should take you less than 10 minutes.

To avoid duplicate entries, we are asking that only one survey per household be submitted. We hope to hear from as many households 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 Graton Resort and Casino trip!

Join us for a chance to win big at the Graton Resort and Casino in Sonoma County on **Tuesday, March 7.** The cost per person is $56 and includes round trip transportation. We will depart from Cribari East Parking Lot at 7:30 a.m. with an estimated return time of 6 p.m. Activity Level: Light activity (mostly seated, long bus ride)

Graton Resort and Casino is the largest and most elegant casino in the region, holding 3,000 state-of-the-art slots, over 100 tables games, and a live poker room. Non-smoking play areas are available if preferred.

When not playing, you can enjoy their variety of casual and fine dining options. Resident foodies can partake in restaurants like the 630 Park Steakhouse, Tony's of North Beach (Italian), and the Boathouse Asian Eatery. More relaxed diners can enjoy the options of the Marketplace, which includes pizza, a grill, a Starbucks, and so much more.

If you are interested, a no-cost special rewards membership is on offer where you can get $25 free slot play. This membership entitles you to a discount at the gift shop among other perks. Additionally, on Tuesdays, persons 50 and older earn an additional $10 in free slot play upon earning 100 rewards points.

Valid photo IDs are required to sign up for a rewards membership and to claim any winnings. If you are unsure if your ID will be accepted, please contact Community Activities at 408-223-4644. Gratuity for driver is included in price, additional tipping is at your discretion.

Register in Building B during business hours. Registration begins ends Friday, February 17.

Join Beginning Yoga class

Sign up for Beginning Yoga on Wednesdays, 10 a.m. – 11 a.m., February 22 to March 29 (6 classes). This class will be taught by Natsuko Tsuji in Cribari Auditorium. The cost is $68.50 (Equipment purchased independently as needed, below)

Register in Building B during business hours. Registration ends Friday, February 17.

This class focuses on easy yoga poses for beginners to build strength, flexibility, and mental clarity. Poses are done standing and on the floor. You will need to be physically able to get up and down from the floor unaided. The class requires a yoga mat to be purchased independently prior to the first class.

Natsuko is temporarily taking over yoga until our usual instructor Mariko is available. 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.

Line Dancing demo is full

The sign-up for the Intro to Line Dancing free demo on Tuesday, February 7 has now reached full capacity and there are no remaining spots.

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 responsible for the cost of the activity.* ***All sales are final.***

Registration is limited to residents only for the first two weeks.

Management assumes residents and guests are able to participate in our sponsored activities independently. We reserve the right to evaluate the participant's ability to participate based on each individual's physical abilities and/or demonstrated behaviors. You may always take a caregiver with you to help with your needs.

Employees are not permitted to provide physical assistance to participants. If personal assistance or a wheelchair is needed, the participant must arrange for a caregiver with paid reservation to accompany him/her.

Employees, residents and their guests represent the Villages Golf and Country Club off site. It is expected that all participants will conduct themselves in a dignified, cooperative and congenial manner.

Clubs & Events

Sign up for Evergreen Blood Drive

The next Evergreen Blood Drive, sponsored by St. Francis of Assisi of Evergreen and the Stanford Blood Center, will be held on Saturday, February 11 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the St. Francis Gathering Space.

We encourage you to sign-up in advance so we can plan to have enough staff so no one has to wait. Of course, there will be no signups at the Church, so please use this link: https://sbcdonor.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/11512

If you have questions, please call Tom Mitchell at 408-476-6104.

Thank you for your support and don't forget to wear a mask.

Senior Academy Tech Explorers: The Promise of Fusion Energy

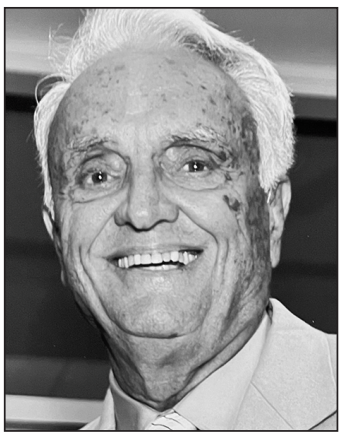
The nuclear fusion breakthrough reported broadly in recent weeks is very exciting! At the Senior Academy Technology Explorers Zoom meeting at 1:30 p.m. on Monday, February 6, we will look at the progress being made in harnessing this powerful energy source.

Nuclear fusion is what powers the sun, and, if we can make it work here on Earth, it would be a limitless and virtually pollution-free source of energy for all humankind. In this upcoming session we will look into the science behind fusion energy and talk about why making it a commercial energy source is such a difficult goal to achieve.

Research into commercial fusion power has been going on since the 1970s and we will examine the recent advances in the development of controlled fusion energy, and the current global activities working to make it a practical power source. Join us for this exciting peek into the future of this remarkable resource! Register at VillagesSA.org.

Famed coach John Noce to speak at Villages Men's Fun Social Club

On Tuesday, February 7, Hall of Fame baseball coach and Villages resident, John Noce will be the speaker at the Villages Men's Fun Social Club. John led the College of San Mateo baseball program 1962 through 1992 and coached in three Olympic Games.



Just this month John received the most prestigious lifetime Baseball Coaches award in Nashville—the 2023 ABCA/Lefty Gomez Award. Video of this award presentation will be shown at the luncheon.

Over the several San Mateo baseball seasons, John compiled a record of 772-412, capturing 13 conference titles and finishing runner-up three times in the California community college state playoffs. He had 72 former players go on to play professional baseball, eight of whom advanced to the Majors including All-Star John Wetteland, 19-year veteran Bob McClure, and 1986 number 6 overall pick Paul McClellan. John also coached baseball at California High Schools, Half Moon Bay and Carlmont.

His impact on the game of baseball was felt worldwide as he mentored players and teams in Canada, Austria, Holland, Italy, Lithuania, and Romania. John was inducted into the ABCA Hall of Fame in 1994, alongside John Madden and Bill Walsh.

Plan on attending this exciting presentation and hear more about John's fascinating baseball experience.

Lunch reservations are required per the computer system referenced in the monthly Social Club newsletter.

Guests are invited to attend and should arrive at the Clubhouse about 12:30.

Villages Dog Club to present Sustain Our Shelters

We welcome all dog owners and dog lovers at the next Villages Dog Club meeting on Saturday, February 4, 2023 at the Gazebo at 10 a.m.

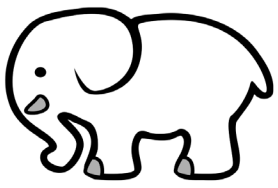
Our speaker, Sangeetha, is a representative for Sustain our Shelters. This is a group in the South Bay, with a mission to create a better life for animals by actively aiding Silicon Valley animal shelters to provide programs, care, foster homes, and adoption service. She works closely with "Orion Dog Training" to provide a variety of training options for your unique dog. They can customize the best training plan for your furry family member. Sangeetha will bring her foster puppy to show basic obedience training with positive reinforcement training methods. Hope to see you there!

Astronomy Club to meet this Tuesday

All are welcome to attend the next meeting of the Astronomy Club, at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, February 7 at Foothill Center. The topic will be the young universe to its present size through collision of small galaxies to make a big one—a 3-4 billion-year process. These structures will be the February topic.

Vaccinations are recommended. Questions? E-mail Barry Stein at b.stein200@gmail.com

Hiking Club's Soup Supper and White Elephant Gift Exchange



The Hiking Club will hold its Annual Soup Supper and White Elephant Gift Exchange on Thursday, February 9, starting at 5.30 p.m. at Foothill Center. Please contact Carmel Smith at 408-440-1336 or carmel.smith@att.net if you have a favorite soup you would like to share. Otherwise, bring an appetizer, salad or dessert for 8-10 people. Please bring your own place setting and cup to sample different soups, and your favorite beverage. Cider and coffee will be provided.

The White Elephant gift exchange will take place after supper. White Elephant gifts are typically inexpensive, humorous items that we can't use, that we don't want, or that are just plain peculiar! So, wrap one of them up and bring it to the supper and join in the fun! Note: a gift is not necessary, however, it does add to the fun! Hope to see you there!

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FROM THE VILLAGES LIBRARY

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

By Sherle Frost

"Our Missing Hearts" by Celeste Ng: Twelve-year-old Bird Gardner lives a quiet existence with his loving but broken father, a former linguist who now shelves books in a university library. Bird knows to not ask too many questions, stand out too much, or stray too far. For a decade, their lives have been governed by laws written to preserve "American culture" in the wake of years of economic instability and violence. To keep the peace, the authorities are now allowed to relocate children of dissidents, especially those of Asian origin, and libraries have been forced to remove books seen as unpatriotic—including the work of Bird's mother, Margaret, a Chinese American poet who left the family when he was nine years old. Bird has grown up disavowing his mother and her poems; he doesn't know her work or what happened to her, and he knows he shouldn't wonder. But when he receives a mysterious letter containing only a cryptic drawing, he is pulled into a quest to find her. Fiction, 2022.

"The Bullet that Missed (Thursday Murder Club #3)" by Richard Osman: It is an ordinary Thursday, and things should finally be returning to normal. Except trouble is never far away where the Thursday Murder Club are concerned. A local news legend is on the hunt for a sensational headline, and soon the gang are hot on the trail of two murders, 10 years apart. To make matters worse, a new nemesis pays Elizabeth a visit, presenting her with a deadly mission: kill or be killed. While Elizabeth grapples with her conscience (and a gun), the gang and their unlikely new friends (including TV stars, money launderers and ex-KGB colonels) unravel a new mystery. But can they catch the culprit and save Elizabeth before the murderer strikes again? Mystery, 2022.

"Blood and Ruins: The Great Imperial War, 1931-1945" by Richard Overy: Blood and Ruins recasts the way in which we view the Second World War. Overy argues that this was the "great imperial war," a violent end to almost a century of global imperial expansion which reached its peak in the ambitions of Italy, Germany and Japan in the 1930s and early 1940s, before descending into the largest and costliest war in human history and the end, after 1945, of all territorial empires. How war on a huge scale was fought, supplied, paid for, supported by mass mobilization and morally justified forms the heart of this new account. He explains the bitter cost for those involved in fighting, and the exceptional level of crime and atrocity that marked these imperial projects, the war and its aftermath. This war was as deadly for civilians as it was for the military, a war to the death over the future of the global order. 940.53, World War 1939-1945, 2021.

"Mad Honey" by Jodi Picoult and Jennifer Finney Boylan: Olivia McAfee knows what it feels like to start over. Her picture-perfect life—living in Boston, married to a brilliant cardiothoracic surgeon, raising a beautiful son, Asher—was upended. She never imagined she would end up back in her sleepy New Hampshire hometown, living in the house she grew up in. Lily Campanello is familiar with do-overs, too. When she and her mom relocate to Adams, New Hampshire, they both hope it will be a fresh start. And for just a short while, these new beginnings are exactly what Olivia and Lily need. Their paths cross when Asher falls for the new girl in school, and Lily can't help but fall for him, too. With Ash, she feels happy for the first time. Yet at times, she wonders if she can she trust him completely. Then one day, Olivia receives a phone call: Lily is dead, and Asher is being questioned by the police. Olivia is adamant that her son is innocent. But she would be lying if she didn't acknowledge the flashes of his father's temper in him, and she realizes he's hidden more than he's shared with her. Fiction, 2022.

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

Village Dancers to bring back the '50s!

Let's turn Monday nights into a Sock Hop! In February, Village Dancers will learn a fun '50s inspired choreography to Elvis's "Jailhouse Rock." Join the Village Dancers on Monday nights from 5:30-6:30 p.m. in the Cribari Auditorium. Questions? Send email to Bernice Toy at Bernice.Toy@gmail.com.

Members of the Village Dancers, a club within The Villages Music Society, Inc. (VMS), learn a new choreography each month. Dance styles include jazz, Broadway, Latin, Hawaiian and '60s/70s. The Village Dancers offers a performing group and a just-for-fun Monday dancing group. Learning choreography is not only fun—it exercises the mind, spirit and body.

For more information, check the Village Dancers page on the Music Society website: Villages-MusicSociety.org/Village-Dancers. Beginning in 2023, the Village Dancers will charge a one-time $20 annual membership dues to participants to support the club. Donations to the Dancers and to the Villages Music Society are always welcomed.

Oil and Acrylic class: Looking at Clouds from Both Ways Now

By Barbara Gottesman

We have seen some menacing clouds this last month, dropping rain everywhere; but we look forward to seeing white clouds dancing through our usual blue skies.

Jane Hink can help you learn to paint clouds from either side and also other features of scenic California if you take her last Oil and Acrylic Painting Class. The class is six weeks from February 6 – March 13 in the Art Room on Mondays, 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Jane demonstrates in the old masters' medium of oil in which she has had 77 years of experience in painting, but many students chose to carry out her instructions in acrylic because it dries faster. The fee for the class is $90.

You can choose either medium. Check out her materials list on our website, villagesartsandcrafts.org and register now for Jane's class at barb.gottesman@gmail.com

'Shoulder Strength & Mobility' workshop this Thursday

Is your shoulder killing you? Don't forget…the VMA Health Programs proudly presents "Shoulder Strength & Mobility" on Thursday, February 9 in Montgomery Center from 11 a.m. to 12 noon

Our presenter will be physical therapist assistant Patrick Madriaga.

Topics to be discussed: Why it's important to maintain strength and mobility, different diagnosis of shoulder pain (impingement, frozen shoulder, tendonitis), everyday use of shoulder, and injury prevention.

If you are a golfer, tennis player, pickleball member, Bocce Club, table tennis, gardener and garage stuff-hauler, you are not going to want to miss this.

Arts and Crafts Members Juried Show to feature Joan Fury

By Michael Sunzeri

It's our pleasure to feature Joan Fury for our upcoming Annual Members Juried Show. Beginning Thursday, February 23, you can see her work in the Cribari Conference Room.

Collage is her forte at this point in her artistic journey, which is always quite intriguing. The question usually asked of this medium is: "What is it supposed to be?" It's art, of course, and Joan would likely stick to that statement. Collage is a montage. It can be a standalone or a painting with components incorporated to make a point or give variation to the subject matter. Often it gives the viewer pause to reflect or sort out the quandary of what they are seeing.

She has made cards and framed artwork for the pleasure of any recipient. Her work can be simplistic and intriguing in nature, generally colorful. Even though Joan has worked in oils, pastels, and other mediums, she likes where she is now with collage. Years ago, under the tutelage of Jim Paradis, she was challenged week to week with direction, to produce the art exercise of the day no matter what the medium. Also, with added instruction from Kay Duffy in collage, the result was expansion of artistic knowledge.

Hailing from New York, and before moving to the Bay area, Joan once worked as a secretary for a New York Senator. She raised a family, attended Foothill College pursuing a travel agent degree, and ultimately moved to The Villages in 2009. She joined the Arts & Crafts Club immediately, served as a board member and has since produced work you have seen at some of our events like the Holiday Faire or Art in the Park. Join us and Joan on Thursday, February 23 to see her juried submission. Artist contracts are available at villagesartsandcrafts.org, art room, and A&C mailbox in Cribari.

Evening Bingo begins February 22

Evening Bingo for 2023, sponsored by the VMA, begins Wednesday, February 22. Grab your felt pens and your Bingo Besties, and be there!

Also, it would be greatly appreciated if you could possibly consider donating a gift basket or new items for the night bingo raffle. All proceeds go to the VMA.

SVC's Electrification Team (ET) is here—phone us

By Maxine Amundson, Sustainable Villages Community

We have a new branch of the Sustainable Villages Community organization to assist Villagers as they navigate sustainable practices choices and information. The areas we cover are: Rooftop Solar and Storage Batteries/Generators, Electric Vehicles and Chargers, and Home Appliances. Under Home Appliances we cover Heating and Air Conditioning (HVAC), Clothes Dryers, Water Heaters, Fireplaces, Heat Pumps and Induction Stove Tops.

The more we take action on adapting a sustainable practice we are reducing the negative effects on our environment. Tune in to the Sustainable Villages Community, monthly general meeting on Zoom (third Thursday at 4 p.m.) and learn more how you can make a difference. Send us your email address and we will send you the link for the Zoom. Contact us at drmaxa@comcast.net or 408-425-0614 or pholmes41@gmail.com or 408-841-9775.

Walking/Chair Dancing for Fitness and Fun

The LSAL Fitness Club features three great classes to help you grow your fitness level. Two classes on Tuesdays and one on Thursdays.

Tuesday Classes are for **members only** and feature two sessions. The first session, held in the Cribari Conference Room from 11 to 11:45 a.m., is a progressive, higher energy, moderate intensity class. Participants should be able to walk and move freely without mobility aids. The second class, held in the Cribari Conference Room from noon to 12:45 p.m., is an intermediate, high energy, variable intensity class appropriate for all fitness levels, including those who need to walk slower due to balance challenges. Thursday's class is held in the Cribari Auditorium from 10 to 11 a.m. and is suitable for all fitness levels. *All visitors are invited to attend our Thursday class.*

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We continue to find drivers traveling far too fast. It's for everyone's safety. Especially in inclement weather. Please obey all stop signs as well.

Call 911 for medical emergencies

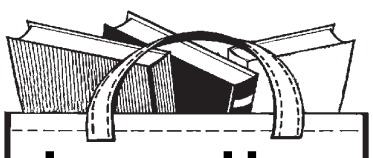
Public Safety would like to remind you, in the event of a medical emergency, please remember to dial 911 first.

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.

Pedestrian Safety Reminder:

Rain or shine pedestrians in The Villages should be aware of the traffic in their surroundings. Please walk on the correct side of the road when getting some fresh air, and walk toward oncoming traffic. The arrows are painted on the main roads. You should also remain in single file when in groups to keep within the white lines as well as social distancing. When walking pets, be sure they, too, remain within the white lines, on a short leash away from traffic.



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.

SENIOR RESOURCE SERVICES

Do we have to pay income taxes on Middle-Class Tax Credit?

The good news: you received a bank deposit or a debit card from the state of California in 2022. Additional good news is that the money you received from the state is not taxable on your California tax return.

The bad news: at this time the Federal government recognizes the money as federal income to be taxable on your federal return. If your payment was $600 or more, you will receive a form 1099-MISC from the state of California. It should not be presumed that because you did not get a 1099-MISC, your payment is not subject to federal tax. While your payment of less than $600 does not require a form 1099-MISC, it is still taxable.

If you gifted your deposit or card to a family member, or decided not to activate the card, you are still responsible for paying taxes on your credit. It was your choice to give your income to someone or to the government.

If you were eligible and have not received your credit by mid-February or believe it was lost or stolen, contact the FTB at 800-240-0223 or Money Network customer service at 800-542-9332. We advise people to call as early as possible. Customer service representatives are available on weekdays from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wait times are typically the shortest on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday.

SRS SENIOR RESOURCE SERVICES

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

SRS Assistance:

How to get tax forms

Are you one of the Villagers who like to do your own return by hand on paper forms? You may download tax forms from the IRS and FTB websites or you may order the needed tax forms by telephone or from your computer. Here's how:

Federal forms: To order by telephone: **Call 1-800-829-3676** (1-800-Tax-Form)

To order via website: Go to **irs.gov**; from the menu across the top click on the heading "Find Forms & Instructions"; then on the left side menu click on "Order Forms & Pubs"; then on the next page click on "Forms & Publications by U.S. Mail."

California forms: To order by telephone**: Call 1-800-338-0505**. Select 1 for Personal Income Tax and then select "Forms and Publications."

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Religion

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

'The Presentation' (Lk 2:22-40)

By Irene Groot

Editor's note: The Villager printed the incorrect byline for the Catholic Community article in the January 26 edition. The article's correct author was Jean Gillette.

Every year on February 2, Catholics recall how Mary and Joseph brought the child Jesus to the Temple to offer Him to God according to the law of Moses (Ex 13:2). We call this celebration the "Feast of the Presentation." While Jesus, Mary, and Joseph are the central figures in this event, two other participants deserve attention. They were an aged pair named Anna and Simeon.

Anna was the proverbial "church lady," the sort of pious old woman so derisively mocked by modern comics as foolish and useless. God took a different view of her. St. Luke called the 84-year-old widow a "prophetess." In his Gospel, he memorialized her decades of prayer and fasting day and night in the Temple. Luke described how she was drawn by an impulse from the Holy Spirit to witness the Presentation of Jesus, where she loudly praised God on seeing the child. Anna spoke of the infant to everyone within hearing who looked forward to the deliverance of Jerusalem, undoubtedly causing quite a stir!

At the same time, St. Simeon, an upright and devout old man, was also drawn by the Holy Spirit to the Temple. Luke tells us the Holy Spirit had promised Simeon that he wouldn't die until he saw "the Christ of the Lord." When Simeon arrived on the scene and saw the child, he lifted Baby Jesus in his arms and blessed God, then uttered the prayer known by Catholics as the "Nunc Dimittis," or Latin for "Now you may dismiss…" For centuries, Catholics have recited Simeon's prayer during our daily night prayers called "Compline," and depicted this scene in our art (view online).

Mary and Joseph listened in astonishment when Simeon prophesied, "You see this child? He is destined for the fall and for the rise of many in Israel, destined to be a sign that is rejected." To Mary, Simeon delivered this chilling message, "A sword will pierce your soul so the secret thoughts of many will be laid bare." Readers who've seen Spanish art depicting one or more swords plunged into Mary's heart will recognize Simeon's words as the Scriptural source of that symbolic imagery.

Nowadays, seniors all too often wear a metaphorical cloak of invisibility. Their wisdom and foresight go undesired or unheeded. Not so with God. Along with the shepherds, three wise men, and angels, God assigned this elderly pair the task of announcing His Son's arrival into this world. While nearly all of the once powerful and famous of that era go unremembered, the names of Anna and Simeon live on, a vital part of our Catholic heritage. They remind us that sometimes the most significant things we do and say might not come at the prime of life, but its end when least expected.

Donut Sunday

Join us after the 8:15 a.m. Mass at Cribari on Sunday, February 12 for coffee and donuts.

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.

COMMUNITY CHAPEL

Are You Paying Attention?

By Pastor Bill Hayden

Is somebody trying to tell you something—for your own good? Are you so focused on other things that you don't hear them? Or are you simply ignoring them? Have you ever considered that God has been telling you how much He loves and values you as a person created in His image and likeness? Don't wait to be embarrassed after you discover what has been obvious to those who love and care about you.

It reminds me of a time when my wife was trying to get my attention at a meeting years ago but couldn't because I was so focused on my thoughts. It was when I had just purchased my Harley and I had returned after a long ride. Well, that afternoon I had a meeting at church with some of our leaders along with my wife in attendance. The ride was rejuvenating, and I was excited to roll up on my new Harley to see my wife and others at the meeting. After parking the bike, removing my helmet, gloves, jacket and googles I went into an adjoining room for coffee and snacks. I greeted a few people and they inquired about my new bike as I continued to walk around the room. Every now and then I would notice my wife and she would rub her face and point at me but after a while she stopped doing it… so I gave no more thought to it. I continued to converse with others sitting next to me while she sat next to her sister across the room.

I decided to go to the restroom and while washing my hands, I glanced into the mirror and to my surprise, I looked like a raccoon. My face was covered with road exhaust film from other vehicles on the road and my googles had covered my eyes while leaving my face unprotected. I immediately washed my face to remove any resemblance of the exhaust film from the road and went into the meeting. I asked my wife, "Why didn't you tell me about the condition of my face?" While laughing, she said, "I tried three to four times but to no avail… so, I left you alone to enjoy your conversations and attention."

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EPISCOPAL

'Let me introduce myself!'

By The Rev. Nancy Ross

The Episcopal community at The Villages is warm and welcoming—and I know that because they cordially received me as their new priest last summer! I'm The Rev. Nancy Ross, and being part of something special here at The Villages is such a joy, I wanted to be sure everyone knows that they are welcome at our Sunday liturgies, and to enjoy the friendship and care that is part of being in a church community.

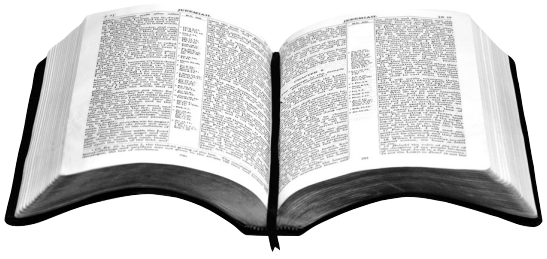
To introduce myself, I come to The Villages through Trinity Episcopal Cathedral in San Jose, where I am an associate priest. I served my first call as a pastor for the past six years as Canon for Cathedral Relations at Saint Mark's Cathedral in Seattle, WA. Coming back to California to be with family, I work full time as the hospice chaplain for Continuum Hospice out of Capitola. I have my MDiv degree from the Church Divinity School of the Pacific in Berkeley and served a year-long hospital chaplain residency at Stanford Medical Center. In Washington, I also worked as Chaplain for Wesley Homes Senior Living Community and have my certificate in Spiritual Direction.

My "previous life" has been Communications Director for nonprofit organizations including the Red Cross and The New York Botanical Garden. I have a B.A. in journalism and an M.F. A. in music/voice. I'm a good singer, a terrible trombone player, a poetry lover, a reader and writer, and a woods-and-ocean lover. And I'm from New York and proud of it! My husband Jim and I will celebrate our 43rd wedding anniversary this year, and we are the parents of the late tattoo and cartoon artist Pat Hetic and of aerospace engineer Kelsey Herrmann who is at NASA Ames. Have I got stories! We all do, part of our shared life in community.

Trinity has supported Episcopal services at The Villages for many years and we invite everyone who would like to come together to worship at the Lord's table, whether you are a longtime Episcopalian, or someone who is seeking, or someone who is church-curious.

Come by on a Sunday for 9 a.m. worship, where we transform the Montgomery Center into a beautiful sacred space! And then we gather for breakfast at the Clubhouse afterwards, a great way to share more personally and extend the camaraderie. Drop by—we'd love to see you!

SEARCH THE SCRIPTURES



We missed you! Search the Scriptures is meeting at **10 a.m., February 13 at Vineyard Center.**

We are meeting on the second and fourth Monday of each month.

Any questions, contact Everett Jacobson at 408-629-7210 or Ron Speer at 408-223-2025

Sports News

SWINGERS

By Jeannie Omel

The skies were clear, the sun was shining and there was a green flag when 50 ladies teed off today. It was great to see so many golfers out on the course. The Back Nine was where all the action was this week. Karen Carlson stole the show with a chip in for birdie on Hole #11. Birdies were also recorded for Emily Li on #15 and Joy Rem on #11. Rita Karlsten had chip-ins on both #10 and #15 and Renee Woolard had a chip-in on #13. Excellent job, ladies!

Gail Tuft

Looking Ahead:

February 10 – Play the Par 3 Course. Golf and Cocktail Time. Contact Mary Wagle at marylwagle@gmail.com or 408-829-4021. (Text or call)

February 14 – Love Fest Cha, Cha, Cha Tournament. Get your team together and simply sign up on Chelsea as you do for regular Tuesday Play. There will be an organized lunch menu that day and you will have the opportunity to select your menu choice prior to tournament day or when you pick up your card on Tuesday morning.

Pam Schramm

PINSEEKERS

By Jim White

Our regular Friday outing was greeted by wonderful sunshine and an improving course. Our carts were not limited to "Cart Path Only" for any of the holes we played. I can't speak for all our members; however, I reduced my step count for the nine holes from about 10,000 on the 20th, to something less than 6,000 on the 27th. With no restricted holes.

In an unfortunate cart accident, member Don Minam suffered a lower leg injury and will be on "injured reserve" for a few weeks. Good luck to you, Don, for a quick recovery.

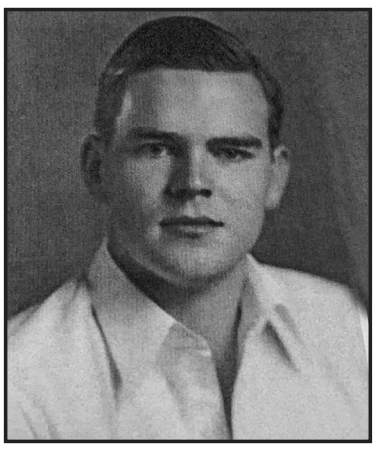
Due to some unforeseen technical problems, we have no results for the actual play. I'm sure it will be fixed very shortly, and I'll have the results from January 27 posted, along with the results of February 3 in the February 10th edition of The Villager.

This week's "advice" comes from Nubar Gulbenkian, a Petroleum Engineer, presumed to be the world's wealthiest man during the first half of the 20th Century: "It is more satisfying to be a bad player at golf. The worse you play, the better you remember the occasional good shot."

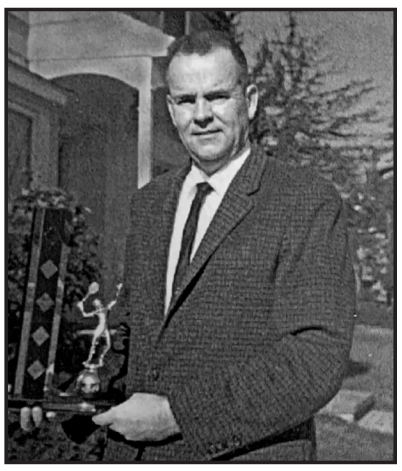
TENNIS TALK

By Betty Olsen

The first Tennis Club tournament of 2023 is the Prescott Tournament in honor of Phil Prescott, the man responsible for the building of our courts 5 and 6 in 1998. Since only a handful of current club members were here when that happened, I felt it appropriate to enlighten the rest of us who were not here in 1998 to know about Phil Prescott. This article is in answer to the question often heard: "Who and what is Prescott?"



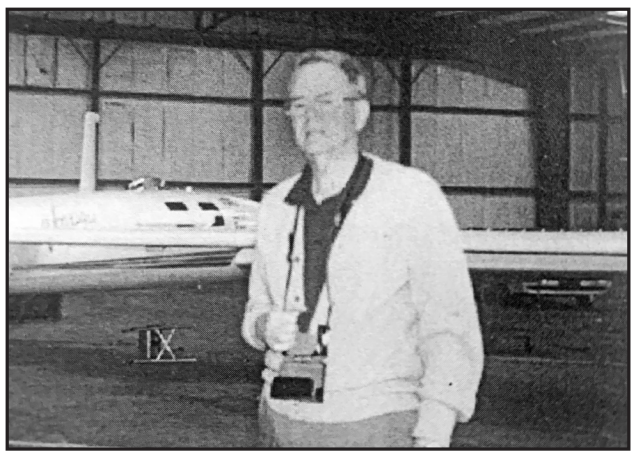
Phil Prescott was born in 1914 in Fresno and entered Stanford in 1932. He graduated in 1936 and married Wilma Knapp, a Stanford classmate in 1937. Phil graduated with an engineering degree and spent most of his working years at North American Aviation in southern California. While at Stanford they became friends with David and Lu Packard, *the* David Packard responsible for the Monterey Aquarium and refurbishing and remodeling San Jose's California Theater into an opera house and for symphonic orchestras.



Not sure when Phil and Wilma took up tennis, but in 1966 they did a People-to-People tennis tour of Europe. People-to-People tours were started by Dwight Eisenhower to share cultures for better understanding. They played tennis with local clubs all over Europe.

Phil retired in 1975 at age 61 and then moved to The Villages in 1979 to be close to children, grandchildren and Stanford. Phil was President of the Tennis Club in 1984 and I would like to quote from Phil's Family History book: "We put on four or five tournaments during the year and had potluck suppers following the tournaments. For the Fourth of July parade, the club took the newly-acquired ball machine, placed it on the back of a truck and added bike wheels to make it look like a cannon. The ball machine spewed tennis balls out to awaiting tennis players. They would in turn hit the balls to other players on each side of the truck who would then catch the balls and feed them back into the ball machine. It was the hit of the parade."

Next week, look for the conclusion of Phil Prescott's story.



Photos from Phil Prescott's "My Family History.

IRONMEN

By Bill Travis and Jerry Juracich

The Ironmen are now 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 26, 2023, the weather was sunny and warm; a beautiful day for some golf.

Fifteen Ironmen played today. It was a red letter day for Mike Schwerin who won second place, closest to the flag and low gross along with finally being able to celebrate his hole-in-one from December 22, 2022. Way to go, Mike!

First place went to Patrick McMordie with a net 26. Second place was a two-way tie between Doug Herring and Mike Schwerin with net 27s, and third place was a three-way tie between Al Bruno, Dave Hathaway and Bill Travis with net 30s.

There were 3 birdies today: Al Bruno on hole 7, Dave Hathaway on hole 2, and Patrick McMordie on hole 9.

Mike Schwerin was closest to the flag on hole 1 at 22 feet, 2 inches.

And finally, Mike Schwerin won low gross with a 29.

Deep thoughts:

"I'm in the woods so much, I can tell you which plants are edible." - Lee Trevino, winner of two US Opens, two British Open Championships, and two PGA Championships

"A ball will always come to rest half-way down a hill, unless there is sand or water at the bottom." - Henry Beard, humorist

18 HOLE WOMEN

New member Bock Hee Kim

Low Putts:
Camille Giuliodibari (30 putts)

Captain's Trophy winner
Bev Poellot

By Loanne Rube

"Let the sun shine, let the sunshine in...the sun shine in"! The lyrics are from the Age of Aquarius, and today's sun sign is also Aquarius. Go Sun! It's a green flag on the golf course, sunny and a warm 62 degrees in California…that's what I'm talkin' about! Our first Captain's Trophy of 2023, sweeps and an awesome lunch by John Yu and his staff. A very special shout out to Elizabeth, our incredible server who orchestrates our Thursday lunch service. She celebrates 30 years with the Villages. We salute you Elizabeth for your engaging smile and for a job always well done. It was an outstanding day all around. Here are the Play Day winners. The Captain's Trophy, delayed for two weeks because of the receding deluge, was awarded today with much pomp and circumstance. Just check out the smile and pride with which Bev Poellot hefts the trophy for her net 67. Way to go, Bev! Camille Giuliodibari reaps three new golf balls for her low putts score. A measly 30 strokes on the green. Smile for the camera Camille. Birdies for Helen Varenkamp on #9, and Monica Saneholtz on #18. I'm guessing the firm conditions around the green were conducive to lots of chip ins and perhaps additional reportable income for these skilled golfers today. Stay with me here…this list is as long as the good little girl list at Christmas. Chip-ins: Camille Giuliodibari #1 (you again!), Vivian Brown #3, Renee Woolard #9, Patti Bell #10, Kathy Kyne #12, Kitty Ohtaka, Bock Hee Kim, Millie Anne Schwerin all on #14, and Gail Tuft #17. Scores were low with that many golfers scoring zero putts for one hole. Check the Scoreboard section of this Villager for the additional listing of winners by flight for low net and low gross. A whackin' good time was had by all.

Pam Schramm announces two new members. We welcome Bock Hee Kim who comes to us from Orange County and now lives in Olivas. Bock Hee chipped in today on #14 and smiled for a picture. Congratulations. Our other new member is Sue Park who is living in Cribari. When you see these newcomers introduce yourself, give them a hearty welcome to our club and invite them out for a round of golf. We're delighted to welcome you both.

On Deck: February Captain's Trophy is February 2. Somebody is going to have to pry Bev's fingers off that trophy! Bev, just win it again next month and you can keep it for longer. Feb 9 is the annual Past Captain's trophy. Our Captain, Gloria Landry promises surprises. Come honor our past captains. Engage in the retelling of some club history and elegant tales over a tasty lunch. Don't miss it. Maziebelle Rice and Kerry Besmehn, our play day commanders are putting the final touches on our Valentine's Day Play Day for February 16. It will be a sweetheart of a good time. Come join us!

Presidents Day Tournament

When: Saturday, February 11, 2023

What: Four-Man Teams - Tournament open to all Men's Club 18-hole members.

Format: CHA, CHA, CHA - Score 1BB, 2 BB, 3BB per marked score cards.

Sign-up: January 28 through February 9 - Sign-up with the pro shop either as a team, or individually, and the pro shop will pair you with other players to form a team.

Handicaps: 100% of February 9 Handicap

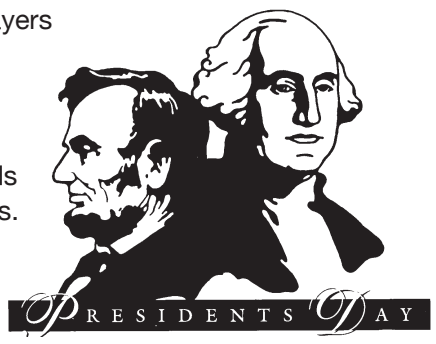
Flights: Flighted, depending on the number of players

Tees: #4/3 Combo, or #3 based on Flight

Tee Times: 8:30 a.m. Shotgun.

Scorecard: Turn in signed and attested scorecards to the Pro Shop. The Pro Shop will post the scores.

Cost: $47 – This includes green fees and sweeps. Coffee and Donuts from 7:15 to 8:30 a.m.



BOCCE NEWS

We love volunteers

By Barbara Orlando

Volunteers help make our club work smoothly. Pictured are two of our clubs' favorite volunteers enjoying our Volunteer Appreciation Day. Betty and Noel Lanctot are always friendly and eager to help when called upon. A big thank you to them and the many special members who donate their time and energy to the Bocce Club.

Volunteers are board members, captains, referees, and helpers for our numerous social events and tournaments. Plan on volunteering in 2023 and join the talented and dedicated members who give so much of their time, to help our club succeed.

Betty and Noel Lanctot

Note: Every year we honor our volunteers with a special day in January. Volunteer Appreciation Day is to say to thank you, for your previous season's contributions to the bocce club. By volunteering this year, you will be sure to be invited to this special outing in January of 2024.

Reminders:

On Friday, February 17 from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. the Skilz class for captains will take place at the bocce courts. Signup is required by going online to YourCourts. Questions can be directed to George or Helen Paris by calling 408-440-4848.

On Saturday, February 18, referee training will take place from 11 to noon at the courts. Sign up by contacting Michael Sunzeri at twosunzeris@comcast.net. For those who are already referees, you are encouraged to attend, to brush up on your skills and for rule changes for the 2023 bocce season.

SHONIS

By Betty Hall

Hurrah! The Shonis finally got to golf last week, the 24th. It was a gorgeous golf day—sunny, no wind and not too chilly. And the course was in great shape, thanks to Scott Steele's efforts to get all the storm damage cleaned up.

So perfect golfing for the 21 Shonis who played. Two birdies showed up, both on Hole #5. Olivia Spada and Betty Hall. First birdies of 2023. Hopefully many more to come. Way to go.

Our weekly sweeps as follows:

Flight One: 1. Betty Hall net 26. 2. Jini Kang. net 29. Tied for 3rd: Sue Park and Teddy Morse net of 31.

Flight Two: 1. Jonna Robinson net 25. 2. Julianna Wahlgren net 26. Tied for 3rd: Bonnie Evans and Joyce Baptiste net 28.

Flight Three: 1. Olivia Spada net 22. 2. Rose Loy net 26. 3. Nanci Newell net 28

Congratulations to everyone. See you next week.

MEN'S GOLF CLUB

By Doug Moore, douglas.moore865@gmail.com

Upcoming Events

Next on the agenda is the **Men's 18 Hole Golf Club Presidents Day Tournament** on Saturday, February 11, 2023. Four-Man Teams - Tournament open to all Men's Club 18- hole members. Cha, Cha, Cha - Score 1BB, 2 BB, 3BB per marked scorecards. You have less than a week to make this happen. Signups conclude on February 9, so there is still time to get your teams together. If you haven't signed up, what are you waiting for? This format is a hoot and everyone always has a great time!

2023 Men's 18 Hole Golf Club Member/ Member—The next tournament in the queue will be the 2023 Member /Member. This is scheduled for the 10th, 11th, and 12th of March. The Two Man Team signups started on January 14 and are limited to the first 48 teams. If you want to participate in this event you must sign up in the Pro Shop, in person. This always fills up and continues to be one of the favorite events of the year.

The2023 Men's Golf Club Handbooks ("Green Books") have been distributed and if you are a Men's 18 Golf Club Member, you should have received one in your mail tube. This is the reference booklet that the MGC follows and adheres to. It is full of useful information; schedules of upcoming events, rules and by-laws. Please give it a read.

Golf Thoughts:

Golfer: Do you think I can get there with a 5 iron?

Caddy: Eventually.

Golfer: Please stop checking your watch all the time. It's too much of a distraction.

Caddy: It's not a watch - it's a compass.

Executive Committee Meeting: The Men's Golf Club Executive Committee meets the first Tuesday of the month at 8:30 a.m. in the **Montgomery Center**. The next meeting will be February 7, 2023.

Also, remember to visit our website at **villagesgolfers.com** for the latest Men's Golf Club information. Kyle Finley does a great job with the website, keeping us up to date with all of the latest information we need to know regarding the club.

PICKLEBALL

Pickleball Etiquette…Part 2

By Joyce Kludt

1. Only give coaching advice when asked.
2. Call the score loudly…so that all players can hear you.
3. If you see a stray ball roll on your court, stop playing and call Ball on Court and replay the point. The team who hit the ball onto the court should also loudly call Ball on Court.
4. After the game ends, players meet at the net and Paddle Tap.
5. Avoid angry outbursts, criticizing any player and foul language.

6 Please turn your phone ringers off.

7. Most important Etiquette Rule: Practice the Golden Rule.

Treat others the way you want to be treated.

Be nice to others and have fun on the court!

Tidbits: It's never too late…

1. Oldest Olympic Medalist: age 72
2. Peter Roget's Thesaurus was written at age 73.
3. Grandma Moses started painting at 76.
4. John Glenn became the oldest person in space at age 77.
5. Harry Bernstein wrote "The Invisible Wall" at age 96.

For most people, it is never too late to start playing and enjoying Pickleball!

See you on the courts, Pickleballers, hopefully with a smile on your face! And remember, Pickleball is the real dill!

FROM THE PRO

By Scott Steele, PGA Head Golf Professional

Hole #8 Turf Reduction Project— You will see that the turf reduction spray out has started around the teeing ground complexes on Hole #8. There is yellow caution tape surrounding the sprayed out turf areas so please do not cross through the caution tape. We have sprayed the turf to ultimately kill the turf around the tee boxes starting the process of installing the drought tolerant landscaping as the initial phase of the turf reduction beta site. All of the tee boxes on Hole #8 will still be open for play as the spray out is occurring around the perimeter of the #5, #4 and #3 tee boxes. Let us know if you have any questions.

Downed Tree Removal—We have started the process of removing the four large Eucalyptus trees that fell as a result of the recent torrential storms that hit us at the beginning of January. We lost one tree on Hole #9, two trees on Hole #11, and one tree on Hole #15. This process will require the use of large equipment and trucks, saws, wood-chippers and stump grinders. Please be safe when playing golf and navigating around the work crews and their equipment. Please avoid these areas and keep a large breadth. Thank you. Let us know if you have any questions.

Upcoming Golf Schedule—Saturday, February 11. Men's Club President's Tournament – 8:30 a.m. Shotgun. 1 p.m. Open Play Shotgun

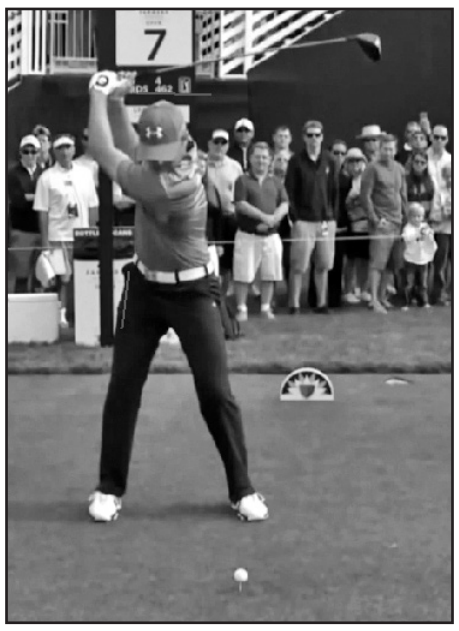
Golf Rules to be Aware Of – Post Storm Conditions

Due to the recent storms, you might find some unusual circumstances when playing golf.

Temporary Water is defined as a large puddle or an accumulation of water that is not in a penalty area and is apparent before or after the golfer takes his/her stance. If your ball enters such an area, you are entitled to free relief defined as one club-length completely clear of the water, no nearer the hole. The ball may be cleaned and must be dropped. If the temporary water is in a sand bunker, you may take the same relief, and your ball must remain in the bunker.

Large Fallen Limbs – if your ball comes to rest amongst an area of large or accumulated large fallen limbs and debris that is not removable, you may take free relief defined as one club length completely clear of the limbs or debris pile, no nearer the hole. The ball may be cleaned and must be dropped.

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

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.

Tips from the Pro— Straight Jacket…Let the left arm bend for more distance

Look at these pictures; what do Kenny Perry and Jordan Spieth all have in common? They all bend their left arm on their backswing. The truth of the matter is that not all of us are flexible enough to make a complete backswing keeping the left arm straight. Some people can, like Rory McIlroy, but for those of us who cannot, go ahead and let that left arms bend. It will help create a longer club-head swing and will allow for more natural momentum generation and club speed. Think of a complete backswing as the longest possible club-head swing…not the biggest turn. There are many ways to generate distance and bending the left arm not only creates a longer club-head swing, it creates a leverage source as on the downswing the arm straightens which creates a "snap" affect at impact. So if you are trying for more distance, instead of thinking more turn, think bend my left elbow and swing the clubhead longer. Let us know if these tips help. To sign up for a lesson with me, email ssteele@the-villages.com

Golf Cart Yellow Lines Initiative

As part of the Villages continuing Culture of Care initiative for our 18-Hole golf course, in January we began 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:

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 golf course yellow lines

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.

Men's Club 2023 Member/Member

2-Man Match Play Tournament

March 10-12, 2023

Flights consist of Six 2-Man Teams - Format is 4-Ball Match Play (1 Net Best Ball)
You will be playing each of the other five teams in your flight one 9-hole match

- 2 nine-hole matches on day 1
- 2 nine-hole matches on day 2
- 1 nine-hole match in the morning of day 3 to determine the Flight Champion
- All Flight Champions will then compete in the Championship Horse Race

after the 9-hole matches of day 3

Championship Horserace Day 3: Pays Win/Place/Show
Added Bonus: If your Flight Champion finishes in the top position, everyone in that Flight will be paid! In addition, immediately after the Horserace, a Catered Taco Bar Lunch will be served at Foothill Center to celebrate all the winners! Included in entry fee - Coffee and Donuts served each day **** Snacks & Beverages in between matches **** Taco Bar Lunch and Awards at Foothill Center on Sunday, March 12, 2023 at 1:30 p.m.
Tee Prize: Member/Member logo golf cap
Entry Fee: $90 per player plus green fees (3rd day is 9-hole rate)
Prizes: 1st, 2nd, & 3rd place in each flight
Registration: Sign up at Pro Shop in person. No phone reservation, so get your partner *now*!

SCOREBOARD

BRIDGE

Monday, January 23:
1. Joe Henry - Lorrie Scott
2. Claude Ashen - Jane Michaels
3. Selma Chastaine - Sylvia Rozewicz

Wednesday, January 25:
1. Mary LeGrand - Louann Partridge
2. Ed Logg and guest
3. Roger Lasson - Jonna Robinson

Friday, January 27:
1. Ed Logg - Jonna Robinson
2. Joe Henry - Bonnie Taylor
3. Selma Chastaine - George Welch

SWINGERS

Captain's Trophy
Thursday, January 24
Front Nine:
Christy Reid 35 Net
Back Nine:
Renee Woolard 34 Net

Front 9 – Flight 1
Player, Total Net
1. Valerie Dimmick 37
2. Wendy Ledamun 37
3. Sheryl Driskell 38
4. Aejung Sin 39

Front 9 – Flight 2
1. Christy Reid 35
2. Delma Juarez 35
3. Victoria Nourian 37
4. Selma Chastain 40

Back 9 – Flight 1
1. Renee Woolard 34
2. Emily Li 35
3. Joy Rem 36
4. Kitty Ohtaka 37

Back 9 – Flight 2
1. Marge Pritchard 36
2. Rita Karlsten 36
3. Linda Curyea 38
4. Anka Hoek 38

MEXICAN TRAIN DOMINOES

Wednesday, January 25

Aloma Lazetera	158
Sandra Gardiner	197
Jo Bennett	307

Friday, January 27

Sylvia Rozewicz	176
Remy Pessah	236
Berta Escamila	238
Sandra Gardiner	273

18 HOLE WOMEN

Captain's Trophy:
Bev Poellot with a net 67
Low Putts:
Camille Giulodibari - 30 putts

Flight One:
Low Gross -
Monica Saneholtz - 82
Low Net:
1. Vicki Krattli - 75
2. Ann Bassford - 76

Flight Two:
Low Gross - Lyn Strong - 93
Low Net:
1. Betty Sharps - 72
2. Renee Woolard - 74
3. Asako Nakamura - 75
4. Cindy Fuller - 77

Flight Three:
Low Gross - Bev Poellot - 94
Low Net -
Linda Lutschan - 72
2. Inge McQuiddy - 74
3. Patti Bell -74
4. Joyce Mukuno - 75

2 Tees Flight
Low Gross - Gail Tuft - 101
Low Net:
1. Jean Beattie - 73
2. Mary Wagle - 77
3. Sylvia Rozewicz - 78
4. Sumi Minami - 78
5. Bette Samdahl - 78

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LANDSCAPE & MAINTENANCE

MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE

Cribari
5001-5076—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.
5077-5089, 5154-5209 and 5234-5249—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 2/6-2/10.
5451-5452—French drain installation in progress along back area to capture roof downspout gutters run off.
Street cracks and shrub beds weed herbicide spray throughout the district (Roundup Pro Max EPA.REG.N0.524-579), scheduled to start 2/6.
Mowing down ivy ground cover areas in progress throughout the district.
5452—Dry rot repairs in progress.
5262-5265—Water main repairs in progress.
Gutter cleaning throughout the district scheduled to start 2/9.
Del Lago
3101-3134 and 3201-3243—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.
3301-3315—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 3/13-3/17.
Street cracks and shrub beds weed herbicide spray throughout the district (Roundup Pro Max EPA.REG.NO.524-579), scheduled to start 2/7.
Meter Rooms—Cleaning, dry rot repairs and hardware replacement in planning.
Estates
8809-8875—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 2/6-2/10.
Fairway
4001-4024—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 3/6-3/10.
Street cracks and shrub beds weed herbicide spray throughout the district (Roundup Pro Max EPA.REG.N0.524-579), scheduled to start 2/6.
Gutter cleaning throughout the district scheduled to start 2/6.
Glen Arden
7698-7752 and 7753-7787 (odd)—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 2/20-2/24.
Common Areas—Treatment for voles, moles, gophers and ground squirrels (Rozol Vole Bait, Talpirid, Gopher Coetter Type 2 Bait, Rodent Bait Diphacinone .005% and .01%), scheduled for 2/6.
7804, 7806, 7851, 7853 and 7855 – Painting project in progress.
Heights
8480-8505—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 2/13-2/17.
Montgomery Lane—Dead pine tree removals in progress.
Gutter cleaning throughout the district in progress.
Hermosa
8005-8032, 8100-8121 and Lower Chardonay Lake—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 2/13-2/17.
8398—Driveway repairs in progress.
Highland
7500-7573—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.
7600-7660, 7711-7715 and 7880-7889—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 2/6-2/10.
Common Areas—Treatment for voles, moles, gophers and ground squirrels (Rozol Vole Bait, Talpirid, Gopher Coetter Type 2 Bait, Rodent Bait Diphacinone .005% and .01%), scheduled for2/6.
Lighting replacement project throughout the district in progress, weather permitting.
Montgomery
6001-6068 and 6127-6136—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 2/6-2/10.
Dead/dying tree removals at various locations, in planning.
6325—Dry rot repairs in progress.
Olivas
8600-8645, 8651-8664 and Vineyard Center—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.
8740-8752, 8769-8807 and Foothill Center—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 3/6-3/10.
8600-8692—Lighting replacement project in progress.
Sonata
2000-2024 and 2032-2064—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 3/6-3/10.
Valle Vista
9037-9047 and 9067-9072—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.
Parks and Banks—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 2/6-2/10.
Common Areas—Treatment for voles, moles, gophers and ground squirrels (Rozol Vole Bait, Talpirid, Gopher Coetter Type 2 Bait, Rodent Bait Diphacinone .005% and .01%), scheduled for 2/6.
Verano
7001-7060 and 7395-7404—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 3/6-3/10.
Dead/dying tree removals at various locations, in planning.
Association
Common Areas—Treatment for voles, moles, gophers and squirrels (Rozol Vole Bait, Talpirid, Gopher Coetter Type 2 Bait, Rodent Bait Diphacinone .005% and .01%), every Monday.
Irrigation repairs in progress throughout the Villages.
General fallen tree debris cleanup in progress throughout the Villages.
Annual crape myrtle tree pruning in progress throughout the Villages.
Landscape drainage clearing out in progress throughout the districts.
Club Centers
Buildings A, B, and C, Tennis Courts and Driving Range—Street cracks and shrub beds herbicide (Roundup Pro Max EPA.REG. N0.524-579) weed spraying, scheduled to start 2/6.
Foothill, Montgomery and Cribari Pool—Closed for the winter.
Clubhouse—Tile installation 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.

Rain Gutter Cleaning Schedule for 2023

Heights: January 30 to February 4 – Completion (weather permitting)
Fairway: February 6 to February 8 — Completion (weather permitting)
Cribari: February 9 to February 11, February 27 to March 04, March 20 to March 25 — Completion (weather permitting)
Verano: February 13 to February 18, March 06 to March 11—Completion (weather permitting)
Highland: February 20 to February 25, March 13 to March 18—Completion (weather permitting)
Club Buildings: March 27 to March 31—Completion (weather permitting)

Maintenance Services

Customer Service Line:

408-223-4670

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.

Club Nominating Committee seeks candidates

The Villages Golf and Country Club Board Nominating Committee is actively seeking candidates for election to the Club Board of Directors. The Club governing documents provide that there shall be seven directors, and election will be held during May and June for two director positons to serve three-year terms.

The Club Board is responsible for the management of Club operations including, but not limited to all recreational, social, and cultural events in operation at The Villages, the community centers and adjoining swimming pools, the Clubhouse/Pro Shop complex, the two golf courses and tennis courts.

It's a rewarding experience to participate in the governance of this vibrant community. The Nominating Committee urges all Villages property owners to consider involvement in the community decisions through service on The Villages Golf and Country Club Board of Directors.

If you are interested in being a candidate, and/or need additional information please contact any of the Club Nominating Committee Members: Andrew Altman at 207-210-8210 or Andy@ASAltman.com ; John Laws at 408-532-7954; Vivian Brown at 408-274-5850 or vivianbrown1328@comcast.net ; Beverly Poellot at 408-300-1009 or bpoellot@gmail.com ; and Mohan Rao Aiyagari at 408-828-3709 or mvaiyagari@sbcglobal.net .

The Homeowners' Corporation needs you

Did you just move to The Villages and are looking for a way to meet people and be involved in the community? Are you recently retired and ready to join the many volunteers that help make The Villages the community we all enjoy? Have you lived in The Villages for some time, but haven't found a volunteer job that interests you?

The Homeowners' Corporation Board of Directors has a volunteer opportunity for you. The Architectural Control Committee (ACC) has openings for associate members. This committee is comprised of single-family homeowners and has the responsibility of reviewing homeowner applications to make changes to the exterior of their property. Serving on the committee is a great way to get to know all five Villages that contain single-family homes and to help your neighbors through the process of applying to the ACC.

The committee consists of three voting members and an unspecified number of associate members. The committee meets once a month on the first Thursday of the month at 3 p.m. The next meeting is Thursday, February 9, 3 p.m., in the Cribari Conference Room.

If you are interested in learning more, contact ACC Chair Morton Cordell, 408-622-4469, morton@sra-usa.com, CFO/ACC Liaison Rob Kirschbaum, 261-960-4820, newadventure@comcast.net, or Homeowners' Corporation Board President Teddy Morse, 408-394-5229, theodoramorse@outlook.com.

VMA: *Pay it forward—volunteer drivers needed*

The VMA is looking for able-bodied volunteers to assist residents who are no longer able to drive on their own and requiring transportation to and from scheduled medical appointments. Mileage is reimbursable if you so choose. All that is required is some of your extra time and kindness, usually no more than an hour or so at a time. If you're interested, please fill out an application; it is available on the VMA Website at vmavillages.org or in the office, which is open Monday through Thursday 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

You choose which days of the week you're available and times that best work for you.

It's that simple. Or, if you have any questions, please contact the office at 408-238-4230.

VMA: *Free pedestrian safety vests*

What is the most important thing that you can do for yourself and others while walking in the pedestrian lanes at dusk or in the evening? No, it's not the "Villager Wave"; it's making sure you're visible to oncoming drivers so you don't become a statistic. Wearing bright or reflective clothing will help tremendously, or you could go to the VMA office and pick up a reflective Safety Vest. We can arrange to have a supply on hand during office hours 9:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. Monday -Thursday. One size fits all, and there is no charge. (Please one vest per household member.)

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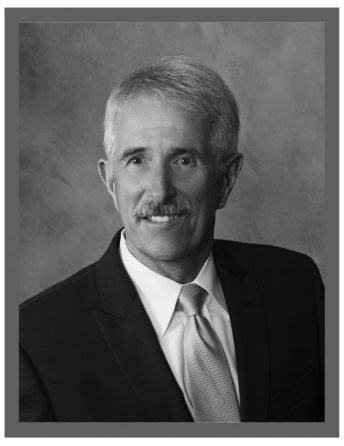

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Obituary

Robert Vierra

October 24, 1926 — January 27, 2023

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He is survived by his loving wife of 68 years Veronica, five children, twelve grandchildren, and two great grandchildren.

A memorial mass will be held February 10th, 11 AM at Saint Francis of Assisi. A celebration of his life will follow.

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.

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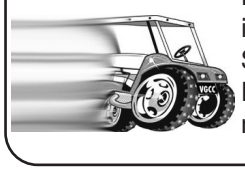
There are currently six editions of The Fast Lane: Wednesday (general announcements and board-recognized events), Friday (Board and Committee meeting information), Saturday (Maintenance Services), The Clubhouse & Bistro every Monday, The Pro Shop Tuesday, and Community Activities every Thursday.



Community Chapel...

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I think about how we all can get caught up in our own little world while the Lord tries to get our attention to help us and we resist for whatever reason.

2 Peter 3:9 NLV *The Lord is not slow about keeping His promise as some people think. He is waiting for you. The Lord does not want any person to be punished forever. He wants all people to be sorry for their sins and turn away from them.*

If you need 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 embrace.*

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

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In Memoriam and Obituary Notices

In Memoriam notices are run free of charge.

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

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

For more information, please call Kory Tran at 408-754-1341 or email: ktran@the-villages.com, or Scott Hinrichs at 408-223-4655 or email: shinrichs@the-villages.com.

VMA 'Do's and Don'ts' — What to Know!

For medical equipment, rides and general questions please call the Volunteer desk at 408-432-4230.

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1. Schedule rides no earlier than four days in advance and no later than 2 days in advance
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Resident must be able to shop on their own.

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VMA offers an assortment of items, which are provided by other villagers who have rec'd items in excess.

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Place in appropriate locked box.

Never place any medications in the mailboxes located across from the VMA office or hang them on the VMA door!

Items happily accepted at the VMA office:

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Clothing Donations—Call office for information—do not bring items to office.

The Mission of The Villages Medical Auxiliary (VMA) is to assist residents to live independent, active, and healthy lives as long as possible.

The VMA, with the help of their dedicated and exceptional volunteers, will continue to help assist residents and their families with referral services for individual care needs and concerns. A couple of their many goals are to help Villagers mitigate their worries and stress with scheduled appointments and to help with any medical needs and services that may arise.

The VMA offers the Village's community so much. Please make sure to take some time to visit the VMA Website at vmavillages.org

PUBLIC SAFETY

Public Safety seeking owner of Thor Four Winds RV

The Public Safety Administration Office is looking to Villagers for assistance in locating the owner of an RV parked in space 37 of the RV lot. The RV in question is a Ford Thor Fourwinds (white, tan & blue) with California Disabled plates. If you are the owner, or know the owner, please contact the Public Safety Administration Office at 408-239-5246 option 2. Our office would like to identify the owner prior to having the RV towed from Villages property. Please contact Public Safety prior to February 15, 2023.

What are you waiting for? Join NIXLE today

By Arlene Versaw

What if you had the opportunity to immediately get notification of an emergency that could affect you? And what if you could sign up to receive those notifications quickly and easily and at no cost to you? Wouldn't you jump at the chance?

Sadly, only about 25 percent of Villagers have enrolled in NIXLE, the Villages-specific communication/information system, since it was launched last year. NIXLE is a very important component of your taking responsibility for emergency response if needed. This information and notification system will be activated for water and power outages, road closures, fire and other more major disasters. Residents will receive alerts by text, voice message to landlines or cell phones or a combination of the two.

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Don't delay. Help protect yourself and your household. Notification of emergencies empowers you. Act today!

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Real Estate –

Just starting this week, the active listings have substantially increased.
Here they come. There are now nearly 20 listings at this writing. Some are the overpriced homes that are still on the market, but most of them just came on last week. I have a buyer that will purchase one of them, but there are plenty more. Let's hope the buyers start looking again.

What happens when Google finishes laying off 12,000 employees?
I am 3rd generation San Jose resident, so I have seen many layoff cycles in Silicon Valley. I have 2 friends that work with Apple and tell me that Apple would like employees to come back into the office to work. Both of these ladies have moved out of California and have been working remotely. I sold both of their homes (outside the Villages) 1.5 years ago. One is allowed to continue working remotely and the other is quitting Apple. I am sure there will be more employees unwilling to return. These are typical stories of what has been happening in Silicon Valley post pandemic.

Is there a possible silver lining for locals?
Now there is going to be another or continued massive shuffle in the Bay Area. According to Zip Recruiters, many of these laid off employees are finding employment in other fields. Some will not make it in time to renew their Visa's and will be forced to move back to their home country, but most will find new jobs. The silver lining? Some that retire and call this the last lay off will land in the Villages. The folks on Visa's will most likely create vacancies in the rental market. One way or another, this reshuffling of employment should bring lots of action in the housing market.

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