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Villages business offices will be closed Thursday, November 23 and Friday, November 24 for the Thanksgiving holiday.

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- Association CC&R Town Hall
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See Fiddlers concert! A week of recognition to honor our Villages Veterans

The Villages Music Society (VMS) is delighted to sponsor a “toe-tapping” concert performance by the Santa Clara Valley Fiddlers Association (SCVFA) on **Sunday, November 19**, from **2:30 to 4 p.m.** in Cribari Auditorium.

This benefit concert for the VMS will help the group position itself for sponsoring performances through the next year.

Open seating tickets are \$20. You may purchase them **Saturday, November 18** from **10 a.m. to noon** in the Cribari lobby, or at the door on November 19. Cash, checks, and house charges will be accepted. Masks are encouraged, but no longer required.

The image of an old-time fiddler represents the origins of traditional music in rural America. Over the years, SCVFA’s members have shared many other traditional genres and expanded into acoustic music from many parts of the country—and the world. As the group’s founder, Bill Wein, put it, “Music self-played is happiness self-made.”

The purpose of this local group is to carry on activities that revive, study, and perpetuate traditional music. They perform and teach a wide variety of styles, including old-time, country music, bluegrass, western swing, Celtic, Scandinavian, and other traditional styles. Their music is played on acoustic instruments such as fiddles, guitars, banjos, mandolins, string basses, accordions, and harmonicas. The musicians range in age from 8 to over 80 with nearly 160 members in the San Francisco Bay Area.

Do come join us—and if the mood strikes you, dance up a storm with your partner!

Village Voices thankful for our heroes

Every Wednesday evening, the Village Voices meet to prepare choral music for our audience that will provide our community with a gratifying and entertaining experience. Not only are we thankful for all our dedicated singers, but also for Catherine Ellacer, our director, and Tammy Welsh, our piano accompanist. They transformed into superheros at our recent Halloween costume night. (See picture on page 16.) Clearly, we can say Catherine’s outstanding efforts in preparing us for the concert makes her our Jedi hero! And Tammy, our superhero pianist keeps the music flowing with her powerful talents.

“Thankful for the Holiday Season” is the theme of our upcoming Winter concerts, which will be held **Saturday, December 2 at 7:30 p.m.** and **Sunday, December 3 at 2:30 p.m.** in Cribari Auditorium.

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The Village Voices and Community Chapel Choir combined voices to bring some rousing, patriotic music to this year’s Villages Veterans Day Celebration held in Cribari Auditorium Saturday, November 11. More than 200 attended.



Bob Herbst, World War II Navy veteran, received his quilt of valor from the Villages Quilters’ Club in honor of his military service. The quilt presentations were held Wednesday, November 8. (See pages 15 and 28 for more pictures from Veterans Day week at The Villages.) Photos by Frank Langben

Meet three talented fiber artists at Crafters Club Boutique

What can you make from a single strand of yarn? Quite a lot! When you visit the Crafters Holiday Boutique on **Saturday, November 25**, you will find three of our most talented crafters who knit and crochet unique, warm and wonderful yarn creations!

Roberta Barentsen joined the Boutique in 2003 and has been an active participant in the club ever since. She started with crocheted pieces like potholders and kitchen towels but has since added an array of knitted items like hats and baby wear.

Another Club “veteran” is **Kime Tiger**—an energetic, lively lady who has been a member of the group for more than 20 years. Kime also started with crocheted items like baby blankets and booties, but she now fashions whimsical little knitted creatures and animals and a collection of the best kitchen scrubbies anywhere!

New to the Crafters Club is **Beth Keller**, also a crochet specialist. Not only does she make little animals, keychains and ear warmers,

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COMMUNITY NEWS

PULSE

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

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

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

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

3 Pulse letters received this week.
1 Pulse letter redirected to Above & Beyond column.
2 Pulse letters published this week.

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

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

Ah, recycling...something most of us want to do and in many ways not so easy. If one goes to the San Jose Recycles website it spells out what and how your recycled stuff should be handled before you dump "it" into the big white bin that magically gets emptied each week. What all of us should understand is that optics are at work to sort stuff into various areas for "recycling" by operators with front-end loaders and not individuals on an assembly line. FYI San Jose suggests residents use "clear" heavy duty bags to contain your shredded papers. I finally found them at a large hardware store in the houseware section in a box of 39. Maybe not on your radar, but all of us are good at having lots to dump and recycle. A little extra effort is needed to make the most of the right thing to do.

—Toni Thunen

Hi. I'm writing regarding the lamp covers in Montgomery, and now we have a few in Hermosa and The Heights as well. It's always fun when these festive lamp covers appear, but as much as I enjoy them, I get a little frustrated when the jack-o'-lanterns stay up through the month of November. A pumpkin with jagged teeth and triangle eyes definitely only represents Halloween so I was thinking, perhaps, residents could put up the snowman head on November 1. The crisp air feels wintry, and so the snowman head is appropriate for the month of November—more so than the jack-o'-lantern. Don't get me wrong—I love the lamp covers. Not only is their installation a show of community spirit, it definitely adds charm and character to The Villages! Happy Holidays. Thanks for listening!

—Mary Beaven

ABOVE & BEYOND

My husband and I recently moved to The Villages. We are so thankful for all the wonderful services The Villages offers. The Senior Resource Services (SRS) offers so many services seniors need. I always read their articles in *The Villager* and find helpful information and resources. My driver's license needed to be renewed and I went through the usual preparation to review and prepare for the written exam. I fully understand the importance of reviewing the DMV driving rules and regulations, but I'm always annoyed by the tricky questions, which really don't test your knowledge but succeed in confusing you. The SRS featured an article about an e-learning option for taking the DMV drivers license renewal exam. I found I learned more from this option. If you're not tech savvy, call the SRS office and the wonderful volunteers Libby and Clarice are there to help. Thank you Libby, Clarice and SRS for all you do.

—Margaret Mow

Correction:

In last week's Special Veterans Day pullout section, a name in the list of veterans was misspelled. The correct name should be: **Everett Jacobson**. Also, **Kellen Perry** should have been described as an USO entertainer in the caption accompanying her picture.

In addition, three veterans on Prestwick Circle—**Don Jensen**, Col. Air Force & Navy, **Robert Hansen**, Navy, and **Jon Tornay**, Navy—wish to be added to the list of veterans.

IN MEMORIAM

In Memoriam notices are run free of charge.

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

Obituary notices may be placed in the Classified Advertising section for a fee. For more information, please call Kory Tran at ktran@the-villages.com or 408-754-1341 or Scott Hinrichs at shinrichs@the-villages.com or 408-223-4655.

DEADLINES

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

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Classified Ads: Classified ads, renewals, cancellations and changes are due by 4 p.m. on the Monday before publication. Holiday deadlines differ. You may fax classified ads to 408-274-2843 or e-mail to: 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 website at: www.thevillagesgcc.com.

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POLICIES

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

The Villages Communications Advisory Committee develops operational plans, reviews rules and policies, and advises the General Manager and Club Board on issues pertaining to *The Villager*, including Pulse letters, Channels 26 and 27, FastLane and the website. Residents having relevant concerns may attend meetings or call committee members by phone: Chair Nick Yannacone at 408-219-9296, and Co-Chair Debbie Champion at 408-960-6994.

HOURS

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

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

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BOARDS & COMMITTEES

ABOD President's Message—November 14, 2023

As we approach Thanksgiving, first, let me thank all the residents who actively participate in Villages governance. I am thinking of everyone who serves on a DAC or on an AD HOC committee. I am so grateful to all those who attend Board meetings or use *The Villager* to ask a question. Second, I am greatly encouraged by the growing numbers of ballots on the CC&R vote. All ballots remain unopened until the official count in December, so there is still time to return them but having Villagers participate in the vote is so important. Third, to all who volunteer countless hours to review our policies, watching our budgets, and seeking resident input, please accept my sincerest thanks. Add to them my incredible colleagues on the Association Board, Club Board and the Homeowners' Board. Finally, thank you to all those husbands, wives and partners who allow us to spend so much time away from home as we try to make The Villages a better place. Happy Thanksgiving.

—Diana Hallock, Villages Association President

Club Board President's Message—November 14, 2023

Hello, Villagers! The fall weather is spectacular, with the leaves turning and falling at a very fast pace. Nice cool days, and a bit of welcome rain is on the way. Fall is my favorite season for many reasons. For me, fall is a time of great reflection, of what's been, what's left to be done, and what's to come. It's also a tremendously rich time of year for us to give thanks for all we are fortunate to be blessed with, and to reach out and share with others.

We just celebrated our Villages Veterans with a fantastic program last weekend. I believe this Veterans celebration was the best yet! The songs performed by the Chorus were especially moving. Special thanks to both Bob Semple and Mary Tatum and their teams for an outstanding program. I hope each of you took advantage of the celebratory reception that followed the program and grabbed a donut!

This month's Club Board Meeting is a Study Session, no decisions will be made this month. We'll discuss the future of *The Villager* newspaper, how we're working with Club Board Standing Committees, how we'll reinvigorate the Club Architectural Committee, we'll discuss the plans for the new Cobalt ERP system, receive an Audit Briefing, and hear an update on the Bocce Project.

We have up-to-date news, announced at the ABOD meeting, that The Villages-wide Fire Safety and Landscaping Committees will be combined, and will be led by ABOD Director, John Epperheimer. As well, the Insurance Committee continues its work to ensure the best possible coverage for the best possible pricing for The Villages. Stay tuned for more news about the activities of these committees as they continue to dig in this month and next.

Soon we'll begin discussing and working the processes for the FY25 budget. The opportunity to provide input will commence in December for Standing Committees and DACs. The rest of us will provide our input in January 2024. Our General Manager has promised a zero-based budget process this year. Let's all do what we can to proactively support and engage in creating the best possible financial plan for The Villages for FY25.

Finally, I'll also share that Thanksgiving is my favorite holiday. A far cry from the favorite of my childhood, which was Halloween. What Thanksgiving means to me today is that it's the ultimate opportunity for each of us to express gratitude, forgiveness, grace, thanks, and love—and to extend a compassionate hand to those in need. The Villages always shines its brightest when we each genuinely help, and care, and share with one another. I wish each of you a warm and wonderful Thanksgiving holiday!

—Leslie Lambert, Villages Golf & Country Club President

The Villages Association CC&Rs Vote

The Villages Association Board has approved to extend the ballot deadline for the Third Amendment to the Covenants, Conditions & Restrictions (CC&Rs) to **Monday, December 11, 2023**. Replacement ballot packages are being sent to members who have not yet voted. Please vote on this important amendment.

Questions for the Club Board?

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



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

'Ask the ABOD'

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Association Board Voting Record for November 14, 2023

Association Voting Record for November 14, 2023											
		Board Members*							Comments	Costs	
		DH	MS	PR	JW	DC	JE	SG			
1	District Advisory Committee (DAC) Appointment	A	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	A	The Board approved the appointment of Kathy T. Lohman as voting member to the Glen Arden DAC.	\$0
2	Approval Consideration to Transfer Funds for Partial Payment on Outstanding Loan for 2023 Property Insurance Premium	A	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	A	The Board approved the transfer of \$333,000 from the Association's Operating Fund to the Reserve Fund for the partial payment on the outstanding loan of \$2,668,000 used to help pay the 2023 property insurance premium renewal in June 2023 with balance of \$2,335,000 to be paid back by June 30, 2024.	\$333,000
Total APPROVED Expenditures this meeting										\$333,000	

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

* DH = Diana Hallock | MS = Michael Schwerin | PR = Patricia Reardon | JW = Julie Wash | DC = David Cook | JE = John Epperheimer | SG = Stephen Gilbert

More BOARDS & COMMITTEES

Volunteers needed!

The Villages Golf and Country Club Board of Directors is seeking interested candidates for appointment to key advisory committees. This is a great opportunity to contribute your time and talents for the betterment of the community. There are openings for both voting and also associate members.

Stay active and involved by submitting your application to serve on one of the following Club advisory committees.

Architectural Committee

Advises the Board on matters related to the exercise of architectural control over the Club properties.

Communications Advisory Committee (CAC)

Advises the Board regarding each of the community's internal communication media.

Emergency Preparedness Committee (EPC)

Develops and implements those parts of the The Villages Emergency Operations/Response Plan assigned to the Committee, as defined in The Plan.

Fitness Center Advisory Committee (FCAC)

Provides recommendations to the Board regarding matters pertaining to the Fitness Center.

Swimming Pools Advisory Committee (SPAC)

Provides recommendations to the Board on matters regarding swimming pools including the entire fenced pool area.

Rules Committee

Provides advice to the Board on rule-related matters.

Villages Golf Committee (VGC)

The mission of the Villages Golf Committee is to represent the Villages' community by endeavoring to maintain the aesthetic values, functionality and playability of both course and practice areas to enhance the resident's golfing experience and to meet the expectations of the majority of golfing residents.

Apply now! Candidates are asked to submit an application by Friday, December 1, 2023. Applications and committee charters can be obtained from the The Villages website Resident Portal or from the General Managers Office in Building A. For more information contact Julia Meadows at 408-223-4634 or jmeadows@the-villages.com.

Leash rule for pets

Residents are reminded, as per Club Rule 1.51, that pets must be kept on a leash, under control, and attended to at all times. This also applies to the Hill Lands.

An increase in coyote aggression and incidents with deer have created problems with small dogs, especially those that are unleashed.

Please always leash your pets. And keep leashes short—the Division of Wildlife recommends a leash no longer than 6 feet.



Furthermore, accompany your leashed pet at all times while outside. Do not let go of the leash or tie your animal to trees or other objects. An unattended leash not only attracts the attention of coyotes, but is also a tripping hazard to other walkers.

Notice of New Association Architectural Committee (AC) Rule D-32 Area Projects in Common Area

At the October 31, 2023, board meeting, the Association Board approved new AC Rule D-21 Area Projects in Common Areas and to publish proposed new rule for the required member comment prior to formal approval consideration at the January 30, 2023, board meeting.

The purpose of the proposed rule is to provide a process for the request of Area Projects that do not fall under existing Association Architectural Committee (AC) rules which are to be constructed or installed on Association Common Areas and are not in conflict with Association Rules.

Response to the proposed new rule may be made by one or more of the following methods: 1) Participation in the discussion of the proposed new rule at the Association Board of Directors December 12, 2023, and January 30, 2023, board meetings, 2) via written comments delivered to the Board through Maria Hernandez in the General Manager's office at mehernandez@the-villages.com.

D-32 Common Area Projects - Draft F

Projects proposed for construction or installation in Association Common Areas that do not align with the existing guidelines set by the Association's Architectural Committee (AC) must receive approval from both the AC and the Association Board of Directors (ABOD). These projects are unique in nature, and their review by the AC and ABOD is essential to ensure they align with the orderly maintenance, preservation, and enjoyment of Common Areas and do not jeopardize the health, safety, convenience, or welfare of all residents (Villagers).

Application Procedure:

A. Project Request Submission

• Start by submitting a "Project Requirements Form" to the AC. This document should include the following details: project description and purpose, project location, any necessary alterations to common areas, potential impacts on existing common area elements (like trees, landscaping, hardscape), possible effects on surrounding Villas, and any other relevant information.

B. AC Meeting Attendance

• Attend the regular monthly AC meeting to review the "Project Requirements Form" and receive feedback from the committee. If the project is substantial, the AC will provide a list of specific items required for the formal Project Application package.

C. Common Area Alteration Agreement

• Prepare a "COMMON AREA ALTERATION AGREEMENT" application, signed by the applicant(s), which is similar to an Owner Alteration Agreement. Include comprehensive plans and specifications. All applicants must be Association members residing in the affected District(s). In some cases, a District Advisory Committee (DAC) may also apply. Plans should be drawn to scale on substantial paper, providing clarity regarding the project's location, nature, extent of work, and maintenance responsibilities. Ensure that the project adheres to this rule's requirements.

D. Document Submission

• Submit all necessary documents, including estimated costs, to the AC by the monthly submittal deadline, as published in The Villager.

E. Approval Process

• The AC will determine a renewal period, and after each period, project compliance will be reviewed by staff. Upon AC approval, with possible conditions, the maintenance and landscape departments must also review and approve the project.

F. ABOD Approval and Member Advisory Vote

• Following AC and staff approval, the proposal will be presented to the Association Board of Directors (ABOD). If approved by ABOD, a confidential member advisory (non-binding) vote will be conducted by the Association Inspectors of Elections. Ballots will be distributed to all members in the affected District(s). These ballots will be color-coded to distinguish between members within 100 feet of or having a line of sight with the project and other members. The results will be counted and reported at the next regular ABOD meeting by the Inspectors of Elections. Owner comments and the outcome of the advisory vote will be carefully considered by the ABOD when deciding whether to approve the project.

G. Ongoing Monitoring

• After approval and project construction, the AC and staff will continue to monitor the project at the end of each renewal period to ensure compliance with initial requirements and any new safety or building code requirements in effect. If the project is not in compliance, the AC may recommend remediation or removal to the ABOD.

Upcoming Comcast appointments

The Villages' Comcast representative, Deisy Gomez, is offering to host Virtual Customer Events (one-on-one) to discuss your questions regarding service, your bills and Xfinity products from the comfort of your home.

Sessions will be **every Friday from 10 a.m. and 2 p.m.** For access to the online calendar use this link: <https://calendly.com/deisygomez1326/the-villages>

To report service issues and outages, please contact Deisy Gomez at: Deisy_Gomez@comcast.com.

As part of your Villages amenities, you also have access to a dedicated Xfinity Support team when you call Comcast/Xfinity at 855-307-4896.

Onsite visits from Comcast/Xfinity at The Villages are listed below. **The next upcoming Wednesday Comcast in-person event:**

December 6, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sequoia Room, Cribari Center

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GOVERNANCE MEETINGS

THE DACs

Important reminder for Montgomery residents

Never miss news and updates from your Montgomery DAC. The recent asphalt paving project showed the importance of being in the loop to receive email updates about scheduling and road closures. There is always important news in all DAC announcements and newsletters that you won't want to miss. Please have every member of a household submit their email address to DavidRaskin-MontgomeryDac@gmail.com. Thanks!

AC NOTICE

Association applications for Owner Alteration Requests for the month of December are due to the Architectural Committee on or before November 17. Call Elissa at the Corporation Yard office to obtain an application. Meeting date is scheduled for **Thursday, December 7, at 9 a.m.** in Montgomery Center.

Association AC Landscape meeting *deadline* date is **Friday, November 17.**

More COMMUNITY NOTICES

(SRS) SENIOR RESOURCE SERVICES

Taking securities from your IRA

Question: If I have stocks in my traditional IRA brokerage account, can I move these stocks to a non-IRA brokerage account as part of my annual Required Minimum Distribution (RMD)? If so, what value do I use in determining the amount applicable to the RMD? And what is the tax basis for the stock transferred to the non-IRA account?

Answer: Yes, rather than taking a withdrawal from your IRA in cash, you can transfer shares from your IRA to your regular brokerage account. This is called an in-kind distribution.

Let's say your required RMD is \$5,000. Instead of taking cash, you could transfer, for example, 100 shares of stock trading at \$50 a share. The dollar value of the distribution for the RMD is the fair market value at the date of transfer. As long as it is publicly traded stock, your financial advisor knows the current value. This fair market value becomes your new cost basis for your new taxable stock holding in your regular brokerage account.

Your income tax impact will be essentially the same if you take the in-kind distribution or take cash. You could simply sell the shares in your IRA, withdraw the cash and then purchase stock in your taxable account. In our example, you will have \$5,000 in ordinary income from your IRA RMD and will receive a form 1099-R; your cost basis of the shares now in your taxable brokerage account will be \$5,000.

This technique is frequently used when you don't immediately need the cash for living purposes, the stock value is low, and you are optimistic the value will increase in the future. And right now, many Villagers certainly have low stock values in their IRA accounts.

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

SRS request:

Attention paid tax preparers

SRS is updating its handout list of professionals who can be hired to prepare your tax returns. If you are a Villager and an enrolled agent (ER) or a certified public accountant (CPA) and would like to be on the SRS list, please call the SRS office at 408-239-5253 or send an e-note to janesp@sbcglobal.net.

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.

BOARD MEETINGS

Three-Boards

• Special Open Three-Board Meeting Re: Presentation of Combined Financial Statements and Independent Auditor's Report for FY23 is Tuesday, November 21 at 1:30 p.m. via Zoom Teleconference

Meeting ID: 871 6565 2820; Passcode: 318696; Dial: 1-669-900-6833

(Note: The following educational workshop is limited to Board Directors.)

• Three-Board Educational Workshop Re: Landscape Consultant Team Plan Review is Tuesday, November 21 at 9 a.m. via Zoom Teleconference

Association

• The Villages Association Board of Directors Monthly Board hybrid meeting is Tuesday, December 12 at 9:30 a.m. in Foothill Center and on Zoom.

Meeting ID: 917 8108 3392; Passcode: 223468; Dial: 1-669-900-6833

Club

• The Villages Golf & Country Club Board of Directors Regular Meeting is Tuesday, December 12 at 1:30 p.m. in Foothill Center and on Zoom.

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

Homeowners

• The Villages Homeowners' Corporation Board of Directors Governing Document Review Workshop is **Thursday, November 30 at 9 a.m.** in the Voyage Room in Montgomery Center.

• The Villages Homeowners' Corporation Board of Directors Quarterly Meeting is **Thursday, December 7 at 9 a.m.** in the Cribari Patio Room.

Owners responsible for cleaning up after pets

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

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

Office closures and holiday deadlines for The Villager

Villages business offices close for the Thanksgiving holiday—both **Thursday, November 23** and **Friday, November 24**. In addition, Villages business offices will close for the Christmas holiday and New Year's Day—**Monday, December 25, Tuesday, December 26** and **Monday, January 1**. Because of these office closures, The Villager's editorial deadlines will change:

November 30 edition is **Wednesday, November 22 at noon**.

January 4 New Year's edition is **Wednesday, December 27**. Classified ad deadline is **Friday, December 29**.

Please note that in December, The Villager will not publish the week of Christmas—**there will be no December 28 edition**. Materials needing to be published before Christmas will be published in the December 21 edition.

More COMMUNITY NOTICES

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COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

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

Full house at 'Rose Kennedy' Get tickets for Doox of Yale concert at Cribari



Kathy Estevez Bates received a standing ovation for her stirring presentation of "Rose Kennedy: a Mother's Story" on November 10. Many attendees expressed their appreciation for her performance to Community Activities and to her directly.

If you missed this opportunity to see her, or would like to go again, please watch The Villager and the Community Activities edition of the Fast Lane for more information about her return visit in March.

Facility reservations for 2024 now open to private residents

Private residents wishing to make a reservation for one of our community centers in 2024 are now able to do so. Our community centers include Cribari Center, Montgomery Center, Vineyard Center, and Foothill Center. We have a wide range of room sizes available for meetings, parties, and other events. Reservations with a signed contract are required.

For more information and pricing please contact the Community Activities department at 408-223-4643, email rdreitlein@the-villages.com, or drop by Building B during office hours. In some cases, the facility use fee is waived for residents, so don't miss out on our beautiful spaces!

Guest Room reminders



Each of our four guest rooms includes a bathroom, TV, mini fridge, and coffeepot. For you and your future guests, here are a few reminders:

- You can reserve up to six months in advance.
- After hours key pickup at the Front Gate is available by request.
- **Pets are not allowed**

Please call the Community Activities department at 408-754-1336 for more information or to reserve. Additional information can also be found in Club Rule 1.22.

On **Saturday, January 13**, see the Doox of Yale perform at Cribari Auditorium from **2 p.m. to 3 p.m.** Tickets are \$20 per person.

The Doox of Yale has a long history of entertaining audience members with their timeless classics, dynamic performance energy and heartfelt singing. This group of talented tenor and bass a capella singers was formed in 1952 with the name, The Duke's Men, but in 2017 the group became mixed-gender and changed their name. Now The Villages will join the diverse venues who have hosted them, including the White House, the Smithsonian, and Drew Barrymore's birthday party. Their repertoire includes nostalgic rock ballads, soulful jazz standards, classic folk tunes and even some catchy pop songs.

Pre-registration is required in Building B. Register during office hours by **Friday, December 8** or sooner if spots fill up. The registration period has been extended by one week due to the Thanksgiving holiday; the priority registration period for residents remains the same.



Last chance for trip to SF's de Young Open

On **Friday, January 5**, come with us to the de Young Museum in San Francisco as we explore the works of artists who live within the nine counties surrounding San Francisco Bay at this triannual (every three years) exhibition. This year 7,766 artists submitted entries for the de Young Open 2023, and the 883 works shown were selected by curators and distinguished Bay Area artists for display. The artworks are presented in a "salon style," where nearly every inch of display space is covered wall-to-wall and floor-to-ceiling, and grouped by themes such as the urban environment, the human figure, surreal imagery, and more. This exhibition supports local arts communities, and the works may be purchased (contact the museum for more information). Lunch options include the museum café and outdoor food stands in the area.



We will depart from Cribari East Parking Lot at 8:30 a.m. with an estimated return time of 3 p.m. Activity Level: Light to Moderate Activity (benches may or may not be available).

The cost per person is \$63 regular price; \$44 for FAMSF members.

- Regular price includes admission, escort, and round-trip transportation.

- Fine Arts Museums of San Francisco members must show valid membership card at registration.

Gratuity for driver is included in price, additional tipping is at your discretion. Audio Tours are not available for this exhibition. Take advantage of this opportunity, it will be three years before it comes back around! **Register in Building B by Friday, November 17** or sooner if tickets sell out.

Game Day schedule to change for holidays

This holiday season, the availability of Game Day will be affected by special events and, of course, holidays. Game Day is the time allocated by Community Activities for drop-in game playing in the Redwood Room and Terrace Room Lounge in Cribari Center. No games materials are provided, but groups usually play bridge, mah jong, poker, and more in these spaces. The Game Day schedule is Monday through Thursday from 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. and Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Outside of Game Day these rooms are available by reservation only.

On the dates below the regular Game Day schedule will be changed. Signs will be posted in the rooms as well. Please contact Community Activities with any questions at 408-223-4643.

- **November 23 (Thursday):** the rooms will be closed for Thanksgiving and will return to a partial drop-in schedule on Friday, November 24.

- **November 24 (Friday):** the rooms will be available until 12 p.m. to setup for the Crafters Boutique and will return to the normal drop-in schedule on Monday, November 27

- **December 25 (Monday):** the rooms will be closed for Christmas and will return to the normal drop-in schedule on Tuesday, December 26.

- **January 1 (Monday):** the rooms will be closed for New Year's Day and will return to the normal drop-in schedule on Tuesday, January 2.

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.

CLUB CALENDARS

ARTS & CRAFTS CALENDAR

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

Open Studio times in the Art Room: Mondays and Fridays with Jane Hink and Taf Taffarodi, beginning at 10 a.m. Mondays and Tuesdays with Pat Andrade, 2 – 5 p.m. All Villagers and all mediums welcome!

Tuesdays: Poetry in Art with Colleen Mirassou at 10:30 a.m. All welcome!

November 27: Advisory Board meeting, Monday, 5 p.m., Art Room.

January 10 – January 24: Beginning Drawing with Ceil Duke. Wednesdays, 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. \$120. Register at barb.gottesmans@gmail.com.

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

Stitchery Group on Mondays: Patio Room from 1 – 3 p.m. Call Roberta at 408-218-8372. You can learn knitting here!



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.

Rambler Hike November 22: Sandy and John Petrin (530-927-7024) will lead a hike from Tree Life Cycle Trail Head/Coyote Creek Trail to Metcalf Park which is along Coyote Creek Trail. The free parking lot is just past Silicon Valley Road as you go south on Hellyer (which becomes Basking Ridge Drive). R/T mileage is about 8 miles. Bring water, a hat, and a snack. For those interested we can stop for coffee at Starbucks by the VA Medical Center after the hike. We will meet at Cribari Center at 8:30 a.m. for an 8:45 a.m. departure.

Rambler Lite Hike November 22: Katy Peretti (408-531-0917) will lead a hike to Del Lago to walk around the five lakes. Meet at the clubhouse at 9 a.m.

Rambler Hike November 29: Rambler Hike November 29: Al Girolami (209)-531-6553 will lead a two-mile hike in Calero County Park. We will enter and park at the Rancho San Vicente Entrance off of McKean Rd. (restrooms available) and do the North Ridge Trail loop starting on the Lisa Killough Trail. This is rated as an Easy Hike with just less than 2 miles and just less than a 200 ft. elevation gain. For those doing or wanting to do the 2023 Magnificent Seven Hikes, this is one of them. Distance to the Park is 18 miles. Following, there will be an optional lunch stop at Los Amigo at 7058 Santa Teresa Blvd. For the benefit of the late risers and the fact it is a nearby short hike, we will meet at the Cribari bell at 9:45 a.m. for carpooling and depart at 10 a.m.

Rambler Lite Hike November 29: Katy Peretti (408-531-0917) will lead a hike through south and north Verano and into Highland. Meet at Vineyard at 9 a.m.

Rambler Lite Hike December 6: Katy Peretti (408-531-0917) will lead a hike through Hermosa. We'll walk up to Chenin Blanc Lane along the southern border and down through the Winery Ct water way and back to our cars. Meet at Montgomery Center at 9 a.m.

Rambler Lite Hike December 13: Katy Peretti (408-531-0917) will lead a hike to Glen Arden and Highlands. We'll walk around Glen Arden then along Caledonia to Buckhaven and back to Foothills. Meet at Foothill at 9 a.m.

Holiday Season at The Villages

Holiday Crafts

For the weeks of November 17, December 1, and December 15 The Villager newspaper and the Community Activities edition of the Fast Lane will feature a holiday craft or recipe for you to try.

A Festive Environment

During the month of December Club facilities are transformed with a holiday theme and the Knoll (near the Front Gate) features religious décor sponsored by The Villages Community Chapel, the Catholic Group, and the Villages Jewish Community.

Victorian Carolers

Wednesday, December 13 at 7 p.m.

Join us for a performance from the time of Charles Dickens! See The Villager or the Community Activities edition of the Fast Lane for more information. Pre-registration is required.

Holiday Card Contest

We are challenging residents to correctly guess the sentiment inside a holiday card, for a prize. The card will be published in the The Villager newspaper and the Community Activities edition of the Fast Lane the week of December 8.

Pro Shop Holiday Sale

From December 6 to 15 all merchandise in the Pro Shop will be on sale from 10 percent to 70 percent off! No lines, no long waits, no shipping fees... everything you want for the golfer in your life, right here at the Villages Pro Shop! We also have items non-golfers may like!

Back-in-Form New Year's Promo

Start your fitness resolutions off right with a special deal from fitness trainers Back-in-Form. See The Villager or the Community Activities edition of the Fast Lane the week of December 22 for more information.



Fitness demonstration to have holiday schedule



There will be no Fitness Center Safety Demonstration on the following Thursdays due to the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays: **November 23, December 21, and December 28**. Demonstrations will be offered for the rest of these months at the regularly scheduled times: Thursday nights at 7 p.m. and the second Saturday of the month at 9:30 a.m. Each session is 90 minutes long and led by a personal trainer at the Fitness Center. Reservations are required.

For more information or to sign up for a demonstration please visit the Fitness Center Demonstration page under the Reservations menu option when logged into the Resident Portal, or call the Community Resource Center at 408-754-1336. Instructions on how to locate and create an account on the Resident Portal are available upon request.

Holiday Craft: Fall-ing for Feathers

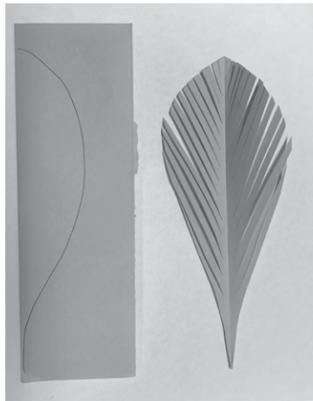
Turkeys are known for their magnificent plumage but why should they have all the fun? Create your own paper feathers to decorate your table, embellish a gift, create a wreath, dress your dog as a turkey, and so much more! Please send us pictures of how you use your feathers to rdreitlein@the-villages.com, we would love to see what you come up with. This craft is sponsored by Community Activities and a sample is available for viewing in Building B.

What you will need to make your feathers:

- Paper (any size, thickness, or color as you desire)
- Scissors

Instructions:

1. Fold your paper in half. Lengthwise will create taller feathers and widthwise shorter feathers.
2. Cut your paper into the tapered shape of a half feather with stem. If helpful, draw a line to cut before cutting.
3. Cut strips into the paper without cutting all the way through to the fold to form the individual feathers. The fold will become the spine of the feather. Cut at different angles to create different looks.
4. Gently unfold your feathers to see the full effect.



THE CLUBHOUSE

For Information:
408-223-4687

2800 The Villages Fairway Drive, San Jose CA 95135

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

WHAT'S COOKING?

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

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

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



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

Clubhouse is open for full service

The following details will be in effect at the Clubhouse:

Restaurant Main Dining Room: Reservations are strongly suggested by emailing, calling or making an online reservation.

Email: theclubhouse@the-villages.com, Phone: **408-223-4687**, Online: clubhouserreservation.com

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

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

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



Soup of the Day

For the week of 11/20 to 11/26

Monday	November 20 Butternut Squash
Tuesday	November 21 White Bean, Kale and Sausage
Wednesday	November 22 French Onion
Thursday	November 23 <i>Closed for Thanksgiving Buffet and Curbside Pickup</i>
Friday	November 24 Manhattan Chowder
Saturday	November 25 Chef's Choice
Sunday	November 26 Chef's Choice

Clubhouse Indoor, Patio Dining and Curbside Hours of Operation

Monday	Tuesday to Friday	Saturday and Sunday
Lunch: 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Bistro Menu 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. <i>(last seating)</i>	Breakfast: 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. Lunch: 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Bistro Menu: 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. <i>(last seating)</i> Dinner Menu: 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. <i>(last seating)</i>	Saturday Breakfast: 7 a.m. to 11 a.m. Sunday Breakfast: 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. Lunch: 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Bistro Menu: 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. <i>(last seating)</i> Dinner Menu: 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. <i>(last seating)</i>

Main phone line: 408-223-4687
Reservation: Press #1, Curbside Order and Pick-up: Press #2
Manager on duty: Press #4, Events and Catering: Press #5

Online
Reservation or Curbside Order: Clubhouserreservation.com
Email: theclubhouse@the-villages.com

Bistro Menu 2pm-8pm

Appetizers

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

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

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

Breaded Chicken Tenders with Sauce \$11.95
Honey Mustard or Ranch

V Szechuan Baby French Beans \$11.95
Wok Tossed with Seasoning.

Chicken Lumpia \$12.95
4-piece Filipino Egg rolls with Dipping Sauce

Won Ton Skewered Prawns \$14.95
4 Prawns on Grilled Pineapple Wedge

Angus Beef Sliders \$11.95
2 Angus Beef with Tomato Relish

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

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

Soup of the Day \$5.50/ \$7.50
Chili Con Carne with Onions and Cheddar

Entrée Caesar Salad \$11.95
Add Grilled Tofu \$3, Chicken \$4, Salmon \$6, Prawns \$6

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

V Asian Salad \$14.75
Cabbage, Carrots, 4Edamame, Peanuts, Fried Won Ton Skins, Bean Sprouts with Sesame Ginger Dressing
Add Grilled Tofu \$3, Chicken \$4, Prawns or Salmon \$6

V Santa Fe Salad \$14.95
Mixed Greens, black Beans, Corn, Avocados, Tomatoes and Green Onions, topped with toasted Tortilla Strips Cilantro Lime Dressing Add grilled chicken or Beef \$4

V Asian Stir Fry Vegetables Over Rice \$12.95
Vegetables over Jasmine Rice with Ponzu Sauce
Add Grilled Tofu \$3, Beef, Chicken or Bay Shrimp \$4

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

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

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

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

Sandwiches With Sides

Jumbo all Beef Hot Dog \$11.95
Toppings: Onions, Tomatoes & Red Onion Relish. Add Cheddar or Chili \$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, Cheese \$2

Chicken Club on Focaccia Bread \$15.95
Roasted Chicken, Bacon, Swiss Cheese and LTO

Reuben \$14.95
Grilled Rye, Corned Beef, Sauerkraut, Swiss Cheese, 1000 Island Dressing.

Classic BLT \$13.50
Iceberg, Tomatoes, and Bacon on Toasted Sourdough

Naan Pizza Crust Red Sauce with Mozzarella

V Cheese Pizza \$11.95 Pepperoni Pizza \$12.95
V Margherita Pizza \$12.25
Combination Pizza \$14.95
Sausage, Pepperoni, Mushrooms, Onions, Peppers
V Veggie Pizza \$14.95
Onions, Broccoli, Zucchini, Mushrooms, Peppers Arugula
BBQ Chicken Pizza \$14.95
Sweet BBQ Sauce, Onions, Cheddar, Mozzarella

Gluten Free Pizza Crust Sub \$2
GF Gluten Free V Vegetarian

Breakfast Menu

Tuesday to Friday 8am to 11am. Saturdays 7am to 11am. Sundays 7am to 2pm

V French Toast \$9.75
Whipped Butter, Maple Syrup, Cup of Seasonal Fruits

V Short Stack Pancakes \$9.75
Whipped Butter, Maple Syrup, Cup of Seasonal Fruits

V Belgium Waffles \$10.75
Whipped Butter, Maple Syrup, Cup of Seasonal Fruits

Bagel BLT and Egg \$10.75
Bacon, Lettuce and Tomato with Cream Cheese

Breakfast Burrito \$10.75
Scrambled Egg, Potatoes, Cheese, Salsa
Choice of Bacon or Sausage

Montgomery Muffin \$10.75
Scrambled Egg, Bacon or Ham, Cheddar Cheese, and Fruit

Lox and Bagels \$15.95
Smoked Salmon, Cream Cheese, Red Onions, Egg Whites and Capers

Avocado Spread Sourdough Toast \$12.50
Fried Egg, Bacon, and Tomato

Chicken and Waffle \$13.95
2 Piece Chicken Tenders, Belgian Waffle, Fruit

Sides
Egg \$2.75, Breakfast Meats \$4, Hash Browns or Country Potatoes \$3, Toast \$2

French Roast 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

Non-Dairy Creamer Available Upon Request
GF Gluten Free Bread Available \$1.50 Extra

The Villager \$12.95
2 Eggs Any Style with Sausage Links, Ham, or Bacon. With Potatoes or Fruit, Choice of Toast

Three Egg Omelet \$12.95
Choice of Peppers, Mushrooms, Spinach or Tomatoes Ham, Bacon, Sausage, or Cheese, Add. \$3 each, Bay Shrimp \$4.
Served with Potatoes or Fruit and Choice of Toast

Skillet Scrambler \$12.95
Choice of Peppers, Mushrooms, Spinach or Tomatoes Ham, Bacon, Sausage, or Cheese, Add. \$3, Bay Shrimp \$4 Served w/ Potatoes or Fruit and Toast

Ralph's Special (Loco Moco) \$14.95
2 Eggs, Potatoes or Rice, and Ground Sirloin Patty with Gravy, Choice of Toast

Huevos Rancheros \$12.50
Fried Corn Tortillas Topped with Lettuce Tomatoes, Sour Cream, Black Beans, Fried Egg and Salsa, Topped with Cotija Cheese

Eggs Benedict \$14.95
2 Poached Eggs, Canadian Bacon over English Muffins with Hollandaise Sauce
Served with Choice of Potatoes or Fruit

Eggs Florentine Benedict \$14.75
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 \$14.95
2 Eggs, House Made Seasoned Hash. Served with Potatoes or Fruit and Choice of Toast

Sundays Only

Oatmeal With Raisins, Bananas, Syrup, Fruit \$9.25

Country Cornbread with Sweet Butter, Fruit \$8.50

Weekly Specials

For the week of
11/20 to 11/26

Breakfast Special:

Tuesday 11/21 to Sunday 11/26

Texas Omelet: Chili Beans, Cheddar Cheese and Green Onions with Choice of Breakfast Side **\$15.95**

Lunch Specials:

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

Linguini Palermo: Linguini, Tomato, Basil and Bay Shrimp in a Garlic Cream Sauce **\$17.50**

Caribbean Chicken Salad: Spinach, Marinated Chicken, Apples, Strawberries, Mandarin Oranges, Candied Walnuts and Raspberry Vinaigrette **\$16.95**

Dinner Specials:

Tuesday 11/21 to Sunday 11/26
5 p.m. to 8 p.m. (Last Seating)

Roast Pork Loin: With an Apple and Cranberry Compote with Choice of Sides **\$26.95**

Sautéed Jumbo Prawns Tequila: Jumbo Prawns in a Garlic Tequila Lime Sauce with Choice of Sides **\$32.95**

Dinner Menu

Tuesday - Sunday 5pm to 8pm Last Order

Starters

Soup of the Day Cup \$5.50 Bowl \$7.50
Chili Con Carne with Onions and Cheddar

Small Caesar Salad \$6.75

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

Chicken Lumpia \$12.95
4-piece Filipino Egg Rolls with Dipping Sauce

Southern Crab Cakes \$13.95
Crusted with Cayenne Remoulade

V Szechuan Baby French Beans \$11.95
Wok Tossed with Seasoning

Won Ton Skewered Prawns \$14.95
4 Piece Skewered on Grilled Pineapple Wedge with Dipping Sauce

The Lighter Side

Served à la carte

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

Pasta Puttanesca \$15.95
Spaghetti with Zucchini, Capers, Eggplants Olives and Garlic. Essence of Anchovies

V Butternut Squash Ravioli \$15.95
Creamy Garlic Sauce

Spaghetti Tuscan Ragù \$16.95
Beef Chuck and Sausages with Tomatoes, Mirepoix Garnished with Basil

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

Crispy Muscovy Duck Breast \$29.95
Dark Cherry Brandy Sauce

Chicken Parmesan \$26.95
Panko Breaded with Mozzarella Marinara Sauce

Country Pot Roast \$28.95
Slow Braised with Herbs and Vegetables

New York Steak \$32.50
Green Peppercorn Sauce

Rosemary Braised Lamb Shanks \$33.95
Slow Braised with Red Wine and Mirepoix

Country Breaded Bone In Pork Chop \$28.95
Smothered with Gravy

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

Stuffed Sole with Bay Shrimp \$26.95
with Spinach, Sundried Tomatoes and Ricotta Topped with Mornay Sauce

Blackened Creole Salmon \$27.95
With Corn Verde Salsa

Salt and Pepper Prawns \$28.95
Crushed chili, Chinese Five Spices, White Pepper, Garlic and Onions Tossed and Sautéed.

Lunch Menu 11am to 2pm

Appetizers

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 \$11.95
Honey Mustard or Ranch

V Szechuan Baby French Beans \$11.95
Wok Tossed with Seasonings.

Won Ton Skewered Prawns \$14.95
4 Piece Skewers on Grilled Pineapple Wedge

Chicken Lumpias \$12.95
4-piece Filipino Egg Rolls Dipping Sauce

V Villages Nachos \$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 \$11.95
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

South of the Border

Rotisserie Chicken Enchiladas \$15.95
Refried Black Beans, Spanish Rice and Tomatillo Sauce

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

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

Villager Favorite

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

V Lunch 3 Egg Omelet with Fruit \$12.95
Choice of Peppers, Mushrooms, Spinach, Tomatoes.
Choice of Toast
Ham, Bacon, or Cheese Add \$3, Bay Shrimp \$4

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

Sides \$5.50

Potato Salad, Coleslaw, French Fries, Sweet Potato Fries,
Garlic Fries, Onion Rings, Fresh Fruit, Small Salad, Cup of Soup or Chili con Carne

Jumbo All Beef Hot Dog \$11.95
Toppings: Onions, Tomatoes & Red Onion Relish.
Add Cheddar or Chili \$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 or Cheese add \$2

Turkey Brie On Focaccia Bread \$15.95
With Cranberry Chutney and Alfalfa Sprouts

French Dip with Au Jus \$14.95
Roast Beef, Onions, w/ Jack Cheese, Hoagie

Melts: Tuna Salad, Bay Shrimp or Patty \$14.95
Grilled Sourdough, Cheddar Cheese Caramelized
Onions. Substitute Impossible Patty Add \$1.00

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 Margherita 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

BBQ Chicken Pizza \$14.95

Sweet BBQ Sauce, Onions, Cheddar and Mozzarella

Gluten Free Pizza Crust Available \$ 2.00

GF Gluten Free V Vegetarian

Add or Sub Tofu to Menu Items as Marked

Soup or Salads

Soup of the Day Cup \$5.50 Bowl \$7.50
Chili Con Carne with Onions and Cheddar

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

Grilled Sirloin Salad \$16.25
On a Bed of Greens, Avocados, Cucumbers Cherry
Tomatoes, Balsamic Vinaigrette.

V Greek Salad \$14.75
Tomatoes, Cucumbers, Red Onions, Feta cheese and
Olives with Peppercini, Lettuce, Red Wine Vinegar
Add Grilled Chicken or Beef \$4

V Santa Fe Salad \$14.95
Mixed Greens, Black Beans, Corn, Avocados, Tomatoes
and Green Onions Topped with Toasted Tortilla Strips
Add Grilled Chicken or Beef \$4 Cilantro Lime Dressing

Cobb Salad \$14.25
Mixed Greens, Tomato, Cucumber, Hard Boiled 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 Salad \$14.95
Chicken or Tuna Salad, Tomatoes, Cucumbers, Hard
Boiled Egg

Over Rice

V. Asian Stir Fry Vegetables Over Rice \$12.95
Vegetables over Jasmine Rice with Ponzu Sauce
Add Grilled Tofu \$3, Beef, Chicken or Bay Shrimp \$4

Pork Adobo Over Rice \$16.95
Braised with Soy, Vinegar Black Pepper, Garlic, Onions

Chicken ala King \$16.95
Rotisserie Chicken Breast with Peas, Carrots, Onions,
Mushrooms in a Cream Sauce over Rice

The Clubhouse

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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.



Dessert Menu

\$6.95

House Made Vanilla Crème Brule with Berries
Creamy Custard Topped with Glazed Caramelized Sugar

Chocolate Lava Cake (Warm)
Chocolate Cake with Creamy Fondant

House Made Bourbon Bread Pudding
New Orleans Style Bourbon Glaze and Frosting

Pecan Pie
Buttery Shortbread Crust Topped with Hand Placed Glazed Pecan Halves

New York Style Cheesecake
Raspberry Coulis and Berries

\$5.25

Flavors of the Day

Sherbet, Ice Cream, Sorbet, Milk Shakes

All Seatings Sold Out Waiting List Available

Clubhouse Thanksgiving Buffet

Thursday, November 23, 2023
12:30 p.m. and 3:30 p.m.



Fruit, Cheese Display
Fruit Tray & Fruit Kabobs
Imported & Domestic Cheese Display

Salad Bar Station
Mozzarella, Basil & Tomato Skewers
Roasted Butter Nut Squash
Three Bean Salad
Country Potato Salad

Waldorf Salad with Apples, Raisins, Celery, Grapes and Walnuts
Caesar Salad with Croutons
Mixed Greens, Baby Spinach, Radishes, Cucumbers, Cranberries
Cherry Tomatoes, Mushrooms, Shaved Parmesan, Assorted Dressings

Seafood Station
Poached Peel and Eat Shrimp
Cracked Crab Claws
Oyster Shooters with Horseradish Cocktail Sauce
Smoked Salmon Display with Condiments and Baby Bagels

Carving Station
Assorted Rolls & Butter
Slow Roasted Prime Rib
Slow Baked Bone-In Ham

Chafers
Fresh Roasted Turkey with Sage & Thyme
Dried Cranberry, Apple, and Walnut Stuffing
Bourbon Glazed Salmon
Horseradish Mashed Potatoes with Giblet Gravy
Candied Yams
Homemade Cranberry Sauce
Brussel Sprouts with Pancetta and Brown Sugar
Green Beans Amandine

Desserts
Pumpkin, Pecan and Apple Pies
Assorted Cakes to Include Carrot, Black Forest, Strawberry, Chocolate Cakes,
Assorted Macaroons, Mini Cheesecakes, Petit Fours and Assorted Dessert Bars

Beverage Station
Cranberries & Apples Sangria
Coffee, Juice, Champagne, Mimosas and Sparkling Cider
\$62.95 Plus Service Charge & Tax

Children Ages 5 to 12: \$28.95 Plus Service Charge & Tax
Children under 5: Free of Charge

All Charges Made to Account House Number Prior to Event

Final Guest Changes Due by Thursday November 16.

For reservations, call 408-754-1337 or e-mail theclubhouse@the-villages.com
Information Needed: Full Name, House Number, Phone Number
and Number of Guests in Party Including Adults and Ages of Children.

RESERVATIONS REQUIRED

Thanksgiving Curb Side

Thursday, November 23, 2023
Pick Up Times
11am and 2pm

Delivered to the Curbside

Fresh Roasted Turkey with Sage & Thyme
Dried Cranberry, Apple, and Walnut Stuffing
Giblet Gravy
Candied Yams
Homemade Cranberry Sauce
Green Beans Almondine
Rolls and Butter
\$27.95++



All Charges Made to Account House Number Prior to Event

Service Charge 18% and Tax will be Added
Final Guest Changes Due by Thursday November 16

For reservations, call 408-754-1337 or e-mail theclubhouse@the-villages.com
Information Needed: Full Name, House Number, Phone Number
Number of Each Order and Time of Pick Up

Clubhouse Holiday Schedule

Thanksgiving Day

The *Clubhouse Restaurant, Bistro* and *Curbside* services will be **closed** on **Thursday November 23** to facilitate the special Thanksgiving Buffet and Curbside pickup services.

Thanksgiving Buffet 12:30 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. seatings in Main Dining Room and Banquet Rooms

Thanksgiving Special Menu Curbside pickup **11 a.m. and 2 p.m.**

Christmas Eve Sunday, December 24

Clubhouse Restaurant Bistro and *Curbside* open **8 a.m. to 2 p.m.**
Christmas Eve Special Menu Curbside pickup **noon.**

Christmas Day Monday, December 25—Closed

New Year's Eve Sunday, December 31

Bistro Open **8 a.m. to 2 p.m.**

Clubhouse Restaurant is open for **Early Bird Dinner**—two seatings **5 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.**

New Year's Eve Dinner Dance 7 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Banquet Rooms

New Year's Day Closed

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Bistro Happy Hour

\$5 House Cocktails

\$5 House Wines

\$5 Draft Beers 16 oz.

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Tuesday to Sunday

All day on Monday

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Friday, November 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.	Table Tennis	MMP
9:30 a.m.	Ceramics Open Studio	CER
9:30 a.m.	Open Studio	AR
10 a.m.	Line Dance Club	A
10 a.m.	Quilters	PR
1 p.m.	Bridge Club at Villages	RED
1 p.m.	Catholic Group	MC
3 p.m.	Handbells	CR
5 p.m.	Jewish Services	FC
6 p.m.	Chinese Club Line Dance	VC
6:30 p.m.	Mexican Train Dominoes	MC

Saturday, November 18

9 a.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
9 a.m.	Tai Chi Club	A
9:30 a.m.	Ceramics Open Studio	CER
10 a.m.	Quilters	PR
10 a.m.	Ukulele Singing	SEQ
4:45 p.m.	Brandeis Movie Group	SEQ

Sunday, November 19

6:30 a.m.	Catholic Choir	CR
8:15 a.m.	Catholic Mass	A
9 a.m.	Chapel Choir	SEQ
9 a.m.	Episcopal Services	MC
9 a.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
10 a.m.	Community Chapel	A
10 a.m.	Quilters	PR
2:30 p.m.	Fiddle Concert	A
5:30 p.m.	Villages Dancers	MC
6 p.m.	Chapel Hymn Sing	CR

Monday, November 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
10 a.m.	Line Dance Club	A
1 p.m.	Stitchery	PR
1 p.m.	Flower Ladies Arranging	VC
2 p.m.	Cooking Class	MC

EVENT LOCATIONS

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

5:30 p.m.	Village Dancers	A
7 p.m.	Duplicate Bridge	RED

Tuesday, November 21

8 a.m.	Tai Chi Club	CR
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED
9 a.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
9:30 a.m.	Ceramics Open Studio	CER
9:30 a.m.	Intermediate Line Dance	A
9:30 a.m.	Poetry in Art & Pastel	AR
10 a.m.	Hearing Aid Check	MC
10 a.m.	Ukulele Intermediate	PR
10 a.m.	Intro Line Dance Class	A
10 a.m.	Mat Pilates Class	CR
10:30 a.m.	Chapel Lay Board	F
11 a.m.	9 Hole Women Golf Lunch	CH
11:30 a.m.	Live Stronger Longer	A
7 p.m.	Camera Club	FC

Wednesday, November 22

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.	Watercolor Class	AR
10 a.m.	Yoga Class	A
11 a.m.	Israeli Folk Dance	CR
2:30 p.m.	History of Israel	MC
6 p.m.	Village Dancers	A
6:30 p.m.	Mexican Train Dominoes	MC
7 p.m.	Duplicate Bridge	RED

Thursday, November 23

9 a.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
9:30 a.m.	Acrylic Class	AR
9:30 a.m.	Ceramics Open Studio	CER
10 a.m.	Live Stronger Longer	A
3 p.m.	Chapel Choir	CR

Friday, November 24

9 a.m.	Chinese Morning Exercise	P
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED
9 a.m.	Table Tennis	MMP
9:30 a.m.	Ceramics Open Studio	CER
9:30 a.m.	Open Studio	AR
10 a.m.	Quilters	PR
6:30 p.m.	Mexican Train Dominoes	MC



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Upcoming Programs

Hearing Life – Hearing Aid Clean and Check – Tuesday, November 21, 10 a.m. – noon in Montgomery Center. Please call the office to make an appointment at 408-238-4023.

The Impact of Footcare on Your Health – Leonard Iskander, MSN-FNP, BSN, CFCA and Aiza Iskander, MSN-CNL, BSN, owners of RN Scrub Foot Care will present on the basics of foot care hygiene, the diabetic foot and how foot problems can increase falls and decrease our sense of well-being. Wednesday, December 6 at 11 a.m. in the Cribari Conference Room.

Please note: The Importance of Having Your Final Plans in Place with Terry Nellis formerly slated for December 6 is now **canceled!**

Support Groups

Grief Support Group: Chaplain Dale Poland, M.Div, BCC - from Hospice of the Valley-Sutter Health. There will be support groups every Monday through and including December 18, *except* November 20 at 10:30 a.m. - noon in the Sequoia Room. Please call 408-238-4029 with any questions.

Caregiver Support Group: Judith London Ph.D. will conduct the monthly group on Thursday, December 21 at 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m. in the Patio Room and via Zoom. Please contact Judy for all meeting specifics at judithlondon@sbcglobal.net or call 408-784-3325.

Parkinson's Caregiver Support Group: Meet with other caregivers of those with Parkinson's on Thursday, December 21 from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. in the Forum Room.

VMA new website domain: VMAvillages.vgcc.club



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

2023 Fire Safety Town Hall

Daily
2:00 & 8:00

Landscape & Functional Turf

Daily
3:45 & 9:45

CC&R Town Hall

Daily
4:30 & 10:30

Welcome to Our Website

Daily
5:15 & 11:15



Club Events & Notices

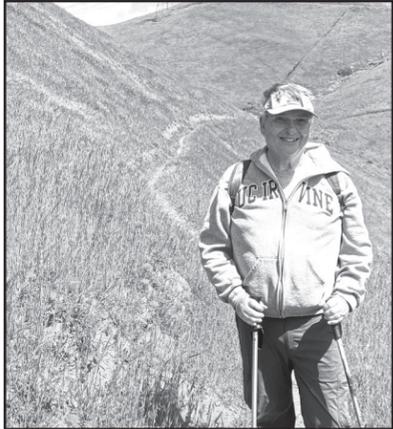


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More information online at the Villages Resident Portal:
resident.thevillagesgcc.com

CLUBS & EVENTS

Hiking Club to present 'Road Trip to Big Bend National Park'



Bob Bogdanoff

This month's program will take you on a road trip to Big Bend National Park. Big Bend is located on the Texas/Mexico border on the great bend "boot heel" of the Rio Grande and was established in 1944 to preserve the great canyons and panoramic vistas of mountains and desert.

Our speaker, Bob Bogdanoff, moved with his family into The Villages five years ago and retired at the start of the Covid pandemic after a financial and administrative career with technology companies. He is a second-generation Villager as his parents have lived in The Villages 25 years. It is an annual family tradition to visit National Parks, 26 in total so far.

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, November 27, 2023 at 7:30 p.m.** All Villagers are welcome to attend.

VMA to present 'The Impact of Foot Care on Your Health'

By Barbara F. Zahner, VMA Health Education

On average, you will walk 100,000 miles in your lifetime. That's a lot of wear and tear on 26 bones, 33 joints, and more than 100 ligaments. Your foot is more complicated than your car. Yet, we often pay more attention to our car tune-ups than our foot health. Until now. On **Wednesday, December 6 at 11 a.m.** in the Cribari Conference Room, Leonard Iskander, MSN-FNP, BSN and Aiza Iskander MSN-CNL, BSN will provide one hour of interactive education on foot health. The founders of RNScrubs Foot Care, two Master's certified nurses, will cover:

- Foot Care for: Fall Prevention, Diabetes, and Basic Foot Hygiene
- Commonly encountered cases in medical foot care
- Treatment Options to Enhance Healthy Feet
- Overview of RNScrubs Foot Care Services

Leonard states that he and Aiza began RNScrubs Foot Care after observing how good foot health increases one's vitality. They agree that "Foot care is important to individuals, especially those with decreased mobility and comorbidities, like Diabetes. Foot problems may increase the likelihood of problems including falls, infections, and decreased sense of well-being." Join Leonard and Aiza Iskander on December 6 for a grounded and interactive presentation, "The Impact of Foot Care on Your Health."

Step up now to reserve your place at "The Impact of Foot Care on Your Health." Go to vmavillages.vgcc.club. Click on Register for events or call Bonnie Grim MS, Residents Services Coordinator at 408-238-4029.



Leonard and Aiza Iskander

Villagers show up to support Friends of SJSU

By Pat Smith



On Sunday, November 5, close to 15 foursomes showed up to golf and raise money for SJSU Women's golf. More people joined in for dinner and lively entertainment by the SJSU Cheerleaders. The SJSU Women's golf team helped out with our golf scores and explained during dinner what their experience with college meant to them.

One of the fun events during golf was a challenge on hole #6 to see who could get the closest to the pin—a SJSU player or a tournament player. If you were able to out drive the SJSU player, you won a yellow carnation to proudly wear during dinner.

Our Yellow Carnation Winners were: Tom Morse, Giselle Barber, Joe Beltran, Chrissy Chang and Brian Smith.

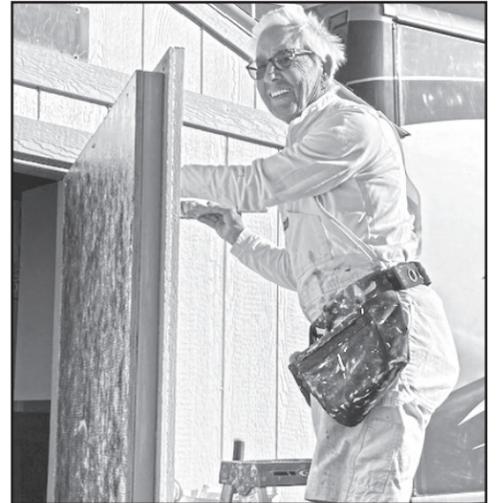
The Friends of SJSU Steering Committee want to thank all of the people that came out and supported our event. Your generosity is greatly appreciated. All proceeds (see future announcement) will go to the SJSU Women's Golf Team.

Save the date— Congressman Jimmy Panetta to visit Villages

Save the Date! Congressional proceedings permitting, our Congressman Jimmy Panetta will be at the Vineyard Center in person on **Monday, November 27 at 7 p.m.**

VMA and the Painter Sisters

VMA would like to thank Highland resident, Susie-Q, for donating her time and expertise to paint the equipment storage sheds down at the RV lot. When she moved here in February, she donated her van from her "Painter Sisters" business. At that time, she offered to help paint anything the VMA needed—available through a phone call. The VMA called and she delivered!



Susie-Q happily painting and winterizing the VMA equipment sheds down at the RV park. Thanks for being such a good "Painter Sister."

Villages Dog Club to host annual bake sale

The Villages Dog Club will have their annual Bake Sale on **Saturday, December 2**, in the Redwood Room **10 a.m. to 1 p.m.**

Come and support the Villages Dog Club. 20 percent of the proceeds will go to the Silicon Valley Pet Project. SVPP is dedicated to animal rescue by involving the community in new ways to help save the lives of homeless cats and dogs. We will also welcome donations of blankets, towels, dog, and cat food for animal shelters.

Please help with your donation of baked goods, you can email thevillagesdogclub@gmail.com and let us know what you can donate. The Villages Dog Club appreciates your support.



The Villages Dog Club

Arts & Crafts membership renewal

With our new President Mandy Book, we hope that all of our Arts & Crafts members are eager to support Arts in The Villages during 2024. If you wish to remain a member and support Art in The Villages for 2024, you need do nothing. Your membership will be automatically renewed on your house bill for January.

If you wish to cancel your 2024 membership in Arts & Crafts, please send an email to the Interim Vice President for Membership, Barbara Gottesman at barb.gottesman@gmail.com before November 30 so that \$10 dues will not be charged to your house account in January.



Global Villages: ‘Healing Room—Letting Go of Sadness’



The Global Villages Community Club is bringing back “The Healing Room” for November with a different topic—Letting Go of Sadness, Grief, Loss and Depression. The event, led by Kim Silverman, will be held **Thursday, November 30 from 2 to 4 p.m.** in the Cribari Patio Room. You must pre-register for this event.

We’ve all experienced sadness at one point in our lives. Grief and loss are another level that can trigger the feeling

of sadness. It could be loss of a pet, a job, a friend or loved one. Sometimes depression can be triggered and it may not be the direct result of losing someone. Depression could seem like a numbness without feeling anything. This month, we are going to work on letting go of all of these.

You may register by texting or calling 408-827-8860 or emailing kims@kimsilvermantransformation.com. Registrations will be accepted on a first-come basis. This event is free. The purpose of this Healing Room is to learn how to let go of unwanted emotions, release debilitating thoughts, return our bodies to health and wellness, and establish a direct link to our higher soul-self. The healing room is led by intuitive healer, Kim Silverman, a Certified Quantum Energy Master and Certified Life Coach. She will combine guided meditations and educational moments that allow you to return to a more centered and balanced state of well-being.

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

Verano volunteers needed

Verano volunteers are needed to wrap the holiday lights on the Villages Parkway trees. Lights up on Saturday, December 2 at 9 a.m. Lights down on Saturday, January 6 at 9 a.m. If you can help, contact Kerry Besmehn at 408-499-1773. Thank you.



**You are cordially invited to the
Bocce Club’s
2023 Holiday Party
Cribari Auditorium**

Saturday, December 16, 2023 from 5 – 9 p.m.
Members \$45, Guests \$55 billed to your home

Wine Reception
Assorted Wine and Appetizers
Buffet Dinner
Baby Spring Mix Salad with candied pecans and
Goat Cheese tossed in Balsamic Vinaigrette
Roasted Beef Tenderloin
Baked Salmon with lemon and herbs
Scalloped Potatoes
Green Beans with toasted almonds and shallots
Oven Roasted Carrots
Assorted Sweets for dessert
Musical Entertainment by System9

For reservations contact Barbara at
orlmuh2@comcast.net or 408-300-1230. Deadline
and no refunds after December 8. Assigned seating
for tables of eight. Please have your party and
house #s organized before reserving.

Learn tips to take perfect family or pet portraits



Photo by Jim Koski

The holidays are almost upon us and it’s that time of year when we’re snapping those photos of the family and pets. Please join the Villages Camera Club as we explore ways to make the most of your portrait keepsakes. The program takes place on **Tuesday, November 21 at 7 p.m.** in the Foothill Center.

Family portrait photography will be presented by retired local photographer Jim Koski who is a resident of The Villages. Jim and his wife Linda ran their studio in Cupertino and specialized in family portraiture. Most of their sessions were outdoors at local parks and in clients’ homes across the peninsula. Their presentation will focus on the do’s and don’ts of how to work with your subject, lighting considerations and post processing.

Retired Deputy Sheriff Greg Sargent opened his first photography studio in Mountain View in 1985 and specialized in weddings and portraits. Greg also presented programs for Kodak, Fuji, and Agfa, as well as lighting demonstrations for Photoflex at trade shows in Las Vegas. Greg will talk about his work in composite dog and cat photography and show you how simple the process can be to make art from your pet images.

Whether you use a smartphone or professional camera, we invite anyone who wants to explore the world of family and pet photography. If you are not a member of the Camera Club and wish to attend, please contact Sy Gelman at s.gelman@gmail.com.

Dancing and prancing coming in December

By B. Brown

Dancing and Prancing? Ohhhh yeah. Joyous hoof stomping? Possibly. Watch for the Village Voices Holiday Concert on December 2 and 3, where you just may experience both.

And keep your eyes open for an up-tempo, guest dance performance by Bernice Toy, choreographer and the Village Music Society Dancers. They are excited to perform a Broadway Swing version of the holiday classic: “Rudolph the Red Nose Reindeer.”

“Thankful for the Holiday Season” is the theme for the Village Voices Holiday Concert. Keep **Saturday, December 2 at 7:30 p.m.** or **Sunday, December 3 at 2:30 p.m.** open! Both shows are in the Cribari Auditorium. Will you be there?

For more information about the VMS Dancers, visit the Village Music Society website at villagesmusicsociety.org/about-us-3



Left to right: Kristel Moffett, Barbara Moore, Barbara Brown, Bernice Toy and Bessie Arellano.

Gratitude to six Villages for battery collection programs

By Maxine Amundson, Sustainable Villages Community

Batteries are hazardous waste and need to be collected and disposed of properly. **Do not put in trash bins.** Del Lago, Heights, Montgomery, Olivas, Valle Vista and Verano Villages have had success in providing a convenient way to dispose of our single use batteries. Volunteer Coordinators are: Emil Pisarri (Del Lago), Kat Contento (Heights), David Masters (Montgomery), Don Fernandez (Olivas), Pi Silverstein (Valle Vista), and Wendy Ledamun and Rich Bainbridge (Verano).

The programs vary from placing permanent buckets in trash enclosures to quarterly and semiannual pickup weeks. Almost all take their batteries to ACE Hardware on King and Aborn. ACE Hardware accepts batteries every day and all year long as a major service to The Villages, individuals and surrounding community members. Save your batteries and dispose of them properly. If you are interested in working with your village on battery collection visit The Sustainable Villages Community website at sustainablevillages.vgcc.club or contact Maxine Amundson at 408-425-0164.



Veterans Day Tribute honors Villages veterans

Light Up the Holidays at the Montgomery Holiday Party

Saturday, December 16, 2023
5 to 9 p.m., Clubhouse Fairway Room

Menu

- **Turkey and Stuffing with Gravy**—Mashed Potatoes and Green Beans Amandine with Red Peppers and Cranberry Sauce. \$58 per person
- **Pacific Salmon Beurre Blanc**—Au Gratin Potatoes and Green Beans Amandine with Red Peppers. \$58 per person
- **Eggplant Parmesan**—\$53 per person

All dinners include Spinach Salad, Dessert, Coffee, Tea.
No Host Bar

Dance to Music by Ed Knott. Drawings – Photo Booth.

RSVP by December 12 to:

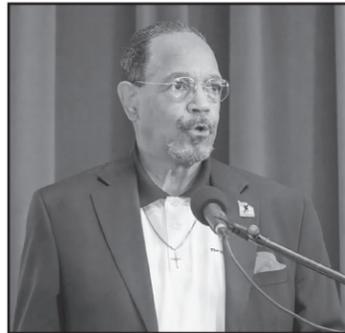
montgomeryvillagefun@gmail.com.

Include names of all attendees, house number for payment, and phone number.

No refunds after December 10.



Attendees Linda Dumont (left) and Bonnie Horissberger (center) enjoy some treats at the reception held after the Veterans Day tribute in Cribari Center.



Some of the speakers: Lt. Col. Joshua Sullivan (left), Pastor Bill Hayden (center) of the Villages Chapel who provided the Invocation, and key speaker Dr. Clyde Horn (right).



At left: Amanda Musuraca, Veteran Service Representative from the Santa Clara County Social Services Agency, Office of Veterans' Services provided individual drop-in consultations with Villages veterans who had questions or needed assistance with VA benefits November 9. (See page 26 for Quilts of Valor presentation photos.)

Photos by Frank Langben

Save the dates for Ciel Duke's art classes



Ciel Duke is returning to teaching Drawing and Watercolor in the new year. Watch for a webpage and an article in late December. The dates are:

Beginning Drawing,

Wednesdays, January 10 to 24. 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Beginning Watercolor,

Wednesdays, February 7 to 28, 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

All materials furnished in both. Each class costs \$120.

Register early at barb.gottesman@gmail.com



Cribari's New Year's Rockin' Eve Dance 2023



Sunday, December 31, 2023

8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m., Cribari Auditorium

Dress: Cocktail Party

We will have Hors d'oeuvres and a Champagne toast!

Great dance music—DJayZee is back!

Tickets—\$25 per person with door prize drawings!

RSVP is required! No walk-ups!

Send name(s) and address to: cribaridac@gmail.com

Or text 408-375-1760 or call 408-274-1882

The last dance sold out! Don't wait, reserve now!

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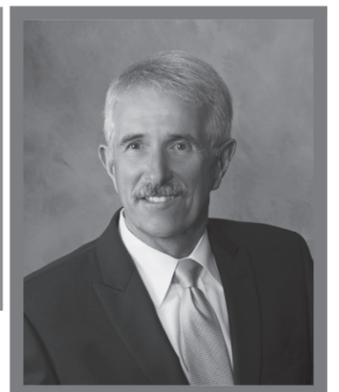
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FROM THE VILLAGES LIBRARY

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

“Killing Moon” (Harry Hole #13) by Jo Nesbo. The hunt is on and the police are running out of time. Two young women are missing, their only connection a party they both attended, hosted by a notorious real-estate magnate. When one of the women is found murdered, the police discover an unusual signature left by the killer, giving them reason to suspect he will strike again. They’re facing a killer unlike any other. And exposing him calls for a detective like no other. But the legendary Harry Hole is gone—fired from the force, drinking himself to oblivion in Los Angeles. It seems that nothing can entice him back to Oslo. Until the woman who saved Harry’s life is put in grave danger, and he has no choice but to return and track down the murderer. He’ll need to bring together a misfit team of former operatives to accomplish what he can’t do alone: stop an unstoppable killer. But as the evidence mounts, it becomes clear that there is more to this case than meets the eye. *Mystery, 2023.*

“Drowning” by T.J. Newman. Six minutes after takeoff, Flight 1421 crashes into the Pacific Ocean. During the evacuation, an engine explodes and the plane is flooded. Those still alive are forced to close the doors—but it’s too late. The plane sinks to the bottom with 12 passengers trapped inside. More than 200 feet below the surface, engineer Will Kent and his 11-year-old daughter Shannon are waist-deep in water and fighting for their lives. Their only chance at survival is an elite rescue team on the surface led by professional diver Chris Kent—Shannon’s mother and Will’s soon-to-be ex-wife—who must work together with Will to find a way to save their daughter and rescue the passengers from the sealed airplane, which is now teetering on the edge of an undersea cliff. There’s not much time. There’s even less air. *Mystery, 2023.*

“Cross Down” (Alex Cross #31) by James Patterson and Brendan Du Bois. Alex Cross is gravely injured. Only his partner and friend John Sampson can keep him safe and get justice. For the first time, John Sampson is on his own. The brilliant crime-solving duo of Washington, DC, Metro PD and the FBI has proven Detective Alex Cross makes his own rules. Detective John Sampson enforces them. When military-style attacks erupt, brutally sidelining Cross, Sampson is sent reeling. The patterns are too random—Sampson’s friend, his partner, his brother—have told him. Don’t trust anyone. As a shadow force advances on the nation’s capital, Sampson alone must protect the Cross family, his own young daughter, and every American, including the president. *Large Print, Mystery, 2023.*

“Things I Wish I Told My Mother” by Susan Solie Patterson and Susan DiLallo with James Patterson. A mother and daughter unpack a lifetime’s secrets while on vacation in Paris. Every daughter has her own distinctive voice, her inimitable style, and her secrets. Laurie Ormson is an artist, a collector of experiences. She travels the world with a worn beige duffel bag. Every mother has her own distinctive voice, her inimitable style, and her secrets. Laurie’s mother is the famous “Dr. Liz.” An elegant perfectionist. She travels the world with a matched set of suitcases. *Fiction, 2023.*

“Standing in the Shadows” (Inspector Banks #28) by Peter Robinson. In November 1980, Nick Hartley returns home from a university lecture to find his house crawling with police. His ex-girlfriend, Alice Poole, has been found murdered, and her new boyfriend Mark Woodcroft is missing. Nick is the prime suspect. The case quickly goes cold, but Nick cannot let it go. He embarks on a career in investigative journalism, determined to find Alice’s murderer—but his obsession leads him down a dangerous path. Decades later, in November 2019, an archaeologist unearths a skeleton that turns out to be far more contemporary than the Roman remains she is seeking. Detective Superintendent Alan Banks and his team are called in to investigate, but there is little to be gleaned from the remains themselves. Left with few clues, Banks and his team must rely on their wits to hunt down a killer. As the two cases unfurl, the investigations twist and turn to an explosive conclusion. *Mystery, 2023.*

Sign up for Villages Study Groups Club

We are excited to announce our new club in The Villages called “The Villages Study Groups Club.” The club is designed to offer members many varied study groups such as current events, discussions, reading groups, dining, arts and crafts, museum excursions, movie groups and many others. Our mission of the club is to have members connect, share, and build community through various diverse study groups and social activities.



Dues for the year 2024 are \$25 per person and will be billed to your Villages house account. This annual due payment entitles you to join as many of the club’s study and interest groups as you wish.

Please, email your application to Yvett Katz at ykatz256@gmail.com

Please one membership application per person.

Name _____ Date _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Cell _____

Email _____

What is your special interest _____

Would you like to start a group? _____

Any questions, contact, Judy Rogers at judy.rogers488@gmail.com. **For a complete list of study groups**, contact: Josephine (Joey) Stern at sternjo@pacbell.net or 408-238-4890.

Crafters Club Boutique.....

(Continued from front page)

she also fashions food item earrings from yarn like bacon and eggs and strawberries! She will feature gingerbread men and snowmen (and women) for the holidays. Beth is also our “coffee and cookies” ambassador making sure that show attendees have plenty of treats to snack on throughout the show.

All three ladies have expressed their appreciation for being part of a club with so much camaraderie and support for creative ideas. You can see all of their work and *much* more on Saturday, November 25 at Cribari Center from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. It’s Shop Small Business Saturday, so come out (with your Thanksgiving guests!) and support your fellow residents and their amazing talents!



Kime Tiger and Roberta Barentsen



Beth Keller

Village Voices...

(Continued from front page)

Open seating tickets are \$20 and can be purchased at the door or at our public ticket sales day on **Saturday, November 25** from **10 a.m. to noon** in the Cribari Forum Room. (This is the same day as the Crafters Fair Holiday Boutique). To avoid long lines to purchase tickets on the days of the concerts, you may also contact Madelaine Yannaccone at 408-219-4680 or connect with any of our Voices members to arrange for us to purchase tickets for you at our Wednesday night rehearsals. Cash or charges to house numbers are accepted.

Our collection of familiar Christmas tunes as well as new musical pieces intermixed with Kwanzaa, Hanukkah, Filipino and candlelight will help settle you into the holiday spirit. And a special dance number featuring Bernice Toy and her VMS dancers will surely get you into a swinging mood.

Be a “Support Hero” of Music & Dance in The Villages by attending our “Thankful for the Holiday Season” concert and making the start of your own holiday season special.



Music director Catherine Ellacer and accompanist Tammy Welsh

RELIGION

VILLAGES JEWISH COMMUNITY COMMUNITY CHAPEL



The Villages Jewish Community will hold Sabbath services on **Friday November 17 at 7 p.m.** in Foothill Center. Services will be led by Rabbi Annette Koch. The opportunity to pray together after the horrific events of Friday October 7 and afterward are welcome.

Our guest speaker is Councilmember Domingo Candelas. He will provide an update on the work he is leading and accomplishing in Council District 8. He will be speaking on his efforts for community safety with police and fire, beautification in both our neighborhoods and the city of San Jose. Residents will also have an opportunity to ask questions on topics important to them on issues ranging from housing and homelessness, economic development, and environmental protections. We hope you will join us.

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

'Parable of the Talents' (Matthew 25:14-30)

By Joe Civello

The Gospel at this Sunday's Mass teaches important lessons about stewardship, responsibility, accountability, reward, and faithfulness in the context of one's relationship with God. It encourages believers to use their God-given talents and resources wisely and to be diligent in their service to Him.

We can make good use of our talents when participating in Mass by actively contributing to the worship experience and the broader community. Here are some ways in which we can do this:

Music Ministry—If you have musical talents, consider joining the choir or playing an instrument. Music plays a significant role in the Mass, enhancing the worship experience and helping to create a reverent atmosphere.

Lector—Offer to be a lector or reader during the liturgy. Lectors are responsible for reading the Scripture passages and other announcements during the Mass.

Altar Server—You can serve as an altar server, assisting the priest during the Mass. This is a way to actively participate and serve the community.

Eucharistic Minister—Eucharistic Ministers assist with the distribution of the Holy Eucharist during Communion.

Usher or Greeter—Welcoming people as they enter the church, assisting with seating, and collecting offerings are important roles. Ushers and greeters contribute to the welcoming and inclusive atmosphere of the Mass.

Social Justice—Beyond the Mass, Catholics can use their talents to serve the community through various social ministries. This could involve volunteering at local charities, organizing events, or providing support to those in need.

Hospitality—Offer your talents in hospitality, such as organizing post-Mass gatherings, parish picnics, or community events. Creating a sense of community and fellowship is vital in the life of a parish.

The Usher or Greeter at the 8:15 a.m. Mass on Sundays can help you if you are interested.

Joe Civello is a 17-year active, involved Villager who is once again planning to retire.

SEARCH THE SCRIPTURES

Search the Scriptures is meeting at **10 a.m., November 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.



'You Give Me Pure Joy'

By Pastor Bill Hayden

As I reclined to sleep, with a grateful heart, thinking about the day's activities, I thanked the Lord for His blessings. It was a restless night and I awoke the following morning from a night dreaming of people who had passed on. I don't know why they came to mind but some of them surely had an impact on my life. Sad to say that some of the individuals had also broken my heart but I had forgiven them and we were friends again.

How wonderful it is to be free of guilt and regret when you dream about people in your past that you still love, even if they had disappointed you in life. Over time you realize that some individuals were broken beyond your ability to carry the weight. Sometimes trying to rescue a drowning person, who is in a state of terror, can cause you to lose your life. Regretfully, to save your own life, you must release them.

There are some individuals, just ordinary people in life, whose presence seems to connect with your spirit in a way that leaves you joyful and uplifted. No matter what you may be secretly struggling with, in their presence, without words, there is an indescribable comfort... they get you! Yes, they understand your humanity and accept your brokenness. It is a rare thing these days to have people in your life who connect to your inner person.

What brings you joy in your life today? Many of us have passed the prime of our lives and the things that used to bring us joy, somehow don't measure up. Yet, we see some individuals that seem to have discovered the secret to an internal fountain of joy. They are happy, even with their disabilities, to be present and accounted for.

John 15:9-11 NLT 9. "I have loved you even as the Father has loved me. Remain in my love. 10. When you obey my commandments, you remain in my love, just as I obey my Father's commandments and remain in his love. 11. I have told you these things so that you will be filled with my joy. Yes, your joy will overflow!"

I discovered a long time ago that pure joy comes from the presence of the Lord. For God is so gracious to give us free will that it is by our choice alone to receive His joy. You can be that person whose joy overflows and bring comfort and connection to others.

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

Villages Community Chapel Fall Hymn Sing

The Music Committee of the Villages Community Chapel will present their annual Fall Hymn Sing on **Sunday, November 19 at 7 p.m.** in the Cribari Conference Room. Come prepared to request and then sing your favorite hymns. Hymnals will be provided. Plan to stay afterward for pumpkin pie, coffee and fellowship. All are welcome! Bring a friend!

EPISCOPAL

'Peace Over Preference'

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

What does it take to make peace, really? This is the question that burns in all of our hearts and prayers in these days of alarming global conflict. But one of the blessings of an inherited spiritual tradition spanning more than 3000 years is the assurance that God continually calls us into peaceful relationship with our neighbors and with one another. Despite whatever else is going on! And in the example of Jesus Christ, shows us a way to yield our own egos and personal desires in order to serve greater good of God's people.

In the 7th century, a woman of East Anglia (the country we now know as England) entered monastic life and soon became renowned for her wisdom, encouragement, and gifts for administration. So much so that the monastery St. Hilda eventually founded at Whitby was chosen as the site for a negotiation between Celtic and Roman Christianity in 664. At issue were the distinct customs (including the calendar) of the Roman and Celtic branches of Christianity. Hilda herself was firmly in the Celtic camp. The rule of her own monastery followed the model of Irish monks and, among other liberties, allowed men and woman to worship together. Her position did not prevail, but once the Synod had decided, Hilda was one of the strongest proponents of the new order. She knew that the witness of a united Christian community was far more important than her personal preferences, and she lived by her convictions.

Please join us for worship on **Sundays at 9 a.m.** at Montgomery Center.

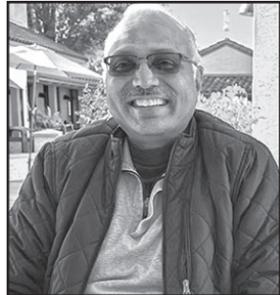


SPORTS NEWS

TENNIS TALK

By Betty Olsen

Meet new Tennis Club member Srini Srinivasan who moved to The Villages last year from Atlanta, Georgia. Srini was born in Bombay, India, but came to the U.S. for graduate studies in Birmingham, Alabama. He graduated with a degree in computer science and immediately started his own software company.



Srini Srinivasan

Srini met and married Padma, a girl from India living in Dallas, Texas and settled down in Atlanta, Georgia. They have two children, a boy and a girl. Their son graduated from UCLA Medical School this year and presently

started his ER residency at Johns Hopkins. Their daughter graduated from USC as a business major and is working for Spotify.

Srini has three sisters and one brother and growing up was involved in any sport with a ball. He plays tennis, pickleball and table tennis and would play basketball if we had a court.

While their two children were in college in California, they would make many trips west to visit, so became familiar with California's many attractions. They especially like the outdoors and spend most weekends exploring hiking and wine tasting trips. Srini said they almost rented a house in Silver Creek, but when they drove into the Villages and saw both the tennis courts and pickleball courts full of active people, they were sold. So welcome Srini and Padma to The Villages.

WOMEN'S 9 HOLE

By Carol Begley

We got a break today, new starting time is 9 a.m. It started out cold and cloudy, then we had rain and finally the sun came out for the 54 golfers that came out to play.

Today was the Captain's Trophy play-off which is a contest between all the Captain's Trophy winners for the past year. The winner will be revealed at the Christmas Luncheon!

We have two upcoming events, the Turkey Shoot, which will be on November 21 and is being organized by Karen Carlson and Susan Sunzeri. The Christmas luncheon will be held December 12.



New member Asako Nakamura



Three lady golfers competing in the Captain's Trophy final, Judy Falarski, Jan Ehrhardt and Delma Juarez.

Congratulations to Lolivic Shaw for her chip-in on hole #11!

By the way, here is a photo of Asako Nakamura, who we mentioned last week is one of our newest members and comes from the 18 Hole Women group.

I thought I knew most of the rules of golf but recently came across another set of rules which I would like to share with you.

Rule 1: No matter how bad your last shot was, the worst is yet to come. This law does not expire on the 18th hole, since it has the supernatural tendency to extend over the course of a tournament, a summer and, eventually a lifetime.

SHONIS

By Betty Hall

As we say here in The Villages, if it's raining, it must be Tuesday. And the first Tuesday for our Shonis' golf outing, it threatened. But within five minutes, we had sun and decent golf. The first Tuesday of every month is our Captain's Trophy golf. So, this month's winners shared the gross trophy between Joyce Baptiste and Julianna Wahlgren with a score of 38. Julianna aced the net all as her own with her net 21.

This week is our Turkey Shoot. Closest to the pin on Hole #5. It's a short hole but it can be challenging. Our measurer is Guy Juarez, who gets bribed with chocolate turkeys from every other shotgun group as they tee off for the hole. Chocolate coma.

This month is also our Beat The Pro round with Tim Flanagan. We had to wait for him to get back from his adventures in Scotland and then recover from Covid. So we're ready and willing to beat Tim's score on Hole 9.



November Captain's Trophy winners, Julianna Wahlgren and Joyce Baptiste.

18-HOLE WOMEN

By Nancy Keane

Another beautiful golf day here in the Villages paradise...a little cold this morning but that did not dampen the spirits of the lady golfers. A fun play day was organized for us today, and sweeps prizes were awarded to the players who scored best on the even holes.

A good luncheon was enjoyed by all, and Patti Bell, our co-captain, reminded us all of the coming events of interest. The Holiday tournament and holiday luncheon will take place on December 7. Make sure to sign up on the website for your lunch.

We are asking that you please donate \$25 or more to the Evergreen Nurses Fund. This money will be distributed to families in need in the Evergreen area, to help make their Holidays a bit happier. The checks can be made out to "Evergreen Nurses Fund" deposited in the box next to the flyer at the check-in table at the Holiday lunch. We thank you ahead of time for your generosity.

At the luncheon the new officers will be installed...this tournament is a fundraiser for Leyva Middle School.

Lots of ladies happily chipped in for birdies and chip in money...

Chip ins: Monica Saneholtz #7, Markey Olsen #2, Camille Giulioldibari #7, Jay Lee #18, Betty Sharps #17, Holly McGowan #4, Janelle Salvatierra #17, Carol Zeccheo #3, Donna Quartaro #11 and #17.

Birdies: Monica Saneholtz #4 and #7, Helen Varenkamp #16, Kathy Apgar #7, Holly McGowan #4, Cindy Fuller #2 and Donna Quartaro #18.

"Peace on Earth"

Annual Tennis Club Holiday Party

Sunday, December 3, 2023

Village Clubhouse 5:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.
Semi-formal
With music by DJ Norman from Ultimate Sounds

- Menu**
- Assorted Rolls & Butter • Spinach Salad
- Candied Walnuts. Sliced Pear Slivers & Cranberries
- Creamy Balsamic Vinaigrette & Raspberry Vinaigrette
- Entree • A Special Dessert • Includes Hosted Red & White Wine and No Host Bar

Entree Choices:

Grilled Pacific Salmon Lemon Grass Beurre Blanc - \$38.65
Rice Pilaf, Asparagus, Swiss Chard & Red Pepper

6 oz. Petite Filet Mignon with Cabernet Reduction - \$61.89
Au Gratin Potatoes. Asparagus, Swiss Chard & Red Pepper

Pasta Primavera - \$32.20
Marinara sauce & seasonal vegetables

Registration is also available from the Tennis Club website, villagestennis.vgcc.club
Deadline to register is Sunday, November 26!

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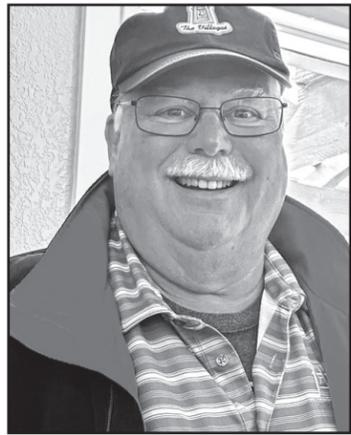
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MEN'S GOLF CLUB



By Doug Moore douglas.moore865@gmail.com, villagesgolfers.com



Rob Howe

We simply don't say thank you enough in this day age...So that being said, a special thank you to you, **Rob Howe (VGC Golf Course Committee Chair)** for being the voice of reason for all of the golf clubs at The Villages. You are very much appreciated Rob.

Upcoming events:

Holiday Tournament – December 9, 2023. Shamle – Four-Man Teams, Flighted. Coffee/Donuts.

HIOs for October (zilch)

Eagle Shooters for October! **Owen Lin** made super easy work of #16 on October 4. He yoked his tee shot eleventy-two thousand yards straight down the middle of the fairway, leaving

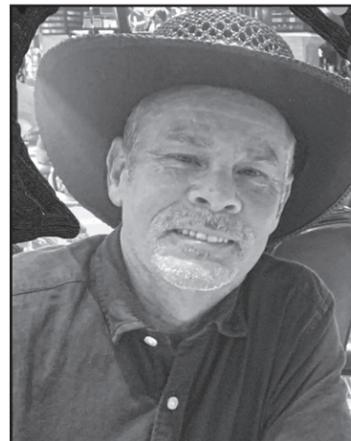
him a gap wedge into the green, and getting the ball to stop within 10" of the cup. Obviously he made the putt for an Eagle 3! Nice to see the subtle little tips I shared with you are really paying off. Congrats, Owen!



Owen Lin

Dave Gonzalez is at it once again! He loves #16. He Eagled #16 on August 27, and he followed it up 2 months later with a 3 on October 28. That is ridiculously cool, Dave. Keep it up!

Age Shooters for October—Yes it really happened! It was attested by Ken Peters (still, it really happened). **Nick Corsello**, on October 8, shot his age. He scored a 77 with four birdies and 7 pars. He absolutely went lights out. This picture was taken after his round and 4 shots from his bottle. Great round my friend, we couldn't be happier for you! I know he got cookies when he was done.



Dave Gonzalez

Yes, you have seen this handsome mug before! **Bob Dolci** shot a sizzling 72 on October 4th. And the way he plays you know he's gonna do it again real soon. Way to go, Bob!

No out of bounds or lost balls for **Larry Angel** in October. He shot his age multiple times in October (like he does every month). We don't have the dates at the time of this posting because the

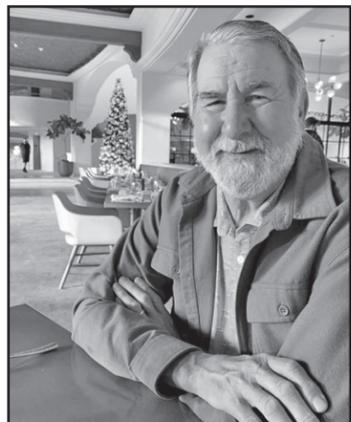


Nick Corsello

scorecards are being protected by the firm of PricewaterhouseCoopers. Once they have been released to the public you'll be the first to know.

Remember (Larry) 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.

New Members—Please welcome **Sukh Johal** of 8232 Claret Court and Chan Kim of 2042 Blanche Drive to the Men's 18 Hole Golf Club. Be sure to introduce yourself, and ask him to join you on the golf course when you can.



Bob Dolci

Executive Committee Meeting: Curious as to what

transpires at The Men's Golf Club Executive Committee meetings? You are cordially invited to sit in, participate and make a difference. If you have a point of view, an opinion or a concern that needs to be presented, we would love to hear from you.

We meet the first Tuesday of the month (except in July) at 8:30 a.m. in the Montgomery Center. The next meeting will be December 6, 2023. MGC Members are always welcomed and encouraged to attend.

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



Larry Angel

Men's 18 Hole Golf Club Holiday Tournament

When: Saturday, December 9, 2023

What: Shamle Tournament open to all Men's Club 18-hole members. This is a fun, non-postable golf tournament. **MGC Members only. No guest or spouses**

Format: Shamle, Foursomes, 2BB-Net

Signup: November 25 through December 7 – Sign up with the pro shop either as a team, or individually, and the pro shop will pair you with other players to form a team.

Handicaps: 100 percent of December 7 Handicap

Flights: Flighted, depending on the number of players

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

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

Cost: \$49 – This includes green fees and sweeps Coffee and Donuts from 7:15 to 8:30 a.m.

PICKLEBALL

By Anahid Gregg



Mario Galacia, Millie Crosby and Greg Brown

The SJ Planning Commission use permit requires we use "quiet" paddles and balls. This resulted in some members having non-compliant paddles and balls. We wanted to find a way to put the unsuitable equipment to good use, instead of just throwing them away.

The Villages Pickleball Club "adopted" Herbert Hoover Middle

School in San Jose after meeting Greg Brown, a very dedicated Phys Ed teacher. Teachers spend a significant amount of money on supplies, and Greg is no exception. But paddles and balls can be quite expensive.

After Greg mentioned the struggle to get equipment for his students, the Pickleball Club donation program was started! We accept any old (or non-compliant) paddles. Since we can only allow Onix 2 Pure balls on our courts, we accept all other balls as well.

So far we've donated over 25 paddles and 200 balls to the school. Greg, along with Millie Crosby and Mario Galacia, want to share their extreme gratitude to the Pickleball Club for our assistance. Do you have non-compliant paddles or balls to donate? Contact Anahid Gregg or pickleballvgcc@gmail.com—we've already started collecting again!

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FROM THE PRO



By Scott Steele, PGA Head Golf Professional
Winter Golf schedule

Mondays – Shotgun starts at noon – Range closed at 2 p.m.
 Tuesdays – Swingers Shotgun starts at 9 a.m. – Open Play 11:30 a.m. – Par-3 Course Shonis start at 10:30 a.m.
 Thursdays – Par-3 Course Ironmen start at 2 p.m. (starting in December)
 Fridays – Pinseekers 9-Hole Men start at 12 p.m.

The last tee time each day will be 4 p.m. – The Pro Shop will close at 4:30 p.m. daily (3 p.m. Mondays)

Winter Schedule Hours November 5, 2023 – February 2024

Thursday, November 23 – Thanksgiving Day Modified Holiday Schedule

Open Play Tee Times 7 a.m.-1 p.m. – Last tee Time available is 1 p.m.

Pro Shop and Driving Range - closed at 1 p.m.

Pro Shop Holiday Sale—From December 6 to 15 all merchandise in the Pro Shop will be on sale from 10 to 70 percent off! No lines, no long waits, no shipping fees...everything you want for the golfer in your life, right here at the Villages Pro Shop! Plenty of Villages logo merchandise for the non-golfers as well including hoodie sweatshirts, tee shirts and headwear in many styles.

All Holiday Sale Shoppers will qualify for the **Grand Prize** with the winner being chosen on the final day of the sale: **three free rounds of golf plus \$50 on your range card!**

2024-Annual-Golf-Calendar-of-Events—2024 promises to be another great year for golf at The Villages, and the annual golf course activity calendar on **The Villages Resident Portal** has been updated with the events for the new year. Please remember that this calendar is a living document, which is updated regularly.

Some highlights to the 2024 golf calendar include:

- Men's Club Member-Member May 3-5
- Women's 18-Hole Invitational June 19-21
- Men's Evergreen Invitational July 11-13

Winter Rules—From now until further notice we will be playing Winter Rules defined as 6-inch relief, through the green (includes the rough), no nearer the hole, pick-clean-and-plate, no penalty.

Interseeding Schedule continues—Throughout November, we are inter-seeding the fairways with Rye Grass. This practice will require additional irrigation to help the seed germinate. We do this to help create a uniform turf condition in our fairways and to fill in continual bare spots on the fairways.

Fairway Top-Dressing—We are top-dressing the fairways with a layer of sand and then the sand will be dragged in to help it settle into the top layer of the turf. This new practice will in the long term create a more porous top layer of turf to allow for better permeation of water, air and nutrients to the roots. This will ultimately boost the health and consistency of the fairway turf. A Gypsum application will follow top-dressing to aid in turf growth and seed germination.

Winter Weather & Daily Golf Course Conditions—Remember that at this time of year, weather becomes a daily factor and the resultant golf course conditions can affect play. Some things to be aware of are potential frost delays if it's cold, potential cart paths only status if conditions are wet and rainy, and in extreme weather or wind conditions course closure if a storm creates an unsafe atmosphere to play in (rare but not impossible). Please call the Maintenance Hotline at 408.223.4663 each day for an update on golf course conditions. And remember that the flag at the driving range will indicate the golf course status for the day: **Green Flag = Open for Play / Yellow Flag = Frost Delay / Red Flag = Carts on Paths**

Only / Black Flag = Golf & Practice Facilities Closed

Now available in the Pro Shop—Villages logo straw hats for men and women. Columbia Men's Apparel for Fall. Jamie Sadock women's golf fashion apparel. Titleist ProV1 Limited Edition Align golf balls with putting aid line in multiple colors. SanSoleil ladies golf long sleeve tops – 50+ SPF sun protection – fashion and functionality! Villages Logo Caps for men and women from Ahead headwear – the #1 headwear company in the golf industry. Villages Logo Golf Towels...four colors to choose from. Black Clover Live Lucky Golf Caps for men and women.

Tips from the Pro—Wedge bounce is the angle between the ground and the sole of the club when the club is held square at address.

The point of bounce is to prevent the leading edge of your club from digging into the ground. One of the biggest mistakes golfers make is that they hit the ball heavy with their wedges. Playing a club with enough bounce and using it properly can prevent this from happening. So how do you know what bounce to choose?

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From The Pro...

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Do you take a divot with your short irons? If your answer is yes, then you, more than likely, have a steep angle of attack and will be referred to as a **"digger."** If your answer is no, then you more than likely have a shallow angle of attack and will be referred to as a **"picker."** Once you have determined which classification you fall under, the rest is easy. Diggers will benefit from a wedge with more bounce and a wide sole. Pickers will benefit from a wedge with less bounce and a narrow sole. What happens if you are not sure which classification you fall under? If this is the case, there are some other factors that can help you make up your mind. If you tend to hit scull shots with your wedge off the fairway, chances are you need less bounce. More than likely, the trailing edge of the wedge is making contact with the ground and causing the leading edge to strike the ball at or above its equator. Less bounce and a narrow sole will also help you play from bunkers with coarse sand and a shallow base. If you tend to hit the ball fat and feel like you stick the club in the ground a lot chances are you need a higher bounce and a wider sole. A wedge with a higher bounce will also benefit you if you tend to play a wet course with a soft, spongy base. A higher bounce and wider sole widths will also allow you to get out of bunkers that have a fine fluffy texture to them. **Let us know if these tips help. To sign up for a lesson with me, email ss Steele@the-villages.com**

PINSEEKERS

By Jim White

Once again, the Pinseekers hit the 10th tee for our weekly "mini" tournament. Once again, only 12 men played. Come on gentlemen, we have 20 slots reserved for us every Friday. I fear that we may lose some of our tee times. I encourage all Pinseekers to invite Villager friends to join us for the low-key golf, friendly atmosphere, and a chance to get out into the beauty of our golf facilities.

The sun was bright, and the fairway dew had mostly evaporated. Our final group teed off at 12:33 and came off of the 18th green at 2:45 p.m. Not a bad way to spend a couple of hours with friends.

The final results, on the leader board, were: Choo Kim with a Net 34 grabbing first place; Jim White, carding a Net 36, found second place; in a tie for third place, Frank Garcia, Martin Hoek, and Chris Corpus at Net 37; in fourth place, Jerry Juracich with a Net 38. Congratulations to all of you and a special shout out to Jerry Juracich for making it too the leader board the first two weeks back in "competition" since his winter hibernation.

As winter is approaching, I encourage all of our members to get out and play. The long-term weather forecast is for another cluster of atmospheric rivers that will keep us wet and the grass green. Of course, that means we can look forward to a number of Fridays where the rules for the day may be "Cart Path Only" for our precious golf carts.

A reminder that we will have "No Sweeps" days on November 24 and December 29. We will still have our reserved tee times allowing us to play but now scorecards prepared by the Pro Shop, no sweeps points awarded.

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SCOREBOARD

BOCCE NEWS



Bocce Club members gathering for the membership meeting at Foothill Center.

By Barbara Orlando

On November 5, a record number of Bocce Club members came together to vote for new board of director nominees. Seven members, three incumbents and four nominees were elected for a two-year term starting in 2024. Congratulations to all seven, who will take on the important duties of being on the Bocce Club's Board of Directors.

A special thank you to all who helped in making the meeting successful. What a group of wonderful volunteers, the club is so fortunate to have members who step up and take on the tasks at hand.

Remember, reservations for the Holiday Party on Saturday, December 16, at Cribari Center starting at 5 p.m. begin today. This event will likely sell out, so make sure you call ASAP. Contact Barbara Orlando by email at orlmuh2@comcast.net or phone at 408-300-1230 to reserve your place. You will get confirmation by email. See poster in this issue for more information.

For those Villagers and members who haven't heard, our Court Manager Paul Andersen, passed away on October 27, 2023. Paul was on the board for over nine years and was an integral part of the Bocce Club. He will be missed by his family and many friends here in the Villages.

IRONMEN

By Bill Travis and Jerry Juracich

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

Thursday, November 9, 2023, started out cool, but then became sunny and warm. Another beautiful day for golf. Seventeen Ironmen played.

There was a two-way tie for **Third Place** between Doug Herring and Leighton Horio each with net 27s; There was also a two-way tie for **Second Place** between Arki Galicki and Sang Nam each with net 26s; and Walter Lucas won **First Place** with a net 25.

There were seven **Birdies**: one by Leighton Horio on hole 8; two by David Cook on holes 8 and 9; two by Doug Herring on holes 1 and 5; and two by Sang Nam on holes 4 and 8.

Doug Herring won **Closest to the Flag** on hole 1 at 14 feet, 11 inches.

Al Bruno won Low Gross with a 30.

Golfer of the Day honors went to Doug Herring with third place, two birdies, and closest to the flag. Way to go, Doug!

The Ironmen 9 hole, par 3 group would love to add new members. We are a very sociable group, and play basically pressure-free golf. And the first round is on us. Just call Jerry Juracich at 408-440-8283.

Deep Thoughts:

"In baseball you hit your home run over the right-field fence, the left-field fence, the center-field fence. Nobody cares. In golf everything has got to be right over second base." - Ken Harrelson, former major league baseball player and sports announcer

"If I can hit a curveball, why can't I hit a ball that is standing still on a course?" - Larry Nelson, professional golfer and winner of the US Open and the PGA Championship

WOMEN'S 9 HOLE

Tuesday, November 7

Front Nine (Net) Flight One

1. Wagle, Mary	32
2. Woolard, Renee	36
3. Moore, Debbie	36
4. Citrigno, Auralie	36

Flight Two

1. Kim, Suzy	34
2. Smith, Jane	36
3. Falarski, Judi	37
4. Ehrhardt, Jan	38

Back Nine (Net) Flight One

1. Shaw, Lolivic	36
2. Bailey, Leslie	37
3. Corsello, Carleen	37
4. Bundgard, Jo	39

Flight Two

1. Garcia, Betty	38
2. Short, Pam	39
3. Minami, Sumi	40
4. Zaccheo, Carol	40



18-HOLE WOMEN

Thursday, November 9, 2023

Even Holes Only

Flight One

Low Gross: Helen Varenkamp	41
Low Net:	
1. Pricilla Piper	35
2. Vicki Krattli	35

Flight Two

Low Gross: Marky Olsen	46
Low Net:	
1. Pam Schramm	33
2. Jay Lee	34
3. Cheryl Heusser	35
4. Karen Davidsen	35
5. Betty Sharps	35

Flight Three

Low Gross: Patti Bell	48
Low Net:	
1. Kathleen Kyne	34
2. Diane Doughty	34
3. Auralie Citrigno	35

2 Tees Flight

Low Gross: Bette Samdahl	51
Low Net:	
1. Mary Jo O'Neill	35
2. Kay Gray	38

2 Tees Flight 2

Low Gross: Alice Glazer	50
Low Net:	
1. Barbara Weisend	34
2. Sumi Minami	36

BRIDGE

Monday, November 6:

1. Louann Partridge - Guest
2. Jonna Robinson - Lorrie Scott
3. Tied: Alan and Maureen Waltho; Mary LeGrand - Hank Koransky; Jan Kiernan - Sumi Minami

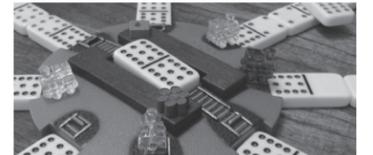
Wednesday, November 8:

1. Mary LeGrand - Jonna Robinson
2. Jan Kiernan - Sumi Minami
3. Ed Logg - Guest

Friday, November 10:

1. Mary LeGrand - Guest
2. Ed Logg - Jonna Robinson
3. Jan Kiernan - Sumi Minami

MEXICAN TRAIN DOMINOES



Wednesday, November 8

Eva Medeiros	256
Beverly Wharton	260
Aloma Lazetera	283
Sandra Gardiner	295

Friday, November 10

Sandra Gardiner	179
Beverly Wharton	215
Kitty Heston	261

SHONIS

Tuesday, November 7
All Nets

Flight One:

1. Joyce Baptiste	25
2. Tied - Gloria Lowry and Teddy Morse	28

Flight Two:

1. Julianna Wahlgren	21
2. Peggy White	27
3. Karen Rooney	28

Flight Three:

1. Sabrina Malcolmson	23
2. Fran Schumaker	24
3. Donna Erickson	27

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LANDSCAPE & MAINTENANCE

MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE

Cribari

5077-5089 and 5154-5209 and 5234-5249—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control in progress.
5250-5319 and 5384-5399—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control, 11/20-11/24.
Gutter cleaning scheduled for 11/20 -12/9.

Del Lago

3301-3315—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control, 12/18-12/22.
Dead/dying tree removals in progress at various locations.

Estates

8809-8875—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control in progress.
8876-8897—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control, 11/20-11/24.

Common Areas—Treatment for voles, moles, gophers and squirrels (Rozol Vole Bait, Talpirid, Gopher Coetter Type 2 Bait, Rodent Bait Diphacinone .005% and .01%), scheduled for 11/20.

Fairways

4001-4024—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control, 12/11-12/15.

Glen Arden

7698-7752 and 7753-7787 (odd)—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control, 11/27-12/1.

Heights

8480-8505—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control, 11/20-11/24.

Common Areas—Treatment for voles, moles, gophers and squirrels (Rozol Vole Bait, Talpirid, Gopher Coetter Type 2 Bait, Rodent Bait Diphacinone .005% and .01%), scheduled for 11/20.
8501—Sewer lateral repairs in planning.

Hermosa

8005-8032, 8100-8121 and lower Chardonay Lake area—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control, 11/20-11/24.

Dead/dying tree removals in progress at various locations.

Common Areas—Treatment for voles, moles, gophers and squirrels (Rozol Vole Bait, Talpirid, Gopher Coetter Type 2 Bait, Rodent Bait Diphacinone .005% and .01%), scheduled for 11/20.
8372—Deck repairs in planning.

Highland

7600-7660, 7711-7715 and 7880-7889—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control in progress.

7574-7598, 7661-7701 and Findhorn Ct.—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control, 11/20-11/24.
Dead/dying tree removals in progress at various locations.

Common Areas—Treatment for voles, moles, gophers and squirrels (Rozol Vole Bait, Talpirid, Gopher Coetter Type 2 Bait, Rodent Bait Diphacinone .005% and .01%), scheduled for 11/13.

Montgomery

6001-6068 and 6127-6136—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control in progress.

6079-6126, 6137-6183—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control, 11/20-11/24.

Dead/dying tree removals in progress at various locations throughout the district.

Annual Turf Aeration process throughout the district to begin the week of 11/13.

Turf fertilizer application throughout the district to begin the week of 11/13.

6043-6045 (Fire Incident)—Awaiting fpermits prior to scheduling repairs.

Olivas

8740-8752, 8769-8807 and Foothill Center—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control, 12/11-12/15.

Common Areas—Treatment for voles, moles, gophers and squirrels (Rozol Vole Bait, Talpirid, Gopher Coetter Type 2 Bait, Rodent Bait Diphacinone .005% and .01%), scheduled for 11/20.
8736—Interior repairs in progress.

Sonata

2000-2024 and 2032-2064—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control, 12/11-12/15.

2000, 2023, 2039, 2046, 2059, 2062, 2068, 2099—Pressure regulator replacement in progress.

Valle Vista

Parks and Banks—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control in progress.

9001-9014 and 9034-9036—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control, 12/11-12/15.

Common Areas—Treatment for voles, moles, gophers and squirrels (Rozol Vole Bait, Talpirid, Gopher Coetter Type 2 Bait, Rodent Bait Diphacinone .005% and .01%), scheduled for 11/13.

Verano

7001-7060 and 7395-7404—Landscape maintenance, hand and mechanical weed control, 12/11-12/15.

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, ongoing.

Shrub beds, cement cracks, random (Roundup Pro Max EPA-524-579), spot weed herbicide spray throughout the districts, ongoing.

Turf herbicide—broadleaf (Turflon Ester EPA #62719-566), spot weed herbicide spray throughout the districts, ongoing.

Annual Turf Aeration process in progress throughout all the districts.

Turf fertilizer application in progress throughout the districts.

Club Centers

Shrub beds, cement cracks, (Roundup Pro Max EPA-524-579), spot weed herbicide spray throughout Club Centers, ongoing.

Annual Turf Aeration process in progress throughout all Club properties.

Foothill and Cribari Pool and Spa—Remodeling project scheduled to start 11/20.

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

Maintenance Project Notice:

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

It's high time for safety inspections for your furnaces and fireplaces

Cold Weather Safety Tip: As the weather is changing, now is a great time to make sure your furnaces and fireplaces are ready to use. Furnaces should be safety inspected and filters changed before use. A qualified HVAC technician can do both.

Your fireplace and chimney should also be inspected. The area around both your furnace and fireplace should be free from lint, dust, debris and any paper.

This is also a good time to check that your smoke and carbon monoxide alarms are still in good shape and replace them at the proper time. These simple basic things will keep you safe and cozy in the cold months ahead.

Maintenance Services

Customer Service Line:

408-223-4670

Maintenance Emergencies and/or Advice

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

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



Report Irrigation Issues

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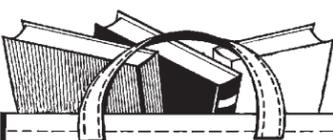
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The Villages Medical Auxiliary (VMA) has yellow/green reflective vests available, which are free to Villagers. The safety vests are stored at the VMA office in Cribari Center. Pick up your complementary vest at the VMA office during business hours 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Mondays through Thursdays.

One size fits all, one per household. Go get a vest!

Remember the EVF during the holiday season

As Thanksgiving and the holiday season approach, we take a moment to appreciate our blessings and express our gratitude. We're fortunate to reside in a supportive and caring community that's also stunning in its beauty. The Evergreen Villages Foundation (EVF) extends its heartfelt thanks for your ongoing contributions and support over the years. Your generosity has allowed us to strengthen our General Fund and help finance new and popular amenities as they get approved.



This year, our focus for the EVF Annual Giving Campaign is to bolster our General Fund, enabling us to efficiently fund projects. We're committed to continually conveying the value of the EVF to the Villages community. We kindly ask for your help in spreading the word to your friends and neighbors about how the EVF has significantly improved the quality of life here in The Villages.

If you wish to make a donation to our efforts, whether it's on Giving Tuesday or any other time, you can easily do so by visiting our website at evfsj.org. Additionally, don't forget about the Planned Giving Program, which offers you an opportunity to leave a lasting legacy in our wonderful community. Once again, we express our deep appreciation for your steadfast support of the EVF, and we look forward to a joyful and happy 2024.



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The 30-year fixed-rate mortgage fell to an average of 7.50% in the week ending November 9, down from 7.76% the week before, according to data from Freddie Mac. Call me for the name of a Village mortgage broker that can get you and even better rate than this.

A year ago, the average 30-year fixed-rate reached 7.08%, its highest level in 2022. We are still not as low as the interest rates were last year, but it sure is good to have mortgage rates go down instead of up.

The Village Sales activity update: 27 homes for sale and 7 pending sales. My last 3 listings are now pending. 3 out of the 7 pending sales are mine. I must be doing something right. With nearly the same number of listings as the weeks before, but way less than half as many pending sales, the market shows signs of slowing. Not a lot of homes going into contract this week. Let's hope the lower rates spur buyers into action. Slow markets are expected during the holidays.

Lisa's design corner. Ok, are you ready for this? Boho is the latest interior design trend being pushed by the designers. The style is a Bohemian/hippy look. Super bright colors and fabrics. Walls in deep, sometimes dark color with very colorful patterns. This might work for some, but I would think it would be very few. Once you paint a wall with a dark color, it takes a lot of primer and paint to return it to a lighter color. I think you would be better off using a dark wallpaper that comes off the wall easily. I prefer a removable wallpaper over the 3 coats of paint, but then that is just me.



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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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Nancy Chesterton presents a quilt to Ralph Lentz.



Greg Sargent receives his quilt from Bonnie Taylor.
Photos by Frank Langben



John Petrin gives a hug of gratitude to Lorainne Navone.

A Quilt of Valor is a handmade quilt awarded to a service member or veteran who has been touched by war. It is a gift of gratitude to the veteran for service and sacrifice to the nation. The national Quilts of Valor program has awarded over 350,000 quilts to veterans.

On Wednesday, November 8, The Villages Quilters' Club donated quilts to the following veterans: Ralph Lentz, Robert (Bob) Herbst, Dale Bailey, Greg Sargent and John Petrin. So far the Villages Quilters have donated a total of 15 quilts to Villages veterans.

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