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Chinese Club celebrates the lunar new year in high style



The Villages Chinese Club's "Women in Red" perform a dance to celebrate the year of the rabbit at a feast held at the Mayfair Restaurant in Milpitas on Thursday, February 2. (See article and photo on page 14)

The VMA Recycling Team appreciates your help!

Dear Villagers, we very much appreciate your contributions to our aluminum-recycling program. Your efforts provide over 5,000 pounds annually of recyclables toward the funding of various programs that benefit our residents. One thing that we *do ask* is that when recycling, *please deposit only aluminum cans* into our receptacles. Quite often, we find all kinds of nonaluminum items in our cans ranging from garbage, plastic and glass bottles, and waste products. This creates additional unnecessary work for our volunteers, not to mention messy conditions. So, again thank you for your contributions and *please* be considerate of our efforts.

Remember, don't kick those cans down the road, don't throw them away, don't smash 'em on your head, recycle them! The VMA currently has barrels that are labeled for "Aluminum Cans Recycle Program" in most trash enclosures and they have a team of volunteers that do the pickups. This program directly benefits The Villages because the recycle funds the VMA receives go directly back into our community.

Speaking of the team of volunteers, we could always use more help in collecting the cans. If you could spare some of your valuable time to assist in this very important program, we would welcome you with open arms.

Please give back by either recycling your aluminum with us, financial donations or volunteering. Please contact the VMA office at 408-238-4230.



Candy Yu to be jurist at Arts & Crafts Members' Juried Art Show

By Michael Sunzeri

Before our "not to be missed" AMJS exhibit on February 23, we are featuring our jurist, Candy Yu. She has participated in many of our events here at The Villages. If you don't know her work, find delight viewing it on the East Valley Artists and Fine Art America websites.

Her varied background spans time and continents. Born in Taiwan, Candy was first inspired by her primary school teacher's enthusiasm for art. She focused on academics and graduated from National Taiwan University. After college, she married, moved to the United States, and began her graduate studies in computer science while working in the high-tech industry in San Jose. After leaving that industry, she enrolled in watercolor classes and became enthralled with the medium.

Candy worked with autistic children for the Berryessa School District from 2002 to 2007, incorporating art into their curriculum. She has since attended watercolor workshops and taught watercolor to children.

She enjoys painting watercolor on different surfaces at home and in plein air. She is a member of East Valley Artists, and the Santa Clara Valley Watercolor Society. She has received numerous awards in juried art shows for her watercolor paintings, including AVArtFest and the Triton Museum Midsummer Art Festival. She received President's Award, Sponsor's Award, Honorable Mention Award, and numerous People's Choice Awards at the Santa Clara Valley Watercolor Society over the years. She also was awarded first place in watercolor and the People's Choice Award at the East Valley Artists Annual Show in 2008, 2010, 2011, and 2019. In 2003, 2010, 2017, 2018, and 2022, she was named Artist of the Year by her peers and fellow members of the East Valley Artists.

Meet Candy at 1:30 p.m. on February 23 in the Cribari Conference Room where she will meet with our featured artists, give them insight on their juried work and answer your queries.



"On the Edge of Toes" by Candy Yu

COMMUNITY NEWS

PULSE

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

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

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

Letters may be submitted electronically through the Pulse Submission Form on the Resident Portal: resident.thevillagesgcc.com/pulse, or emailed to Villager Managing Editor S. Hinrichs: shinrichs@the-villages.com. E-mailed letters must include the text within the body of the e-mail and the subject line must read PULSE LETTER.

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

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

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

Thanks to Community Activities survey participants!

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Community Activities Department's first survey of 2023 "Registration and Trips." We are looking forward to reviewing all the responses. For those who are curious, we received an initial count of 152 respondents, however after filtering out incomplete surveys and duplicate surveys (we asked for only one survey per house number), the final number of completed surveys is 133 (119 online surveys and 14 paper surveys).

There were significant spikes in online survey submissions on each Thursday the survey was open, which coincided with the trips to see Ramses at the DeYoung and when the Community Activities edition of the Fast Lane came out (Thursdays at 5 p.m.). Paper submissions spiked right before the deadline.

Please stay tuned for more information regarding survey results and when the next survey regarding classes will be available.

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.

POST OFFICE NOTICE

Find latest stamps at Villages Post Office

Come to the Villages Post Office in Cribari Center for the latest Forever Stamps such as:

- Love 2023 (Cats & Dogs with hearts)
- Snowy Beauty (Flower photos)
- Mountain Flora (Floral design)
- U.S. Flags

These Forever Stamps are all 63 cents in booklets of 20 stamps for \$12.60.

The U.S. Flags also come in a coil of 100 stamps for \$63.

The Villages Post Office is open Monday to Friday, 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.



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.

IN MEMORIAM

Bert Greenberg

June 11, 1928—February 11, 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.

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

DEADLINES

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

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

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

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

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

Call 408-223-4655 to report missed deliveries.

POLICIES

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

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

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

HOURS

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

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

THE WEEKLY VILLAGER is published every Thursday under policies established by the

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BOARDS & COMMITTEES

The Villages Association Solicitation of Candidates Form

The deadline for nominations for The Villages Association Board of Director candidates for this year's election is March 28, 2023, at 5 p.m.

Pursuant to California Civil Code §5105(a)(3), The Villages Association Bylaws Section 6.1.2, and The Villages Association Election Rules Section 3.2.1, any Member who satisfies the qualifications and is not otherwise prohibited from running for the Board may place their name in nomination by completing this "Solicitation of Candidates Form" and submitting this form to the President (David Cook) or Secretary (Richard Holmboe) of the Board before the above posted deadline.

STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY

2023 Election of Directors

I am interested in serving on the Board of Directors of The Villages Association.

Member's Name

Property Address(es) within The Villages Association.

Mailing Address, If Different

Daytime Telephone Number

E-mail Address

The attached statement explains my qualifications to serve as a director and, if elected, my goals for the community. Statements are limited to 250 words. Sample candidate statements and formatting guidelines are available in the General Manager's office or by contacting jmeadows@the-villages.com. Please attach your candidate statement to this form.

Qualified candidates' names and addresses will be included on the Candidate Registration List and statements will be published in the voting materials that accompany the ballots in the election of directors, as well as published in The Villager newspaper. Telephone numbers and email addresses are for internal use only and will not be published with the statements.

The deadline for nominations for The Villages Association Board of Director candidates for this year's election is March 28, 2023, at 5:00 p.m.

Candidates' statements must be received no later than April 28, 2023, in order to be included in the official voting materials. Candidates' statements may be sent to The Villages Association c/o Julia Meadows, Assistant General Manager, 5000 Cribari Lane, San Jose, CA 95135, or jmeadows@the-villages.com.

"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 ME-Hernandez@the-villages.com or drop them in the drop-box in the parking lot of Building A.

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

Questions for the Club Board?

The Club Board of Directors (CBOD) appreciates the need in having your questions answered. The CBOD has a column in *The Villager* so that all those interested can see the question and response.

If you have any questions, please email them to Julia Meadows at jmeadows@the-villages.com or you can put a written question in the drop-box in the parking lot of Building A.

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THE VILLAGES ASSOCIATION ELECTIONS RULES

ARTICLE 3: Candidates for the Board and Nomination Procedures

3.1 Qualification of Candidates.

Candidates for the Board must be Members at the time of their nomination and (i) must meet any other qualifications or restrictions set forth in these Election Rules and (ii) must meet any other qualifications or restrictions set forth in the Bylaws so long as they do not conflict with these Election Rules. In the case of a Member that is not a natural person (such as a corporation or other entity), the entity Member shall have the power to appoint a natural person as the "Member" for purposes of director elections. The Association shall disqualify a nominee for the Board for any of the following reasons:

3.1.1 The nominee is not a Member.

3.1.2 The nominee does not reside within The Villages condominium project.

3.1.3 If the nominee, if elected, would be serving on the Board at the same time as serving on the Board of The Villages Golf and Country Club.

3.1.4 If the nominee, if elected, would be serving on the Board at the same time as another owner of the same separate interest and the other person is either properly nominated for the current election or is an incumbent director.

3.1.5 If the nominee, at the time of nomination, is delinquent in the payment of regular and/or special assessments. A nominee shall not be considered "delinquent" if the delinquency relates to the payment of fines, fines renamed as assessments, collection charges, late charges, or costs levied by a third party and/or if the nominee: (a) has paid the regular or special assessment

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NOTICE The Villages Association

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More BOARDS & COMMITTEES,
MANAGEMENT and COMMUNITY
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MANAGEMENT

Coyote reminder and tips

Coyotes may try to escort walkers out of an area to protect their pups or food sources when encountered on a trail or street. Humans may perceive this behavior as stalking, which is usually not the case. They may also view your pet as prey. To allow coyotes to be wild while keeping yourself and pets safe, please follow these pointers:

- Never feed coyotes—it is illegal to feed coyotes in most places. Feeding endangers your family and neighbors because it lures coyotes into neighborhoods.
- Keep unattended cats and dogs indoors or in completely enclosed runs, especially at night, and do not assume that a fence will keep a coyote out of your backyard.
- Accompany your leashed pet outside. Make sure you turn on lights if it is dark to check your backyard for unexpected wildlife.
- **Keep dogs on short leashes while walking outside; the Division of Wildlife recommends a leash no longer than 6 feet.**
- Keep noisemakers on hand to scare away coyotes that may enter your yard. Some examples of noise makers are whistles, horns or metal cans with small rocks or coins that rattle.
- Never run away or turn your back on a coyote.
- Do not allow a coyote to get between you and your pet or child—keep children close to you.
- Yell, clap hands, blow a whistle or rattle a can and try to make yourself look larger if you have a close encounter with a coyote.
- An empty soda can with pennies sealed with duct tape makes a very good noise maker when shaken.

Reminder to all small pet owners: A recent rise in coyote aggression has been seen with small dogs, most unleashed. **Please always leash your pets. Keep leashes short.** Coyotes will try to get between you and your pet if the leash is extended far enough. Coyotes are known to attack leashed dogs when the owner gets distracted. Please stay cautious and aware of your surroundings when cleaning up after your pet, talking to a neighbor, checking the mail, etc. Coyotes are opportunists and may make their attacks when you are not paying attention.

Carry a noise maker and always be alert. Use caution when walking past wooded areas, hiding spots between homes, and the golf course. They are widespread in The Villages and can truly be anywhere.

There is no way to completely eliminate coyotes from The Villages, so always use caution when walking, especially with pets. Also, coyotes tend to be most active around sunrise and sunset. Pick different times for walks.

Please report all coyote sightings to Public Safety and Vector Control at the email addresses listed below.

Report Coyote Activity

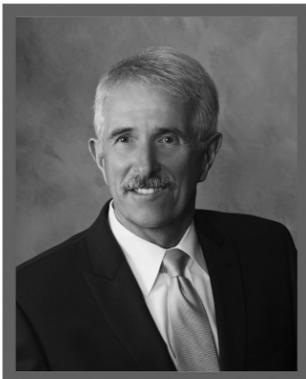
Please report all coyote sightings to Public Safety and Vector Control at the following email addresses:

- Director of Public Safety Steve Norden at snorden@the-villages.com and include in email the location day and time of the sighting.
- Contact for Vector Control is Vector.sccgov.org/home. Residents can use this to report coyote / wildlife incidents directly to the county.

Estate Planning Attorneys

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

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



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

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PUBLIC SAFETY

Public Safety Report January 2023

| CLASSIFICATION | Present Month | YTD 2023 | YTD 2022 |
|---------------------------------|------------------|-------------|-------------|
| ACCIDENTS | | | |
| 1) PERSONAL INJURY | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2) AUTO | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| 3) HIT & RUN | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| 4) GOLF CART | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 5) MISCELLANEOUS | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| AFTER HOURS REQUESTS | | | |
| 1) LIGHTS | 70 | 70 | 46 |
| 2) FACILITIES | 18 | 18 | 6 |
| 3) SPRINKLERS | 3 | 3 | 0 |
| 4) LANDSCAPE | 7 | 7 | 0 |
| 5) ACTIVITIES | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| 6) MISCELLANEOUS | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 7) GOLF MAINTENANCE | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| 8) FOOD & BEVERAGE | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 9) BUSINESS OFFICE | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 10) PRO SHOP | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 11) WATER LEAKS (OUTSIDE) | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| 12) ALARM ACTIVATION | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| ANIMAL | | | |
| 1) COMPLAINTS | 5 | 5 | 5 |
| 2) TRAP REQUEST | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 3) LOST | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| 4) FOUND | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 5) COYOTE COMPLAINTS/SIGHTINGS | 4 | 4 | 7 |
| CITATIONS | | | |
| 1) PARKING | 0 | 0 | 8 |
| 2) SPEEDING | 1 | 1 | 4 |
| 3) STOP SIGN - RESIDENTS | 8 | 8 | 6 |
| 4) STOP SIGN - NON-RESIDENTS | 23 | 23 | 12 |
| STOP SIGN TOTALS | 31 | 31 | 18 |
| 5) MISCELLANEOUS | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| 6) ACC | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| DISTURBANCE | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| FIRE / SMOKE | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| HAZARDOUS CONDITION | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| MEDICAL EMERGENCY | 56 | 56 | 51 |
| MISCELLANEOUS | 54 | 54 | 19 |
| PROPERTY | | | |
| 1) DAMAGED | 8 | 8 | 6 |
| 2) LOST | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| 3) FOUND | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 4) VANDALIZED | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 5) MISSING | 2 | 2 | 0 |
| PUBLIC SAFETY | | | |
| 1) COMPLAINT | 20 | 20 | 29 |
| 2) REQUEST | 7 | 7 | 0 |
| RESIDENT ASSIST | 14 | 14 | 15 |
| RESIDENT WELFARE CHECK | 6 | 6 | 8 |
| SUSPICIOUS CIRCUMSTANCES | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| TRESPASSING | | | |
| 1) AUTO | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2) PERSON | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| UNLOCKS | 17 | 17 | 25 |
| UNSECURED AREA | 1 | 1 | 0 |

GOVERNANCE MEETINGS

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.**

Club Rules Committee to meet February 17

There will be a Club Rules Committee Meeting on Friday, February 17 at 10 a.m. in the Voyage Room.

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

More COMMUNITY NOTICES

(SRS) SENIOR RESOURCE SERVICES

Two questions about filing a tax return

Question 1: Do you legally need to file a tax return?

For most people, the need to file a return depends on their gross income. Based on your tax filing status and age, you **must** file a tax return if your gross income equals or is greater than the amount in the chart below. If your income is above this range, a return is required even if you are certain there will be no tax due after deductions such as medical expenses, charitable contributions, or home mortgage interest.

| | |
|---|----------|
| Single and under 65..... | \$12,950 |
| Single and 65 or older..... | 14,700 |
| Married filing jointly, both spouses under 65..... | 25,900 |
| Married filing jointly, one spouse 65 or older..... | 27,300 |
| Married filing jointly, both spouses 65 or older..... | 28,700 |

Question 2: Should you file a tax return even though you are not required to file a tax return?

That used to be a simple answer: no. But in recent years, especially after payments related to the pandemic and rising gas prices in California, submitting a tax return also has become key to receiving money.

In 2021, California started sending out its own pandemic stimulus payments, which reached up to \$1,200. To get the payments, you had to have filed a 2020 tax return. The state did a second round of payments in late 2021, also predicated on having filed a 2020 or 2021 return.

In 2022, with gas prices soaring and a massive budget surplus on their hands, state lawmakers decided to send out another round of payments to help with the rising cost of living—again tied to 2020 tax returns.

The official line, from the state’s Franchise Tax Board, is: Filing your taxes, even if you don’t owe any, can be beneficial, because it allows you to potentially get tax payments via tax credits if you qualify and potential future one-time payments like the pandemic stimulus packages. You can file a state tax return even if you have no income from work—this includes seniors living off of Social Security.

But wait, what if you don’t feel comfortable preparing your own tax returns? Will you have to pay for the preparation when there might not be a future government payment? Luckily for you, SRS has a free tax preparation service for low-income households. Call the Evergreen Community Center at **408-270-2220** to make an appointment.

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

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.

(More SRS on page 7)

SRS Reminder:

How to get tax forms

Still like to use paper tax forms? You can get Federal forms by ordering by telephone at 1-800-829-3676 (1-800-Tax-Form). Or go to [irs.gov](https://www.irs.gov) and click on “Find forms and instructions.”

For California forms call 1-800-338-0505 or go to ftb.ca.gov and click on “Forms.”

BOARD MEETINGS

Three Boards

- Three-Board Meeting Re: General Liability and D & O Insurance Renewal is Friday, February 24, at 10 a.m. via Zoom Meeting
Meeting ID: 842 4054 5530; Passcode: 881265; Dial: 1-669-444-9171

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. at Montgomery Center.

Association Election Rules...

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under protest; (b) has entered into a payment plan for repayment of the delinquent assessments and is not delinquent in payments due under the plan; or (c) the nominee has requested and has not been provided an opportunity to engage in internal dispute resolution.

3.1.6 If the nominee has been a member of the Association for less than one year.

3.1.7 If the nominee discloses, or if the Association is aware or becomes aware of, a past criminal conviction that would, if the Member was elected, either prevent the Association from purchasing the fidelity bond coverage required by Civil Code section 5806 or terminate the Association’s existing fidelity bond coverage.

3.2 Nominations.

3.2.1 Solicitation of Candidates. At least thirty (30) days before the deadline for submitting a nomination, the Association shall provide general notice of the procedure and deadline for submitting a nomination for the Board. Any Member who satisfies the qualifications and is not otherwise prohibited from running for the Board may place their name in nomination for the Board by submitting the nomination before the published deadline for receiving nominations. In addition, the Board may recruit qualified candidates and/or may appoint a nominating committee to nominate qualified candidates.

3.2.2 No Write-Ins. No “write-in” candidates shall be permitted on the ballots in the election of directors.

More BOARDS & COMMITTEES,
and COMMUNITY NOTICES
on pages 7, 11, 27 & 28

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Friday, February 17

| | | |
|-----------|----------------------------|-----|
| 8:30 a.m. | Jazzercise | A |
| 9 a.m. | Catholic Mass | CR |
| 9 a.m. | Chinese Morning Exercise | P |
| 9 a.m. | Game Day | RED |
| 9 a.m. | Income Tax Service | 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 |
| 5 p.m. | Jewish Religious Services | FC |
| 6 p.m. | Chinese Club Line Dance | VC |
| 6:30 p.m. | Mexican Train Dominoes | MC |
| 7 p.m. | Theater Rehearsal – Spring | A |

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|-----------|----------------------------|-----|
| 1 p.m. | Flower Ladies Arranging | VC |
| 2 p.m. | Theater Rehearsal – Spring | A |
| 5:30 p.m. | Village Dancers | A |
| 7 p.m. | Duplicate Bridge | RED |

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|-----------|----------------------|-----|
| 6:45 p.m. | Foothill Garden Club | VC |
| 7 p.m. | Duplicate Bridge | RED |
| 7 p.m. | Village Voices | FC |

Tuesday, February 21

| | | |
|------------|-----------------------------|-----|
| 8:30 a.m. | Tai Chi | A |
| 9 a.m. | Game Day | RED |
| 9 a.m. | Men's Evergreen Tournament | VC |
| 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 |
| 10:30 a.m. | Chapel Lay Board Meet. | F |
| 11 a.m. | Live Stronger Longer | CR |
| 12 p.m. | Women Par Three Golf Lunch | MC |
| 5 p.m. | Men's Fun Club Dinner Dance | CH |
| 7 p.m. | Theater Rehearsal – Spring | MC |

Thursday, February 23

| | | |
|------------|----------------------------|-----|
| 8:30 a.m. | Tai Chi | CR |
| 9 a.m. | Game Day | RED |
| 9 a.m. | Table Tennis | MMP |
| 9:30 a.m. | Acrylic Classes | AR |
| 9:30 a.m. | Hiking Club Board | F |
| 9:30 a.m. | Ceramics Open Studio | CER |
| 10 a.m. | Live Stronger Longer | A |
| 11:30 a.m. | 18 Hole Women Golf Lunch | CH |
| 12 p.m. | Juried Art Show | CR |
| 12 p.m. | Game Day | RED |
| 1 p.m. | Chapel Small Group | SEQ |
| 1:30 p.m. | Ukulele Club | VC |
| 3 p.m. | Chapel Choir | FC |
| 7 p.m. | Folksters | VC |
| 7 p.m. | Theater Rehearsal – Spring | A |

Saturday, February 18

| | | |
|-----------|------------------------|-----|
| 9 a.m. | Ukulele Singing | SEQ |
| 9 a.m. | Table Tennis | MMP |
| 9:30 a.m. | Ceramic Open Studio | CER |
| 10 a.m. | Quilters | PR |
| 11 a.m. | Bocce Referee Training | BC |
| 4 p.m. | Table Tennis Social | MC |

Wednesday, February 22

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|-----------|--------------------------|-----|
| 8:30 a.m. | Jazzercise | A |
| 9 a.m. | Bocce Boot Camp | BC |
| 9 a.m. | Bocce Championship | GP |
| 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. | Episcopal Services | MC |
| 10 a.m. | Watercolor Classes | AR |
| 10 a.m. | Yoga Class | A |
| 11 a.m. | Israeli Folk Dance | CR |
| 12 p.m. | Juried Art Show | AR |
| 5:30 p.m. | VMA Bingo Dinner | CH |
| 6 p.m. | Village Dancers Prep | A |
| 6:30 p.m. | Mexican Train Dominoes | MC |

Friday, February 24

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|-----------|--------------------------|-----|
| 8:30 a.m. | Jazzercise | A |
| 9 a.m. | Chinese Morning Exercise | P |
| 9 a.m. | Game Day | RED |
| 9 a.m. | Income Tax Service | FC |
| 9 a.m. | Table Tennis Practice | 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 |
| 1 p.m. | Bocce Captains | MC |
| 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 | A |

Sunday, February 19

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|-----------|---------------------------|-----|
| 6:30 a.m. | Catholic Choir | CR |
| 8:15 a.m. | Catholic Mass | A |
| 9 a.m. | Chapel Choir | SEQ |
| 9 a.m. | Episcopal Services | MC |
| 9 a.m. | Table Tennis Practice | MMP |
| 10 a.m. | Community Chapel Services | A |
| 10 a.m. | Quilters | PR |
| 11 a.m. | Chapel Fellowship | CR |
| 7 p.m. | Chinese Club Karaoke | RED |
| 7 p.m. | Chinese Club Line Dance | CR |

Monday, February 20

| | | |
|-----------|--------------------------|-----|
| 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. | Drawing Class | AR |
| 11 a.m. | Bocce Boot Camp | BC |
| 1 p.m. | Stitchery | PR |

EVENT LOCATIONS

| | | |
|------------|--------------------|-----------|
| A | Auditorium | (Cribari) |
| AR | Art Room | (Cribari) |
| BC | Bocce Courts | |
| BGA | Building A | |
| CER | Ceramics | (Cribari) |
| CCR | Cribari Club Rm. | |
| CH | Clubhouse | |
| CR | Conference Rm. | (Cribari) |
| CY | Corporation Yard | |
| F | Forum | (Cribari) |
| FC | Foothill Center | |
| FCR | Fitness 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) |
| PR | Patio Room | (Cribari) |
| PC | Pickleball Courts | |
| TR | Terrace Room | (Cribari) |
| VC | Vineyard Center | |



Villages Medical Auxiliary-Since 1976

Office: 408-238-4230

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

Service Coordinator:
408-238-4029

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Programs March 2023

Ageless Wellness: Nita Bhatt from Balance Therapy will share her thoughts and offer suggestions on growing older while maintaining your health. Join us March 7 at 10:30 a.m. in the Sequoia Room. Please call 408-238-4029 to register.

Support Groups March 2023

Grief Support Group: Chaplain Dale Poland, M.Div, BCC - from Hospice of the Valley-Sutter Health will meet every Monday, March 6 through April 10 in the Sequoia Room from 10:30 a.m. to noon. Please call 408-238-4029 with any questions. **Please note:** There will be *no* sessions on February 20 and 27.

Caregiver Support Group: Judith London Ph.D. will conduct the monthly group on Thursday, March 16 at 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m. in the Patio Room and via Zoom. Please contact Judy London Ph.D. for all meeting specifics at judithlondon@sbcglobal.net or call 408-784-3325. **Note room change!**

Parkinson's Caregiver Support Group: Meet with other caregivers of those with Parkinson's on Thursday, March 16 from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. in Forum Center.

Please check out vmavillages.org



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

Fitness Center

Daily
12:00 & 6:00

Fitness

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

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

Avoiding Senior Scams

Daily
2:00 & 8:00

Welcome to Our Website

Daily
3:45 & 9:45

Living with Wildfires in Santa Clara County

Daily
4:30 & 10:30



Club Events & Notices



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

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 positions 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. 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.

More COMMUNITY NOTICES

SRS Alert:

MCTR not taxable

On February 10, 2023, the IRS clarified the federal tax status of special payments made in 2022 by 21 states. For California, the IRS has determined that in the interest of sound tax administration, taxpayers in California will not need to report the California Middle Class Tax on their 2022 income tax return. The MCTR payment you received will not be taxable on either your federal or California return.

If you receive a form 1099-MISC from California, ignore the form and do not include it as income on either of your tax returns.

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.



Golf Cart Registration Reminder

Have you recently purchased a golf cart? Just a friendly reminder that all Golf Carts must be registered no matter if they are for leisure use or golf course use. Please contact the Public Safety Administration at 408-239-5246 option 2, or you may email: vtennon@the-villages.com or hbalaoro@the-villages.com to register your cart.

HFC Irrigation Use—FY 22/23 compared to FY 19/20

| FY 22/23 HCF Irrigation Use Compared to FY 19/20 HCF Irrigation Use | | | | | |
|---|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|---------------------------|
| District | FY19/20 Jul19-Dec19 | FY20/21 Jul20-Dec20 | FY21/22 Jul21-Dec21 | FY22/23 Jul22-Dec22 | 22/23 vs 19/20 Jul-Dec |
| Cribari | | | | | |
| Residential | 10,936 | 12,932 | 10,287 | 10,766 | |
| % | 32% | 38% | 39% | 48% | |
| Irrigation | 22,994 | 21,157 | 15,813 | 11,434 | -50% |
| % | 68% | 62% | 61% | 52% | |
| Total Cribari | 33,930 | 34,089 | 26,100 | 22,200 | |
| Montgomery | | | | | |
| Combined | 28,322 | 28,259 | 19,697 | 14,553 | -49% |
| Heights | | | | | |
| Residential | 1,429 | 1,467 | 1,320 | 1,345 | |
| % | 22% | 24% | 30% | 39% | |
| Irrigation | 5,139 | 4,687 | 3,051 | 2,123 | -59% |
| % | 78% | 76% | 70% | 61% | |
| Total Heights | 6,568 | 6,154 | 4,371 | 3,468 | |
| Hermosa | | | | | |
| Residential | 3,895 | 3,982 | 3,208 | 3,035 | |
| % | 20% | 21% | 24% | 30% | |
| Irrigation | 15,893 | 15,280 | 10,207 | 7,166 | -55% |
| % | 80% | 79% | 76% | 70% | |
| Total Hermosa | 19,788 | 19,261 | 13,416 | 10,201 | |
| Verano | | | | | |
| Residential | 4,371 | 4,312 | 3,727 | 3,868 | |
| % | 24% | 25% | 28% | 38% | |
| Irrigation | 14,203 | 12,993 | 9,390 | 6,240 | -56% |
| % | 76% | 75% | 72% | 62% | |
| Total Verano | 18,574 | 17,305 | 13,117 | 10,108 | |
| Del Lago | | | | | |
| Residential | 4,925 | 4,992 | 4,034 | 3,749 | |
| % | 47% | 42% | 40% | 47% | |
| Irrigation | 5,599 | 6,870 | 5,994 | 4,200 | -25% |
| % | 53% | 58% | 60% | 53% | |
| Total Del Lago | 10,524 | 11,862 | 10,028 | 7,949 | |
| Highland | | | | | |
| Residential | 5,744 | 6,058 | 5,313 | 4,933 | |
| % | 27% | 31% | 37% | 42% | |
| Irrigation | 15,776 | 13,293 | 9,213 | 6,760 | -57% |
| % | 73% | 69% | 63% | 58% | |
| Total Highland | 21,520 | 19,351 | 14,526 | 11,693 | |
| Glen Arden | | | | | |
| Residential | 2,483 | 3,079 | 2,758 | 2,533 | |
| % | 38% | 47% | 52% | 57% | |
| Irrigation | 4,070 | 3,519 | 2,510 | 1,886 | -54% |
| % | 62% | 53% | 48% | 43% | |
| Total Glen Arden | 6,553 | 6,598 | 5,268 | 4,419 | |
| Olivas | | | | | |
| Residential | 5,384 | 5,434 | 4,139 | 4,172 | |
| % | 18% | 20% | 20% | 27% | |
| Irrigation | 24,005 | 22,085 | 16,252 | 11,058 | -54% |
| % | 82% | 80% | 80% | 73% | |
| Total Olivas | 29,389 | 27,519 | 20,391 | 15,230 | |
| Fairways | | | | | |
| Residential | 806 | 677 | 648 | 731 | |
| % | 26% | 23% | 34% | 42% | |
| Irrigation | 2,268 | 2,244 | 1,259 | 1,014 | -55% |
| % | 74% | 77% | 66% | 58% | |
| Total Fairways | 3,074 | 2,921 | 1,907 | 1,745 | |
| Sonata | | | | | |
| Residential | 2,999 | 2,881 | 2,443 | 2,671 | |
| % | 27% | 32% | 41% | 51% | |
| Irrigation | 8,013 | 6,037 | 3,511 | 2,605 | -67% |
| % | 73% | 68% | 59% | 49% | |
| Total Sonata | 11,012 | 8,918 | 5,954 | 5,276 | |
| Valle Vista | | | | | |
| Residential | 1,904 | 1,920 | 1,595 | 1,502 | |
| % | 20% | 18% | 19% | 32% | |
| Irrigation | 7,525 | 8,567 | 6,962 | 3,157 | -58% |
| % | 80% | 82% | 81% | 68% | |
| Total Valle Vista | 9,429 | 10,487 | 8,557 | 4,659 | |
| Association (Less Montgomery) | | | | | |
| Residential | 44,876 | 47,734 | 39,472 | 39,305 | |
| % | 26% | 29% | 32% | 41% | |
| Irrigation | 125,483 | 116,731 | 84,163 | 57,643 | -54% |
| % | 74% | 71% | 68% | 59% | |
| Assn less Montg | 170,359 | 164,465 | 123,635 | 96,949 | -43% |
| Total Association | 198,681 | 192,724 | 143,332 | 111,502 | -44% |

In following the current irrigation watering restrictions of two days per week, the Villages Association has reduced its water usage by 44%, compared to 2019.
Complete Spreadsheet at: <https://resident.thevillagesgcc.com/documents/association-water-use/>

THE CLUBHOUSE

For Information:
408-223-4687

2800 Villages Fairway Drive, San Jose CA 95135

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

WHAT'S COOKING?

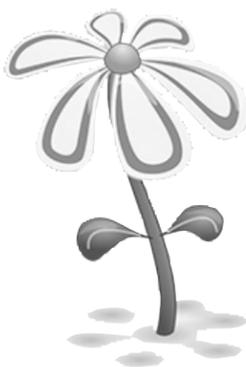
theclubhouse@the-villages.com
For **Curbside Grab-and-Go Service**, call in your order at **408-370-8553**. Call again when you get to the Clubhouse curbside and we will bring it out to your vehicle.

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

**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 is open for full service

The following details will be in effect at the Clubhouse:

Restaurant Main Dining Room: Reservations are strongly suggested by emailing, calling or making an online reservation. Email: theclubhouse@the-villages.com, Phone: 408-223-4687, Online: clubhouserreservation.com

- **Patio and Bistro Dining** reservations for the patio are for 6 or more persons.
- **The Bistro alcove** can be reserved for parties of 8 to 10 people.
- **The kitchen will still close at 8 p.m.**, last seating at the Bistro, Patio, curbside takeout and Restaurant main dining room is 7:30 p.m.
- **Bistro Bar closes at 9 p.m. Last call is at 8:30 p.m.**
- Dress code for the main dining room will be enforced. During summer months, dress shorts and dress sandals will be allowed.
- Seating capacity will be at 100 percent.
- Visitors do not have to be accompanied by Villagers to use Clubhouse.
- Credit cards and house charges will be accepted.
- Cash will not be accepted for payment but can be left as a tip.
- Villagers will not have to sign in for indoor seating.

Hours of Operation will be as follows:

Breakfast/Brunch: Saturdays 7 a.m. to 11a.m. Sundays 7 a.m. to 2 p.m.
All-Day Menu: 7 Days 11 a.m. to 8 p.m.
Dinner Menu: Tuesdays through Sundays 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.

ATTENTION CURBSIDE CUSTOMERS: New legislation prohibits "Take-out service" from providing any single-use foodware accessories or standard condiments to customers unless they are requested. This is in effect now. Our staff will ask if customers need condiments such as ketchup, etc. or plastic utensils such as forks, etc. when taking orders.

How does Curbside Grab-and-Go work?

First, call in your order at **408-370-8553**. Call us again when you get to the Clubhouse curbside and we will bring it out to your vehicle. **A 15% Service Charge and Tax will be added to the price.**

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

Indoor and Patio dining or Curbside hours of Operation

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

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



Soup of the Day

For the week of 2/20 to 2/26

| | | |
|-----------|-------------|--------------------------|
| Monday | February 20 | Lentil |
| Tuesday | February 21 | Cream of Tomato |
| Wednesday | February 22 | Chicken Noodle with Mint |
| Thursday | February 23 | Beef & Vegetable Barley |
| Friday | February 24 | Bili Bi |
| Saturday | February 25 | Chef's Choice |
| Sunday | February 26 | Chef's Choice |

Bistro Menu
2 p.m. – 8 p.m.

Appetizers

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

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

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

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

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

Fried Green Beans \$8.95

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Street Tacos \$13.95
Tofu, Cod, Beef or Chicken with 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

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

Dessert Menu

\$6.50

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

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

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

New Orleans Bourbon Bread Pudding (Warm)
Caramel Toffee Sauce

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

\$4.95

Flavors of the Day

Sherbet, Ice Cream, Sorbet, Milk Shakes

June 22

Weekly Specials

For the week of
2/20 to 2/26

Lunch Specials:

Monday 2/20 to Sunday 2/26
11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

California Burger: Bacon, Avocado and Pepper Jack Cheese with Choice of Side **\$16.95**

Crispy Chicken Wrap: Chicken, Lettuce, Tomato, Bacon and Cheese with Ranch Dressing in a Flout Tortilla **\$15.50**

Dinner Specials:

Tuesday 2/21 to Sunday 2/26
5 p.m. to 8 p.m. (Last Seating)

Braised Lamb Shank: With a Rosemary Cabernet Sauce with Choice of Sides **\$32.95**

Beef Ravioli: Garlic Cream Sauce with Sun-dried Tomatoes and a Pesto Drizzle **\$26.50**

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.

no corkage will be charged...

Wednesdays & Thursdays

Dinner Service Only

Bring your favorite bottle of wine* and your
friends any and every Wednesday or
Thursday at the Clubhouse.
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

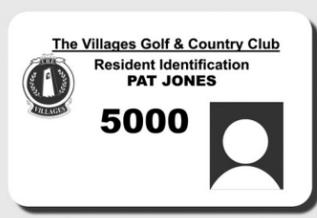
2 to 5 p.m. Tuesday to Sunday

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.



Proposed Changes to Club Rule 1.14 Golf Facilities

At the January 31, 2023, monthly board meeting, the Board approved for 30-day member notice proposed changes to Rule 1.14 Golf Facilities prior to formal approval consideration at the March 28, 2023, board meeting.

As Rules Committee Chair Frank Langben reported, the purpose of changes to 6.1 and 9.A of Rule 1.14 Golf Facilities is to require that two riders be in each golf cart which follows the recommendation of the Villages Golf Committee, the Club Board, and will reduce wear on the golf course and save on maintenance costs.

The second inserted sentence to 9.A gives the Director of Golf the authority to make exceptions, such as a group of three golfers playing in two carts. The third inserted sentence to 9.A allows the Director of Golf to mandate single riders in each cart, if necessary, in the future without changing the rule again.

The purpose of adding Paragraph 14 is at the request of the Club Board Ad Hoc Policy Committee to take the identical language on golf tournament green fees from VGCC Board Policy CPo 312 and add it, instead, to Rule 1.14.

Response to the proposed rule changes may be made by one or more of the following methods: 1) Participation in the discussion of the changes at the February 28, and March 28, 2023, board meetings, 2) via e-mail (jmeadows@the-villages.com) with comments sent to the General Manager's office at least seven days prior to the board meetings, or 3) via written comments to the General Manager's office (Business Administration Building A) delivered at least seven days prior to the aforementioned board meetings.

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Inserted text is shown with underlined text.

The proposed changes are as follows:

6. Golf Course Rules and Etiquette

I. The Pace of Play guideline at The Villages is 4-hours for 18-Holes and 2-hours for 9-Holes. Golfers are asked to play Ready Golf at all times. ~~Golfers are asked to use individual carts to assist in maintaining pace.~~

9. Golf Carts

~~A. It is recommended, to maximize pace of play, and to maximize the enjoyment of all golfers, that residents play with one rider per cart whenever possible. Residents are permitted to ride together in one cart if they so choose, but must maintain the daily pace of play.~~

A. Residents must play with two riders in each cart. The Director of Golf may grant exceptions. The Director of Golf may require one rider per cart for pandemic or health concerns. Residents must maintain the daily pace of play.

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Attention diners: We want your opinion!

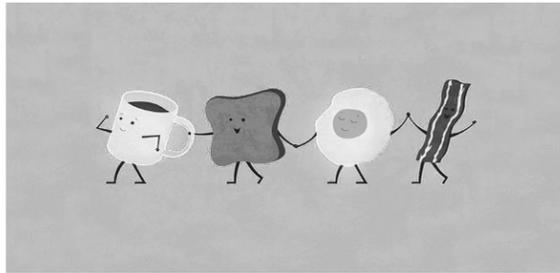
Have you seen the comment cards in the Bistro and Clubhouse? They are available in the main entrance or in your bill folder. The Food and Beverage staff use them to recognize excellence in their employees, to make adjustments to the menu, and to help patrons when things aren't perfect.

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.



More CLUBHOUSE on page 21



Villages Clubhouse Breakfast New hours starting Wednesday March 1, 2023

Tuesday To Friday

8am to 11am

Saturday 7am to 11am

Sunday 7am to 2pm

The Clubhouse

**BUY ONE APPETIZER
GET ONE FREE**



**Appetizer Special!
2 p.m. to 5 p.m.**

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*For a limited time buy one appetizer and receive the second one for free!**

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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 SF's Chinatown!

Sign up for our trip to San Francisco's Chinatown on Thursday, April 13! We will depart from the Cribari East Parking Lot at 7:30 a.m. with an estimated return time of 5:30 p.m. Activity Level: High (mostly walking, some inclines due to terrain).

2023 is the Year of the Rabbit, symbolic of longevity, peace, and prosperity, and hope. We hope you will join us in exploring and celebrating aspects of the Chinese culture. Starting with the iconic Pagoda Gate, Craig Smith will show you the monuments in St Mary's Square and the cathedral. Next will be a tea tasting at a local tea house where you can discover different brews.

Lunch will be at the Far East Café, the oldest restaurant in Chinatown (since 1920!) in their wonderfully decorated traditional main dining room. Lunch is served family-style and includes vegetarian spring rolls, egg flower soup, steak cubes with assorted vegetables, prawns with honey walnuts, vegetarian fried rice, oolong tea/ice water/soda/Perrier, and a fortune cookie for dessert. Residents with any allergies, please contact Community Activities before registering.

After lunch the journey continues through the colorful Street of Painted Balconies and a visit to the Golden Gate Fortune Cookie factory to learn about the cookie making process (and perhaps buy some to take home!). The next stops on the tour will be the Old Chinese Telephone Exchange, built in the style of a traditional temple, and artwork in Portsmouth Square, the "Heart of Chinatown."

The cost per person is \$120 and includes round trip transportation, escort, guide, and restaurant. Gratuity for driver and guide is included in price, additional tipping is at your discretion.

Register in Building B during business hours. Registration begins Tuesday, February 21 and ends Friday, March 10. **Register early, as most trips fill up very quickly!**



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. and return at approximately 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 ends Friday, February 24.**

After the trip, participants will receive a 10 percent discount at the Clubhouse restaurant. 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.

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 22: In-Take Day for Annual Members Juried Show, Wednesday, 1 – 1:30 p.m. in the Art Room. Contact 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.

February 27: Free Art Film, Van Gogh "At Eternity's Gate." Monday, 2:30 p.m. in Cribari Conference Room. Host Roz Zinns.

March 6: Monthly Membership Meeting and Art Discussion. 1:45 p.m. in Cribari Conference Room. Colleen Mirassou and her 3D Assemblage.

March 16 – April 6: Beginning Drawing with Ciel Duke. Mondays, 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. \$110. All materials furnished. Register early at barb.gottesman@gmail.com or sign up for all four of her classes.

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 22: Gary Lohr will lead a hike at Lake Almaden. We'll start at the lake and hike south along the creek trail and return. The total distance is about 3.5 miles, and mostly flat. Meet at Cribari at 9 a.m. and depart at 9:10. Driving distance is about 24 miles round trip.

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.

Rambler Lite Hike March 1: Katy Peretti (408-531-0917) will lead a hike to Evergreen Community College. We'll walk to the new additions to the college and around the lake. Meet at the parking lot next to the Villages security gate at 9:30.

Rambler Hike March 8: Johanna and Wate Bakker will lead a hike in Almaden Quicksilver Park. We will start at the Mockingbird entrance and take the New Almaden trail to Buena Vista trail, to the Randol trail to the picnic area and then back up on Hacienda trail. Total of 4 miles, with nice views and an elevation difference from 500 to 1000 ft. We'll meet at Cribari at 8:45am for a 9:00am departure. Bring snacks/lunch, hiking poles, jacket and water. For more info call the Bakkers at 408-223-2190.

RESIDENT EXCURSION PARTICIPATION GUIDELINES

The Community Activities office offers a wide variety of activities for the enjoyment of the Villages residents. *Please check your personal calendars prior to committing to an event, class or trip. Once registered for an activity, you are respon-*

sible for the cost of the activity. All sales are final.

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

Management assumes residents and guests are able to participate in our sponsored

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

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

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

CLUBS & EVENTS

VMA Evening Bingo sold out

What, Bingo is sold out? Yes it did! Evening Bingo for Wednesday, February 22 is sold out.

If you missed this one we will do it again on April 19.

For those of you that registered... Thanks so much! Doors open at 5:30 p.m. with a "No Host Bar." Dinner is at 6 p.m. with Bingo to follow.

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.



Sierra Club's Lisa Barboza to speak at Hiking Club meeting

Since 1892, the Sierra Club has led the way in



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saving forests, rivers, prairie

lands, lakes and other natural habitat—and the animals and plants that depend on these special places. "Explore, Enjoy, Protect the Planet" is their mission.

The Villages Hiking Club's February meeting program will feature a presentation about Sierra Club's Impact on the South Bay by Lisa Barboza. After a long career as a Silicon Valley executive, Lisa Barboza serves as the Outings Chair for the Sierra Club's Loma Prieta chapter. She has climbed thousands of mountains all over the world, in the Americas, Eurasia, Africa and Australasia. She also serves on the Executive Committee of the Loma Prieta Chapter. She is a naturalist with knowledge of wildlife, geology, botany, and ecology.

She brings a wealth of knowledge and passion and will share with us Sierra Club's past, current and future conservation efforts in the South Bay, activities of the chapter and a few pictures from her adventures. The program will follow a short business meeting and a break for socializing with snacks and beverages.

The meeting will be held at the Foothill Center on Monday, February 27 at 7:30 p.m. The meeting is free and all Villagers are welcome to attend.



Senior Academy: Great Decisions to return in March

Foreign policy decisions are made daily around the world. These decisions are the basis for global action that secure, change and challenge our world.

Join Senior Academy in its Great Decisions four-part program during weekly sessions to learn about and discuss some decisions on these current topics of intense interest on the following dates:

- Energy Geopolitics – March 21
- War Crimes – March 28
- Global Famine – April 3
- Iran at a Crossroads – April 17



These are evening sessions from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. to ensure accessibility to the greatest number of residents.

More information coming in next week's Villager.

Opera Lovers to present 'The Magic Flute'

on the first Thursday of the month—March 2 at 1:30 p.m. in **Foothill Center** (note change of venue for 2023)—Opera Lovers, a part of The Villages Music Society, Inc., will present "The Magic Flute" by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart. This presentation is free and open to all Villagers. For information, call Mary Stradner at 408-887-3293. Visit VillagesMusicSociety.org for more information.



Mozart's allegorical fairy tale of darkness and light, and finding your way in the world, has charmed audiences and inspired artists for more than 200 years. It takes the form of a "Singspiel," including spoken dialogue interspersed throughout. This Metropolitan Opera production features the colorful designs of acclaimed artist David Hockney. His bold colors and vivid images have enchanted audiences and inspired the cast, led by James Levine's conducting.

The story opens in the middle of the action. Tamino (Francisco Araiza), a prince lost in a foreign land, is being pursued by an enormous monster. He is rescued by three mysterious ladies, who kill the monster and give Tamino a picture of Pamina (Kathleen Battle), daughter of the Queen of the Night (Luciana Serra). He falls instantly in love and vows to rescue her from the powerful and evil Sarastro (Kurt Moll), who has captured her.

With the gift of a magic flute and the reluctant assistance of the bird-catcher Papageno (Manfred Hemm), Tamino sets off on his quest. However, he soon discovers that nothing (not even Day and Night) is quite as it first appears...

For your added comfort, you might want to bring a cushion, as this is another longer opera, running two hours and 45 mins. We look forward to seeing you on March 2.

Cribari's '50s Sock Hop!

Saturday, March 11, 4 p.m.-8 p.m.

What: 1950s style SOCK HOP

When: Saturday, March 11

Where: Cribari Auditorium

Dress: '50s costumes are encouraged – poodle skirts, leather jackets?

Bring: A snack/dessert Potluck. Everyone coming needs to bring an appetizer, salad, or dessert with enough to share with 5-6 others.

Provided: The DAC will provide Costco Pizza, sodas and water.

Music: Ed Knott will play awesome music for dancing

Cost: \$8 per person

RSVP: Email the Names/Address/Number of People Attending to cribaridac@gmail.com or leave a message with this information at **669-777-5859**.

Springtime is the time for fun and friendship – see you at the Sock Hop!

VMA accepts old glasses, hearing aids, cell phones

Please remember...the VMA accepts old prescription glasses, hearing aids, and cell phones.

Your old or unused eyeglasses and hearing aids can be dropped off and collected at the VMA office (Monday -Thursday 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.) in Cribari Center.

They are then sent to a service organization for refurbishing and then delivered to the Lyon's Club for distribution to the people that need them the most.

Old cell phones that you are no longer using or need can be dropped off and collected at the VMA office also. They are then delivered to the Verizon Corporate office, where they are then repurposed for recycling or sold. The proceeds that are generated by this process go directly to help assist victims of domestic violence.

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

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February Art Film: 'At Eternity's Gate'

By Roz Zinns



On Monday, February 27 at 2:30 p.m. in the Cribari Conference Room, The Villages Arts and Crafts Association will present "At Eternity's Gate." This is a visionary portrait of Vincent Van Gogh's final years. It is a journey inside the world and mind of a person who, despite skepticism, ridicule and illness, created some of the world's most beloved and stunning works of art. Much of this is based on Van Gogh's letters, but some of this comes from the imagination of the producer, Julian Schnabel and actor, William Defoe.

Some is a jumble of events that present as facts, heresy and moments that are just plain invented. William Defoe is extraordinary in this role. This is like no other film you have seen about Van Gogh.

The run time is approximately two hours with a short break. This event is free to all Villagers and their guests.

Highland to host Paddy Party

Highlanders are invited to celebrate St Patrick's Day with a "Paddy Party." What could be more Irish than potatoes, and we'll have plenty. Baked potatoes with lots of toppings. Make your own topping with chili, sour cream, butter, chives, bacon bits, and then add a salad and dessert. Mark your calendar for Monday, March 13, at Foothill Center from 5 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. We'll have Irish trivia and if you have a limerick or favorite Irish story please bring them. It's BYOB (water provided) and the cost is \$17 per person. Registration closes March 3. RSVP to either lindaeige@gmail.com or call Linda at 408-930-0771. Cost charged to house number. Come and join us and, of course, wear something green if you can!



Chinese Club celebrates year of the Rabbit



Some of the Chinese Club members enjoying the feast.

Photo by Greg Sargent

120 Villagers attended the Chinese Club's New Year's luncheon on February 2 and enjoyed a 10-course feast that included all the important food groups, including red wine and dessert. It was a very happy assembly of people who like good food, colorful entertainment and chatting with old and new friends. Jiang Wu played Chinese music on the violin and a group of smiling women in red, led by Elysia Ng, performed a Chinese New Year dance. It was a wonderful way to bring in the Year of the Rabbit.

In the Chinese culture the rabbit symbolizes mercy, elegance and beauty. People born in the year of the rabbit are considered calm and peaceful. They are said to avoid fighting and arguing at all times and are artistic and have good taste in life. (Perhaps we need a lot more years of the rabbit?)

Many thanks to the Board of the Chinese Club who worked hard to host this event. And a special shout out to Ed Ng, Social Director of the club, who was the busiest person at the lunch, running from table to table to make sure all was well and everyone was happy. His efforts paid off—the food was delicious, the entertainment was enchanting and the drawing ensured that many attendees went home with fun souvenirs of the day. Thanks also to Greg Sargent for being on hand and taking photos for the Chinese Club website.

The Villages Chinese club organizes many types of activities—from morning exercise sessions to cooking demonstrations and from tech talks to sumptuous banquets throughout the year. If you are interested in joining, please go to <https://sites.google.com/site/villageschineseclub/home>. Don't miss out on a chance to attend next year's Chinese New Year's lunch to celebrate the Year of the Goat.

Global Village: Learn benefits of Whole Foods Plant-Based diet

By Liz Adams

Join the Global Village Club in welcoming Mary Mackey, a Villager, who will speak to us about the value of adopting a 100 percent whole foods plant-based diet. We'll meet on March 1 in the Conference Room at Cribari from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. There is no fee to attend and the meeting is in person only. Wearing a mask is encouraged.

Please read Mary's story here and then join us on March 1 for what could turn out to be your new way of taking care of yourself and your body.

My Story by Mary Mackey:

"Skinny doesn't mean healthy!"

I'll never forget my modeling agent saying to me, 'Galanos is coming to San Francisco to show his new collection. Don't eat!' After meeting with the designer in person, I was ecstatic to hear I booked the show. Guess what I couldn't wait to do after the show? Eat!

Years later, in Los Angeles when I transitioned into acting, I was so grateful to be a normal size 8 and get to eat again. Then I moved back to the Bay Area to help care for my mom. During that time, I witnessed so much ill health in eldercare centers. I hated seeing my mom suffer so much; I thought to myself, 'There must be a better way to live out our golden years. Could our dietary habits affect our health later in life?' I wanted to find out.

I studied a whole foods plant-based diet and compared it to the Standard American Diet (SAD). Stunningly, there is overwhelming scientific evidence that a whole foods plant-based diet is in fact the healthiest for longevity and for reducing the risk of chronic diseases. Today, there is an ever-growing roster of highly esteemed plant-based doctors leading the way to health and wellness, and they are my teachers.

I'm now on a 100 percent whole foods plant-based diet and feel healthier than I have in decades, and as a Certified Holistic Nutritionist, my goal is to stay healthy and avoid disease through diet and exercise, for myself and for you and your loved ones. Feel free to contact me at mary@mackey.com with questions and/or comments."





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Shannon Bushey to present 'Voter fraud: real or imaginary?'

By Arlene Versaw

As a large segment of the American public appears to believe in "voter fraud," the issue of election integrity/security continues to be of significant importance. With our next election less than two years away, the battle for the hearts and minds of election deniers will persist.

In a Democratic Club Zoom presentation on Thursday, February 23 at 7 p.m., County of Santa Clara County



County Registrar of Voters
Shannon Bushey

Registrar of Voters Shannon Bushey will explain why our electoral process works and why fraud on any large scale cannot exist. She will take us behind-the-scenes in how mail-in ballots are handled, and how her office handles ballots that fall into gray areas of submission (i.e., missing envelope signatures) and other election security information.

The more we know about this topic, the better we can refute challenges to the system, and help those who are unsure of what to believe. A question-and-answer period will follow Shannon's presentation.

Shannon has been our County Registrar since 2014. A 32-year veteran with the County, Shannon has been instrumental in implementing the state's first satellite voting locations using Ballot-on-Demand technology and Remote Accessible Vote-by-Mail technology, expanding language assistance and voting opportunities, ensuring best practices in elections and security, and developing in-house employee training programs. She holds the election profession's highest designation as a Certified Elections and Registration Administrator.

The presentation is open to all Villagers, but you must register by emailing TheVillagesDemocraticClub@gmail.com

Annual Members Juried Show

Sponsored by the Villages Art & Crafts Association

February 23, 2023

Reception for Artists & Friends

Thursday February 23, 1:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Cribari Center Conference Room

In-Take: Wednesday,
February 22, 1 – 1:30 p.m.
in the Art Room.



All Villagers,
Family and Friends
are cordially
invited to our
refreshments Reception.

Contracts available on our website, in the Art room, and in the Cribari mailbox.

Contracts are due by February 17, 2023 in Arts and Crafts mailbox.

Submit to Michael Sunzeri or at twosunzeris@comcast.net

Republican Club Second Annual St. Patrick's Day

General Meeting Celebration

Save The Date—March 17, 2023

Clubhouse Fairway Room, 5:30 p.m. – 9 p.m.



Menu: Corned Beef & Cabbage with Potatoes and Carrots (\$40 inclusive)

Or Eggplant Parmesan (\$30 inclusive)

Butter Lettuce & Mandarin Orange Salad with Creamy Balsamic or Raspberry Vinaigrette

• Clubhouse Rolls and Butter • Dessert Station • Coffee and Tea Station • No Host Bar

RSVP by March 12 to Jean Corrigan at 408-223-8676 or email

jeanmcorrigan36@gmail.com. Be sure to specify your entrée. More details to follow.

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

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Real Estate –

The buyers have come alive!

Last week was exciting. I put my buyer into contract on a beautiful home in Sonata Village. Another home in Valle Vista went into contract after receiving multiple offers. A Cribari Villa also went into contract after only 3 days on the market. I would say that was a pretty good start to the year.

When is it the best time to sell your home in the Bay Area?

My broker always argues with me that February is the best time to sell a home in the Bay Area. I say that it is April (depending on the weather). I can see his point that after a slow market in December and January that the action truly increases in February. We have just seen this type of buyers demand in action. My point is that the prices continue to go up from February through April. Demand is typically still high, and prices are just a bit better each month. In May, as the weather warms up and the flowers bloom, homes start loading onto the market for a summer sale. As the end of summer arrives, inventory is at its highest while the buyers tend to go on the yearly vacation. The prices during mid to end of summer and into early fall tend to level off. August and September tend to be the slowest time to sell. Of course, this is typical of the past. There is nothing typical about our present market.

Some Villagers have a love hate relationship with the sunset?

The design of the Villages was well thought out to ensure as many homes as possible will take advantage of the amazing sunsets from our decks or back patios. The sunsets are amazing to behold, but often come with the heat of the summer sun for at least half of the year. Some clients are sun lovers and find work arounds for the heat that comes with the beauty while others need or want to avoid the sun. I have had buyers that have desired both. It is a good thing we have 2300+ home set in various directions. Something for everyone.

For Sale: Valle Vista



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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

“Lucy by the Sea (Amgash #4)” Elizabeth Strout: A poignant, pitch-perfect novel about a divorced couple stuck together during lockdown—and the love, loss, despair, and hope that animate us even as the world seems to be falling apart. As a panicked world goes into lockdown, Lucy Barton is uprooted from her life in Manhattan and bundled away to a small town in Maine by her ex-husband and on-again, off-again friend, William. For the next several months, it’s just Lucy, William, and their complex past together in a little house nestled against the moody, swirling sea. Fiction, 2022

“The End of Men” by Christina Sweeney-Baird: The year is 2025, and a mysterious virus has broken out in Scotland—a lethal illness that seems to affect only men. When Dr. Amanda MacLean reports this phenomenon, she is dismissed as hysterical. By the time her warning is heeded, it is too late. The virus becomes a global pandemic—and a political one. The victims are all men. The world becomes alien—a women’s world. What follows is the immersive account of the women who have been left to deal with the virus’s consequences, told through first-person narratives. Dr. MacLean; Catherine, a social historian determined to document the human stories behind the male plague; intelligence analyst Dawn, tasked with helping the government forge a new society; and Elizabeth, one of many scientists desperately working to develop a vaccine. Through these women and others, we see the uncountable ways the absence of men has changed society, from the personal—the loss of husbands and sons—to the political—the changes in the workforce, fertility and the meaning of family. Fiction, 2021.



“Suspect (Kindle County Legal Thriller #12)” by Scott Turow: For as long as Lucia Gomez has been the police chief in the city of Highland Isle, near Kindle County, she has known that any woman in law enforcement must walk a precarious line between authority and camaraderie to gain respect. She has maintained a spotless reputation—until now. Three male police officers have accused her of soliciting sex in exchange for promotions to higher ranks. With few people left who she can trust, Chief Gomez turns to an old friend, Rik Dudek, to act as her attorney in the federal grand jury investigation, insisting to Rik that the accusations against her are part of an ugly smear campaign designed to destroy her career and empower her enemies—both outside the police force and within. Clarice “Pinky” Granum spent most of her youth experimenting with an impressive array of drugs and failing out of various professions, including the police academy. Pinky knows that in the eyes of most people, she’s nothing but a screwup—but she doesn’t trust most people’s opinions anyway. Moreover, she finally has a respectable-enough job as a licensed P.I. working for Rik on his roster of mostly minor cases, like workman’s comp, DUIs and bar fights. Rik’s shabby office and even shabbier cases are a far cry from the kinds of high-profile criminal matters Pinky became familiar with in the law office of her grandfather, Sandy Stern. But Rik and Pinky feel that Chief Gomez’s case, which has attracted national attention, is their chance to break into the legal big leagues. Guided by her gut instinct and razor-sharp investigative skills, Pinky dives headfirst into a twisted scandal that will draw her into the deepest recesses of the city’s criminal networks, as well as the human mind. But she will need every scrap of tenacity and courage to unravel the dark secrets those closest to her are determined to keep hidden. Mystery, 2022

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Senior Academy: Learn how ‘Lady Lex’ lit up Tacoma in 1929!

Sometimes Mother Nature creates havoc and threatens the welfare of those caught in her path. That’s when creative solutions to crises can save the day. Join us for a Senior Academy Zoom webinar at 2 p.m. on Tuesday, February 21, as we hear about one very interesting story told by a speaker with lots of experience with natural disasters.

One such case happened in 1929, when severe drought tapped out the water resources of the city of Tacoma, Washington, incapacitating the local electric utility’s two power dams. In desperation, the city implored President Herbert Hoover for help. Enter “Lady Lex,” the U.S.S. Lexington, which steamed into port and provided power to the city for a month, creating a relationship between the city and the battleship that lasted through World War II.

Bill Lokey is a disaster management specialist, whose career in this area began with the Washington State Department of Emergency Management where his responsibilities included the development of the State Disaster Plan. He served as Assistant Director for Operations, responsible for Washington State disaster response, including the recovery from the 1980 eruption of Mt. Saint Helens; as Director of Emergency Management for Pierce County, Washington; Chief of one of 27 task forces that responded to the Northridge earthquake and the Oklahoma City bombing; and Assistant Chief of Special Operations of the Fire and Rescue Branch/California Governor’s Office of Emergency Services. In 1999 he joined the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) as a Federal Coordinating Officer (FCO).

Join us for this little known disaster story! Register at VillagesSA.org.



Bill Lokey

News from the Villages Dog Club

By Barbara Sunseri, Villages Dog Club President

Thank you to everyone who came Saturday to the Villages Dog Club speaker meeting. We had a good turnout and would like to share with those who did not come. The speaker from Sustain Our Shelters expressed the need for foster parents. There is a big overload of dogs right now in the shelters, so please consider this option to foster a dog until they get adopted. Please call Sangeetha at 408-406-7019. The community members of Sustain Our Shelters are very happy to organize the next low-cost microchip event in February. Fully supported by volunteers, we will be at Pet Food Express on Blossom Hill Road to microchip and register your canine companion onsite.

Pre-registration is required at Oriondogtraining.com/Oriongives

Proceeds will be donated to San Jose Animal Care Services. Volunteer inquiries encouraged.

Also please contact me if you are interested in any dog training class. I am trying to get something started at The Villages. Go to oriondogtraining.com to see classes. Please spread the word and share the information.

Come to LSAL’s Walking/Chair Dancing class to improve gait

As people get older, they often develop gait problems that create foot shuffling, loss of balance, and falling. Impaired nerves, joint issues, and other medical conditions can significantly affect walking habits. Our Walking/Chair Dancing class works to help you improve your gait by encouraging you to lift your feet as you walk. The class enables you to stretch joints to minimize tension and tightness and strengthen your muscles to help you cope with life changes as you age.

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 11 – 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 12 – 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 10 – 11 a.m. and is suitable for all fitness levels. **All visitors are invited to attend our Thursday class.**



RELIGION

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

‘Forgive Everyone Everything’ — 7th Sunday of Ordinary Time

By Barbara F. Zahner

“Come on, Lord, give me a break!” I fume while praying. “What’s this in the middle of the Sermon on the Mount? ‘Love your enemies and pray for those that persecute you.’ (Mt. 5:44). Love? Pray? I suppose the next thing You ask is that I forgive!”

The Lord answers: I do ask you to forgive.

Fr. Greg Boyle SJ, author of “Tattoos on the Heart” might grin at my imaginary dialogue with Jesus. Fr. Boyle, called “G” at LA’s Homeboy Industries, titles his latest book “Forgive Everyone Everything”. “G” writes, “There’s no denying how difficult things can be. But the way out to the place of resilience, the place of restoration, the place of not allowing your heart to be hardened by resentment relies on one thing: *forgive* everyone everything.”

“Hardened by resentment,” an apt phrase to describe my heart, sometimes grave-like, cemented shut. Today’s psalm proclaims, “The Lord is kind and merciful” (Ps. 103) How about us who are called to imitate the Lord? If you love and pray grudgingly for your enemy, you may find this “Big Book” prayer a boost: Dear God, I have a resentment towards a person that I want to be free of. So, I am asking you to give this person everything I want for myself. Help me to feel compassionate understanding and love for this person. I pray that they will receive everything they need. Thank you, God for your help and strength with this resentment.

The first time I prayed this prayer I gagged picturing the family member I named. Yet, I chose to trust that God’s grace would be sufficient for the task. I uttered the words aloud, as if I meant them. Amazingly, my relative called me as I spoke the last word! This Lent, how about loving and praying for our enemies daily? Use the AA prayer. Read and pray two pages daily of “Forgive Everyone Everything.” With God’s grace we will experience better hearts, rather than bitter, by Easter.

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.

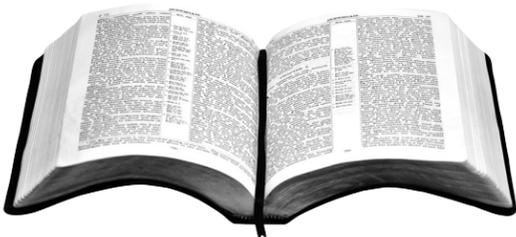
Ash Wednesday is February 22. All Masses are at St. Francis of Assisi Church at 8:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 12:30 p.m., 3 p.m., 5 p.m. (Vietnamese) and 7 p.m. (Bilingual English/Spanish).

SEARCH THE SCRIPTURES

We missed you! Search the Scriptures is meeting at **10 a.m., February 27 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



VILLAGES JEWISH COMMUNITY

By Barbara Tommaney

The Villages Jewish Community will host Sabbath services on Friday, February 17 at Foothill Center beginning at 7:15 p.m. Our Rabbi Annette Koch will lead us in Worship. Our distinguished speaker for the evening is Santa Clara County District Attorney, Jeff Rosen. As you may recall, District Attorney Rosen was scheduled to speak at our January services, but due to a scheduling problem, had to postpone his appearance. Now we are honored to have him speak on February 17 on the timely subjects of Hate Crime, Elder Abuse, and Scams. Mr Rosen is a nationally recognized leader in criminal justice reform. Crime in Santa Clara County is at its lowest level in decades. The DA’s office has 620 employees, including 190 deputy District Attorneys. Under Mr. Rosen’s leadership the office is more diverse than ever before. He has taken prosecutors and investigators to The Museum of Tolerance in Los Angeles to learn about the Holocaust, racial profiling, implicit bias and the duty of law enforcement to safeguard the rights of all people. Especially in light of recent events in California, this is a program you do not want to miss. All Villagers are invited to join us.

EPISCOPAL

‘A Most Presentable Baby’

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

What a curious thing for the old man to say: “Now, Master, you may let your servant go in peace, according to your word, for my eyes have seen your salvation, which you prepared in sight of all the peoples, a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and glory for your people Israel” (Luke 2:28-32). Jesus had just been presented in the Jerusalem Temple—according to the custom of his people—when Simeon spoke up, gratefully acknowledging the faithfulness of God.

I’m a new grandma, so I agree that a baby is cause for rejoicing. But these words of Simeon (echoed by the prophet Anna, also waiting in the Temple when the infant Jesus arrived) are more than your average joyful new baby announcement. And they carried a shadow of danger: Simeon went on to say that “This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel.” But in another way, they remind us of the importance of “presenting” our children (and grandchildren) within the temples and churches of our own traditions. Every new person brings a fresh light into the world, and everyone lives within the shadow of danger. That’s in the nature of being human. But the faith stories we tell in church remind us that the light will always overcome, no matter how dark things may look. Now that’s a powerful gift to give a child!

Ash Wednesday

The Episcopal Chapel will be holding Ash Wednesday services on February 22 at 10 a.m. at Montgomery Center. Everyone is welcome to join us.

COMMUNITY CHAPEL

‘Just Tell The Truth’

By Pastor Bill Hayden

When reflecting upon my childhood days, I believe some people would have considered me a good child. They could not see my troubled soul, as I dealt with the feelings of rejection from my absent father. Waiting in the wings was a stepfather who would also reject me. Some people can’t relate to what others have dealt with in trying to find the purpose of it all.

As a troubled kid who had been separated from his mother and siblings, I would act out in class. So, when report cards were given to me to take home and give to parents or guardians, somehow my bad report card got lost on the way home. I had placed it through a slat in someone’s wooden fence, while walking home.

Time had passed when my aunt and uncle had begun to inquire about why they had not received my report card before the end of the school year. I lied and said, “I didn’t receive one.” Well, you can imagine how that went over. As a first grader, I didn’t think that they would contact the school...duh! I was held back from being promoted to the next grade. I had wasted a whole school year because I couldn’t deal with the initial rejection and separation... I was in trouble! In those days no one sought to counsel children from broken homes. Well, when the school contacted them... the old fashioned beating began. I never lost another report card!

Have you ever been in trouble? I mean really in trouble. Well, perhaps you were never in trouble with your parents or the authorities. You were a good child who never crossed the line for fear of the consequences from your parents. Think about all those young people whose parents were absent and they had to, as they say, raise themselves up by their own bootstraps.

I’m grateful for the discipline that I received to help set boundaries in my life. It seems that we are living in a time where individuals are living without boundaries and without the hallmark of truth which was respected and honored.

Ecclesiastes 12:14 ESV *For God will bring every deed into judgment, with every secret thing, whether good or evil.*

Proverbs 16:13 GNT *“A king wants to hear the truth and will favor those who speak it.”*

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.*

View us on YouTube: The Villages Community Chapel of San Jose.

SPORTS NEWS

PICKLEBALL

Pickleball Terms

By Joyce Kludt



Since we continue to welcome new players to our wonderful Villages Pickleball Club, I thought we'd share a few terms they may or may not be familiar with.

1. Non-volley zone (or Kitchen) is the 7-foot section of the net at the front. Players cannot

hit balls out of the air if standing in this area.

2. Backcourt is the few feet at the back of a court near the baseline (line at back of court which is 22 feet from the net.)

3. Double Bounce Rule or Two Bounce Rule: Both teams must play their first shot after letting the ball bounce. The receiving team must let the serve bounce and the serving team must let the return of the serve bounce before playing it. If this rule is broken, you will hear someone shout "Pickle!"

4. Volley Shot: picks the ball out of the air before it bounces.

5. Ace: A serve that is not returned by the opposing team.

6. Put Away: A shot that the opponent cannot return.

7. Line Call: Calling the ball in or out.

8. Foot Fault: When you make an illegal serve or volley because of your foot placement.

9. Approach shot: The ball is hit while moving forward towards the net.

10. Lob: An extremely high shot that goes over the heads of your opponents and into the backcourt. The purpose is to make your opponents run for the ball and lose their positions. (I, for one, tend to be a Lousy Lobber. Our friend Lobbin' Robyn, however, is excellent)

11. Slammers: hit the ball hard and fast.

12. Dink Shot or Drop Shot: a soft shot that lands in the non-volley zone.

13. Poaching: is where a player will take shots going towards their partner, instead of letting the partner play.

OK, Kids! Practice these terms as next week there will be a test! Hahaha!

SWINGERS



Linda Piersol



Bev Murphy and Linda Curyea



Anna Hoek

By Nancy Carson

Oh, the winter of '23! Pictured are Bev Murphy and Linda Curyea standing by an enormous eucalyptus tree downed by the January storms. Now we are planning on sunny days ahead. March 14 will be a fun Saint Patrick's Day tournament, followed by lunch in the Clubhouse and our first general meeting.

Valerie Dimmick and her crew are already at work planning our Invitational, our biggest event of the year, June 13. More about that next week. I'll keep you in suspense.

Today, Linda Piersol and Anka Hoek outscored 58 other ladies to win the Captain's Trophy: Linda on the front nine and Anka on the back. Congratulations!

BOCCE NEWS



By Barbara Orlando

Beginners have been enjoying the drills and instruction since Boot Camp began on February 1. This week those who became members, can now participate in the Beginner's Tournament on February 22, and have been placed on a team and given a qualified captain, to guide them through their very first tournament. Winners will be posted at the courts, club website, yourcourts.com and in the Vil-



Boot Camp attendees receiving lessons.

lager. Good luck to all. Note: The Bocce Club holds Boot Camp each year in the month of February for all new to the game and have the desire to play this social game.

We're ready for the 2023 bocce club season. The board of directors have been busy getting everything ready for tournament play. We have newly revised tournament rules, referee, and rules of etiquette. By going to the website at villagesbocceclub.com you can download all three. Please recycle all old, printed copies of these three documents. It's our goal this year to have everyone up to date with the most current versions. A special thank you to the rules committee, Chairman George Paris, Barbara Orlando, Helen Paris, Michael Sunzeri, Paul Andersen, and Jana King.

Spring Mixer is only three weeks away, so if you're not signed up, it's not too late. It's easy, just go to the kiosk at the courts and add your name to the list. Don't forget to include your three choices for day and time. This information is important in placing you on the most available team opening. Remember, Mixers are teams of all playing abilities, beginners, intermediate and advanced members and play once a week. It provides beginners, the experience of playing in a tournament and mixes up those who play together regularly in the Round Robin tournaments.



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Golf Cart Yellow Lines Initiative

By Doug Moore, douglas.moore865@gmail.com

Upcoming Events

See the Scoreboard page for the list of winners of the **Men's 18 Hole Golf Club Presidents Day Tournament.**

As always a huge thanks go out to Tom Morse, Clayton Krinard, Scott Steele and the Pro Shop for their guidance and expertise in setting this up. They do a great job for us!

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.

2023 Evergreen Invitational: This year's chairman is Bill Morefield and he is in process of scheduling the first meeting of the group. This is open to all Men's 18 Hole Golf Club Members and Villagers. It is to be held on Tuesday, February 21 at 9 a.m. at Foothill Center.

Also, should you know of a club member who may be interested in volunteering, or if you could contribute some of your valuable time, please contact to Bill.

We are looking for someone to fill the "Signage" roll as of right now.

The **2023 Men's Golf Club Handbooks ("Green Books")** have been distributed. These should have made it to your mail tube by the 7th if you are a Men's 18 Golf Club Member. (If you are an MGC member and not receive one, you may pick one up in the "Posting Room".) 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.

Hole In Ones for January? Uh nope... all we got was the middle of a doughnut.

Eagle Shooters for January—If you got to go out and golf in January, well good for you.

When the weather gets colder, it rains everyday, trees fall down from the F3 gusts, and everything floods, it take a special type of man to go out there and brave those elements... then we have **Larry Angel.**

On January 30, **Larry Angel** was playing his regularly scheduled Monday round, and doing OK. All was going well until he torqued his back at the end of the front nine. In unimaginable pain he persevered and continued his round. He eventually got to the 15th tee and stroked an OK tee shot... for him anyway, leaving about 185 yards to the pin. His back feeling as if it was being stabbed with a thousand searing flames, Larry gathered all the strength he could muster and took an easy 3/4 swing (because he had nothing left) and flew the ball towards the direction of the pin. When he got up there, he was elated to find his ball in the bottom of the cup for an Eagle 2...the first for the MGC in 2023.

It was simply as miraculous as Kirk Gibson doinking that 2 out, 2 Run Homer in the bottom of the 9th in the '88 World Series. When interviewed after his round, Larry was asked, "How do you do it?" His response " I just don't find it to be that difficult." Good for you, Larry!

Age Shooter for January—Oh, and Larry was the only Age Shooter for 1/2023 with an 80 on the 19th. Way to go, stud!

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

Executive Committee Meeting: The Men's Golf Club Executive Committee meets the first Tuesday of the month at 8:30 a.m. in the **Montgomery Center.** The next meeting will be March 6, 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.

SHONIS

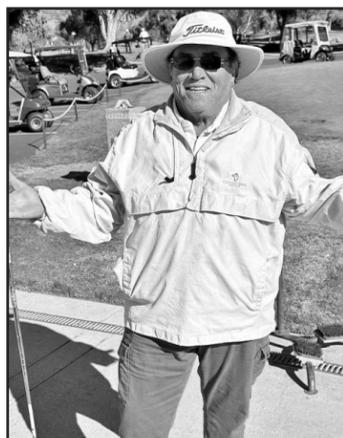
By Betty Hall

New members galore! We welcomed three more new golfers last Tuesday: Celia Schiffner, Sabrina Malcolmson and Janet Trusso. They also received a new sleeve of balls and a quarter pitched in the birdie pot to start off their Shoni journey. These new players are also emptying the birdie pot each week. Janet Trusso birdied Hole No. 2 while Meg Rogers birdied Hole No. 4, so they split the pot.

Last Tuesday was our monthly Captain's Trophy game. Trophy winners were Betty Hall for a low gross score of 34 and Meg Rogers, Kathy Tanaka and Rose Loy tied for a low net of 23. Meg and Kathy will share the low net trophy, while Rose, as a Shoni newcomer received the newcomers trophy. Nice job, ladies.



Left to right: Trophy winners Meg Rogers and Betty Hall.



Larry Angel



The golf course yellow lines

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

IRONMEN

By Bill Travis and Jerry Juracich

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

On February 9th, twelve Ironmen played on an unseasonably warm day. Sang Nam won First Place and Low Gross; way to go, Sang!

There were three players who scored net 30s for **third place:** Al Bruno, Bob Lapidus and Bob Prichard.

There were also three players who scored net 29s for **second place:** Prakash Deshmukh, Roger Pyle and Bill Travis.

First place went to Sang Nam with a net 27.

Closest to the flag was won by Mario Silva on hole 2 at 6 feet 4 inches.

The greens were fast and challenging, resulting in only **one birdie** for the second week in a row, which was won by Roger Pyle on hole 2.

Low gross went to Sang Nam with a 3 over par 30.

Deep thoughts:

"Watching Phil Mickelson play golf is like watching a drunk chasing a balloon near the edge of a cliff." - David Feherty, former golf professional, and current golf broadcaster

"Thinking instead of acting is the number one golf disease." - Sam Snead, winner of three Masters, three PGA Championships, and the U.S. Open



By Scott Steele, PGA Head Golf Professional

Two Riders Per Cart – Two Cart per Group—The Covid-19 Pandemic caused many courses to adopt a single rider golf cart policy to follow social distancing guidelines. The Villages was among those courses that instituted this parameter. Unfortunately, the increased cart traffic resulted in more wear and tear and cart damage to those golf courses, especially on courses with a clay soil base such as The Villages. The short term effects of the increased cart traffic are thin lies and worn out turf in high traffic areas; the long term effects can be more significant such as large bare spots. While a single cart driving down a fairway might have minimal effects on the health of the turf, the cumulative effect of many carts inevitably takes a heavy toll on the turf health. Imagine a busy day at The Villages with 40 plus groups playing golf with single cart riders; that can add up to more than 160 golf carts each day driving on every hole, quite an amazing number when you think about it. The average weight of a golf cart with acid batteries, one set of clubs and a single rider is approximately 1,150 pounds. Traffic across a Villages fairway where let's say 50 percent of the golfers will drive their carts adds up to 92,000 pounds of weight on the turfgrass in that fairway each day. That is almost 46 tons daily. Over the course of one month that equates to the weight of six Statues of Liberty (225 tons) or 1,380 tons compacting the grass in the fairway. The astounding amount of weight, soil compaction and resultant turf damage can be incredible. In order to mitigate these negative effects on our turf health resultant from so many golf carts traversing our fairways, and potential high costs to remedy, the Villages Golf Committee (VGC) and the Club Board have approved for review a change to Golf Rule 1.14 returning to the pre-pandemic paradigm of two-riders per cart and two carts per group maximum. **This proposed rule change has been published in the Villager for all to review and provide feedback. All golfers are encouraged to review this proposed rule change and provide their feedback per the policies in place regarding any rules change at The Villages. You must provide your feedback within 30 days of the first publication on February 9. Your feedback is important.**

Hole #18 Pond and Stream—Good news...after much investigation, it was determined the reason for the fluctuating water levels in the pond and stream on #18 and #9 was a bad seal in the piping leading from the reclaimed water pump to the pond and it was leaking and causing the inconsistent water levels. The leak will be fixed next week and the stream and pond will be subsequently refilled. This essential water feature will be returned to normalcy very soon.

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. You will soon see the landscaping being installed and it promises to look fantastic, and will be drought tolerant.

New in the Pro Shop—Cobra Golf Aerojet Woods with their new Power-Bridge technology providing faster ball speeds-Demos available.

Taylor Made TP5 and TP5X balls now available in optic yellow.

Women's lifestyle and golf apparel from Greg Norman Company – fashion for the active lifestyle.

Men's and Women's logo rainsuits from Sun Mountain Sports – seam sealed and completely waterproof.

Taylor Made Tour Response jar balls with their nex-gen colored stripe technology to help you aim your putts.

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.

Tips from the Pro—Did you know there are more than 80 different models of golf balls to choose from today? With so much selection the process of selecting the right ball for your game can be a little overwhelming. Should you play the same ball your favorite pro uses? What about those value packs... are they any good? Does it **even make a difference** which ball you tee it up with?

These tips will help you **select the right ball** for your game, and your pocket book.

Today's premium golf balls include Titleist ProV1 / Titleist AVX / Callaway Chrome Soft / Taylor Made TP5 and are 4-5 layer golf balls with a urethane cover that produces good distance for golfers with faster swing speeds plus the benefit of excellent feel off the irons and around the greens. A premium golf ball can go for as much as \$5 each or \$60/dozen. But is it really the right ball for your game? In many cases yes, but in many cases no. Most premium golf balls perform best with a swing speed of over 90-100 mph. So keep that in mind.

I recommend that you not be afraid to try some of the mid or low-priced golf balls - you might be surprised at how much better they perform off the tee and how much longer they last for you.

Some examples of a mid-priced but very good golf ball are: Srixon Z-Star Diamond / Srixon Q-Star Tour / Titleist Tour Speed / Titleist Tour Soft / Taylor Made Tour Response / Taylor Made Soft Response. Most of these balls are 3-piece golf balls with a urethane cover that perform best for swing speeds of 80-90 mph. These mid-range balls are significantly less expensive costing in the range of \$36-\$40/dozen.

And if you have a slower swing speed (below 80 mph) you might want to try one of the golf balls designed for lower speed swings. The lower compression on these golf balls will help you gain distance on your drives and give you added feel around the greens. Don't worry about what your playing partners will think either—using low compression balls is a popular trend among lots of players these days! And they will cost \$32 or less for a dozen so half the price of a premium golf ball.

Try these: Titleist True Soft / Titleist Velocity / Callaway Super Soft / Srixon Soft Feel / Taylor Made Distance

And if you like colored golf balls try the Srixon Soft Feel / Callaway Chrome Soft / Taylor made Khalea / Volvik Crystal...all are available in multiple colors for you to enjoy – Yellow, Green, Orange, Red, and even Purple.

So don't be afraid to try something new, it might benefit your golf game more than you think! To sign up for a lesson with me, email ssteele@the-villages.com

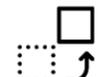
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TENNIS TALK

By Betty Olsen

Roy Pennington is bringing his Albuquerque Tennis Club experience to our Villages TC starting March 1. If you recall, at our Christmas holiday party, Roy explained Team Tennis amongst our own club and some 40 players were interested and signed up. Since then, additional signups brought the total to 81 members interested and ready to play.

Roy, Jim Murphy and Peggy Seidel formed the committee to separate the 81 players into approximate categories so that each team would have members with a variety of abilities and matches would be between equal abilities. Six women were asked to captain this first Team Tennis schedule.

On Thursday, February 2, the six captains plus the Team Tennis committee met to choose teams. **The team captains are:** 1.) Akiko Giordano 2.) Betty Olsen, 3.) Sherry Benz 4.) Julie Hawkinson 5.) Joy Rem 6.) Suzi Hathaway

Each match will consist of six players: 1.) A man + A woman 2.) A man or woman + B man or woman 3.) B man + B woman.

League schedule is from March 1 – April 27. Mark your calendars and come out to cheer on the players. We may even schedule a playoff.



18 HOLE WOMEN



Past Captains. Back Row: Patti Hayes, Mary Chaboya, Jan Kiernan, Vivian Brown, Kathy Apgar, Shirley Roberts, Linda Schlageter. Front Row: Cindy Fuller, Diana Hallock, Vicki Krattli, Judy Rodriguez, Chris Leisy, Bev Poellot.

Honoring our Past Captains

By Diana Hallock

Vicki Krattli was the hostess for this year's Past Captains' golf and luncheon. The tables were covered in hearts and candy and the Captains all received a darling ball marker. Nine Captains played golf and Cindy Fuller was our winner with a net 74. As our winner, she will be our hostess for 2023! Vicki introduced the Captains present starting with Kathy Apgar 2003, Mary Chaboya 2005, Shirley Roberts 2008, Vivian Brown 2010 & 2019, Patti Hayes 2012, Linda Schlageter 2013, Jan Kiernan 2014, Bev Poellot 2015, Judy Rodriguez 2016, Cindy Fuller 2017, Chris Leisy 2018, Vicki Krattli 2020/2021, and Diana Hallock 2022. Vicki gave a fun history of our Club and Holly Magowan shared several photos of past captains. It was a delightful event!

In brilliant sunshine, birdies were shot by Helen Varenkamp, Gail Tuft and Lyn Strong. Emily Li shot the solo chip-in. Captain Gloria commended members for an excellent job of managing our pace of play. Next week we will have a Valentine's Cha-cha-cha and our annual Ringer competition starts soon so be sure to sign up at the registration table any Thursday or contact Dianne Doughty for more information. Our general meeting will be on March 2 featuring the Invitational theme reveal and many surprises. Come for the golf but stay for the fun!

VGC: Villages planning more fun golf events

By Mary Wagle

Did you know that there are six golf clubs at The Villages? Most of these clubs have tournaments weekly. For the men, there is the 18 Hole Men's Club, Pinseekers (who play nine holes on the championship course), and the Ironmen (who play the par 3 course). For the women, we have the 18 Hole Ladies Club, Swingers (who play nine holes on the championship course), and the Shonis (who play the par 3 course).

In order to get all residents familiar with the members of these clubs, to grow the game of golf, and to increase golf revenue, we are planning some fun events. The first one was Play the Par 3, and it was on February 10 at 2:30 p.m. followed by all of the players gathering at The Bistro after golf for some libations/food. The February 10 event was sold out with 38 players. The next Play the Par 3 flyer is here. Sign up soon, as these events are very popular.

We are also planning some Just for Fun Tournaments (May through September) on the championship golf, both postable and non-postable, as the key word is "fun" for everybody. Please look for more information soon about some fun golf events. Everybody is welcome to join in these games!

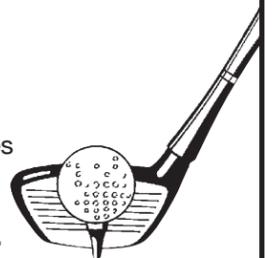
Play The Par 3 Course

Wednesday, March 29

3 p.m. shotgun start

Contact Mary Wagle to sign up at marylwagle@gmail.com or call or text 408-829-4021

Play the Par 3 Course and **improve your short game!** Sign up individually or with a foursome by March 27. This is open to all Villagers and their families and/or friends.



Cocktail time after golf in the bistro.

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!



Golf Course Walking Hours

- Mondays – Prior to noon and after 4 p.m.
- Tuesdays – Prior to 9 a.m. and after dusk
- Wednesdays – Prior to 7 a.m. and after dusk
- Thursdays – Prior to 8:20 a.m. and after dusk
- Fridays to Sundays – prior to 6:50 a.m. and after dusk

Walkers, please enter/exit the golf course at the above-mentioned times. Please be safe. We appreciate your cooperation!

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SCOREBOARD

MEN'S CLUB

Men's 18 Hole Golf Club Presidents Day Tournament
Saturday, February 11

Position and Foursome

Flight One:

- Hansell, Jim + Sullivan, Brian + Hands, Rob + Weekes, Rusty
- Bernal, Arnold + Conway, Dennis + Soto, Larry + Guidry, Mike
- Seeger, John + Butler, John + Schwerin, Michael + Gonzales, David

Flight Two:

- Valenti, Jim + Townsend, Len + Tomei, Steve + Maass, Bob
- Rossi, Vince + Bell, Frank + Jarvis, Tim + Leisy, Ray
- Tobler, Rick + Fillhouer, Bob + Cancilla, Joe + Kim, Taegy

Flight Three:

- Swenson, Gary + Chase, Alan + Wagle, Mickey + Dolci, Bob
- Vitcov, Ben + Wahlgren, Clay + Rosenblum, Shel + James, Richard
- Bowman, Willy + Davis, Harry + Krattli, Bob + Wilk, Bob

Flight Four:

- Thompson, Lee + McMordie, Patrick + Balanesi, Dennis + Sunzeri, Michael
- Wamsley, Eric + Ochsner, John + Castle, Jim + Logg, Edward
- Martinson, Larry + Barnhart, Terry, + Dando, Robert + Lewis, Paul

| To Par Net | Total Net |
|------------|-----------|
| -17 | 127 |
| -13 | 131 |
| 9 | 135 |
| -15 | 129 |
| -11 | 133 |
| -9 | 135 |
| -10 | 134 |
| -9 | 135 |
| -6 | 138 |
| -20 | 124 |
| -15 | 129 |
| -12 | 132 |

SWINGERS

Tuesday, February 7

Captain's Trophy

- Front Nine –
Linda Piersol – Net 36
Back Nine –
Anka Hoek – Net 34

Front 9 – Flight 1

- Player Total Net**
1. Marge Pritchard 37
2. Auralie Citrigno 38
3. Mary Wagle 39
4. Emily Li 39

Front 9 – Flight 2

- Linda Piersol 36
- Christy Reid 37
- Terry Holmquist 38
- Delma Juarez 38

Back 9 – Flight 1

- Vicki Krattli 37
- Lyn Strong 37
- Jeannie Omel 38
- Jane Smith 38

Back 9 – Flight 2

- Anka Hoek 34
- Josephine Chan 34
- Cynthia Jackson 35
- Judi Falarski 36

Highlights

- Low Gross Front –
51: Gail Tuft + Laura Swenson
Low Gross Back –
45: Vicki Krattli

18 HOLE WOMEN

Thursday, February 9

Flight One:

- Low Gross –
Monica Saneholtz - 86
Low Net - Lyn Strong - 69
2nd Low Net -
Ann Bassford - 73

Flight Two:

- Low Gross –
Cheryl Heusser - 94
Low Net - Pam Schramm - 72
2nd Low Net -
Betty Sharps - 73
3rd Low Net - Cindy Fuller - 74
4th Low Net - Patti Bell - 76

Flight Three:

- Low Gross - Emily Li - 98
Low Net - Auralie Citrigno - 72
2nd Low Net -
Inge McQuiddy - 73

2 Tees Flight:

- Low Gross - Gail Tuft - 95
Low Net - Bock He Kim - 71
2nd Low Net -
Sylvia Rozewicz - 73
3rd Low Net -
Janis Kiernan - 75
4th Low Net -
Sumi Minami - 76



SHONIS

Tuesday, February 7

Low nets

Flight One:

- Betty Hall 23
- Teddy Morse 26
- Three-way tie Marty Blinde, Sue Park and Tricia Hardt 28

Flight Two:

- Meg Rogers 23
- Three-way tie -
Kacy Walden, Joyce Baptiste
and Julianna Wahlgren 24
- Jonna Robinson 26

Flight Three:

- Tie - Rose Loy and
Kathy Tanaka 23
- Fran Schumaker 26

BRIDGE

Monday, February 6:

- Mary LeGrand -
Lorrie Scott
- Stan Davies - Art Lind
- Jan Kiernan -
Sumi Minami
- Bash Singh -
Bonnie Taylor

Wednesday, February 8:

- Mary LeGrand -
Jonna Robinson
- Art Lind - Lorrie Scott
- 3/4. Suzanne Fazzio -
Vicky Krettil
- 3/4. Jan Kiernan -
Sumi Minami

Friday, February 10:

- Ed Logg - Jonna Robinson
- Mary LeGrand – Guest
- Selma Chastaine -
George Welch





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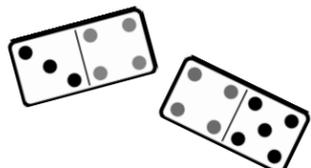
MEXICAN TRAIN DOMINOES

Wednesday, February 8

- | | |
|-----------------|-----|
| Maribeth Berlie | 123 |
| Beverly Wharton | 170 |
| Joan Maxwell | 276 |

Friday, February 10

- | | |
|-----------------|-----|
| Kit Hultquist | 175 |
| Sylvia Rozewicz | 195 |
| Manoli Kelly | 290 |



Adopt-A-Green Initiative

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

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

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

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

We encourage you to start repairing your assigned green(s) as soon as possible.

We thank you for your efforts...This will make golf at The Villages more enjoyable for all!

| Surname | Hole # | Surname | Hole # |
|---------|--------|-----------|---------|
| A | 1 & 4 | L | 12 |
| B | 2 | M-Mc | 9 & 17 |
| C | 3 & 15 | N | 8 & 11 |
| D | 1 & 4 | O | 8 & 11 |
| E | 2 | P | 12 |
| F | 5 & 6 | Q | 13 & 16 |
| G | 5 & 6 | R | 14 |
| H | 7 | S | 13 & 16 |
| I | 1 & 4 | T | 14 |
| J | 8 & 11 | U | 15 |
| K | 10 | V,W,X,Y,Z | 18 |

LANDSCAPE & MAINTENANCE

MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE

Cribari

5250-5319 and 5384-5399—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.

5364-5383 and 5433-5488—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 2/20-2/24.

Mowing down ivy ground cover areas throughout the district, in progress.

Turf aeration in progress throughout the district.

5452—Dry rot repairs in progress.

Cribari Green—Dry rot repairs prior to painting project, scheduled to start the week of 2/20.

Del Lago

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), in progress.

Turf weed spray throughout the district (Turflon Ester EPA.REG. NO.6219-566), in progress.

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

Estates

8876-8897—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.

8809-8875—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 4/3-4/7.

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 the week of 2/20.

Fairways

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.NO.524-579), in progress.

Mowing down ivy ground cover throughout the district in progress.

Glen Arden

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

7816, 7818, 7839, 7841 and 7843—Painting project in progress.

Heights

8480-8505—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.

8464-8479 and 8506-8509—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 2/20-2/24.

Montgomery Lane—Dead pine tree removals in progress.

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8493—Small stucco wall replacement in progress.

8503—Storm drain repairs, in planning.

Hermosa

8005-8032, 8100-8121 and Lower Chardonay Lake—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.

8065-8088, 8096-8099, 8122-8125, 8334-8349, 8388-8399 and around Chardonay Lake area—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 the week of 2/20.

8388-8399—Utility door repairs in progress.

8429—Sewer lateral offset in planning.

8376-8377—Wood repairs in progress.

Highland

7574-7598, 7661-7701 and Findhorn Court—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.

7500-7573—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 3/27-3/31.

Shrub beds, street cracks and weed herbicide spray throughout the district (Roundup Pro Max EPA.REG.NO.524-579), in progress.

Lighting replacement project throughout the district in progress, weather permitting.

Gutter cleaning throughout the district scheduled to start 2/20.

Montgomery

6079-6126 and 6137-6183—Landscape maintenance and weed control in progress.

6246-6336—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 2/20-2/24.

Dead/dying tree removals at various locations, in planning.

Turf aeration throughout the district in progress.

Turf, shrubs beds, street crack and weed herbicide spray throughout the district (Roundup Pro Max EPA.REG.NO.524-579 and Turflon Ester EPA.REG.NO. 6219-566), in progress.

6325—Dry rot repairs in progress.

6113 and 6114—Driveway replacements in progress.

Olivas

8740-8752, 8769-8807 and Foothill Center—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 3/6-3/10.

Shrub beds, street cracks and weed herbicide spray throughout the district (Round Pro Max EPA.REG.NO.524-579), in progress.

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 the week of 2/20.

8600-8692—Lighting replacement project in progress.

Sonata

2000-2024 and 2032-2064—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 3/6-3/10.

Turf, shrub beds, street cracks and weed herbicide spray throughout the district, (Round Pro Max EPA.REG.NO.524-579 and Turflon Ester EPA.REG.NO.6219-566), in progress.

6113 and 6114—Driveway replacements in progress.

Valle Vista

9001-9014 and 9034-9036—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 3/6-3/10.

9013—Dry rot repairs in progress.

Verano

7001-7060 and 7395-7404—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 3/6-3/10.

Dead/dying tree removals at various locations, in planning.

Mowing ivy ground cover throughout the district, in progress.

Gutter cleaning throughout the district in progress.

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 throughout the Villages, in progress.

General fallen tree debris clean up in progress throughout the Villages.

Annual crape myrtle tree pruning in progress throughout the Villages.

Plum tree fruit spray reduction control at various districts (Florel Growth Regulator EPA.REG.NO.54705-8), in progress.

Club Centers

Buildings A, B and C—Landscape maintenance and weed control, 2/20-2/24.

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

Clubhouse—Tile installation in progress.

Public Safety Plaza—Shade door repairs, in planning.

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

Maintenance Project Notice:

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

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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.



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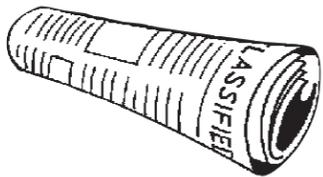
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Proposed Changes to Club Board Policies CPo 204 Rules Committee; CPo 207 Communications Advisory Committee

At the January 31, 2023, monthly board meeting, the Board approved for 30-day member notice proposed changes to VGCC Board Policies CPo 204 Rules Committee and CPo 207 Communications Advisory Committee prior to formal approval consideration at the March 28, 2023, board meeting.

The purpose of changes is to revise these committee charters eliminating limitations on the number of terms and consecutive terms committee members may serve.

Response to the proposed policy changes may be made by one or more of the following methods: 1) Participation in the discussion of the changes at the February 28, and March 28, 2023, board meetings, 2) via e-mail (jmeadows@the-villages.com) with comments sent to the General Manager's office at least seven days prior to the board meetings, or 3) via written comments to the General Manager's office (Business Administration Building A) delivered at least seven days prior to the aforementioned board meetings.

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The proposed changes are as follows:

Rules Committee Policy #: CPo 204

THE VILLAGES GOLF AND COUNTRY CLUB RULES COMMITTEE CHARTER

OBJECTIVE: Provide advice to the Board on all rules-related matters.

Committee: The Villages Golf and Country Club Rules Committee

Responsible to: The Villages Golf and Country Club Board of Directors

Composition:

Voting Members: Five to seven (5-7) resident owners in good standing appointed by the Board of Directors.

Non-Voting Members: The number of associate members shall be determined by the committee with approval of the Board. Associate members can actively participate in committee discussions but do not have a vote.

Board Liaison (non-voting)

Staff Support: General Manager or his designee (non-voting)

Terms:

Each Appointee shall serve two-year staggered terms, from January 1 through December 31. Reappointment is possible subject to a two-term limit. There must be a one-year break in service after two consecutive terms before reappointment. A replacement appointee will complete the term of the resident being replaced.

Chairman: Selected by committee.

Responsibilities:

1. To review annually all existing Villages Golf and Country Club (VGCC) rules.
2. To ensure that Club Rules are consistent with Club Policies and Bylaws.
3. To conduct public hearings as defined in The VGCC Rules.

Communications Advisory Committee Policy #: CPo 207

Committee: COMMUNICATIONS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Responsible to: Club Board of Directors

Composition: Voting Members: Five to seven (5-7) resident owners in good standing appointed by the Board of Directors.

Non-Voting Members: The number of associate members shall be determined by the committee with the approval of the Board. Associate members can actively participate in committee discussions but do not have a vote.

Board Liaison (non-voting)

Staff Support: Community Activities Director, ex-officio member
Editor, The Villager, ex-officio member

Member Term: Two-year staggered terms by Board appointment, from January 1 through December 31. Reappointment is possible subject to a two-term limit. There must be a one-year break in service after two consecutive terms before reappointment. A vacancy prior to completion of a term will be filled by appointment by the Board for the remainder of the vacant term. If the vacancy is less than one year, the appointee shall be eligible to be reappointed for two full consecutive terms.

Officers: The committee shall elect a chairperson from one of its own voting members.

Subcommittees: The committee may appoint subcommittees, as it deems necessary to perform its appointed tasks.

Meetings: The committee shall meet at least quarterly or as required to fulfill its responsibilities.

Responsibilities:

1. The committee shall review "Pulse Letters" submitted by members and residents for publication in The Villager, to ensure conformity with the publication requirements set forth in VGCC Rule 1.30 – The Villager and the Pulse.

2. The committee shall advise the Club Board on all aspects of content, format, editing, and publishing for each of the Community's internal communication media (e.g., The Villager, the cable channels, the Website and Fast Lane) with the objective of promoting open, accurate, and timely reporting of community information, events, and news to the members, residents, and visitors.

3. The Committee shall advise the Club Board of ways to use the Community's communications media to engage residents in discussions of important and timely issues that affect community life.

4. The committee may provide advice and recommendations to the Club Board regarding special interest or controversial topics to the readership.

5. The committee shall provide the Club Board written minutes for all committee meetings.

6. Associate Members must review Pulse Letters in the company of an experienced Committee Member until trained, and shall participate in Committee Meetings, but will have no vote.

7. Candidates' Night: The committee will be responsible for one or more Candidate's Night(s). The process of the Candidate's Night(s) will be the responsibility of the Committee who will function independently of the Board.

8. Candidates' Questions in Villager: The committee will be responsible for the Candidate's Questions in the Villager. The committee will prepare questions for the candidates, and will function independently of the Board.

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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.





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

How May I Prepare for the Winter Season?

1. Periodically inspect and service your heating mechanical system (using qualified contractor services).
2. Periodically inspect and service your fireplace (using qualified contractor services).
3. Periodically inspect and service your skylight, sun tunnels and sunrooms (using qualified contractor services).
4. As needed, replace weather stripping at entry doors, garage doors and patio doors.
5. Keep exterior windows and doors closed during wind and rain storms.
6. As applicable, secure shade umbrellas and retract all awnings during windy conditions.

7. Periodically inspect and service **owner-maintained** patio covers, gutters and downspouts (using qualified contractor services).

8. For Association condo homes, if there are areas near your home that experience water entry, please contact Maintenance Services at 408-223-4670 or workorder@the-villages.com. Staff will create a work order for inspection and, as needed, take corrective measures. Depending upon the incident, staff will provide and use sandbags.

9. For single-family homes and for Association condo homes, as desired, you may locate and stage sandbags ahead of time. Valley Water and the City of San Jose offer free filled sandbags for residents of Santa Clara County. Several pickup sites are open from late November through April each season. The nearest pickup sites in San Jose are at:

- The City Central Service Yard, 1661 Senter Road at Phelan Ave., San Jose, CA 95122.
- The Valley Water Winfield Warehouse, 5905 Winfield Blvd., between Blossom Hill Rd. and Coleman Ave. Sandbag pickup street access only.

How to Respond to Winter Weather Incidents?

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

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

—Maintenance Services

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By Toni Thunen

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